

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
JULY 30, 2024

Board of Education
Mr. Michael Simpkins, President
Mrs. Branwen MacDonald
Ms. Amy Vele
Mrs. Jillian Villon
Mrs. Christina Washington

Central Office
Dr. David Mauricio, Superintendent
Ms. Cynthia Hawthorne, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Mr. Jamal Lewis, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services
Mr. Eudes Budhai Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education
Mrs. Carmery Mendez-Battle, District Clerk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Simpkins. at 4:05 p.m. in room 222 at Peekskill High School

A. Recording of Attendance

Allen Jenkins, Jr. and Eric Reveda were absent.

2. Proposed Executive Session Subject to Board Approval

A. Open Meeting

*(Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular contractor(s) and employment history of particular person(s) for the following positions: Pre-Kindergarten Teacher; Permanent Substitute Teachers; AIS Teacher; Music Teacher (0.6 FTE); Special Education Teacher; English Teacher; Per Diem Substitute Teachers; Certified/Classified Stipend Positions; Cleaner; 1:1 Teacher Aide; Resource Specialist Support Teacher Aide; Clerical Substitutes (Per Diem); and Partner Agency Workers. The Board will (or may) take action after the executive session. The public part of the meeting will open at approximately 5:00 p.m.)

B. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Meeting in order to enter to Executive Session

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Jillian Villon

Yes: Branwen MacDonald

No: _____ Abstained:_____

Michael Simpkins

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

C. Adjourn Executive Session – 5:28 p.m.

Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Amy Vele

Yes: Branwen MacDonald

No: _____ Abstained:_____

Michael Simpkins

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

3. Public Hearing:2024/2025 District Wide Safety Plan

The meeting was reconvened in Peekskill High School Auditorium – 5:28 p.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance
- [2024/2025 District Wide Safety Plan](#)
- Public Comment – There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

The Public Hearing concluded at 5:30 p.m.

4. Report of President/Superintendent

A. Superintendent's Report

- [Peekskill Pride](#)

5. Hearing of Citizens

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

6. Old Business

President Simpkins asked Amy Vele which Board Committees she would like to be a part of since she was absent at the meeting when it was discussed. She chose to sit in on the Board Policy Committee and Youth Bureau Liaison.

President Simpkins asked for a motion to include Amy's selection of Board Committees to the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Jillian Villon

Yes: Branwen MacDonald

No: _____ Abstained:_____

Michael Simpkins

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon
Christina Washington

7. New Business
8. Policy Readings
9. Accepting of Minutes
 - A. Reorganization and Business Meeting July 2, 2024
 - B. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the following minutes:
Reorganization and Business Meeting July 2, 2024

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Jillian Villon

Yes: Branwen MacDonald

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Michael Simpkins

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

10. Consent Agenda - Personnel

Certified:

I. Resignation:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty resignation(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Madeline Diamond
Position: Director of Multilingual Programs & World Languages
Location: Administration Building
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: August 2, 2024 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: August 2, 2024 (Anticipated)

2. Name: Alexandra Davila
Position: Social Studies Teacher
Location: Peekskill High School
Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: July 23, 2024 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: July 23, 2024 (Anticipated)

II. Termination:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty termination(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

III. Retirement:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty retirement(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

IV. Leave of Absence:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty non-paid leave of absence(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

V. Appointment:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty appointment(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Erin Garone**^
Position: Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
Certification: Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2), Initial
Location: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial
Uriah Hill Elementary School
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: August 27, 2028 (Anticipated)
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years
Salary: \$66,532 (BA+15, Step 3)
2. Name: Lauren Soffel
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
Certification: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial
Reissuance
Location: Oakside Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: \$175/Day. As worked, without benefits
3. Name: Jasymn Lucas
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
Certification: N/A - BA
Effective Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: \$140/Day. As worked, without benefits
4. Name: Roman Fiscella
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
Certification: N/A - BA
Location: Peekskill Middle School

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| Effective Start Date: | August 30, 2024 (Anticipated) |
| Effective End Date: | June 30, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Salary: | \$140/Day. As worked, without benefits |
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5. Name: Tara King
 Position: AIS Teacher
 Certification: Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1 - 6, Permanent

 Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
 Effective Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
 Effective End Date: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Salary: \$142,343 (MA+45, Step 15)

 6. Name: Lawrence Del Casale
 Position: Music Teacher (0.6 FTE)
 Certification: Music, Permanent
 Location: Peekskill High School
 Effective Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
 Effective End Date: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Salary: \$85,405

 7. Name: Brian Etchechury***^
 Position: Special Education Teacher
 Certification: Students with Disabilities, Generalist (Grade 7 -12) Professional

 Location: Peekskill Middle School
 Tenure Area: Special Education
 Probationary Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
 Probationary End Date: August 27, 2027 (Anticipated)
 Length of Tenure: Three (3) Years
 Salary: \$94,072 (MA, Step 9)

 8. Name: Sara Boeck Batista***^
 Position: English Teacher
 Certification: English Language Arts (Grades 7-12), Professional

 Location: Peekskill High School
 Tenure Area: English
 Probationary Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
 Probationary End Date: August 27, 2024 (Anticipated)
 Length of Tenure: Three (3) Years
 Salary: \$101, 845 (MA, Step 11)

 9. Name: Kirsten Kupetz^

Position:	Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Certification:	English to Speakers of Other Languages, Permanent
Location:	Hillcrest Elementary School
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$165 per day, as worked, no benefits
10. Name:	Juliette Zerello^
Position:	Permanent Substitute Teacher
Certification:	Social Studies (Grades 7-12), Initial
Location:	Hillcrest Elementary School
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$175 per day, as worked, no benefits
11. Name:	Justina Okogun
Position:	Per Diem Substitute
Certification:	N/A - BA
Location:	District Wide
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$140 per day, as worked, no benefits
12. Name:	Patricia Girolamo
Position:	Per Diem Substitute
Certification:	Special Education, Permanent Nursery, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6, Permanent
Location:	District Wide
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$165 per day, as worked, no benefits
13. Name:	Robert Zurita
Position:	Per Diem Substitute
Certification:	N/A - BA
Location:	District Wide
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$140 per day, as worked, no benefits
14. Name:	Shari Applebaum
Position:	Per Diem Substitute
Certification:	N/A - BA

Location:	District Wide
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$140 per day, as worked, no benefits
15. Name:	Doris Moljo
Position:	Per Diem Substitute
Certification:	Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6, Permanent
Location:	District Wide
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$165 per day, as worked, no benefits
16. Name:	Elle Lastihenos
Position:	Permanent Substitute
Certification:	Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2), Initial
Location:	Uriah Hill Elementary School
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$175 per day, as worked, no benefits
17. Name:	Yolanda Roman
Position:	Permanent Substitute
Certification:	Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Professional Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2), Professional Early Childhood Education
Location:	Woodside Elementary School
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$175 per day, as worked, no benefits
18. Name:	Cynthia Pucci
Position:	Permanent Substitute
Certification:	Early Childhood Education (Birth - 2), Initial
Location:	Woodside Elementary School
Effective Start Date:	August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary:	\$175 per day, as worked, no benefits
19. Name:	Brian Mishk

Position: Permanent Substitute
 Certification: Social Studies (Grades 7-12), Initial
 Location: Peekskill High School
 Effective Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
 Effective End Date: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

#	Employee:	Position / Program:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
20.	Gourdine, Kevin	High School Varsity Football - Assistant Coach	August 15, 2024 - November 15, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$6,494
21.	Lucero, Katherine	CCLC Summer Program - Counselor	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
22.	Lucero, Katherine	PCSD Summer School - Clinician	June 27, 2024 - June 28, 2024 August 26, 2024	\$60.00 per hour
23.	Lenin, Alonzo	Summer ARC Professional Development	June 27, 2024 - June 28, 2024 August 26, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$47.00 per hour
24.	Labru-Babu, Elena	Summer ARC Professional Development	June 27, 2024 - June 28, 2024 August 26, 2024 August 8, 2024 August 12, 2024 August 19, 2024 August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$47.00 per hour
25.	Diaz-Gonzalez, Jocelyn	Summer ARC Professional Development	June 27, 2024 - June 28, 2024 August 26, 2024 August 8, 2024 August 12, 2024 August 19, 2024 August 20, 2024	\$47.00 per hour

			(Anticipated)	
26.	Ruiz, Raquel	Summer ARC Professional Development	August 8, 2024 August 12, 2024 August 19, 2024 August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$47.00 per hour
27.	Alfano, Michael	PCSD Summer Enrichment Academy	Summer 2024	\$60.00 per hour
28.	Holliman, Nyrie	PTECH, Early College Program - Teaching Assistant	July 22, 2024 - July 25, 2024 July 29, 2024 - August 1, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$50.00 per hour
29.	Espinoza, Carolyne	Spanish - Spanish 1 Curriculum Hours	July 1, 2024 through August 26, 2024 (Times TBD; Not to exceed 15 hours)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
30.	Espinoza, Carolyne	Spanish -Latino USA Curriculum Hours	July 1, 2024 through August 26, 2024 (Times TBD; Not to exceed 15 hours)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
31.	Brumleve, Derek	Living Environment (NYSSLS) Curriculum Hours	July 1, 2024 through August 26, 2024 (Times TBD; Not to exceed 15 hours)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
32.	Diego, Rendon	Peekskill Middle School ENL Stand Alone Curriculum Development	July 12, 2024 July 26, 2024 July 30, 2024 July 31, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$376.00

33.	Martinez, Ashley	Peekskill Middle School ENL Stand Alone Curriculum Development	July 12, 2024 July 26, 2024 July 30, 2024 July 31, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$376.00
34.	Sasaguay, Maryellen	Peekskill Middle School ENL Stand Alone Curriculum Development	July 12, 2024 July 26, 2024 July 30, 2024 July 31, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$376.00
35.	Chavarria, Denise	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
36.	Larkin, Keren	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
37.	Salvatorelli, Pat	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
38.	Lobo, Christina	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

39.	McKay, Margaret	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
40.	Burke, Jenna	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
41.	Guzman, Milagros	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
42.	Bolden, Melvin	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
43.	Thomas Lopez, Leiny	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
44.	Schultz, Tricia	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

45.	Coster, Paul	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Counselor	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
46.	Suarez Mesa, Diana	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Counselor	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
47.	Giha, Lucrecia	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teaching Assistant	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
48.	Ferguson, Desiree	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teaching Assistant	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
49.	Wallace, Vincent	Peekskill Middle School Jumpstart Orientation - Teacher	August 20, 2024 - August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
50.	Mishk, Brian	August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2024 - August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

51.	Andujar, Mark	August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2024 - August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
52.	Rodriguez, Ralph	August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2024 - August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
53.	Donabie, Alana	August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2024 - August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
54.	Donabie, Alana	August Regents Prep - Social Studies	August 14, 2024 - August 15, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
55.	Peterson, Sara	August Regents Prep - Mathematics	August 19, 2024 - August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
56.	Cray, Katherine	August Regents Prep - English	August 19, 2024 - August 20, 2024 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
57.	Echeverria, Jaclyn	Summer Elementary	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in

		Curriculum Writing - Uriah Hill		accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
58.	Molle, Melissa	Summer Elementary Curriculum Writing - Uriah Hill	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
59.	Campos, Yolanda	Summer Elementary Curriculum Writing - Uriah Hill	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
60.	Sullivan, Kelsey	Summer Elementary Curriculum Writing - Uriah Hill	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
61.	Seder, Geri	Summer Elementary Curriculum Writing - Uriah Hill	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
62.	Stratigaes, Maria	Summer Elementary Curriculum Writing - Uriah Hill	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
63.	Fernandez, Jose	LEAP Summer Planning - Peekskill Middle School	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty

				Association (PFA) Contract.
64.	Chavarria, Denise	LEAP Summer Planning - Peekskill Middle School	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
65.	Fervan, Nicole	LEAP Summer Planning - Peekskill Middle School	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

VI. Correction:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty correction(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Andre Lee
Position: Equipment Manager (Fall)
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective Dates: August 15, 2024 - November 15, 2024 (Anticipated)
Action: Correcting stipend amount
Stipend: \$3,086

Classified:

I. Resignation:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff resignation(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

II. Termination:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff termination(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

III. Retirement:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff retirement(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Carmen Freed
Position: Data Analyst
Location: Administration Building
Action: Retirement from Peekskill City School District

Effective Date: October 29, 2024 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: October 28, 2024 (Anticipated)

2. Name: Nancy DeChent
Position: Office Assistant
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Action: Retirement from Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: August 23, 2024 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: August 24, 2024 (Anticipated)

IV. Leave of Absence:

- A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff non-paid leave of absence(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

V. Appointment:

- A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff appointment(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Brandon Speights
Position: Cleaner
Location: Hillcrest Elementary School (50%) and Peekskill High School (50%)
Probationary Start Date: July 31, 2024 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: July 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: \$40,017.00 (Prorated)
2. Name: Nicholas Bleakley
Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide
Location: Oakside Elementary School
Probationary Start Date: August 28, 2024 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: \$20,601.36 (Prorated)
3. Name: Maria Rivera-Martinez
Position: Resource Specialist Support Teacher Aide
Location: Family Resource Center
Dates Effective: July 1, 2024 through August 27, 2024, each Monday through Friday from 8 AM-3 PM and September 2, 2024 through September 15, 2024, each Monday through Friday from 3:30 PM-5:30 PM. (Not to exceed a total of seventy (70) hours total during the timeframe provided).
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Teacher Aides'

Organization (PTAO) Contract. (ARP / McKinney Vento Grant Funded.)

4. Name: Nancy Brovanski
Position: Clerical Substitute (Per Diem)
Status: Part-Time Availability (PTA)
Dates Effective: August 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025
Salary: \$21.00/hour*. As worked, without benefits.
Not to exceed 4 days/week (without District Administrator approval).

**Unless pre-approved to work in a long-term District assignment.*

5. Name: Diane Eckhart
Position: Clerical Substitute (Per Diem)
Status: Part-Time Availability (PTA)
Dates Effective: August 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025
Salary: \$21.00/hour*. As worked, without benefits.
Not to exceed 4 days/week (without District Administrator approval).

**Unless pre-approved to work in a long-term District assignment.*

VI. Correction:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff correction(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

#	Employee:	Position / Program:	Action:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
1.	Duryea, Daniel	Pre-Kindergarten Special Education Program (ESY) - Teacher Aide	Correct Hourly Rate	July 1, 2024 through August 12, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$17.04/Hour
2.	Ferguson, Madeline	Pre-Kindergarten Special Education Program (ESY) - Teacher Aide	Correct Hourly Rate	July 1, 2024 through August 12, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$17.04/Hour
3.	Link, Elizabeth	Pre-Kindergarten Special Education	Correct Hourly Rate	July 1, 2024 through August 12,	\$17.04/Hour

		Program (ESY) - Teacher Aide		2024 (Anticipated)	
4.	Melendez, Francisca	Pre-Kindergarten Special Education Program (ESY) - Teacher Aide	Correct Hourly Rate	July 1, 2024 through August 12, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$17.04/Hour
5.	Riera Rodriguez, Gabriela	Pre-Kindergarten Special Education Program (ESY) - Teacher Aide	Correct Hourly Rate	July 1, 2024 through August 12, 2024 (Anticipated)	\$18.10/Hour
6.	Henderson, Winter	Teaching Assistant - Youth Bureau Summer Program	Correct Position	Summer 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Organization (PFA) Contract. (ARP Grant Funded 1%.)
7.	Robinson, Shawna	PKMS Jump Start Orientation - Security Aide	Rescind Appointment	August 21, 22, and 23, 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Schools Security Aides' Association (PSSAA) Contract.
8.	Gillison, Ricky	Uriah Hill Jump Start Orientation - Security Aide	Rescind Appointment	August 21, 2024	Terms of employment are in

					accordance with the Peekskill Schools Security Aides' Association (PSSAA) Contract.
9.	Gillison, Ricky	PKMS Jump Start Orientation - Security Aide	Correct Appointment	August 21, 22, and 23, 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Schools Security Aides' Association (PSSAA) Contract.
10.	Robinson, Shawna	Uriah Hill Jump Start Orientation - Security Aide	Correct Appointment	August 21, 2024	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Schools Security Aides' Association (PSSAA) Contract.

Student Teachers, Volunteers, Interns:

I. Appointment

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following appointment(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

#	Name of Partner Agency Worker:	Location:	Organization / Program:	Effective Dates:
1.	Alissa Luciano	Peekskill Middle School - Individual Therapy,	Andrus Health and Wellness Center -	September 3, 2024 (Anticipated) -

		Family Therapy, Collateral	Peekskill	Mondays and Wednesdays
2.	Celia Megias	Peekskill High School - Crime Victim Advocacy	Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS)	September 3, 2024 (Anticipated) - Tuesdays
3.	Alvaro Quevedo	Peekskill High School - Crime Victim Advocacy and Support Services	Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS)	September 3, 2024 (Anticipated) - Thursdays

Using an asterisk (*) at the end of the individual appointment resolutions with the following quoted language as a legend at the end of the personnel resolutions or as a legend below the consent agenda:

*For Volunteers- As per Volunteer Board Policy 4532 - the following volunteers are approved for 10 or less events for current school year

** The appointment resolutions for classroom teachers (or building principal) are conditioned upon meeting the requirement of the current tenure laws and pursuant to the provisions of Regents Rule§30-1.3. Accordingly, to be eligible for tenure consideration the probationer must have at least three years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings pursuant to §3012-c and/or §3012-d of the Education Law during the four-year period under review and may not receive an ineffective rating during the last year of probation.

*** For classroom teachers with prior tenure as a teacher (or administrators appointed after June 30, 2020) with prior tenure as a teacher or administrator in a New York public school district or BOCES, the probationary term will be three years if there is proof of prior tenure and an APPR rating during the final year of service in the previous school district or BOCES.

**** Classroom Teachers with two years of Jarema Act Credit in this school district shall serve a two-year probationary term if during the two years of Jarema Act service they received APPR ratings pursuant to §§3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law. Where the probationary term is shortened, to be eligible for tenure conferral, the probationer must have at least three effective and/or highly effective APPR ratings and the APPR rating in the final year of probation may not be an ineffective rating.

^ Appointment is contingent upon successful completion of the onboarding process and contingent upon obtaining required certification by the start date.

11. Consent Agenda - Special Services

A. Amended Contract - Inner Being, LLC

That the Board of Education approve the amended contract with Inner Being, LLC that was approved on October 17, 2023, to increase the contract amount by \$200. Not to exceed \$3000.

B. Contract - Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc.

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc. commencing July 1, 2024, June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$900,000.

C. Contract - Roy Escobar/Saturday Academy

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Roy Escobar/Saturday Academy, commencing September 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed seven (7) instances at \$250 per event totaling \$1,750.

D. Contract - Family Services of Westchester

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Family Services of Westchester, commencing September 1, 2024 - June 27, 2025. The School District has been allotted \$80,000 to place approximately 16 special education students for Pre-Kindergarten special education program with the Contractor.

E. Contract - Mt. Pleasant Cottage Union Free School District

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Mt. Pleasant Cottage Union Free School District, commencing July 1, 2024, - June 30, 2025.

2024/2025 School Age Special Act Interim Tuition Rate:

2 Mo Rate: \$11,889

10 Mo Rate: \$72,523

2024/2025 Weighted Average Per Diem 1:1 Teacher Aide:

July and August: \$2,561.10 (15 Days per Month)

September - June: \$3,073.32 (Monthly)

\$170.74 Daily Rate

F. Contract - Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) Scopes Program

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) Scopes Program, commencing July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$52,000.

G. Contract - Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) Joe Torre Program (Margaret's Place)

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) Joe Torre Program (Margaret's Place), commencing July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. \$0 cost to the District.

H. Contract - Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) Building Better Beginnings

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) Building Better Beginnings, commencing July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. \$0 cost to the District.

12. Consent Agenda - Business/Finance

A. Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the Month of June 2024

That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of June 2024.

B. Budget Appropriation Transfers - 2023/2024 School Year and July 2024

That the Board of Education approves the Budget Appropriation Transfers for 2023/2024 school year and July 2024.

C. Extraclassroom Activities - June 2024

That the Board of Education, accept the June 2024 financial statements for the Peekskill High School and Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Accounts.

D. Contract - Roy Escobar (DJ Esco)/Athletic Events

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Roy Escobar (DJ Esco)/Athletic Events, commencing on or about August 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$7,500 (\$125 per Athletics Game/Contest/Event; \$175 Baseball and Softball Games; \$200 per Tackle Football Game and Track and Field Contests).

E. Contract - Roy Escobar (DJ Esco)//Uriah Hill Events

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Roy Escobar (DJ Esco)//Uriah Hill Events, commencing on or about July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$750 (\$250 per event).

F. Contract - Edward Peterson (DJ Pete)/Athletic Events

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Edward Peterson (DJ Pete)/Athletic Events, commencing on or about August 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$8,000 (\$125 per Athletics Game/Contest/Event; \$200 per Tackle Football Game).

G. Contract - Edward Peterson (DJ Pete)/PHS Events

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Edward Peterson (DJ Pete)/PHS Events, commencing on or about September 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$2,000 (\$50 per hour).

H. Contract - Edu Tek, LTD

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Edu TeK, for Onsite Information Technology (IT) Services, commencing July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025.
Item:

On Site for 12-months

TIPS Contract Pricing 5% off List Price (See Additional Services Matrix for List Pricing)

Proposed Fee:

\$ 38,500.00 Total/Month

\$ 462,000.00 Total/Year (annualized)

Item: Hourly Fee for Additional Services (Per Hour):

Proposed Fee:

See Pricing Matrix

I. Contract - NY Presbyterian Medical Group-HV 24/25

That the Board of Education approve the contract with NY Presbyterian Medical Group/Hudson Valley, commencing July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$34,000.

J. Contract - SWBOCES/Multifunctional Device

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District (hereafter referred to as the "District") desires to enter into a five (5) year service contract with the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services (hereafter referred to as "SWBOCES") pursuant to Education Law 1950(4)(jj), in order for the Lower Hudson Regional Information Center ("LHRIC") to furnish certain services to the District including, not limited to, network printing services in Co-Ser 6360 and/or Co-Ser 7710,

NOW THEREFORE, it is RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the District agrees to a multi-year contract with SWBOCES for the provision of said services to the District at a cost not to exceed over the term of the agreement \$513,497.40 plus yearly RIC support fees during the term of this contract. This amount may be amended with the approval of both parties. Payments will be made as part of the regular annual BOCES Contract for Services.

The Superintendent of Schools or designee is hereby authorized to approve the final terms of the contract and to execute on behalf of the District all documents necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

K. Contract - WestCOP Aunt Bessie's Open Door

That the Board of Education approve the contract with WestCOP Aunt Bessie's Open Door for the 2024/2025 school year for approximately 5 students at \$6,500 per student.

L. Contract - Woodside Productions Meeting

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Woodside Production, commencing July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Not to exceed \$6,750 (\$75 Hourly).

13. Other Agenda Items

A. District Comprehensive Improvement Plan

Whereas, the New York State Education Department requires the Peekskill City School District to complete a District Comprehensive Improvement Plan (DCIP) each school year; and

Whereas, the DCIP primarily serves as the aligned implementation plan for the Peekskill Promise"; and

Whereas, the district has meaningfully consulted with various stakeholders during the school year to develop the DCIP (Commissioner's Regulations § 100.11); and
Therefore be it Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 District Comprehensive Improvement Plan.

B. Revised BOE Meeting Dates

That the Board of Education approve the revised following BOE meeting dates:

September 3 should be September 10

September 17 should be September 24

October 22 should be October 29

Add the following dates:

July 29, 2025

August 26, 2025

C. Overnight Field Trip - PHS to Maryland and Virginia

That the Board of Education approve the overnight field trip for 45 PHS students traveling to Maryland and Virginia to visit three potential colleges and two historical sites, leaving September 25, 2024 - September 27, 2024.

D. Donation - Hope for Youth Foundation

That the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent for Business that, in accordance with Education Law 1718(2), to accept from Hope for Youth Foundation a donation of 280 book-bags (estimated value \$8,400) filled with school supplies.

E. Board of Education Representation on Committees

2. That the Board of Education approve the following for the 2024/2025 school year:

COMMITTEE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES:

Board Policy – Amy Vele

Youth Bureau Liaison – Amy Vele

14. Approving Consent Agenda

A. Approving Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items

10.A. - 13.E.

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Amy Vele

Yes: Branwen MacDonald

No: _____ Abstained: _____

Michael Simpkins

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

15. Committee Reports/Board Reflections

President Simpkins commented Senator Harkham has opened an office in Peekskill and thanked him for supporting our district and those in NY State.

16. Executive Session – 5:59 p.m.

A. Executive Session

Motion to move to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Motion: Jillian Villon

Second: Amy Vele

Yes: Branwen MacDonald
Michael Simpkins
Amy Vele
Jillian Villon
Christina Washington

No: _____

Abstained:_____

- B. Adjourn Executive Session – 6:30 p.m.
Motion to move to Public Session

Motion: Amy Vele
Yes: Branwen MacDonald
Michael Simpkins
Amy Vele
Jillian Villon
Christina Washington

Second: Jillian Villon

No: _____

Abstained:_____

17. Adjournment

- A. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Simpkins asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Amy Vele
Yes: Branwen MacDonald
Michael Simpkins
Amy Vele
Jillian Villon
Christina Washington

Second: Jillian Villon

No: _____

Abstained:_____

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Carmery Mendez-Battle
District Clerk

Minutes taken by Debra McLeod
Deputy District Clerk