

**VICTOR CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2020
Early Childhood School Boardroom
953 High Street
Victor, New York 14564**

- CALL TO ORDER** President Deborah Palumbo-Sanders called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.
- Members Present** Karen Ballard, Tim DeLucia, Chris Eckhardt, Kristin Elliott, Christopher Parks, Debbie Palumbo-Sanders, Mike Vistocco,
- EXECUTIVE SESSION** A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by K. Elliott, to enter executive session at 5:35 PM to discuss the employment history of specific individuals. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no
- Recess was taken from 6:33 PM – 6:39 PM
- REGULAR SESSION** A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by K. Elliott, to return to regular session at 7:14 PM. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no
- APPROVE REVISED AGENDA** A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by M. Vistocco, to approve the agenda for the meeting. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no
- RECOGNITIONS** None at this time.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** Baylee Smith, a student, talked about her disappointment that the French Exchange Trip is being cancelled and the concern about not receiving any of the money back they paid for the trip. She is hoping the trip will be rescheduled in the fall. She said she was disappointed the students were not included in the decision making.
- CONSENT ITEMS**
A motion was made by T. DeLucia, seconded by C. Eckhardt to approve, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the following consent items:
- MINUTES** Minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2020 and the special meetings of February 10, 2020 and March 5, 2020;
- FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Treasurer’s Report for the month ending January 31, 2020 and other financial related documents;
- PERSONNEL** The following personnel items:
All appointments on these pages are made in compliance with New York State Education Law relating to criminal history background clearances for new employees. Conditional clearances under that law have been requested for all new employees.

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Instructional

Leaves of Absence: The granting of an extension of childcare leave of absence for **Jennifer Geartz**, Elementary Teacher, effective July 1, 2020, and extending to June 30, 2021.

The granting of an extension of childcare leave of absence for **Katie Roto**, Mathematics Teacher, effective July 1, 2020, and extending to June 30, 2021.

The granting of an extension of childcare leave of absence for **Candice Kirchhoff**, Elementary Teacher, effective July 1, 2020, and extending to February 21, 2021.

The granting of a maternity leave and subsequent childcare leave of absence for **Kelly McLaughlin**, Special Education Teacher, effective approximately April 8, 2020, and extending to November 12, 2020.

The granting of an unpaid discretionary leave of absence for **Jennifer Martusewicz**, Elementary Teacher, effective September 1, 2020, and extending to June 30, 2021.

Appointments: The extended appointment of **Sheila McCarthy**, to a per diem position as an interim Director of Special Education, effective February 25, 2020, at a daily rate of \$575.

The appointment of **Gail Kass-Smith**, to a per diem position as a School Psychologist, effective February 25, 2020, at a daily rate of \$340.

The temporary appointment of **Megan Steger** (currently on an unpaid Leave of Absence), to a per diem Elementary assignment, effective March 18, 2020.

Athletics:	<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Years</u>
Tennis – Boys	Head Varsity	Andrea Tait	3	1
	Modified A	Chris Stock	6	1
	Volunteer	Barnum, Krystina	-	-
Softball	JV	Amanda Morehouse	5	9
	Modified B	Tim DiSanto	6	13
Baseball	Volunteer	Joe Mauro	-	-
	Volunteer	Joe Simmons	-	-
	Volunteer	Benjamin Lanning	-	-
Lacrosse – Boys	Volunteer	Anthony Pezzimenti	-	-
	Volunteer	Bill Kirnie	-	-
Lacrosse – Girls	Varsity Assistant	Emily Dietz	5	8
	Volunteer	Casey Randall	-	-
	Volunteer	Hannah Savage	-	-

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	Volunteer	Lauren Frye	-	-
	Volunteer	Erin Hussey	-	-
Track – Boys	Head Varsity	Ross Hunkovic	2	10

Co-Curricular:	<u>Music</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Group</u>
	Marching Band Director	Mark Gowman	5

Per Diem Substitutes:	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Area of Certification</u>
	Stephen O’Riley	Social Studies/Special Education
	Nancy Burt-Preece	Music
	Michaela Borg	Art
	Kelly DiPietro	ELL/English/Elementary

Non-Instructional

Appointments: The appointment of **Ruth Klein**, School Bus Monitor, effective March 11, 2020, at an hourly rate of \$11.80.

Resignations: The resignation of **Nicole Snyder**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective February 28, 2020.

The resignation of **John Ellersick**, Working Supervisor, effective February 28, 2020.

The resignation of **Antonietta Mihalitsas**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective March 6, 2020.

The resignation of **Gretchen Rivera**, Cleaner, effective March 25, 2020.

Per Diem and Substitute Positions:	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Position</u>
	Jason Swarts	Cleaner
	Matthew Tellstone	Teacher Aide
	Sarah Ricci	Teacher Aide
	Hollie Joseph	School Bus Driver
	Tonya Burns	Cleaner
	Michelle Victorella	Teacher Aide
	Adriana Rudy	Teacher Aide
	Jean Miller	School Bus Monitor/School Bus Driver Trainee
	Peter Grant	Teacher Aide
	Brenda Allen	Teacher Aide

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**CSE/CPSE
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings of January 8, 24, 30, 31, 2020, February 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20, 27, 2020 and March 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 2020 and from the Committee on Preschool Special Education from the meeting of February 11, 27, 2020 and March 3, 2020;

**BOARD MEMBER
COMMITTEE
MEETINGS**

Board members to attend standing committee meetings;

SURPLUS

The following are declared as surplus:

- Smartboard Model SB680-R2 with VCS Tag #s 010508, 010547;
- Smartboard Model SB680-M2 with VCS Tag # 014334;
- Epson Scanner Perfection 4990 Photo with VCS Tag # 04353;

DONATIONS

The following donations:

- Classroom materials valued at \$238.99 for a project called “Building A Community” to LeeAnn Shattuck’s First Grade Classroom from DonorsChoose.org;
- \$810 from the Victor Baseball Booster Club to be applied towards the purchase of additional uniforms for the Victor Interscholastic Athletic Baseball Modified B Program;
- \$500.00 from PTSA to the Junior High School to support the SOAR Program;
- \$95.00 from PTSA Square 1 Art to the Victor Central School District to support the Universal Pre-K Program;
- \$3,178.45 from PTSA Square 1 Art to the Victor Central School District Art Department;

Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders publically thanked those from the community who donated to the District.

**ANNUAL
PROFESSIONAL
PERFORMANCE
REVIEW (APPR)
PRINCIPAL LEAD
EVALUATOR
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Timothy Terranova is hereby certified as a Qualified Lead Evaluator of Principals having successfully completed the training requirements prescribed in 8 NYCRR§30-2.9(b), including:

- 1) The New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators/the Leadership Standards and their related functions;
- 2) Evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research;
- 3) Application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in 8 NYCRR§30-2.2;
- 4) Application and use of the State-approved Principals rubric selected by the Victor Central School District for use in the evaluation of Principals,

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including training on the effective application of such rubric to observe a Principal's practice;

- 5) Application and use of the assessment tools that the Victor Central School District utilizes to evaluate its Principals, including but not limited to evidence-based observation, evidence-based observation, evidence-based school visits, artifact collection and review and professional goals;
- 6) Application and use of the State-approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the Victor Central School District to evaluate its Principals;
- 7) The scoring methodology utilized by the Department and the Victor Central School District to evaluate Principals under 8 NYCCR Subpart 30-2, including
 - a) How scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score of Principals, and
 - b) Application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the six designated rating categories used for the overall rating of Principals and their subcomponent ratings;
- 8) Specific considerations in evaluating Principals of English language learners and students with disabilities; and
- 9) The Superintendent of Schools has received the aforementioned training.

**EMERGENCY BUS
PURCHASE
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2020, Victor Central School District buses 267 and 286 were subject to a spontaneous fire in the bus yard causing damage to both District owned vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Utica National Insurance, the School District's insurance carrier, has determined the bus to be a total loss; and

WHEREAS, the insurance carrier has determined the replacement value of the buses to be \$141,316 and \$142,528 respectively; and

WHEREAS, the buses must be replaced immediately so that the District may continue to provide required transportation services to its students; and

WHEREAS, Education Law section §1709(25) permits the District to purchase a replacement bus without voter approval

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Pursuant to Education Law §1718(2), the Board of Education hereby accepts the insurance proceeds from Utica National and appropriates such money for the use of purchasing two buses as set forth herein.
2. The Board of Education hereby determines that, due to the loss of the bus, the immediate and emergency replacement of the bus is required.
3. The Board of Education authorizes the purchase of two new buses, subject to requirements in the General Municipal Law, at a total

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aggregate cost not to exceed \$283,844 pursuant to New York State Contract.

4. The Board of Education authorizes the expenditure of not more than \$3,000 from the General Fund, in addition to the insurance proceeds received in the amount of \$283,844 for the purchase of the new school buses.
5. The Superintendent of Schools and Director of Transportation are authorized to execute the necessary forms for the purchase of the new school buses and file any necessary and proper paperwork with the State Education Department to insure State Aid is received.
6. The resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT

Victor Central School District Internal Control Risk Assessment Report dated December 20, 2019 as submitted.

Mr. Eckhardt thanked the entire staff, the Business Office and District Treasurer Lynne Lubaszewski for the terrific report. He said the report was shared at an Audit Committee meeting and he gives tremendous credit to the entire District as the report touched every part of the District. There were benign findings.

Dr. Parks said before moving on he wanted to understand the District wants to rescind the field trips, however not preclude them from being rescheduled. Dr. Terranova said that is correct.

The motion to accept the foregoing consent items was carried.
7 yes 0 no (*end of consent items*)

CAMPUS NEWS

Dr. Terranova talked about his travels around campus over the past month. He highlighted the Mary Poppins musical performance. He said the show was unbelievable and felt like a New York City production. Athletics are going strong. Overall the teams did an incredible job and the way the athletes behaved and acted showed the community that they handle themselves in some tough situations, win or lose. Dr. Terranova said he is so impressed by the welcoming environment in the schools. The way the adults work with each other and work with kids is inviting. Lastly, he thanked Baylee Smith for getting up and speaking in public today regarding her feelings of rescinding the field trip. Speaking in public is not easy. Dr. Terranova said he felt rescinding the trips was the best decision based on the safety of the students. He said she made a great point in terms of postponing instead of cancelling. He said in the future he would get student input on decisions like this.

VCS administrators summarized campus news and events at this time.

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JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL MENTOR IN ME PROGRAM

Junior High School Principal Dave Thering and Special Education Teacher Chuck Loray presented the Mentor in Me Program. The Primary School started this program a few years back and then the Intermediate School inherited it. The Junior High School has now adapted it to their needs. The process starts with a google form that any teacher within the Junior High School can fill out. This is generally for a student who needs a little more connection or engagement in school. Students are paired with a positive adult influence, someone who can be an advisor, a listener and a problem solver. Pairings are made thoughtfully through a group decision in Pupil Personnel Service meetings. Student's needs, interests and the purpose of the referral to the program are considered. Currently there are 24 mentor pairings. Students meet with mentors during free periods, lunch or activity period. Some activities have included playing basketball after school, making and/or decorating holiday cookies, playing video games, board games or card games as well as doing manicures. The program has become highly successful and assists with student and teacher communication and connectedness. The larger connection is to bridge students to other clubs. This program has also been used as an intervention with positive results. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders asked how the students are designated. Mr. Loray said there is a google form that is available to all teachers in the building. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders asked if they take recommendations for students as they move up from the Intermediate School. Mr. Loray said not at this time, however that is something to consider. Dr. Parks asked if this could potentially tie into the Young Men's and Young Women's Leadership Groups as students move up. Mr. Loray said those leadership groups are different, however he loves the idea.

ANNUAL RESERVE AND FINANCIAL PLAN

A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by C. Eckhardt, to adopt the Annual Reserve and Financial Plan. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no.

2020-2021 BUDGET SUMMARY

Superintendent Terranova, Assistant Superintendent for Business Jay Schickling and Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Jim Haugh provided a budget update. Dr. Terranova thanked everyone for attending the meeting as he knows it's a commitment. For the past 15 years or more Victor has grown significantly in student population. The State Foundation Aid formula was frozen, which has helped to develop a significant gap for next year. The objective for the meeting is to establish parameters for a budget proposal. The objective for the budget is to sustain current staffing and programs, add in critically deficient and/or mandated areas, stabilize reserve balances, and operate as efficiently as possible.

When taking about expenditures the District needs to maximize personnel efficiencies. Regardless of the budget scenario, the following reductions and

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efficiencies will be sought. In the fall Interim Superintendent Ford talked about a two-year phase out of the International Baccalaureate Program due to low interest and increased participation in Advanced Placement courses. The elementary Foreign Language Program will be eliminated due to changes in required programs and increased English Language Learner needs. The District will capture attrition in support staff due to changing Individualized Education Plan (IEP) related services. There will be continued staff migration to consumer driven High Deductible Health Care Plans (HDHP). Mr. Schickling said regardless of the budget scenario in terms of finding efficiency in operation, the District does and will continue to utilize co-op purchasing. The District will evaluate proposals for contractual service renewals to secure best pricing, have reduced energy costs as a result of the Energy Performance Project completed in 2019 and building controls and centrally manage network print services. Mr. Schickling said as a reminder the Victor Central School District had the lowest per pupil expense in New York State in 2017-2019, recognized by Buffalo's Business First. Victor was also named the most cost effective District. He then went over the tax rate history of the District along with tax rate comparison using Ontario County, Wayne County and Monroe County averages. He said there are two components that lead to reduced property tax rate and that is massive growth and the District realizing efficiencies. At one point, in 2004 the tax rate was a high of \$21.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value and currently we are at \$15.90 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Any of the given proposals the Board is considering would bring the rate to somewhere between what it was in 2007 or 2008. When comparing the Victor School District tax rate to school districts in Ontario County the average is \$19.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value, the average for school districts in Wayne County is \$21.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value and the average for school districts in Monroe County is \$24.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value. This information is taken directly from the State Comptroller's website. Mr. Schickling then provided clarification on the difference between the tax levy versus the tax rate. The tax levy is what the School Board has the capability to determine. This is the amount of money they are asking the community for to fund programs. The tax value is the total assessed value of property within the School District. The tax rate is how much money the District is asking for divided by all of the properties in the District. The District does not have control over the assessments. The phenomena is the enormous growth but the growth of the tax levy at the top is constrained. People question what happens to the new money from the new homes. New properties do not create additional revenue, it decreases the share paid by each property owner. If the District goes with a tax cap

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compliant budget some of the implications would include reductions in co-curricular clubs, musicals and plays, teacher lead stipends, 4 full-time equivalent (FTE) teacher aides through attrition, 2 FTE enrichment teachers, 5 FTE instructional coaches and standards leaders and stipends, elementary foreign language program, modified athletics program, phasing out the IB Program, 3 FTE secondary teachers and 11 FTE elementary teachers which will mean consolidating class sizes. Regardless of any budget scenario there will be mandated or critically deficient additions including 3 FTE special education instructors, 2 FTE English language learner instructors, students supports teacher on special assignment, and a Senior High School Counselor. Overall there will be a reduction of up to 25 FTEs with a net reduction over \$1.8 million. This scenario also requires the use of over \$1 million of reserves. The total budget would be \$76,078,190, a 3.2% budget increase. The projected tax rate would be \$15.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value and a tax rate decrease of .62%. Mr. Schickling said a \$200,000 home with basic star would see a reduction in the tax rate of \$.81, enhanced star would be a reduction of \$.78. Dr. Parks said and right now we have a tax rate of \$15.90. Mr. Schickling said yes. Mr. Terranova thanked Mr. Schickling for the great work.

Dr. Terranova then discussed the initial override scenario. This scenario adds significant positions and most importantly refurbishes reserves. It would still include reductions in the elementary foreign language program, phasing out of the IB Program and 4 FTE teacher aides through attrition. It would include mandated or critically deficient additions including the 3 FTE special education instructors, 2 FTE English language instructors, student supports teacher on special assignment, and a Senior High School counselor. Additional needs based on staffing would be added including a .5 FTE Early Childhood School counselor, Social Emotional Learning Coordinator, clerical supports, 2 FTE daytime cleaners to support the large buildings, Director of Safety and Security, and 3 FTE youth assistants. There have been multiple requests for safety and security as well as youth assistants. Youth assistants will essentially have additional training in restorative practices. In summary this restores \$1.7 million in cuts, adds \$830,000 in new positions and eliminates the use of reserves. Mr. Schickling said the total budget would be \$78,786,700, a 6.85% budget increase. The projected tax rate would be \$17.30 per \$1,000 of assessed value and a tax rate increase of 7.9%. Mr. Schickling said a \$200,000 home with basic star would see an increase in taxes of \$227.28 per year or \$19.00 per month and enhanced star would be see an increase in taxes of \$185.77 per year or between \$15.00 and \$16.00 a month.

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Mr. Haugh, talked about the enhanced override. This scenario is similar to the initial override scenario in that the reduction for efficiency and program change remains the same, reducing the elementary foreign language program, phasing out the IB Program, and the elimination of 4 FTE teacher aides through attrition. Mandated or critically deficient additions as well as additional needs based on staffing from the initial override scenario remain the same other than the addition of a Primary School counselor, 1 FTE elementary classroom teacher to reduce class sizes, and a network administrator. Mr. Haugh said this would be an increase of about \$240,000 in new positions and eliminates the use of the reserves. Mr. Schickling said the total budget would be \$79,680,075, an 8.07% budget increase. The projected tax rate would be \$17.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value and a tax rate increase of 9.7%. Mr. Schickling said a \$200,000 home with basic star would see an increase in taxes of \$263.38 per year or \$22.00 per month and enhanced star would be see an increase in taxes of \$215.50 per year or \$18.00 a month. He said the important thing to remember is whatever the Board decides to bring to the community the projected tax rate from either of the override scenarios is almost \$2.00 less than the Ontario County average, \$4.00 less than the Wayne County Average and over \$6.00 less than the Monroe County average. The tax rate would still be less than the rate that was paid between 2000 and 2008.

Mr. Vistocco said regarding the New York State budget, that budget is due April 1st correct. Dr. Terranova said it is. He said right now we have budgeted what state aid we think we might be receiving based on the Foundation Aid and the Governor's budget. Mr. Vistocco said so we might receive additional aid when the budget is passed. Mr. Schickling said the state aid numbers are approved in April by the Governor. We could receive more or we could receive less. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders said as we move forward I have confidence that the principals and directors will continue to look for reductions or efficiencies. It is important that as we go forward this would be of utmost importance for strategic planning. Dr. Terranova said being strategic in the budgeting practices is important. We will move forward with a lot of input from staff, students and community. We will strategically plan a long term goal. We will look at ways to be as efficient as possible with budgeting. Dr. Parks said the enhanced override gives us mandated additions, compliant additions and most significantly stabilizes the reserve situation for the fiscal management and risk management of the District going forward for the maximum potential amount of years. Dr. Terranova said that is correct. This would add the three additional positions and eliminate the use of savings. Dr. Parks said and still be the cheapest place to live even with the budget increase. He said we really want to make sure we are servicing our students and take the pressure off staff. He asked

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Mr. Haugh when you are talking about student to teacher ratio were you talking about class sizes. Mr. Haugh said it depends on which position. It would be a ratio if you were talking about classroom teachers then you would be talking about class sizes. Dr. Parks said if we were under the tax cap it would increase the stress on the staff to deliver programming due to increased class sizes. It is educationally irresponsible to do that. You cannot just toss a couple more students in a classroom, it makes a difference to the teachers and the students. Superintendent Terranova said he needs direction from the Board which rate to look at and the build the budget towards. He said he needs the Board's perspective so Mr. Schickling can shape the budget. Mr. Vistocco said he thinks they have to see the big picture in April. Dr. Parks said the directive is we already know the minimum is the 7.9%, that's the lowest acceptable rate. He said we could start massaging all of the things the District is going to add, however the state aid could come back less. Dr. Terranova said potentially. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders said she would look to stay around the \$17.30 tax rate and reassess in the grander scheme of things after the support of Albany. Mr. DeLucia said what scares him a little is the unknowns that have had the past few days and weeks on the financial side. The stock market has taken a dive and the economy has been effected by the Coronavirus. He said he is curious to see where the state is coming out with aid after all of these unknowns. Mr. DeLucia said he agrees with Mr. Vistocco that we need to concentrate on what we think we can do and look to what the effect will be when the state gives us their budget. Mr. Eckhardt said this is a fluid situation on all fronts. \$17.30 and 7.9% seems like a reasonable, practicable direction to move forward. He said he's not sure what changes will occur in state aid during this uncertain volatile economic time. The override scenarios restore dramatic avoidance of cuts. Mr. Eckhardt said he thinks the most practical step is to move forward with that. Dr. Parks said we want to be able to have our constituents such as the parents, teachers, and interest groups to be able to have a sense of, here is the message we need to go with. We know we are going for the override. Mrs. Elliott said everyone has an interest in their interest. We have done a really good job of listening on what their interests are. There are also mandates and we have to address those. There has been stress in terms of counseling and we have addressed that. She said she thinks what makes her feel very comfortable is we don't want to be over zealous. We have an opportunity to ask the community to help us move forward. She said she feels as though the Board has heard the voices from all of the different areas and has done the best they can with all of the moving targets from the state. She said she feels like the District can get creative and she doesn't feel like anyone was left out. There is only a certain amount of revenue to share and we have done the best we can. Mrs. Elliott said she is proud of the hard

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work that has been accomplished as well as the transparency. She said the Board has read all of the feedback that has been submitted. Dr. Parks said a direction he would suggest from the Board is that the Superintendent and building leadership, along with the teachers work on what the message is going to be. The transparency is basically what the state says in April could influence this. The District moves forward to start the messaging with the things they know we are going to be doing. Dr. Terranova said so what he hears is a minimum of \$17.30 with a 7.9% increase. Keeping that in mind do whatever we can to add the positions we said we would and then creatively add the additional three positions in the enhanced override. The state aid will have a big impact on these two scenarios.

Mr. Vistocco asked if the Junior High plays and musicals could be added in. Mr. Haugh said there are several items they are recognizing that need to be added in such as the Unified Bowling Team next year and the annual Junior High Musical. Dr. Parks said we are not abandoning something else, this is the base start putting it together.

Dr. Terranova thanked everyone for their participation. In terms of communication, the District not only has the Office of School and Community Relations, Liz Welch and Sherri Lasky who are helping tremendously, Wayne Finger-Lakes BOCES will also be helping with communication and will help support and articulate the message to get out. He said in April, at the public meeting, the Board will make a decision on the final proposed budget. Between now and April significant conversations with stake holders, students, and community members will take place. Social media will be ramped up, including Facebook and Twitter, not only to showcase the great things in Victor but to talk about what we are doing with positions and reserves. Dr. Terranova said the District will move forward with a targeted communications plan when the Board adopts the budget.

Mr. Eckhardt asked if he could go back to the slide with the impact of the tax cap compliant budget. He said there is a serious charge. One thing to keep in mind is the two scenarios that are being talked about are very similar and have strong steps towards improving overall righting things with the staff and the reserves. They are both very similar to each other. As a Board member he feels very good about being over the tax cap. Mr. DeLucia said the fact that we are still advocating with elected officials means we have an opportunity to influence them to do the right thing. Mr. DeLucia said he works with the Monroe County School Board's Association Legislative Committee and had made them aware of Victor's situation. He said that is something the District must continue to do even though it's not an easy thing to do. He said he has received mixed messages from legislators, however part of the communication plan is advocacy. The state aid for

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Victor is in a deficit model, sales tax is not being utilized in Ontario County to support schools, although Monroe County and Wayne County does. Dr. Parks said the messaging going out is programmatic. Dr. Terranova reiterated again, to be clear is the baseline of \$17.30. When we get more information from the state and have more dialogue that can be adjusted. Dr. Parks said the state announces its budget on April 1st. Mr. Schickling said the budget is due April 1st it has be on time in recent history. His concern is right now the legislators are focused on public health. Dr. Parks said as a Board, if it is delayed then there would have to be an additional meeting if the number changes. That is information that will have to be communicated. Mrs. Elliott said we have educating to do and there is a great deal of enthusiasm to get started but again, there are going to be members of the community who have a different opinion or a different view of what we can ask for. |

POLICY REVIEW Second and Final Reading

A motion was made by T. DeLucia, seconded by K. Ballard, to approve the following policy:

- Code of Conduct; Policy 5300
- The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no

RESCIND THE FOLLOWING TRIPS

A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by K. Elliott, to rescind the following trips:

- Global Competence Certificate Club to San Juan, Puerto Rico from the beginning of spring break 2020 through the end of spring break 2020, which was approved by the Board of Education on September 12, 2019;
- 9-12 grade students to Rennes and Paris, France during spring break 2020 as part of the Sister City Educational Exchange Program, which was approved by the Board of Education on May 9, 2019;
- 8th Grade French Trip to Quebec City, Canada from 5/21/2020 – 5/24/2020, which was approved by the Board of Education on July 11, 2019;

Dr. Parks reminded the Board they will be rescinding the trips with the possibility for rescheduling them. Superintendent Terranova said he will work with the staff and students to make sure they get that opportunity. Mr. DeLucia asked if we know if these particular locations have the Coronavirus. Dr. Terranova said the decisions were made due to the serious concern of what might happen in the countries and the fact of being on airplanes and the carryover. He also said the Department of Health and the State Education Department are strongly discouraging intercontinental travel. Mr. DeLucia said there is a meeting in April could the Board wait to rescind the trips then. District Clerk Maureen Goodberlet said one of the advisors reached out to her and said they had to have a motion by the Board no later than Monday, March 16th in order to work on any refunds for the

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students. Dr. Terranova said they are monitoring the New York City Senior Trip as well as the Varsity Cheerleading trip to Orlando, Florida. Mr. DeLucia said he is concerned about the health aspect but he is also concerned about families losing significant amounts of money. Dr. Terranova said he is looking into doing anything the District can to correct this. The motion was carried 7 yes 0 no

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Modleski, Victor Teacher's Association President, thanked the Board for all of the work they have put into the budget over the past two months and the exceptional work of the administrative team. He is concerned about not having a consensus and not being able to get the message out to the people. He said we are going to lose control of the ability message tightly. He talked about bringing a Boardroom full of people for two months to the meetings who are ready to get to work. They need consensus and direction from the Board.

Clair Noonan, teacher and community member, said she met with legislators in Albany last week. She said if the District thinks we are getting more money from them we are the least of their problems.

Sherri Helmer, Co-chair of VOICE, said one of the things she has been hearing the Board talk about is making sure that everyone has something. She said the two things she sees for special education are mandated and reducing the number of teacher aides. The aides are the social emotional support for the children. She talked about sitting on the committee for the special education review and to only see something mandated to be on the list is really upsetting. She recommends the Board look at the review from last year to see what is needed.

MEETING REPORTS Monroe County School Board Association Committee Reports (MCSBA)

Mr. DeLucia attended the Monroe County School Board's Association (MCSBA) March 4th Legislative Committee Meeting. Representative Bronson expressed support for a separate funding need for mental health. Mr. DeLucia said he gave Sherry Johnson, Executive Director of MCSBA, a copy of Victor's talking points from the legislative breakfast in February for advocacy.

Mr. DeLucia attended the MCSBA Information Exchange meeting today. He said the presentation was on unconscious bias. The presenter talked about diversity and raising consciousness out of our own biases in order to create change.

Standing Committee Updates

Mrs. Elliott said the Graduates of Distinction Committee met. Decisions have been made and some alumni have been chosen. Calls are now being made to those chosen.

**VICTOR CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Mr. DeLucia attended a Wayne Finger-Lakes BOCES Meeting last evening. They had a presentation on a, eSports Section V Program for students to compete in. This program consists of competitive, organized video gaming. Wayne Finger-Lakes BOCES, Monroe 1 and Monroe 2 BOCES are part of this new league. There is a National eSports Association that BOCES is connected with.

**UPCOMING EVENTS
Regular Board Meeting**

The next regular Board of Education meeting will take place on Thursday, April 16, 2020 at 7:15 PM in the Early Childhood School Boardroom.

Special Board Meeting

A special Board of Education meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 to vote on the Wayne Finger-Lakes BOCES Budget and Election. District Clerk Maureen Goodberlet will reach out to the Board to set-up a meeting for this vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 9:33 PM by K. Elliott, seconded by C. Parks, to return to executive session to discuss the employment history of a specific individual. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no

REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made at 11:04 PM by M. Vistocco, seconded by C. Eckhardt, to return to regular session. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no

**RESOLUTION FOR
SCHOOL BUS
PURCHASES**

A motion was made by K. Ballard, seconded by K. Elliott be it **RESOLVED**, that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Bus Purchase Proposition for the May 19, 2020 vote be approved as submitted, for a total sum not to exceed \$865,000, subject to approval by the qualified voters of the District at the Annual Vote and Election on May 19, 2020. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no

**ANNUAL VOTE AND
ELECTION LEGAL
NOTICE**

A motion was made by K. Ballard, seconded by K. Elliott to approve the legal notice for the May 5, 2020 public hearing on the budget and the May 19, 2020 Annual Vote and Election of Board members as submitted. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no

ADJOURN

A motion was made by K. Ballard, seconded by C. Parks, to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 PM. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen A. Goodberlet
District Clerk