

**VICTOR CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**
Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 13, 2023
Early Childhood School Auditorium/Boardroom
953 High Street
Victor, New York 14564

CALL TO ORDER President Tim DeLucia called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Members Present Tim DeLucia, Kristin Elliott, Lisa Kostecki, Elizabeth Mitchell, Debbie Palumbo-Sanders, Christopher Parks, Trisha Turner (arrived at 6:39 PM)

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by D. Palumbo-Sanders, seconded by E. Mitchell, to enter executive session at 6:35 PM to discuss the employment history of specific individuals. The motion was carried. 6 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

REGULAR SESSION A motion was made by L. Kostecki, seconded by C. Parks, to return to regular session at 7:12 PM. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

APPROVE AGENDA

RECOGNITIONS A motion was made by K. Elliott, seconded by T. Turner, to approve the agenda for the meeting. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

Board President Tim DeLucia welcomed everyone.

Senior High Musical Mr. DeLucia introduced Senior High Musical Vocal Director Kristin Mellema who spoke about this year's show *Titanic*. She was joined by two colleagues choreographer Erin Fetzner and pit director Laura Brewer. Ms. Mellema said the musical was a fun challenge with operetta music, a large ensemble and a big set build. Close to 100 students including the cast, crew and pit orchestra did a fantastic job. Ms. Fetzner thanked the set designers Mr. Denner and Mr. Wolf, Mrs. Brewer for leading the pit orchestra, great lighting and tech by Mr. Isaacs, and costumes by Mrs. Sentiff. She thanked the Board of Education and Dr. Terranova for the continued recognition. She said they are off to Stars of Tomorrow on May 11th. The group was presented with a plaque and each student was presented with a certificate recognizing their participation in the show.

Athletics Mr. DeLucia introduced the Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics, Duey Weimer who helped present the athletic recognitions. He started out by thanking Dr. Terranova and the Board of Education as well as Mr. Siesto and Mr. Gee for their support of the athletic program.

Wrestling Section V Champion Mr. Weimer introduced Varsity Wrestling Coach Craig Kaper who spoke about wrestling champions Sam Ricci and Ty Rader. He started out by thanking the Board of Education and Dr. Terranova for the recognition and Mr. Weimer, Mr. Ferreri and Mrs. Turner for their support. Coach Kaper said both Sam Ricci and Ty Rader are two seniors who have shown outstanding leadership and dedication to the program. They are great representatives of Victor Wrestling and true role models for the younger athletes. Sam Ricci was the Class 1A

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Section V Champion and a New York State Qualifier. He is a three-sport athlete football, wrestling and lacrosse. He will be attending Cornell University and be a member of their lacrosse team. Ty Rader was the Section V Super Sectional Champion, which is all of the classes combined. He finished with all-state honors by placing 8th in the New York State Championships this season. He is a two-sport athlete football and wrestling and will be attending St. John Fisher next year and will play football. The athletes were presented with certificates acknowledging their accomplishments.

Indoor Track and Field Section V and NYS Champions

Mr. Weimer introduced Indoor Track and Field Coach Bob Goodell who spoke about the Indoor Track Season. He started out by thanking the school administration and Mr. Weimer for allowing him to coach the indoor track team this winter as interim coach. Coach Goodell introduced Terreque Davis who was the indoor champion in the 55 meter hurdles, Pat Purcell, Colden Chierichella, Terreque Davis and Quinten Slaughter were members of the 4 X 400 meter relay team who won sectionals. They also set a school record in the 4 X 200 meter relay. He talked about the champions who were not able to make the meeting and were Grace Woodworth who claimed a title in the 1000 meter while also setting a school record, Lauren Schrader in the pole vault who also tied a school record and Grace Woodworth, Julia Sodoma, Lia Brasaccio and Melody Harloff were champions in the 4 X 400 meter relay. Three athletes, Terreque Davis, Melody Harloff and Emma Goodell were sent to the state championships. Coach Goodell said it was a privilege to coach this winter. The program is growing and it is due to the senior track members recruiting along with the the help of the other coaches including Coach Jerry O'Dell, Coach Kathleen Habecker, and Coach Ryan Ellis who did an outstanding job. The athletes were presented with certificates acknowledging their accomplishments.

Varsity Bowling Section V Composite Team Champions

Mr. Weimer introduced Coach LaBrake and Coach Law who spoke about the Section V Composite Team Champions Adam Wakalee and Tim Doan. Coach Law thanked the Board of Education for the recognition. He said it is a six-man team that is selected every year to compete in the State Championship representing their section. Adam qualified fifth with a 219 and Tim qualified sixth with a 218. The team was comprised of two Victor bowlers, two Fairport bowlers, one Rush-Henrietta bowler and one Genesee-Valley bowler. Their combined team average entered them into the state tournament in the number one seed. The team compiled 6,576 pins. They earned the Gold Metal winning by 72 pins. Adam and Tim were also part of the 2023 Monroe County League Champions. They were two of the four captains chosen for the team this year. The athletes were presented with certificates acknowledging their accomplishments.

Varsity Cheerleading New York State Champions

Mr. Weimer then introduced Varsity Cheerleading Coaches Alix and Alyssa Dayton and the Varsity Cheerleading Team. The coaches started out by thanking the Mr. Weimer, Mr. Ferreri and Mrs. Turner in the athletic office, the Board of Education for their continued support and the recognition, the Booster Club and parents. Coach Dayton said this year was an absolute dream on paper. The girls had a dream in mind since August and this year they had the same

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team from fall to winter season. They worked on their team culture along with skills all the way from August to March. She said they experienced some low lows and the highest of highs and went through everything as a family. She said they competed with the highest skills Victor has ever competed along with the hardest skills in their sport. They started the fall season as Section V Champions and ended this year as Monroe County Champions and ultimately New York State Champions. Victor is the only Section V Cheerleading Team to have won two state titles so far. The team was presented with a plaque and each athlete was presented with a certificate recognizing their accomplishments.

Boys Varsity Basketball New York State Champions

Mr. Weimer introduced Boys Basketball Coach Tyler Roberts and Coach David Vistocco. Coach Roberts talked about the success of the Victor Central School District. Success in the classroom, extra curriculars, and every sport. The basketball program was on the rise with a lot of great people around the program. He said he is thankful everyone was able to work together and bring the State Championship to the community. He said there are dozens of people off the court that came together to make it happen. He talked about the culture the community sets are an example for the team. Coach Roberts said it is an incredible group to be part of and no place he would rather be. Senior AJ Queri said it was a good season and the best way a senior year could end. He thanked the Board of Education for supporting the team throughout the season. The team was presented with a plaque and each athlete was presented with a certificate recognizing their accomplishments.

Volunteer Committed to Service Award

Board President Tim DeLucia introduced Primary School Principal Heidi Robb and Victor Teachers' Association (VTA) President Mike Modleski. Mr. Modleski gave the background on what the Volunteer Committed to Service Award is. VTA partners with the administration to recognize someone in the community who does great work. Mrs. Robb introduced Elaina Camporeale, this year's Volunteer Committed to Service Award winner. She has been and continues to be very involved in the PTSA. Last year she was instrumental in bringing back PTSA's involvement with WEE Deliver and the Primary School Field Days. Each month she did something to encourage the staff, whether it was signs in the bathrooms or a sweet treat. This year Elaina was instrumental in bringing back, and even improving, some of the PTSA family events. She no longer has students at the Primary School, but her entire family was at the Primary School to help coordinate the Lucky to be Loved event. Her heart is so big and she volunteers so many hours to bring smiles to students and staff. Ms. Camporeale said she feels so touched to be honored in this special way. She said she never really thought a lot about the time she gives to the District because she only gives the time she has to give. She said in her volunteer work she has been inspired by passion and dedication at every level of the District. She said serving on the PTSA has been incredibly rewarding. She is deeply passionate about supporting programs and events that enrich the school experience for students and their families. She is especially grateful to Cindy Riley and Carol Prescott who have inspired her and shaped her thinking about volunteer work at the District. She said it is a privilege to be part of the school community and an honor to receive the award.

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Mr. DeLucia thanked Ms. Camporalle for her volunteer work and to all of the students for sharing their exceptional talent with the District.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Dr. Terranova talked about the student recognition from earlier as well as the recognition of Elaina Camporeale , our Volunteer Committed to Service award winner. He thanked the PTSA along with the collaboration of the Town of Victor leadership under Jack Marren for advocating for the increased safety for our families in front of the school campus. A young man from the Junior High School was hit by a car about six weeks ago just north of the High School on High Street. Thankfully he is doing fine but it was a scary situation. Dr. Terranova drafted two letters, along with the help of Cindy Riley from the PTSA. The first one was to the Victor town and village leadership requesting to reduce the speed limit on High Street as well as improvements in the crosswalk structure in this area. Currently the speed limit is 40 mph between the Lane Road intersection and the Victor Village line. That speed limit poses a significant danger to our students. The hope is to lower the speed limit to at least 30 mph and upgrade the cross walks specifically in front of Cassidy Court and Piper Meadows Drive. The town is 100% for this and Mr. Marren has been a great advocate for this. The second letter was to the New York State Department of Transportation asking for the placement of school speed zones in front of the Victor Central School District campus, not only High Street but also on Lane Road at the entrance to the District.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None at this time

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by D. Palumbo-Sanders, seconded by C. Parks, to approve, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the following consent items:

MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 9, 2023 and the special meeting of March 23, 2023;

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 28, 2023;

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.

Instructional Probationary Appointments:

The probationary appointment of **Kealan Devanny**, who has certifications in Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6, to a probationary position as an Elementary Teacher, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$49,990, leading towards tenure in Elementary Education.

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The probationary appointment of **Valerie Falagan**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$31,320, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Christine Evans**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$28,710, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Cory Grant**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Amanda Jorgensen**, who has certifications in Childhood Education Grades 1-6 and Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, with Jarema credit for her 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 LTS assignments, at an annual salary of \$31,912, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Suzette Hughes**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Pamela Shufelt**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$27,705, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Christin Crossing**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Julie Fiannaca**, who has certification as a Teacher Assistant, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

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The probationary appointment of **Sapna Bhargava**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Deborah Goebel**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$29,025, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Catherine Stimmel**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$27,990, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Emily Cook**, who has certifications in Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6 and pending certification in Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12, to a probationary position as a Special Education Teacher, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$45,656, leading towards tenure in Special Education.

The probationary appointment of **Rohini Arumugam**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Joanne Chappell**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$29,400, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Marsha Maxon**, who has certifications in Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12, Students with Disabilities Grades 5-9, Home Economics, and Business Education, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, with Jarema credit for her 2022/2023 LTS assignment, at an annual salary of \$34,920, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Karen Blaney**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$26,849, leading towards tenure as a

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Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Makayla Wright**, who has certification as a Teacher Assistant, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, with Jarema credit for her 2022/2023 LTS assignment, at an annual salary of \$26,889, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Samantha Dwello**, who has certification as a Teacher Assistant, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, with Jarema credit for her 2022/2023 LTS assignment, at an annual salary of \$30,539, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

The probationary appointment of **Shawn Stalker**, who will have certification as a Teacher Assistant by October 1, 2023, to a probationary position as a Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2023, at an annual salary of \$27,255, leading towards tenure as a Teacher Assistant.

Long Term Substitute Appointments:

The extended appointment of **Eva FitzSimmons**, who has certifications in Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6, to a long term substitute position as an Elementary Teacher, effective September 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, at an annual salary of \$43,077.

The appointment of **Erin Hart**, who has pending certifications in Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6, to a long term substitute position as an ENL Teacher and Elementary Teacher, effective January 3, 2023, and ending June 30, 2023, at an annual salary of \$43,077, which will be prorated based on the length of the assignment.

The appointment of **Emily Cook**, who has certifications in Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6, and pending certification in Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12, to a long term substitute position as a Special Education Teacher, effective January 30, 2023, and ending June 23, 2023, at an annual salary of \$43,877, which will be prorated based on the length of the assignment.

Leaves of Absence:

The granting of an extension of childcare leave of absence for **Erin Michele**, Physical Education Teacher, effective July 1, 2023, and extending through June 30, 2024.

The granting of a maternity and subsequent childcare leave of absence for **Kayla Docteur**, Reading Teacher, effective August 30, 2023 and extending through October 9, 2023.

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The granting of a maternity and subsequent childcare leave of absence for **Brittany Gordon**, Elementary Teacher, effective September 9, 2023 and extending through December 6, 2023.

Resignations: The resignation of **Leah Daniels-Farren**, Secondary Special Education Teacher on Special Assignment, effective April 14, 2023.

The resignation of **Erin Heberger**, Elementary Teacher, effective April 17, 2023.

The resignation of **Karen Harrison**, Technology Teacher, effective March 28, 2023.

The resignation, due to retirement, of **Suzanne Gassmann**, Social Studies Teacher, effective June 30, 2023.

Athletics:	<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Years</u>
Track & Field	Modified Assistant	Stash Merritt	6	2
	Modified Assistant	Lauren O'Dell	6	1
Softball	Modified A	Bryan Law	6	6
Lacrosse – Girls	Co-Head Varsity	Jamie Smith	Per MOA	15
	Co-Head Varsity	Todd Thompson	Per MOA	5
	Modified B	Ashley Zahn	6	2
Baseball	Volunteer	Jameson Ricigliano	-	-
Per Diem	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Area of Certification</u>		
Substitutes:	Tracy Mergler	Elementary/Special Education		
	Aidan Trombly	Uncertified		

Non-Instructional **Appointments:**

The appointment of **Dominique David**, from School Bus Monitor to Full Time School Bus Driver, effective March 7, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$20.99.

The appointment of **Cholthicha Ratanapongsakorn**, Part Time Teacher Aide, effective March 7, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.20.

The appointment of **Kimberly Natale**, from Typist Substitute to Full Time Teacher Aide, effective March 20, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.37.

The appointment of **Aniuska Marrero Viltres**, Food Service Helper, effective March 27, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.20.

The appointment of **Jashira Calderon**, Food Service Helper, effective April 10, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.20.

The appointment of **Lynnae Arena**, Food Service Helper, effective

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April 10, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.20.

The appointment of **Douglas Bailey**, Part Time Cleaner, effective March 27, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.65.

The appointment of **Nicholas Castiglia**, Part Time School Bus Driver, effective April 10, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$20.99.

The appointment of **Zachary Guidarelli**, Full Time Cleaner, effective April 10, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$14.65.

Resignations:

The resignation of **Silmara Bailey**, Food Service Helper, effective March 10, 2023.

The resignation of **Caren Hess**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective March 17, 2023.

The resignation of **Joseph Ingino**, School Bus Driver, effective February 28, 2023.

The resignation of **Moxie Trovato**, Full Time Lifeguard, effective March 13, 2023.

The resignation of **Dana Gardner**, Full Time Cleaner, effective March 30, 2023.

The resignation of **Jashira Calderon**, Full Time Cleaner, effective April 9, 2023.

The resignation of **Danielle Lewis**, Full Time Cleaner, effective April 3, 2023.

The resignation, due to retirement, of **Sheila Rittenhouse**, Payroll Clerk, effective June 30, 2023.

The resignation of **Pamela Havill**, Food Service Supervisor, effective June 13, 2023.

The resignation of **Emily Cook**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective January 29, 2023.

Terminations:

The termination of **Traci Moschiano**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective March 29, 2023.

**Per Diem and
Substitute Positions:**

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Position</u>
Caren Hess	Teacher Aide
Brady Wortmann	Lifeguard

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Lucas Cleary	Teacher Aide
Robin Kratky	Lifeguard
Aniuska Marrero Viltres	Cleaner
Kandy DeNardo	Cleaner
Rebecca Krenzer	School Bus Driver Trainee/ School Bus Monitor
John Boot	School Bus Driver Trainee/ School Bus Monitor
Jashira Calderon	Cleaner
Kelly Timerson	Registered Professional Nurse
Michael Burke	School Bus Driver Trainee

**CSE/CPSE
RECOMMENDATIONS** Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings of January 18, 2023, February 7, 13, 15, 27, 28, 2023, March 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 2023, April 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 2023 and from the Committee on Preschool Special Education from the meetings of March 8, 13, 20, 21, 22, 30, 31, 2023;

SURPLUS ITEMS The following are declared as surplus:

- Apple iPad with VCS tag # 014735;
- Hewlett Packard Color Laserjet CP 4025 Printer with VCS tag # 012448;
- NEC VT595 Projectors with VCS tag #s 010021, 010058, 010066;
- NEC VT580 Projectors with VCS tag #s 02612, 02614;
- Smart Tech Unifi 45 Projectors with VCS tag #s 012053, 012058, 012063;
- Smartboards with VCS tag #s 010520, 010528, 010566, 010568, 012046, 012048, 014332;

DONATIONS Accept the following donations:

- \$3,000.00 from Charity RX to the Victor Central School District Cafeteria Fund to offset negative balances for students;
- \$662.00 from the Victor Baseball Booster Club to the Victor Central School District Athletic Department;

Mrs. Elliott said she continues to be moved by the generosity and compassion of community members who continue to donate to the District.

**SHARED DECISION
MAKING PLAN** Approve the revised Victor Central School District Shared Decision Making Plan as submitted.
Mr DeLucia thanked the Monitoring Task Force for updating this plan.

CSEA CONTRACT Approve the Contractual Agreement between the Superintendent of the Victor Central School District and the Civil Service Employees Association for July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027.

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COOPERATIVE BIDDING RESOLUTION

Approve the General Resolution for the purpose of participating in a cooperative bid coordinated by the BOCES of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties as submitted.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Facilities Committee recommendation on the final spend down of the current capital project funds as submitted in a memo from D. Vallese to T. Terranova dated April 13, 2023.

Mr. DeLucia thanked the Facilities Committee for recommending additional things to complete in the current capital project.

The motion to accept the foregoing consent items was carried.

7 yes 0 no ***(end of consent items)***

CAMPUS NEWS

VCS administrators summarized campus news and events at this time.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Board President Tim DeLucia gave privilege of the floor out of sequence to Clifford Florence Jr. to hear his concern.

CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

Assistant Superintendent for Business Derek Vallese provided the Board of Education with a capital project update. He said when making decisions on what to include in the capital project there were five themes. They are addressing infrastructure of existing facilities including roofs, parking lots and elevators. Addressing a portion of the space concerns in the District. Addressing safety and security infrastructure and to expand parking. Creating warm and welcoming facilities. Addressing the ability to maintain more consistent temperatures in the buildings/classrooms through HVAC controls and heat generating systems. Mr. Vallese then reviewed the proposed scope in every building. In every building there will be an upgrade to the Public Announcement (PA) Clock System, which is part of safety and security. This is a way to notify everyone in a building if something is occurring. At the Early Childhood School the two other major components are additional parking and the main office expansion. The additional big needs in the Primary School, along with the PA Clock System, is to redesign the layout of the main office and address the student and staff bathrooms that are in need of repair. At the Intermediate School there is a proposal of two additions. The first being a five-classroom addition on the north end of the building along with expanding the cafeteria out toward the Junior/Senior High School. The student and staff bathrooms also need renovations. The Junior/Senior High School has the most needs, mostly space needs. There is a proposal for a one-story addition that would connect the three doglegs that face High Street. There is also a proposal for an addition to the Junior High School Cafeteria. The student and staff bathrooms need to be renovated throughout both the Junior and Senior High School. There are also roof repairs that need to take place. Mr. Vallese said in addition, due to the location of the field, there is a recommendation to turf field #7, put up security fencing and a sidewalk, which would allow the field

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CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE Continued

to be more accessible for community members with mobility issues. The recommendation is to add linear sidewalks that would connect sidewalks over to the High School. There was a traffic study done in October with drones and sidewalks were the biggest need to address the traffic pattern with safety concerns. Students were crossing in between cars and there were blind spots. Mr. Vallese talked about the rationale and the justification for adding classroom and support space. In the last 15 years the special education population has doubled. In addition to the increase in student classifications the District has an initiative to start bringing students from out-of-district placements back in-district. This promotes inclusive opportunities for the students with disabilities. Part of the addition would help the special education continuum. In the Intermediate School they are breaking out the classroom to hold special education, resources room and integrated co-teaching all in the same classroom. Mr. Vallese said the English Language Learners (ELL) have tripled over the last three years. They need a space to address their special needs and educate the students. There has been an increase in economically disadvantaged students. In 2008, less than 10% of Victor students qualified for free and reduced lunch. That has grown to 27% this school year. Some students require additional support. The District has doubled the number of school social workers over the last three years who need dedicated spaces to work with students and provide confidentiality. Due to shifts in the Common Core Learning Standards the Intermediate and Junior/Senior High Schools science classrooms are not equipped to handle the curriculum. The Intermediate School has limited access to water sources, material storage and electricity for probe ware and technology. The Junior/Senior High School science classrooms currently have separate lab spaces. The goal is to bring the laboratory space into the classroom to create a more robust science instructional environment. Mr. Vallese talked about room utilization. The Intermediate School currently starts lunches around 10:00 AM. Increasing cafeteria space at the Intermediate School will allow lunches to start at an appropriate time and increase time for lunch. The Intermediate School currently has 10 classrooms that are doubled up, limiting instructional uses and flexibility throughout the day. In the Junior/Senior High School there are currently 55 shared classrooms with different content areas in them throughout the day. Different content areas require different needs and layouts of the classroom. Mr. Vallese said the staff has been wonderful working through it, however additional classrooms will provide a better learning environment for all students and be easier on the staff. He then talked about the renovation to 200 S. High Street, which is now the Victor Learning Center. There is \$2 million dollars set aside for renovations. The renovations include the parking lot as well as inside the building. Overall, the total cost of the proposal is \$74,992,780. Mr. Vallese explained the financial implications. The Facilities Committee talked about three options. The first is going out with a proposition to fund the current scope at a cost of \$74,992,780. Using approximately \$17,500,000 in Capital Reserve

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CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE Continued

Funds the expected cost to the community would be approximately \$10.00 a month for a home assessed at \$300,000. The taxpayer cost is due to the aidability of the additions to the Intermediate School and the Junior/Senior High Schools. The District's architect is drafting paperwork that will be presented to New York State Education Department for further justification of the additions. This, in conjunction with the relief of debt payment could decrease the taxpayer cost below \$10/month. Mrs. Mitchell said so if a house is assessed lower than \$300,000 it would be less than \$10 a month? Mr. Vallese said yes, it would be proportional. It would be approximately \$3.33 per \$100,000 assessment and that is at the high end. The second option would be to further reduce the scope to allow for a capital project vote that would result in no tax increase, which would require the additions to be scaled by back \$7,500,000 due to no aide. Those reductions could be problematic. The third option is to have two separate propositions, "a" and "b". Proposition "a" would be the second option with proposition "b" being the \$7,500,000 which was removed. If proposition "a" fails, the second proposition automatically fails, regardless of whether or not it receives enough votes to pass. The recommendation from the Facilities Committee to the Board of Education was to move forward with the first option. Superintendent Terranova said this is just a conversation. The Board does not have to make any decision at this meeting. Board President DeLucia said based on what was presented he feels the additions and expansions are justifiable based on the needs of the students. Mr. DeLucia said he would lean in the direction of option #1, knowing that the possibility of additional aid could reduce the amount of increase taxes and the fact that Farmington is growing. Mr. DeLucia said he knows that as he sits on the Planning Board. That can significantly increase to the tax base and reduce that rate. Mrs. Mitchell said option #2 seems like a security issue. As part of the Strategic Plan we are focused on Safety and Security and a welcoming environment. She said she is also in favor of the first option. Mrs. Elliott said as a representative of the Facilities Committee she wants to thank so many people who have worked 100's of hours on this. She said the number looks shocking however there is nothing frivolous going on with the project. Everything has been thoughtfully considered. We have an on-going, current space issue. We have met the needs of brining in more professionals to help with the mental health needs of students. We have hired over 100 new staff members over the years, but we haven't increased the footprint of our campus. Mrs. Elliot said she would support option #1. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders said we solicited a survey to determine student population growth and it indicated it would be flat. So now we are asking to put additional classrooms in. She said that is showing, due to the 55 shared classrooms in the Junior and Senior High Schools and 10 shared in the Intermediate School that we are still, as a District, catching up to the needs of our students. With this capital project it is going to be several years before it comes to fruition. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders said she thinks

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it's a very prudent decision for the community to support the current population and the population of students going forward. The educational system is based on community support. Mrs. Turner said there is a cost savings of doing it earlier. Putting a project off to be done in the future will be an additional cost. Mrs. Kostecki said if we don't do it now, when? It will be a loss in instructional space for the students as well. Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders said as we address the social/emotional needs of the students, if they have a teacher that they feel most comfortable with who is just pushing a cart from classroom to classroom and they don't have a safe place to go to that is huge. Mrs. Mitchell said and the morale for the staff as well, to have a home-base and not have to turn over spaces. Dr. Parks said one of the first things he heard that resonated with him is getting students back on campus. When we overrode the tax cap years ago one of the things that got tabled, because we couldn't go even higher was safety and security. If we go with option 2 there are safety and security issues again. If we are positioned financially to do it, option #1 is obvious. He said the culture we create for faculty and staff create the culture for our students. His questions are is this enough and was there an obvious thing left off that was needed. Is it as complete as you want it to be? The teachers, staff and administrators have made it work. It is time for the Board of Education and the community to make it work so the teachers can just go do what they do best, which is to educate the students and be there for them. Dr. Terranova said over the next few weeks, as they hopefully have more finite state aid numbers from New York, they will take another deep dive into the entire project and see if there is anything missing. Board President DeLucia said he thinks they have a sense of where the Board is leaning. Mr. Vallese then talked about the next steps.

ADOPTION OF THE 2023-2024 BUDGET

Assistant Superintendent for Business Derek Vallese provided the Board a brief update and final recommendation of the 2023-2024 budget. He reviewed the goals of the budget. He said there has been no change in the projected expenses. As a reminder he said the District did add 29.4 Full-time Equivalent positions going into the next school year. A lot of the positions are in alignment with the Strategic Plan. Dr. Terranova clarified that not only are these positions tied into the Strategic Plan but there is also a strong correlation between the staffing increase and the capital project the Board has been hearing about. He said there are six special aspects to the staffing increase. They are Special Education Services, an enrollment increase specific to the Intermediate School, comprehensive programming increases, substitute staffing increases, additional security for the elementary buildings and a career coordinator. Mr. Vallese said in comparing the year-to-year budget there is a 10.9% increase or \$9,725,898. He said there are no changes in projected revenues other than the state budget. Per the State Constitution, the New York State Budget is due April 1st and because that date fell on a Saturday, it was due April 3rd. On April 3rd, they extended it to April 10th. On April 10th, they extended it to

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ADOPTION OF THE 2023-2024 BUDGET Continued

April 17th. There are three items holding up the state budget, none of which should have an impact on educational funding. Both the February and the March Governor State Aid Run Reports were consistent in their methodology and fully fund state aid. Mr. Vallese said they feel confident that our state aid numbers will remain as presented in the previous meetings. He said going forward there is an increase of \$9,725,898 in revenue, which is 10.9% but one of the big things is that the District has eliminated is the use of savings with this budget. The 10.9% increase in the budget is a 2.81% increase in the levy, largely due to the state aid budget fully funding the Foundation Aid. Mr. Vellese said he believes the tax rate increase will be about 1.26%. This rate may be reduced even lower because the tax rolls are not finalized until June 30, 2023. This is a projected increase of \$19.00 annually with a projected tax rate of \$16.03, up \$.19 from last year.

A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by D. Palumbo-Sanders, that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year be approved as submitted, for a total of \$98,924,377, subject to approval by the qualified voters of the District at the Annual Vote and Election on May 16, 2023.

District Clerk, Maureen Goodberlet, asked for a roll call vote.
Trisha Turner – yes, Debbie Palumbo-Sanders – yes,
Elizabeth Mitchell – yes, Tim DeLucia – yes, Christopher Parks – yes,
Lisa Kostecki – yes, Kristin Elliott – yes
The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

RESCIND TRIP

A motion was made by E. Mitchell, seconded by L. Kostecki, to rescind the following trip:

- Senior High School Art Club to New York, NY from 4/21/23 – 4/23/23

The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

APPROVE TRIP

A motion was made by T. Turner, seconded by K. Elliott, to approve the following field trips:

- Senior High School Cheerleaders to Honesdale, PA from 8/24/23 – 8/27/23 to participate in the Cheerleading – UCA Camp;
- French Trip for Grades 9-12 to France from 3/26/24 – 4/6/24 to participate in the Victor-Rennes Exchange Program;

The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

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**POLICY REVIEW
First and Final Reading**

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

- Board Meeting Procedures; Policy 2350

The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

**MEETING REPORTS
Monroe County School
Boards Association
Committee Reports**

None at this time.

**Standing Committee
Updates**

Mrs. Palumbo-Sanders she is part of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee and they have spent a good amount of time trying to define what it means. This has been a very orderly and thoughtful process for the District.

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

**Special Board
Meeting (W-FL
BOCES Budget**

Board of Education Special Meeting on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, to vote on the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Budget, will be held at 6:45 AM.

**Budget Forum/Meet
the Candidate Night**

Budget Forum and Meet the Candidate Night will be held on May 4, 2023, at 7:00 PM in the Junior High/Senior High Performing Arts Center.

**Regular Board
Meeting**

The next regular Board Meeting will take place on Thursday, May 11, 2022, at 7:15 PM in the Early Childhood School Boardroom.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by E. Mitchell, seconded by T. Turner, to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 PM. The motion was carried. 7 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen A. Goodberlet
District Clerk