VICTOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2025
Early Childhood School Auditorium/Boardroom
953 High Street
Victor, New York 14564

CALL TO ORDER	Vice President Lisa Kostecki 5:44 PM.
Members Present	Lisa Kostecki, Bryan Adams, Elizabeth Mitchell, Carol Prescott, Christopher Parks (arrival: 5:51 PM)
Members Absent	Tim DeLucia, Adam Snyder
EXECUTIVE SESSION	A motion was made by E. Mitchell, seconded by B. Adams, to enter executive session at 5:45 PM to discuss employment history of specific individuals. The motion was carried. 4 yes 0 no 0 abstentions
REGULAR SESSION	A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by B. Adams, to return to regular session at 7:00 PM. The motion was carried. 5 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

APPROVE AGENDA: A motion was made by E. Mitchell, seconded by B. Adams, to approve the agenda for the meeting. The motion was carried. 5 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS: Vice President Lisa Kostecki introduced a short video highlighting the heroic actions of Victor Senior High School student Jack Crabbe in the summer of 2024. Jack saved his father's life by performing CPR after his father experienced a cardiac emergency on the golf course. Mrs. Kostecki indicated on behalf of the Board of Education, and the entire Victor community, how proud they are of Jack for his quick thinking, calmness, and bravery in saving his father's life. Mrs. Kostecki then introduced Senator Pam Helming who presented Jack with the New York State Liberty Medal. Senator Helming explained that the Liberty Medal is awarded to individuals who demonstrate exceptional heroism and humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers. This is the highest civilian honor that a New York State Senator can bestow upon an individual.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE: Dr. Terranova recognized the heroic efforts of Jack Crabbe, and congratulated him on the honor he received. He thanked Jack, his family, as well as the Health and Physical Education teachers who teach the critical skill of CPR. He also thanked Senator Helming for giving Jack the highest honor from the State Senate. Dr. Terranova then reminded the community of a central theme of the Victor Central School vision statement which states, "Every day, in every building, every person will feel safe, valued, inspired, and motivated to grow—both academically and personally. We will celebrate diversity, foster a sense of belonging and strive for academic achievement, and students will become informed, confident scholars and leaders who are prepared to thrive in an ever-changing world." He continued by saying it is a focus on belonging and celebrating diversity. A major key to this focus is a teaching of empathy so that differences in people are not looked upon as weaknesses or threats, and instead are seen as strengths and values. Dr. Terranova also noted the District is in the process of scheduling follow-up meetings with our local Legislators to advocate for the state aid needed by the

District. He reminded the community that Victor is an anomaly, with an increased student enrollment in the past 15 years, unlike most of the districts surrounding us. He thanked the Board of Education and their support for Advocacy for our District.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No public participation at this time.

CONSENT ITEMS: A motion was made by E. Mitchell, seconded by C. Parks, to approve, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the following consent items:

MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 16, 2025

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 31, 2024

PERSONNEL: *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

Long Term Substitute Appointments:	The extended appointment of **Lori Damico**, who has pending certification in Childhood Education Grades 1-6, to a long term substitute position as an Elementary Teacher, effective August 28, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, at an annual salary of $51,978.
Leaves of Absence:	The granting of a maternity and subsequent childcare leave of absence for **Gina Peterson**, Elementary Teacher, effective approximately April 19, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
Resignations:	The resignation, due to retirement, of **David Porter**, Science Teacher, effective June 27, 2025.

Co-Curriculars:

Clubs & Advisors	**Name**	**Band**
Sr. High Model UN	Austin Donroe	2

Athletics:	**Position**	**Name**	**Level**	**Years**
Baseball	Varsity Assistant	Mike Ferreri	4	25
	JV	Joseph Kurnath	4	14
	Modified	Patrick Lawley	6	29
	Modified	Timothy Clapp	6	19
	Modified	Jameson Ricigliano	6	12
	Volunteer	Benjamin Lanning	-	-
	Volunteer	Tom Delaney	-	-
	Volunteer	Peter Carrier	-	-
	Volunteer	Connor Hicks	-	-
Unified Basketball	Volunteer	Andrew Reddout	-	-
Golf – Boys	JV	Christopher Wuest	5	16
	Volunteer	Brian Bailey	-	-
Lacrosse – Boys	Varsity Assistant	Mark Foeder	4	29
	JV	Maxwell Hill	4	5

	JV Assistant	James Andre	5	30
	Modified	Kevin Geno	6	15
	Modified	Craig Kaper	6	7
	Volunteer	Mark Cain	-	-
	Volunteer	Anthony Pezzimenti	-	-
	Volunteer	Jamie Trimboli	-	-
	Volunteer	Liam Miller	-	-
Lacrosse - Girls	Varsity Assistant	Jamie Smith	4	17
	JV	Richard Curtis	4	30
	JV Assistant	John Herriman	5	2
	Modified	Ashley Zahn	6	4
Softball	Varsity Assistant	Jessica Palmer	4	13
	JV	Craig Morley	4	16
	Modified	Shelby Erhard-Rappold	6	3
Tennis – Boys	JV	Steve Cronmiller	5	24
	Modified	Jeffrey Pistritto	6	8
Track & Field	Head Varsity	Robert Goodell	2	26
	Head Varsity	Ryan Horst	2	11
	Varsity Assistant	Jennifer Parks	5	10
	Varsity Assistant	Jerry O'Dell	5	41
	Varsity Assistant	Ryan Ellis	5	4
	Modified	Kathleen Habecker	5	10
	Modified Assistant	Stash Merritt	6	4
	Modified Assistant	Christopher Levy	6	22
	Modified Assistant	Joseph Carey	6	13
Flag Football – Girls	Volunteer	Duane Weimer	-	-
	Varsity Assistant	Paul Ojeda	4	1
Cross Country	Head Varsity	Ross Hunkovic	2	11
Football	Head Varsity	Geoff Mandile	1	30
Golf – Girls	Head Varsity	Trevor Sousa	3	18
Soccer – Boys	Head Varsity	Steve Fish	2	32
Soccer – Girls	Head Varsity	Kelly Ahern	2	23
Swimming & Diving – Girls	Head Varsity	Brett Leader	2	17
Tennis – Girls	Head Varsity	Krystina Barnum	3	19
Volleyball – Boys	Head Varsity	Jake Martin	2	19
Volleyball – Girls	Head Varsity	Matt Glover	2	27

Per Diem Substitutes:	**Candidate**	**Area of Certification**
	Alyssa Tarantelli	Elementary/Special Education
	Rose Evans	Uncertified
	Alexa Smith	Uncertified
	John Maloney	Mathematics
	Meghan Lambert	Uncertified
	Lori Gee	Music/ Reading/ Elementary
	Erin Pelletier	Uncertified
	Lori Talbott	Mathematics
	Sofia Pantoja	Uncertified

Non-Instructional

Appointments:

The appointment of **Miriam Velez**, Part Time School Bus Monitor, effective January 22, 2025, at an hourly rate of $15.55.

The appointment of **Glori Perez Montalvo**, Full Time Cleaner, effective January 23, 2025, at an hourly rate of $16.54.

The appointment of **Abigail Perez Montalvo**, Full Time Cleaner, effective January 27, 2025, at an hourly rate of $16.04.

The appointment of **Eduardo Maver**, from Part Time Cleaner to Full Time Cleaner, effective January 27, 2025, at an hourly rate of $16.04.

The appointment of **Laura Simmons**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective February 3, 2025, at an hourly rate of $16.56.

The appointment of **Jorge Coria**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective February 24, 2025, at an hourly rate of $15.55.

The appointment of **Armando Bandres**, from Part Time Cleaner to Full Time Cleaner, effective February 4, 2025, at an hourly rate of $16.54.

The appointment of **Patricia Chapman**, from Human Resources Clerk to Employee Relations Assistant, effective February 3, 2025, at an annual salary of $52,000.

Resignations:

The resignation of **Mariangel Dominguez Rohena**, Part Time Teacher Aide, effective January 13, 2025.

The resignation of **Leanne Goldblatt**, Full Time Teacher Aide, effective January 31, 2025.

The resignation, due to retirement, of **Karen Keller**, Full Time School Bus Driver, effective February 27, 2025.

Per Diem and Substitute Positions:

Candidate	**Position**
Mariangel Dominguez Rohena	Teacher Aide
Thomas Miller	Lifeguard
Sheldon Hopkins	School Bus Driver Trainee/ School Bus Monitor
Molly Pero	Lifeguard
Christine Overfield	Typist
Morgane Wethey	Lifeguard
Elijah Wethey	Lifeguard
Leanne Goldblatt	Teacher Aide

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings of December 18, 19, 2024, January 6, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2025 and February 3, 5, 6, 2025; and from the Committee on Preschool Special Education from the meetings of January 21, 28, 30, 2025 and February 4, 2025.

DONATIONS: $507 from the Victor Boys Volleyball Booster Club to the Victor Central School District to be applied towards the purchasing of additional Warm-Ups and Varsity Uniforms; $2,162 from VCS Softball Booster Club to the Victor Central School District to be applied towards the purchasing of Stadium Parkas for the Varsity Softball team.
Dr. Parks extended gratitude for these Booster Clubs and their donations.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME BY-LAWS: The Athletic Hall of Fame By-Laws as submitted.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS HALL OF FAME BY-LAWS: The Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame By-Laws as submitted.

GRADUATES OF DISTINCTION BY-LAWS: The Graduates of Distinction By-Laws as submitted.

2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR: The 2025-2026 School Year Calendar as submitted.

The motion to accept the foregoing consent items was carried.
4 yes 0 no 1 abstention (C. Prescott) ***(end of consent items)***

CAMPUS NEWS: VCS administrators summarized campus news and events.

ROLE OF THE LEARNING CENTER IN THE DISTRICT UPDATE: Mrs. Karen Finter, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, and Mrs. Karyn Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services, presented on the role of the Learning Center in the District. The center aims to remove barriers to student success and ensure continuity of instruction, particularly for students who have been suspended, hospitalized, or need extra support. The Learning Center provides short and long-term tutoring needs, a space for professional development, and also houses the "Spot Mart" food pantry. A full-time Teacher and Teacher Assistant staff the center, and receive support from counselors, related service providers, classroom teachers, food service, and security personnel. 100 students were served last school year as of the end of January, and 78 have been served so far this school year in the same time frame. The decrease in students served is attributed to the district's focus on Tier 1 behavior needs and preventative supports at the building level. The center ensures continuity of instruction, keeps students connected to the campus, and provides transitional bridges back to regular classes after absences. Mrs. Ryan then highlighted two examples of students who succeeded in their time at the Learning Center. Mrs. Mitchell expressed her gratitude for the teacher and teacher assistant running the center and their ability to teach so many different subjects and grade levels. She then asked what their teaching certification is in, as it is phenomenal what they're able to do. Mrs. Ryan indicated the teacher has a certification in Special Education, Social Studies, and has a background in working with students with disabilities and also providing tutoring and instruction at the 7-12 grade level. Mrs. Ryan also noted she believed the Teacher Assistant has an Art certification. Mr. Adams thanked the presenters for providing the data, particularly the information regarding the decrease in pupil usage. He says it speaks volumes to what the Center does and can continue to do. Dr. Parks thanked the presenters for sharing the information on the decrease in

total students served. He noted it speaks to all the adults in the district who are identifying things earlier. Dr. Parks also encouraged Mrs. Ryan and Mrs. Finter to continue to envision what is needed in these spaces as we go through the Capital project; to be able to keep going in the magnificent direction it's currently going.

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT; Office of Instruction Supplies and Materials, Pupil Personnel Services Supplies and Materials: Mr. Richard Stutzman, interim Assistant Superintendent for Business, presented non-personnel related budget items within the Office of Instruction and the Office of Pupil Personnel Services. Since the previous Budget presentation on January 16, updated financial information from WFL BOCES has been communicated. Mr. Stutzman updated the Board that the Transportation costs increased by $3,000 to account for the increased summer school program costs and for a Transportation Consultant from the Franklin, Essex, Hamilton BOCES to assist in maximizing our Transportation aid. Within the Office of Instruction budget, curriculum supplies saw an increase, driven by new ELA consumables, science curriculum, and general supplies. Mr. Stutzman clarified that the textbook line-item increase was a reallocation of existing funds, and not a new expense. The career and technical program budget also sees an increase due to rate increases and greater student participation. The summer school increase is based upon an anticipated rate increase and increased student participation. Mr. Stutzman then reviewed the Office of Pupil Services budget items. He spoke to the increases of general education tuition due to an additional student, the contractual increases as the needs for additional services are needed, and supplies increase attributed to the inflationary costs. The Students with Disabilities Tuition and BOCES lines increases are attributed to increased rates and an additional student and services. Mr. Stutzman then discussed the importance of federal and state funding. He clarified that if these funds go away, either the services will not be available, or the local taxpayer will pick up these costs. The total grants at the federal and state level are $2.7 million. The upcoming budget calendar was then reviewed. Mrs. Mitchell thanked Mr. Stutzman for including the Federal Funds slide. She asked for Mr. Stutzman's input on what to do if the $1.3 million from the Federal government were to go away. Mr. Stutzman said stopping a program in the middle of the year would be difficult, so he would suggest using surplus to finish the program year. Moving into the 2026-2027 budget, those funds would then either need to be accounted for differently, or the district would not be able to offer as much. Dr. Parks asked about the Transportation Consultant referenced, and what that consultant would be looking at. Mr. Stutzman clarified that they would be looking at the efficiency of the bus runs based on fleet size. They are not looking at the impact of the district moving from diesel to electric buses, but rather based on our current bus runs. Mr. Stutzman clarified that one of the challenges we have is due to scheduling constraints with our bus runs; he also noted that this consultation is able to be aided by BOCES.

APPROVE TRIPS: A motion was made by B. Adams, seconded by E. Mitchell to approve the following trips: Art Club to New York City, NY from 5/16/2025 to 5/18/2025, Winterguard to Salem, Massachusetts from 2/14/2025 to 2/16/2025 to compete in Regional competition; Winterguard to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania from 3/21/2025 to 3/23/2025 to compete in Regional competition; Winterguard to Dayton, Ohio from 4/2/2025 to 4/6/2025 to compete in the World Class Final Championships.
The motion was carried. 5 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

POLICY REVIEW Second Read: Second Reading of Policy 1901, School Volunteers and Visitors to the School.

MEETING REPORTS:
Monroe County School Board Association Committee Reports: Mrs. Kostecki attended the District Operations meeting where they spoke about school district budgeting in the post Foundation and Federal COVID funds era. She mentioned it was excellent, informative, and something Monroe County School Boards should consider having all board members see. Dr. Parks agreed that it was beneficial and

something all boards should have access to each year. Mrs. Kostecki also attended the Information Exchange meeting on February 5th about FERPA and Ed Law 2-d. Mrs. Kostecki then spoke about the Legislative breakfast on February 1st where many of our board members were able to advocate for Victor and point out the differences here in our district compared to many of the others. Students were also able to speak on several topics such as mental health and transportation. In regards to the Information Exchange meetings, Dr. Parks stated that having one or two of our board members attend would be beneficial. He suggested looking at the calendar and dividing them up based on availability, as the information is worthwhile.

Standing Committee Updates: Mr. Adams updated the Board that the Graduates of Distinction Committee met recently, and he is impressed with the recommendation that will be forthcoming. Dr. Parks said he sits on the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee and one of the discussions they have had was around the plaques and recognitions that highlight not only Athletic achievements, but also Visual and Performing Arts and Graduates of Distinction groups; and being able to display those in a digital repository due to lack of wall space in the building. Mrs. Prescott then spoke about a recent Inquiry Program Advisory Council meeting where they highlighted different Enrichment opportunities. Intermediate School offerings by Mrs. Smith-Faczan included Math Olympiad, poetry, book clubs, robotics, engineering, building tiny houses, and rocket launchers. At the Primary School, Mrs. Coniglio had offerings including logic puzzles and cross-stitch. Mrs. Prescott also thanked and recognized Library Media Specialists Maggie Elliot and Michelle Linse, who are both retiring this year, for being assets to the Inquiry Program for years.

UPCOMING EVENTS: There will be a Budget Workshop on Thursday, February 27 at 6:30 PM. The next regular board meeting will be Wednesday, March 12 at 7:15 PM. There will also be another Budget Workshop on Thursday, March 20 at 6:30 PM. The above meetings are anticipated to be located in the Early Childhood School Boardroom. There is also an Advocacy trip to Albany on March 3.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by C. Parks, seconded by E. Mitchell, to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM. The motion was carried. 5 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Selleck
District Clerk