



**Operating Board
 Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE: March 21, 2024

LOCATION: Tech Valley High School
 SUNY Polytechnic Institute - College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering
 246 Tricentennial Drive, Albany, New York 12203

District Superintendent: Dr. Gladys I. Cruz, Questar III BOCES
 District Superintendent: Ms. Lauren Gemmill, Capital Region BOCES

Members in Attendance: Edmund Brooks, Nancy delPrado, Joseph Garland, ~~Nadine Gazzola~~,
 John C. Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Heather Soroka, Bruce Tryon, Frank
 Zwack

Regular Meeting Called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance	Meeting called to order by President Phelan at 6:13 PM and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Recognition of Visitors/ Guests/ Staff	<p>Guests: Danielle Hemmid, TVHS Teacher Lorinda Jensis, TVHS Administrative Assistant Jessica Stewart, TVHS Teacher Andrew Betor, TVHS Teacher Jennifer Muirhead, TVHS Teacher Lana Hower, TVHS Teacher Jenny Ezzo, TVHS Teacher Kim Whalen, TVHS Nurse Michelle Sweeney, TVHS Teacher Dee Weldon, TVHS Teacher</p> <p>Staff: Elizabeth Wood, COO/Deputy Superintendent, Capital Region BOCES Mike Buono, HR Director, Questar III BOCES</p> <p>Lana Hower spoke to the board stating that they are all here this evening to support the success of TVHS. Board Member Garland commented about how wonderful and appreciated they all are by the board, the students, and the administration.</p>
Presentation(s)	None

<p>Communications</p>	<p>TVHS Prom: May 4, 2024</p> <p>TVHS Expo: May 15, 2024 @ 1 PM @ ZEN Atrium</p> <p>Drama Performance of Willy Wonka: May 17 & 18, 2024</p> <p>Our Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 6:15 PM</p>																																
<p>Approval of the Prior Meeting Minutes</p>	<p>BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board approves the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 25, 2024. https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/techvalleyhigh/Board.nsf/files/D2QMEB5A24F8/\$file/MINUTES%2001-25-24%20TVHS.pdf</p> <p>Motion by Edmund Brooks, second by Bruce Tryon. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon</p>																																
<p>BUSINESS / REPORTS</p>	<p><u>Internal Claims Auditor Report</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts the Internal Claims Audit Reported dated January-February 2024. https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/techvalleyhigh/Board.nsf/files/D36R9D6B9AFD/\$file/REPORT%20-%20TVHS%20Claims%20Auditor%20Report%20Jan%20-%20Feb%202024.pdf</p> <p>Motion by Joseph Garland, second by Frank Zwack. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon</p> <p><u>Treasurer's Report</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts the Treasurer's Report dated February 2024. https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/techvalleyhigh/Board.nsf/files/D36RAN6BACD4/\$file/REPORT%20-%20TVHS%20Treasurer%20Report%20-%20February%202024.pdf</p> <p>Motion by Nancy delPrado, second by Heather Soroka. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon</p>																																
<p>PERSONNEL</p>	<p>BE IT RESOLVED, that upon joint recommendation of the District Superintendents of Questar III and Capital Region BOCES, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts/approves the following personnel item(s) as noted.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="394 1682 1602 1961"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="8">CERTIFIED STAFF</th> </tr> <tr> <th colspan="8">Per Diem Substitute(s)</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Name</th> <th>Position</th> <th>FTE</th> <th>Certification Area</th> <th>Tenure Area</th> <th>Other</th> <th>Effective</th> <th>Salary</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Christopher Mahoney</td> <td>Teaching Assistant</td> <td>1.00</td> <td>Teaching Assistant Level 1</td> <td>Teaching Assistant</td> <td>Benefits: As set forth in the TVHS Teacher Association agreement</td> <td>January 26, 2024</td> <td>\$30,000.00 prorated</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">CERTIFIED STAFF Leave of Absence Request(s)</p>	CERTIFIED STAFF								Per Diem Substitute(s)								Name	Position	FTE	Certification Area	Tenure Area	Other	Effective	Salary	Christopher Mahoney	Teaching Assistant	1.00	Teaching Assistant Level 1	Teaching Assistant	Benefits: As set forth in the TVHS Teacher Association agreement	January 26, 2024	\$30,000.00 prorated
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Jessica Stewart	Teacher, Special Education	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	May 11, 2024- June 30, 2024	
Ashley Phillips	Teacher, Mathematics	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	April 8, 2024- June 30, 2024	
CERTIFIED STAFF Child Rearing Leave of Absence Request(s)							
Jessica Stewart	Teacher, Special Education	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	2024-2025 School Year	
CERTIFIED STAFF Regular Substitute(s)							
Erin Rivet	Regular Substitute for Ashley Phillips	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	April 8, 2024- June 30, 2024	\$55,000.00 prorated
McKenzie Gray	Regular Substitute for Jessica Stewart	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	May 11, 2024- June 30, 2024	\$55000.00 prorated
CERTIFIED STAFF Retirement(s)							
Jean Kerr	Teacher, Special Education	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	June 30, 2024	

Motion by Bruce Tryon, second by Nancy delPrado.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon

OTHER	<p><u>2024-25 Tech Valley High School Budget</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board hereby accepts and approves the 2024-25 TVHS Budget. https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/techvalleyhigh/Board.nsf/files/D36SGR717B92/\$file/2024-2025%20TVHS%20Updated%20Proposed%20Budget%20-%20Summary%20Page.pdf</p> <p>Motion by Lynn Lenhardt, second by Edmund Brooks. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon</p> <p><u>2024-25 Tech Valley High School Calendar</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts the 2024-25 Tech Valley High School calendar as attached. https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/techvalleyhigh/Board.nsf/files/D36SJS71B55B/\$file/TVHS_Calendar-24-25_v3.pdf</p> <p>Motion by John Hill, second by Lynn Lenhardt. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon</p> <p><u>2024-25 Tech Valley High School Operating Board Meeting Dates</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts and approves the 2024-25 TVHS Board Meeting dates. https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/techvalleyhigh/Board.nsf/files/D3ARUX6D4724/\$file/OTHER%20-%20TVHS%20BOE%20Mtg%202024-25.pdf</p> <p>Motion by Nancy delPrado, second by Heather Soroka.</p>
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	Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon
Principal's Report	Amy Hawrylchak, TVHS Principal Report Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enrollment• STEM Powerment Camp• I-Term Student Placements
District Superintendents' Reports	DS Cruz reported on the AASA Redefining Readiness Cohort visit and the Robotics Competition coming up next week. DS Gemmill thanks Amy and the TVHS staff for the opportunities provided to students, and stated how the increased enrollment is a wonderful reflection on the school.
Board Discussion	Member Garland reported on the AASA trip to Arizona schools to see firsthand their "team teaching" method and emphasized the impressiveness of the concept. He went on to state that his expectations were far surpassed after seeing the method up close and personal and the success it was having with students. He also told the board that this is very similar to how TVHS is already teaching students and how proud he was to see this.
Executive Session	NONE
Adjournment of Regular Meeting	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board voted to adjourn the regular meeting of March 21, 2024, at 6:43 PM. Motion by Joseph Garland, second by Edmund Brooks. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Heather Soroka, Lynne Lenhardt, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Nancy delPrado, Bruce Tryon

Respectfully submitted by,



Robin Emanatian, Board Clerk
Tech Valley High School