



**Operating Board
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE: January 26, 2023

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. Anita Murphy, Capital Region BOCES

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

Regular Meeting Called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance	Meeting called to order by President Brooks at 6:17 PM and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Approval of the Agenda & Waive 72 Hour Notice	<p>BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board approves the agenda as presented, and to waive the 72-hour notice to add items to the agenda by unanimous resolution.</p> <p>Motion by Lynne Lenhardt, second by Frank Zwack. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>
Recognition of Visitors/ Guests/ Staff	<p>Guests: Wendy Ashley, Lauren Gemmill, Laura Lee, Danielle Hemmid Staff: Mike Buono, Bethany Centrone, Anthony Taibi, James Tardy, John Tafilowski</p>
Presentation	Review of the External Audit Report for Tech Valley High School led by John Tafilowski of Cusack & Co., LLC.
External Audit Report for Tech Valley High School	<p>BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts the Tech Valley Regional Technology Institute Financial Report dated June 30, 2022.</p> <p>Motion by John Phelan, second by Joseph Garland. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>

<p>Communications</p>	<p>Our next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 23, 2023</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 Reorganization and Regular Meeting held on November 17, 2022.</p> <p>Motion by Nadine Gazzola, second by Lynne Lenhardt. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>
<p>Privilege of the Floor</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>PERSONNEL</p>	<p><u>Request for unpaid child rearing</u> Name: Jessica Stewart Position: Teacher Effective: January 13, 2023 - March 31, 2023</p> <p><u>Appointment as Regular Substitute Teacher (extension of previous appointment)</u> Name: Sean O'Brien Position: Teacher, Regular Substitute Effective: January 21, 2023 - February 3, 2023 Certification: ELA (Permanent) Type of Appointment: Regular Substitute (to cover an unpaid child rearing leave) Tenure Area: N/A Probationary Period: N/A Annual Salary: \$60,000 Benefits: N/A</p> <p><u>Per Diem Substitutes - \$125 per day:</u> Marcia Horelick 11/29/22 - 6/30/2023 Katherine Hayes 12/6/2022 - 6/30/2023</p> <p>BY CONSENT - All Personnel Items</p> <p>Motion by Frank Zwack, second by John Phelan. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>

<p>BUSINESS</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 November through December 2022.</p> <p><u>Treasurer's Report</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board approved the Treasurer's Report dated December 31, 2022.</p> <p><u>Acceptance of Donation(s)</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board hereby accepts the following donations in accordance with Tech Valley High School Policy No. 2090:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="396 688 1406 781"> <thead> <tr> <th>Organization</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Date Received</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>American Institute for Research</td> <td>\$5000</td> <td>12/27/22</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>BY CONSENT - All Business Items</p> <p>Motion by Lynne Lenhardt, second by Joseph Garland. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>	Organization	Amount	Date Received	American Institute for Research	\$5000	12/27/22
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<p>POLICIES</p>	<p><u>Board Policies</u> BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board conducts a second reading and adoption of the following policies:</p> <table data-bbox="440 1381 1138 1457"> <tr> <td>Policy # 5500 (Revised)</td> <td>Student Records</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Policy # 5900 (New)</td> <td>Time Out Room</td> </tr> </table> <p>BY CONSENT - All Policy Items</p> <p>Motion by Nadine Gazzola, second by John Hill. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>	Policy # 5500 (Revised)	Student Records	Policy # 5900 (New)	Time Out Room		
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<p>OTHER</p>	<p>NONE</p>						

<p>Principal's Report</p>	<p>Amy Hawrychak, TVHS Principal Report Items: Deep into recruitment - lottery = March 15th Weekly sessions are being held and word is getting out. There have been 5 information sessions so far. Sarah Feiss has been onsite in schools to interact with students and parents.</p> <p>DEI @ TVHS Last year a 5 session roundtable informing them of what it's like to work at Google, Microsoft, etc. and how to get there if that's your goal. A series of conversations will be had through April. Aimed at black and brown students.</p> <p>Exploring and Sharing our Stories - invitation coming for May 2023. Exploring who we are, what our own story is and how it impacts the world.</p> <p>Lobby Day - Thank you to Julie Marlet. Brought 6 students and they got to be on the floor and go to the million dollar staircase advocating for the TVHS program and shining in articulation and offering their perspective of TVHS.</p> <p>Students are feverishly finishing their iTerm plans.</p> <p>Innovative Solutions - November was the kick-off. Working with business partners to help solve problems in their business.</p>
<p>District Superintendents' Reports</p>	<p>Dr. Cruz said it was great to see the collaboration with UAlbany. Conversations regarding the partnership have begun and we expect it to be better going forward. Excited to see the TVHS student be integrated into Regional PRHYLI (5 students of 30) spoke regarding critical thinking and applying it to debating bills.</p> <p>Ms. Murphy reported that she continues to work with the superintendents to offer access to their students to TVHS and she will continue those conversations in an effort to be inclusive of all districts and their students who wish to attend TVHS. Ms. Murphy thanked Amy Hawrychak and Sara Feiss for their continued work and advocacy.</p>
<p>Board Discussion</p>	<p>NONE</p>
<p>Summary Actions</p>	<p>NONE</p>
<p>Adjournment of Regular Meeting</p>	<p>BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board voted to adjourn the regular meeting of January 26, 2023, at 6:57 PM.</p> <p>Motion by Lynne Lenhardt, second by Nadine Gazzola. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Frank Zwack, John Hill, John Phelan, Joseph Garland, Lynne Lenhardt, Nadine Gazzola</p>

Respectfully submitted by,



Robin Emanatian, Board Clerk
Tech Valley High School