Operating Board
Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE: May 15, 2025

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:

Capital Region BOCES	*Questar III BOCES*
Nancy delPrado, Board Member	Edmund Brooks, Board Member *(arrived @ 6:46pm)*
Lynne Lenhardt, Board Member	Joseph Garland, Board Member
John Phelan, Board President	Nadine Gazzola, Board Member
~~Heather Soroka, Board Member~~	John C. Hill, Board Member
Bruce Tryon, Board Member	Frank Zwack, Board Member

Also in Attendance:
Jacob Verchereau, School Attorney, Questar III

Regular Meeting Called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance	Meeting called to order by President Phelan at 6:21PM and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Recognition of Visitors/ Guests/ Staff	Guests: Drama Class Teacher: Catherine Eisele Students: Elizabeth Countermine, Izzy Webster, Mina Ammerman Robotics Class Teacher: Varada Vaughan Student: Alex Bender Business Partner: Christopher Mahoney
Presentation(s)	Drama Club: The drama students spoke of their upcoming production of "Grease" on May 23 & 24, 2025, speaking to the preparations, hard work and skill that is going into the success of the play at TVHS.
Communications	June 25, 2025: TVHS Graduation 4 PM (UAlbany Performing Arts Building *Please RSVP to Amy* July 24, 2025: Our Next Board Regular Meeting

Approval of the Prior Meeting Minutes	BE IT RESOLVED: that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts and approves the minutes of the reorganization and regular board meeting held on March 17, 2025. *File Attachments* *MINUTES 03-27-25 TVHS.pdf (298 KB)* Motion by Joseph Garland, second by Lynne Lenhardt. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Nancy delPrado, Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack
BUSINESS / REPORTS	Internal Claims Auditor Report BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board accepts the Internal Claims Audit Reports dated March through April 2025. File Attachments TVHS March-April 2025.pdf (434 KB) Motion by Lynne Lenhardt, second by Bruce Tryon. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Nancy delPrado, Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack Treasurer's Report BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board approves the Treasurer's Report dated April 30, 2025. File Attachments TVHS Treasurer Report - April 30, 2025.pdf (3,291 KB) Motion by Nancy delPrado, second by John Hill. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Nancy delPrado, Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack
PERSONNEL	BE IT RESOLVED, 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. **Per Diem and Daily Subs** The following substitutes should be added to the agenda at a per diem rate of $125 per day for the 2024 – 2025 school year:

Name: Abdur-Rahman Khawaja
Effective: 03/07/2025 - 06/30/2025

Name: Jessica Otitigbe
Effective: 03/19/2025-06/30/2025

TVHS Camp Innovation Staff

NAME	DATES	AMOUNT (per-diem)
Keith Ruquet	July 10-25,2025	1/180th 2024-2025 salary
Ryan Morash	July 10-25,2025	$200/day

TVHS Camp Innovation Team Mentors

NAME	DATES	RATE
Miguel dela Cruz Cruz	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Franceliz Rosello	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Hafsa Chowdhury	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Noelle Ascioti	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Maggie Cramer	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Aliyyah Cancer	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Mina Ammerman	July 10-25,2025	$15.50/hour
Jude Charde	July 10-25, 2025	$15.50/hour

ALL PERSONNEL ITEMS BY CONSENT
Motion by Bruce Tryon, second by Frank Zwack.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Nancy delPrado, Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack

TVHS Principal's Report	<u>Report by Amy Hawrylchak, TVHS Principal & Chief Academic Officer</u> • TVHS - Outreach • TVHS Design Expo • Robotics Team Presentation
District Superintendents' Reports	District Superintendent, Gladys Cruz, thanked the Drama and Robotics classes for their presentations and told them to continue to dream and chase their passions. District Superintendent, Lauren Gemmill congratulated the Robotics team and wished the Drama class best of luck on their production.
Board Discussion	The board members also thanked the Drama and Robotics classes for their efforts and hard work.

Executive Session	BE IT RESOLVED, upon joint recommendation of the District Superintendents of Questar III and Capital Region BOCES, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board enter into Executive Session at 7:03 PM for the purpose of discussing pending litigation Motion by Nadine Gazzola, second by Edmund Brooks. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Nancy delPrado Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack
Return to Regular Session	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board returned to regular session at 7:32 PM. Motion by Lynne Lenhardt, second by Joseph Garland. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Nancy delPrado Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack
Adjournment of Regular Meeting	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tech Valley High School Operating Board voted to adjourn the regular meeting of May 15, 2025, at 7:32 PM. Motion by Lynne Lenhardt, second by Joseph Garland. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Edmund Brooks, Nancy delPrado Joseph Garland, Nadine Gazzola, John Hill, Lynne Lenhardt, John Phelan, Bruce Tryon, Frank Zwack

Respectfully submitted by,

Robin Emanatian, Board Clerk
Tech Valley High School