

**Mountain View School District**  
**“A Community’s Commitment to Excellence”**  
**Board of Education Public Meeting**

**Monday, June 13, 2022**  
**MINUTES**

**1.1 Call to Order**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on June 13, 2022 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:45 PM by Mr. Jason Richmond, President.

**1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.3 Roll Call – Board Members Present:**

Mr. Jason Richmond, President; Mr. Kenneth Decker, First Vice President; Mr. Michael Barhite, Second Vice President; Mr. Michael Talabiska; Mr. Derek O’Dell (via call-in); Mr. Danny Very; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer; Mr. David Schulte.

Absent: Mrs. Sondra Stine, Treasurer.

**Administration Present:**

Dr. Mike Elia, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Dr. Mark Lemoncelli, High School Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal; Mr. Douglas Womelsdorf, Director of Curriculum; Mrs. Erica Loftus, Special Services Director.

**1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:**

**1.5 Approval of the Minutes –May 23, 2022**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Barhite, to approve the minutes dated May 23, 2022, as presented.

Motion 371 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

**1.6 First Hearing of Visitors –** *You may speak about anything on the agenda. Please identify yourself by name and address all comments to the Board as a whole. You will be allowed two (2) minutes for your comments; five (5) minutes if prior written notification was made. Comments relative to private student matters or personnel issues should be directed to the appropriate school authority outside of this meeting. The presiding officer reserves the right to interrupt or terminate a participant’s statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.*

- Ted Brewster asked clarifying questions about the agenda.

## **2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

### **2.1 Approve June Bill List**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the list of bills for the June 13, 2022 General Fund, Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$251,202.74.

Motion 372 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.2 Approve IDEA-B Notice**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the IDEA-B Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds between the NEIU #19 and the Mountain View School District for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Motion 373 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.3 Approve Intergovernmental Agreement**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Special Education Services between the NEIU #19 and the Mountain View School District for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Motion 374 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.4 Approve Children's Service Center Agreement**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the (PHP) and (TEP) agreement between the Children's Service Center and the Mountain View School District for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Motion 375 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.5 Approve Title III Agreement with NEIU 19**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the Title III Services Agreement between The Mountain View School District and NEIU 19 for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Motion 376 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.6 Approve 2022-2023 Annual Tax Levy**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the 2022-2023 Annual Tax Levy as follows: 46.5470 mills real estate tax, \$5.00 per capita tax under Act 511, \$5.00 per capita tax under Section 679 of the Public School Code, Occupational Assessment Tax at 100 mills, 0.5% Earned Income Tax under Act 511 and 1 % Real Estate Transfer Tax. The discount rate is 2% and ends on August 31, 2022. Face period begins on September 1, 2022 and ends on October 31, 2022. The penalty rate is 10% and begins on November 1, 2022 and ends on December 31, 2022 The last day to

pay tax collector is December 31, 2022. Installment payments are due by August 31, 2022, September 30, 2022 and October 31, 2022, respectively.

Motion 377 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **2.7 Approve 2022 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the 2022 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion in the amount of \$659,825.61. There are 2,297 eligible Homesteads and Farmsteads.

Motion 378 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **2.8 Approve Transfer of Funds**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to authorize transfer of funds from General Fund (10-5240-930-000-00-001-000-000-0000 / CR: 52401) to Debt Service Fund (40-9311-000-000-00-005-000-000-0000 / CR: DSR002) in the amount of \$413,121.25 for the July 1, 2022 bond payment of \$413,121.25 for the Bond Series of 2018.

Motion 379 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **2.9 Appoint School District Treasurer for 2022-2023**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to appoint Michael Talabiska as school district treasurer for the 2022-2023 school year, at a rate of \$2,400 per year.

Motion 380 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **2.10 Approve Tax Bill Printer**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve Government Software Services (GSS) for 2022 real estate tax, per capita tax, and occupation tax bill printing, as presented.

Motion 381 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **2.11 Approve Auditor Agreement**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the agreement with Brian T. Kelley and Associates as independent auditor. The agreement will run through June 30, 2026. The annual cost is \$23,500 for the audit plus \$1,350 for tax collector agreed-upon procedures review. There is also a 1-time fee of \$3,500 at June 30, 2022 for implementing the GASB 87 ("Lease Standard") evaluation standards.

Motion 382 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **2.12 Approve Agreement with AVEANNA**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve the agreement between AVEANNA and the Mountain View School District for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Motion 383 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.13 Approve Addendum to Agreement of Sale**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve an addendum to the agreement of sale to provide an extension of the settlement/closing date to July 31, 2022, as presented.

Motion 384 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **2.14 Approve Continuation of Student Activities**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Very, to approve continuation of the following student activities – Activities, Art Club, Band, Chorus, Class of 2023, Class of 2024, Drama Club, Family and Consumer Sciences, FBLA, FOCUS Class, Mountain View Student Government Association, National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society, Olweus, Students Against Drunk Driving, Scholastic Team, Science Club, Ski / Snowriders Club, Strategies for Life, Students In Need, and Yearbook for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion 385 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Derek O'Dell

### **3.1 Appoint Custodian**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Thomas Sheridan, Nicholson, as a custodian, at a starting rate \$12.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of June 14, 2022.

Motion 386 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **3.2 Appoint Custodian**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Kevin Sheridan, Nicholson, as a custodian, at a starting rate \$12.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of June 14, 2022.

Motion 387 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **3.3 Appoint Maintenance**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Tosha Shay, Thompson, to maintenance, at a starting rate \$14.70 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of June 14, 2022.

Motion 388 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### 3.4 Advertise Long Term School Counselor Position

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to advertise for a long term School Counselor for the first half of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion 389 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### 3.5 Approve Elementary Principal

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Patrick McGarry, Clarks Summit, PA, as Elementary Principal at a salary of \$94,000 with a start date of July 1, 2022.

Motion 390 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### 3.6 Approve Extended School Year Faculty/Staff

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to to approve the following Extended School Year Faculty/Staff for summer 2022:

**Teachers:** Jamie Supancik, Diane Supancik

**Paraprofessionals:** Dawn Neri, Brittany Latwinski

Motion 391 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## 4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

### 4.1 Approve the Following Policy:

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the following policy, as presented.

227-Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia

Motion 392 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## 5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

### 5.1 Approve STEM Summer Program

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very, to approve the STEM Summer Program for grades 5 and 6; June 27-30, July 5-8, July 11-14, 2022.

Motion 393 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### 5.2 Approve STEM Staff

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following STEM Teacher for summer 2022:

Jenifer Davis

Motion 394 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **5.3 Approve Conference Requests**

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very to approve the following conference requests:

- A. Karen Zaums, Thursday, June 2, 2022, Speech Language Service Delivery and Scheduling Symposium (Webinar) (No cost to the district)

Motion 395 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

### **5.4 Approve Emergency Instructional Time**

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very to approve Emergency Instruction Time Template for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Motion 396 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

## **6. Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor stated that the hot water heater broke. The tank rusted out and the element failed. Will run off of the boiler loop for now. We will perform a pressure test for leaks in our heating system.

## **7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

## **8. Labor Relations Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson**

MVEA Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Dan Very, Kenneth Decker

MVESPA Committee Members, Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte, Sondra Stine

## **9. Administration**

### **9.1 Principals' Comments**

#### **Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake**

- Absent.

#### **High School Principal – Dr. Mark Lemoncelli**

- Absent.

### **9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Erica Loftus**

- Absent.

### **9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction and Federal Programs –Mr. Douglas Womelsdorf**

- Absent.

### **9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak**

- No comment.

### **9.5 Superintendent– Dr. Michael Elia**

- Dr. Elia mentioned that the Pre-K, K, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremonies went smoothly. He is very proud of how the year ended. He welcomed Mr. McGarry to MVSD.

### **New Business from Board Members**

- Mr. Talabiska congratulated the Sheridan brothers and Tosha Shay for their employment appointments.

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- Corrina Kinney said that a \$0.03 per mile raise is not enough.
- Sheila Petrotchko said the fuel stipend was too small.
- Laura Fuller said that fuel is expected to continue to rise.
- Louise Stoddard contract was presented in the wrong manner.
- Dan Anthony said tough choices are on the horizon.

### **Executive Session – Announcement of executive sessions held and/or scheduled.**

#### **HELD:**

- Monday, June 13, 2022 – 6:00 PM - 7:40 PM for Personnel

#### **SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, June 13, 2022 after the public meeting
- Monday, June 27, 2022 before and after the public meeting

## **10. Adjourn**

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM.

#### **Enclosures:**

- 1.5-May 23, 2022 Minutes
- 2.1-June Bill List
- 2.2-IDEA-B
- 2.3-Intergovernmental Agreement

2.4-Childrens Service Center Agreement  
2.5- Title III Agreement with NEIU 19  
2.10- Tax Bill Printer  
2.12-Agreement with AVEANNA  
2.13-Addendum to Agreement of Sale  
4.1-227-Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia  
5.4-Emergency Instructional Time

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak