

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

Monday, May 20, 2019
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on May 20, 2019 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:13 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. Edward Napierkowski, Second Vice President; Mr. Danny Very, Treasurer; Mr. Michael Barhite; Mr. David Schulte. Mrs. Sondra Stine; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer; Mrs. Monica Miller.

Absent: None

Administration Present:

Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski, Special Education Director; Mrs. Karen Voigt, Superintendent; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal; Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal; Dr. Mike Elia, Director of Curriculum; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Ms. Rachel Terry, Asst. Business Manager.

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

Harford First Congregational-UCC Donation to Chimettes- Mr. David Schulte

- Mr. Schulte presented Mrs. Birozak with a donation from the Harford First Congregational.

National Science Foundation Polar Trek- Keyonna Snedeker and Mrs. Veronica Thomas

- Mrs. Thomas and Keyonna explained the National Science Foundation Polar Trek.

SGA-Sydney Barhite

- Sydney presented the MVSGA School Board Liaison Report.

ESG-MVSD Renewable Energy Student Project

- Mr. Mackey’s class presented the MVSD Renewable Energy Student Project.

Relay For Life – Brandi Miller

- Mrs. Miller presented information regarding the Relay For Life.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –May 6, 2019

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mrs. Stine, to approve the minutes dated May 6, 2019, as presented.

Motion 301 Carried: 9 Yes

1.6 Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report: Dan Very, Treasurer, reported as listed.

- Mr. Very presented the Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report.

1.7 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.*

- None.

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Monica Miller

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve May Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the May 20, 2019 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$139,148.65.

Motion 302 Carried: 9 Yes

2.2 Approve April Disbursements

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to confirm payment of the General Fund Bill List, Debt Service Bill List, Cafeteria Fund Bill List, and to ratify the payment of employee payroll, transportation contracts, fringe benefit payments, and fund transfers in the amount of \$2,101,829.61.

Motion 303 Carried: 9 Yes

2.3 Approve Exonerations for Real Estate, Per Capita and Occupation Taxes

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve exonerations for 2019 real estate, 2019 per capita taxes and 2019 occupation taxes as submitted by the Susquehanna County Courthouse and tax collectors, as presented.

Motion 304 Carried: 9 Yes

2.4 Appoint Bank of Record

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to appoint Peoples Security Bank & Trust as bank of record for 2019-2020.

Motion 305 Carried: 9 Yes

2.5 Appoint Auditor

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to appoint Brian T. Kelly, CPA as district auditor for 2019-2020.

Motion 306 Carried: 9 Yes

2.6 Appoint Collector of Delinquent Taxes

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to appoint G. H. Harris Associates, Inc., Dallas, PA as delinquent per capita and delinquent occupational tax collector for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion 307 Carried: 9 Yes

2.7 Appoint School Solicitor

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to appoint Joseph F. Gaughan, P.C. as school solicitor for the 2019-2020 school year at an annual retainer amount of \$10,500.00 and a rate of \$140.00 per hour for other services according to proposal, as presented.

Motion 308 Carried: 9 Yes

2.8 Approve Special Education Agreement with NEIU 19

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve Special Education Agreement between the Mountain View School District and the NEIU 19, as presented.

Motion 309 Carried: 9 Yes

2.9 Approve Continuation of Student Activities

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve continuation of the following student activities – Activities, Art Club, Band, Chorus, Class of 2020, Class of 2021, Family and Consumer Sciences, FBLA, Music Theatre, Mountain View Student Government Association, National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society, Olweus / PBIS, PASC State Conference 2020, Students Against Drunk Driving, Scholastic Team, Science Club, Ski / Snowriders Club, Spanish Honor Society, Strategies for Life, Students In Need, and Yearbook for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion 310 Carried: 9 Yes

2.10 Approve Change Orders for ESG project as follows:

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve change orders for ESG project as follows

7. Cafeteria HVAC-16 (HS); Kitchen Unit Refurbishment (VFD); Nurses Room AC (HS); Replace UVs in Rooms 216, 217, 162; Exterior Door Replacements (ES); Doors & Entrance Floor Repair (HS); Canopy (ES); Kitchen Tile Floor Installation (ES); Test Well; Baseball & Softball Field Renovations. \$1,113,983

Motion 311 Carried: 9 Yes

2.11 Approve agreement with The Meadows

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve agreement between the Mountain View School District and The Meadows Psychiatric Center for 2019-2021, as presented.

Motion 312 Carried: 9 Yes

2.12 Authorize Transfer of Funds

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to authorize transfer of funds from General Fund (10-5250-930-000-00-000-000-0000 / CR: 52302) to Cafeteria Fund (50-9310-000-000-00-005-000-000-0000 / CR: CR013) in the amount of \$4,207.96.

Motion 313 Carried: 9 Yes

3. Personnel Committee: Monica Miller, Chairperson

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte

3.1 Post and Advertise Custodian Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to post and advertise for a full-time custodian position with a salary of \$11.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Motion 314 Carried: 9 Yes

3.2 Post and Advertise Cafeteria Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to post and advertise for a cafeteria position with a salary of \$10.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Motion 315 Carried: 9 Yes

3.3 Accept Letter of Resignation for Retirement

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to accept the letter of resignation for retirement purposes from James Soya from his IT Technician Position, effective May 31, 2019.

Motion 316 Carried: 9 Yes

3.4 Correct Nurse Salary Approval

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to correct Allison Bluhm Step and Column from Bachelor's +12- step 1 to Bachelor's +36, step1, retroactive to April 22, 2019.

Motion 317 Carried: 9 Yes

3.5 Accept Letter of Resignation

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to accept the letter of resignation from Timothy Phillips from his custodian position, effective June 14, 2019.

Motion 318 Carried: 9 Yes

3.6 Post and Advertise _____ Position

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to post and advertise for a _____ position, _____ Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

- Motion placed on hold. No action taken.

3.7 Approve Additional Summer IT Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve one (1) additional summer IT positions (total of three (3) positions) at a rate of \$10.00 per hour from June 17, 2019 until August 31, 2019.

Motion 319 Carried: 9 Yes

3.8 Post and Advertise Custodian Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to post and advertise for a full-time custodian position with a salary of \$11.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Motion 320 Carried: 9 Yes

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Danny Very

4.1 Second Reading of the following policy:

Policy #815.2-Social Media

4.2 Discussion of Policy #221- Dress and Grooming

- There was discussion regarding Policy #221 – Dress & Grooming.

4.3 First Reading of the following policy:

Policy #114- Gifted Education

- Dr. Plonski-Sezer read Policy #114 – Gifted Education

5. Education Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Sondra Stine

5.1 Approve Conference Requests

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

- A. Sheri Ransom, Wednesday, June 12, 2019, Pa Community of Practice Regional Collaborative Leadership Boalsburg PA (Transportation \$208.80)
- B. Lori Cobb, Brenda Daniels, Ginger Compton, Wednesday, July 17, 2019, Sapphire University 2019 Summer Conference (No cost to the district)

Motion 321 Carried: 9 Yes

5.2 Approve Field Trip Requests

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to to approve the following field trip requests:

- A. Heidi Serbonich, Danielle Scott, Colleen Hammond, Kathy Walker and 8 Students, Wednesday, May 29, 2019, Special Olympics, Tunkhannock Area School District (Transportation \$24.00)
- B. Whitney Johnson, Todd Calabro and 15 students, Wednesday, Jr. High Envirothon Competition, Lackawanna County Conservation District Office (Transportation \$168.23, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$358.23)
- C. Mason Stiver and Jr/Sr Band, Sunday, June 2, 2019, Dorney Band Trip, Allentown PA (No cost to District)
- D. Christine Misiura, Katie Beichler, Sue Gesford and 6 students, Thursday, May 23, 2019, NPCTM Math Competition, Johnson College (Transportation See G, Registration \$60.00, Substitutes \$285.00; Total \$345.00)
- E. Todd Calabro, Whitney Johnson and 5 students, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 21-22, 2019, Envirothon State Competition, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown (Transportation \$307.40, Registration \$500, Substitutes \$388.00; Total \$1,195.40)
- F. Adrienne Brown, Joe Scanlon, Ali Paparelli, nurse, 22 Chaperones, & 75 5th Grade Students Thursday, May 30, 2019, Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia PA (Substitute \$95.00)
- G. Ali Paparelli, Charleene Martens, Maureen Beamish, Alicia Waters, Leslie Gossage and 7 students, May 23, 2019, NPCTM Math Contest, Johnson College (Transportation \$185.98, Registration \$70.00, Substitute \$95.00; Total \$350.98)

Motion 322 Carried: 9 Yes

5.3 Approve Homebound Instruction

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve homebound instruction for Student #21029 beginning March 1, 2019 ending July 25, 2019.

Motion 323 Carried: 9 Yes

5.4 Approve Theater Workshop

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve Theater Workshop for June 24-28, 2019 for grades 6-9, as presented.

Motion 324 Carried: 9 Yes

5.5 Approve Program of Studies – Grades 7 and 8

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the program of studies for grades 7 and 8 for the 2019-2020 school year as presented.

Motion 325 Carried: 9 Yes

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor mentioned that this has been a very wet year. It has been tough to mow. The fence around the track is back up. All but two of the mats are picked up. The batting cage still needs to be repaired. Jeffers will be here next week to remove fallen trees.

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

- Mr. Witiak discussed shuttle bus options.
- Dr. Plonski-Sezer asked about bus routes in Gibson.
- Mr. Decker asked about handicap van requirements.

8. **Labor Relations Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson**

MVEA Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Monica Miller, Kenneth Decker
MVESPA Committee Members, Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte, Sondra Stine

9. **Administration**

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake

- Dr. Lake thanked the PTO for Teacher Appreciation Week. Field Day is May 29. Carnival is June 7. Kindergarten Finale' is June 5. 6th Grade Promotion is June 12.

High School Principal – Mr. Robert Presley

- Mr. Presley noted that the PSSA Exams are finished. Keystone Exams are underway. Congratulations to Mr. Stiver and Mrs. Bottger for concert. He thanked everyone involved in the mock car crash. Prom was last Saturday. Keystone College is bringing their mobile glass blowing lab on Friday. There will be an EMT presentation on Wednesday.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski

- Mrs. Anuszewski presented the 2018-2019 Transition Program Report and goals for next year.

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction –Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia is holding many meetings to refine the curriculum.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- No comment.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt

- Mrs. Voigt stated that Comprehensive Planning sessions are underway. She thanked the board for signing the PSBA accord. The Federal Program Conference was very informative. Battle of Opioids program on May 14 at MVHS was informative. It was a county initiative. WVIA partnered with local agencies.

New Business from Board Members

- Mrs. Miller noted that we need to consider legalized marijuana in drug education moving forward.
- Mr. Stine stated that Kirsten Smith from WVIA wants to share opioid videos at a future board meeting.
- Mr. Decker thanked Jim Bernoski for his presence on campus.
- Mr. Schulte noted that he worked with the 6th grade free of charge. It was part of a American Chemical Society program.

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- Kaylee Bridgeman wishes to offer 2 computer programming classes. "Scratch" in the ES. "Python" or "Java" in the HS.
- Carol Zick asked about the co-teaching in 6th grade.

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

HELD:

- Monday, May 20, 2019- 6:00 PM-7:10 PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, May 20, 2019, after the public meeting
- Monday, June 10, 2019 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 9:40 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5-May 6, 2019 minutes
- 1.6-Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report
- 2.1-May 2019 Bill List
- 2.2-Disbursements
- 2.3-Exonerations
- 2.7-Solicitor
- 2.8-NEIU Special Education Agreement
- 2.10-Change Orders for ESG Project-Phase II
- 2.11-The Meadows Agreement
- 3.3-Soya Resignation
- 4.1- Policy #815.2-Social Media
- 4.2- Policy #221- Dress and Grooming
- 4.3-Policy #114-Gifted Education
- 5.4- Theater Workshop
- FYI-NEIU Program/Service Utilization Report 7/1/2018-12/31/2018

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak