

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

**Monday, January 30, 2023 - 7:00 PM**  
**Agenda**

**\*\*\*Minutes**

**1. Opening Activities**

- 1.1. Call to Order – 7:25pm
- 1.2. Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3. Roll Call

Board of Education:

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| <u>  </u> <u>A</u> Mr. Michael Barhite         | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. David Schulte                 |
| <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Kenneth Decker          | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mrs. Sondra Stine                 |
| <u>  </u> <u>A</u> Mr. Derek O’Dell            | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Michael Talabiska             |
| <u>  </u> <u>A</u> Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Danny Very                    |
| <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Jason Richmond          | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mrs. Donna Keslo, Sec. Non-Member |

Administration:

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| <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Dr. Michael Elia  | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Patrick McGarry          |
| <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mrs. Donna Keslo  | <u>  </u> <u>A</u> Dr. Mark Lemoncelli          |
| <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Andrew Snyder | <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mr. Joseph Gaughan, Attorney |
| <u>  </u> <u>P</u> Mrs. Erica Loftus |   |

**1.4. Pride in Mountain View:**

SGA Representative - GG Larkin – **See Attached**

Erin Kiryluk and Melissa Hatala – Nutrition Update - **None**

Presentation- Comprehensive Plan for 2023-2026 School Years - Dr. Elia – **Goals are attached and will be submitted to the State for approval**

**1.5. Approval of the Minutes – January 9, 2023**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the minutes dated January 9, 2023 as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes      No      Abstain   3   Absent

1.6. Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report: Michael Talabiska, Treasurer, reported as listed.

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, Derek O’Dell

2.1. Approve Agreement

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve an Agreement between the Mountain View School District and Leatherstocking Gas Company, LLC, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

2.2. Approve February Bill List

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the list of bills for February 2, 2023 for the General Fund in the amount of \$237,887.51, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

2.3. Approve Exonerations

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve exonerations for real estate, per capita and occupation taxes submitted by the Susquehanna County Courthouse and tax collectors, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**2.4. Approve the Opening of the Agenda to Add Motion 2.5**

The motion is made by Mr. Kenneth Decker, second by Mr. Danny Very, to amend the agenda to consider motion on Act 1 Resolution for the 2023-2024 school budget.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**2.5. Approve Act 1 Resolution**

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the attached Act 1 Resolution for the 2023-2024 school budget to not raise real estate taxes for 2023-2024 above the base index set forth by PDE for the Mountain View School District of 4.7%, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

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

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

**3.1. Approve Supplemental Salary Requests**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve Melanie Lasher as the Intramural Volleyball Coach for the 2022-2023 school per.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.2. Approve Coach Resignation**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve resignation from Richard Loman as JH Boys Basketball Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.3. Approve Coach**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve Jesse Gerfin as JH Boys Basketball Coach at a salary of \$3,341.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.4. Approve 90-day Long Term Substitute**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve Jamie Supancik as a 90-day long term substitute, at a prorated salary of \$50,050.00, Step 1, Bachelors Column of the 2022-2023 schedule, Effective January 26, 2023 (91<sup>st</sup> day), and benefits according to contract as a result of serving in the same High School Science position for more than 90 consecutive days.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.5. Approve Substitute**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve the following substitutes, A through D, as presented:

- A. Hailey Taylor - Paraprofessional Substitute List
- B. Caitlyn Williams - Elementary Emergency Certified Substitute List
- C. Wendy Thomas - Elementary Emergency Certified Substitute List
- D. Sarah Carpenetti - High School Emergency Certified Substitute List

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.6. Approve Coach Resignation**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve resignation from Melody Haley as Head Track Coach for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.7. Approve Advertising for Track Coach**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to advertise for a Head Track Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.8. Approve Volunteer**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to approve Gary Sanauskas as a volunteer for JH Boys Basketball.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**3.9. Appoint Speech Language Pathologist**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to appoint Carla Hendricks as Speech Language Pathologist at a salary of \$64,350.00, Masters, Step 1, and benefits according to the MVEA CBA. Start date to be determined.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

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

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

**4.1. First Reading of the Following Policy:**

Policy 251- Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability

**4.2. Approve the Following Policy:**

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Talabiska, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy 221- Dress and Grooming

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

**5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

**5.1. Approve Field Trip Requests**

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the following field trip requests, A through F, as presented:

- A. Sheri Ransom and 2 students, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, Allied Services, (Transportation \$31.85)
- B. Christine Misiura, Rebekah Ihlefeldt, Mark Lemoncelli, Nurse, and 33 students on Wednesday through Sunday, March 8-12, 2023, Senior Florida Trip (Substitute \$420.00)
- C. Diana Lombardi, 9 3D Design students and 4 Art 11 students, Friday, February 17, 2023, Marywood University Sculpture Trip (Transportation \$176.22, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$281.22)
- D. Mason Stiver and 1 Senior Band Student, Thursday and Friday, February 9-10, 2023, PMEA District 9 Band, North Pocono HS (Transportation \$50.00, Registration \$80.00, Substitute \$210.00; Total \$340.00)
- E. Marybeth Krivak, Thursday, February 9, 2023, Gifted Network, Whole Book in Half Day, NEIU 19 (Substitute \$105.00)

F. Karen Zaums, Reagan White and 20 Student Council Members, Friday, March 24, 2023, 2023 PASC Regaion H Conference, Wyoming Valley West High School (Registration \$440.00, paid by Student Council)

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

### 5.2. Approve Comprehensive Plan

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the Comprehensive Plan for the 2023-2026 school years, as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

### 5.3. Approve Conference Requests

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the following conference requests A through C, as presented:

- A. Jamie White, Allison Martino, Samantha Hayden, Friday, February 10, 2023, School Counselors of NEPA Counselor Academy, University of Scranton (No cost to the district)
- B. Steven Farrell, Tuesday through Thursday, March 7-9, 2023, Annual PA Pre-K Counts and MSSAP Grantee Meeting, Kalahari Resorts (Travel \$81.35, Lodging \$337.90, Substitute \$210.00; Total \$629.25)
- C. Alexander Pashchuk, Tuesday through Saturday, March 21-25, 2023, PSADA Conference, Hershey, PA (Travel \$191.26, Lodging \$384.00, Registration \$300.00, Meals \$205.00; Total \$1,080.26)

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's Report – Spoke about the vehicle barrier gate project being completed and the savings of the wood burning versus the cost if we had to use fuel only. He also spoke of DEP water testing and a bus safety gran through PennDot.

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

None

### 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

None

## 9. Administration

### 9.1. Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal - Mr. Patrick McGarry – Spoke about Kindness Challenge, Hoops for Hearts, Mrs. Pompey, and upcoming conferences.

High School Principal - Dr. Mark Lemoncelli - **None**

9.2. Director of Special Services - Mrs. Erica Loftus – Spoke about Mrs. Pompey, new speech and language staff member, and the upcoming monitoring.

9.3. Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Federal Programs – Mr. Andrew Snyder – Spoke of how he has been meeting with different staff members getting to know everyone, NOLA family meetings to try to get students to come back to in house.

9.4. Business Manager - Mrs. Donna Keslo – Spoke about the upcoming budget season

9.5. Superintendent - Dr. Michael Elia – Spoke about Mrs. Pompey and her hard work and dedication throughout her years of service

## 10. Closing

10.1. New Business from Board Members - None

10.2. Second Hearing of Visitors

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None

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

### **HELD:**

- Monday, January 30, 2023 - 6:00pm – 7:25pm for Personnel

**SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, February 13, 2023 before the public meeting

**11. Adjourn**

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Danny Very, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

**Enclosures:**

- 1.5 - January 9, 2023 Minutes
- 1.6 - Treasurer / Cafeteria Reports
- 2.1 - Agreement with Leatherstocking Gas Company, LLC
- 2.2 - Bill Listing
- 2.3 - Exonerations
- 3.2 - Loman Resignation
- 3.6 - Haley Resignation
- 4.1 - Policy # 251 - Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability
- 4.2 - Polciy # 221 - Dress and Grooming