

The regular public meeting of the Mountain View School District Board of Education was held this date in the board room at the elementary school. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M., by president, Mr. James Zick.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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| P- Mr. James W. Zick, President | A- Mr. Kevin M. Griffiths |
| P- Dr. Todd L. Adams, 1 st V.P. | P- Mrs. Sondra E. Stine |
| P- Mrs. Dava Rinehart-Cowan, 2 nd V.P. | P- Mr. Thomas Stoddard |
| P- Mrs. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Treasurer | P- Mr. Roy Twining |
| P- Mrs. Ellen B. Aherne | P- Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary
(Non-Member) |

ADMINISTRATION

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| P- Dr. Andrew Chichura, Superintendent | A- Mr. Andrew Doster, Jr. /Sr. High School Principal |
| V- Vacant, Business Manager | P- Mr. Robert Presley - Elementary School Principal |
| A- Mrs. Laurie Cobb, Assistant Business Manager | P- Mrs. Karen Voigt, Director of Curriculum &
Instruction/Federal Programs |
| P- Mrs. Susan Pipitone, Director of Special
Services | |

REVIEW MINUTES: Reviewed was the December 19, 2011, regular public meeting minutes.

PRESENTATION: School Director Recognition Month presentation. Dr. Chichura had presented the Board members with Certificates of Recognition as January in School Directors Recognition month. He thanked them for their time and efforts. This was followed by a round of applause.

FIRST HEARING OF VISITORS - None

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Dava Rinehart-Cowan
Committee Members: Thomas Stoddard, Ellen Aherne

REVIEW DECEMBER DISBURSEMENTS: Reviewed were the December 2011, General Fund Bill List, Debt Service Fund Bill List, Capital Reserve Fund Bill List, Cafeteria Fund Bill List, and the payment of employee payroll, transportation contracts, fringe benefit payments, and fund transfers in the total amount of **\$2,547,184.93.**

REVIEW LIST OF BILLS: Reviewed was the preliminary list of bills for the January 9, 2012, General Fund Bill List in the amount of **\$39,842.77.**

Dr. Plonski-Sezer questioned check #6187 to Brook Sanders. Mrs. Aherne questioned check #6191 to Compass Learning and check #6193 to Data Processing.

REVIEW FUND TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE: Dr. Chichura reviewed the transfer of the funds from the Settlement Agreement for the Bond Issue of 2002 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$221,832.00.

REVIEW FUND TRANSFER AND BOND PAYMENT: Dr. Chichura reviewed the fund transfer from the General Fund Cross Reference Code 52401 to the Debt Service Fund for the 2011-2012 school year and to authorize the expenditure for February 1, 2012, bond payment for Bond Series of 2011.

REVIEW PLANCON K: Dr. Chichura reviewed the Plancon K for bond refinancing.

REVIEW COPY PAPER BID: Dr. Chichura reviewed 2011-2012 Copy Paper Bid results.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Sondra Stine
Committee Members: Todd Adams, Roy Twining

All items will be reviewed in executive session following the meeting.

REVIEW VOLUNTEER(S): Review volunteers for the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE: Review Janice Benedict as a long term substitute, at a salary of \$160.00 per day, with benefits according to board policy, retroactive to January 3, 2012, as a result of her serving in the same high school position for more than 30 consecutive days.

REVIEW LETTER OF RESIGNATION: Review the letter of resignation from Boys' Volleyball Coach position for the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW ADVERTISING FOR BOYS' VOLLEYBALL COACH: Review application due date for advertising for Boys' Volleyball Coach

POLICY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Christine Plonski-Sezer
Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Roy Twining

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Chichura said the local auditors will be attending the February 13th meeting to present the 2010-2011 audit report. Also the state auditors started today.

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Mr. Presley said Kurt Aaron was here to do a segment on "Does it really work?" this will be aired Thursday evening.

Dr. Plonski-Sezer congratulated Mr. Presley for having the student of the month in the Scranton Times.

Mrs. Pipitone is looking for volunteers that can ski to help with the life skills ski trips.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS UPDATE

Mrs. Voigt said the 1st Strategic Planning meeting would be Tuesday December 10th. The first semester of VLINC is ending. There are 15 students participating. The Geography Bee was held at the high school today. She presented the WVIA Scholastic Team schedule of appearances.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Todd Adams
Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Sondra Stine

REVIEW CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE FOR TITLE II; i3 ASSET SCIENCE; AND READING RECOVERY: attendance requests for:

- a. **Mary Harrison**, on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, February 5, 6, & 7, 2012, to attend the 2012 National Reading Recovery and K-6 Literacy Conference, Columbus, Ohio, with cost estimated at \$306.00 lodging, \$340.00 registration, (District car is scheduled) (i3-Reading Recovery Grant)

REVIEW CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: Review the Conference attendance requests for:

- a. **Lisa Kozloski**, on Thursday and Friday, February 23 & 24, 2012, to attend National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA, with cost estimated at \$15.00 tolls, \$184.00 lodging, \$249.00 registration, (District car is scheduled)

Mr. Stoddard asked what i3 stands for.

Mr. Twining asked what school districts Mary Harrison Trained. Elk Lake, Tunkhannock and Mountain View.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan asked how many students are participating in Reading Recovery. A total of 10 students for ½ hour a day anywhere from 12 to 20 weeks.

REVIEW FIELD TRIP ATTENDANCE: Review the Field Trip attendance requests for:

- a. **Erin Rupp, Karen Voigt, (10 Students)**, on Saturday, March 3, 2012, to attend the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science, Kings College, Wilkes Barre, PA, with cost estimated at \$200.00 registration, (District vehicles are scheduled)
- b. **Karen Voigt, Charleene Martens, (5 Students)**, on Saturday, February 11, 2012, to attend the Brain Bee, University of Scranton, Brennan Hall, Scranton, PA, with cost estimated at \$0.00, (District van is scheduled)
- c. **Robert Fisher, (40 students, 5 adults)**, on Thursday, April 26, 2012, to attend the Northeastern PA Philharmonic Young People Symphony performance, Scranton Cultural Center, Scranton, PA, with cost estimated at \$157.00 bus, \$231.00 registration,
- d. **Karen Voigt, Peter Regeski, (14 Students, 1 Parent)**, on Saturday, March 3, 2012, to attend the Odyssey of the Mind, Pocono Mountain West High School, with cost at \$100.00 registration,
- e. **Kelly Richmond, Karen Bolcavage, Debbie Andzulis, (6-7 Students)**, to attend Special Olympics Skiing, Elk Mountain Ski Resort, with cost estimated at \$190.60 mileage, (District Van is scheduled),
- f. **Charlene Olcese, (2 Senior Band Students)**, on Friday and Saturday, February 3 & 4, 2012, to attend the Marywood University Wind Band Celebration, Marywood University, Scranton, PA, with cost estimated at \$102.00 mileage, \$120.00 registration, \$85.00 substitute, (District Car is Scheduled),

BUILDING AND SITE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Roy Twining

Committee Members: Kevin Griffiths, Dava Rinehart-Cowan

ROBERT TAYLOR'S MONTHLY REPORT REVIEW: Mr. Taylor reviewed his monthly report. This led to a discussion on the need to repair/replace the roof on the high school. After some discussion it was the consensus to use Costars.

REVIEW THE HIGH SCHOOL ROOF PROJECT PROPOSALS: Review the need for repairs and replacement to the high school roof for 1) Principal's office from August/September, 2011 flooding, 2) Gymnasium, 3) Shop/district storage area at Southwest corner of building.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Kevin Griffiths

Committee Members: Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Todd Adams

REVIEW VAN CONTRACT FOR TWO MONTHS FOR GENE TRANOVICH BUS COMPANY: Review the van contract for Gene Tranovich Bus Company for January and February, 2012. This will be reviewed in executive session following the meeting.

Dr. Chichura said there is a shortage of car/van drivers and he would be placing a motion to advertise for substitutes.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan asked for a report on loaded and unloaded miles.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Thomas Stoddard

Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Sondra Stine, Christine Plonski-Sezer-Alternate

Mr. Stoddard said we have established contact with MVEA and PSEA and have met the requirements to enter into negotiations. The first meeting will be a meet and greet on 1/23/12.

NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS None

SECOND HEARING OF VISITORS

Monica Miller, Kingsley, feels we should invite someone from the Governor's office to one of our budget meetings so they can see how the budget cuts are affecting our school.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan noted we have about 80 classes with less than 14 students. We need to be more efficient and effective with scheduling.

Kenny Decker, Hop Bottom, wanted to know if the wrestling program would be reinstated next year. The Board asked for more information – how many students and what weight class. This should be presented by April 1st.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Announcement by the Board President of executive sessions held and/or scheduled prior to the next meeting.

HELD

Monday, December 19, 2011, 6:30 P.M. to 7:10 P.M. – Personnel

Monday, December 19, 2011, 10:00 P.M. to 11:15 P.M. – Personnel

SCHEDULED

Monday, January 9, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting

Thursday, January 12, 2012 – 7:00 P.M. – Personnel

Monday, January 16, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45: