

1. Opening Activities

1.1. Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education held on April 22, 2013 in the James W. Zick Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by President Williams

1.2. Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Williams, President; Mr. Thomas Stoddard, First Vice President; Mrs. Ellen Aherne, Second Vice President; Mrs. Sondra Stine, Treasurer; Mr. Michael Barhite, Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Mrs. Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Mr. Roy Twining, and Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary, Non-Member.

Absent

Mr. Stephen Kilmer

1.4. Administration Present

Mrs. Francine Shea, Superintendent; Mr. Joseph Patchcoski, Business Manager; Mr. Andrew Doster, Elementary Principal, Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal, and Mr. Michael Slesinski, Director of Special Services.

Mrs. Karen Voigt, Director of Curriculum and Federal Programs – absent

1.4 **PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:** Recognition for students and staff

Math, Reading, Science, & Writing in Advanced Level

- Rebekah Brown, Lucas Jodon, Stephanie Virbitsky,

Math, Reading, Science & Writing in Proficient Level

- Bryce Beeman, Seth Decker, Nathan Goodenough, Molly Keogh, Tiffany Masters, James O'Brien, Matthew Shipsky, Dylan Thomas

Students Scoring Advanced or Proficient in one or more subjects.

Jacqueline Andzulis – Proficient in Reading; Misty Barlow, Proficient in Math, Reading, & Writing; Chelsie Bartlett, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Alicia Belch, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math & Writing; Paige Belcher, Advanced in Math & Reading, Proficient in Science & Writing; Gael Bell, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Writing; Shannon Bollard, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math, Science, & Writing; Jessica Bostjancic, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math, Science, & Writing; Kamara Brink, Proficient in Math & Writing; Victoria Buckley, Proficient in Writing, Krista Chidester, Proficient in Math & Writing; Michael Chubirka, Proficient in Writing; Brooke Colombo, Proficient in Writing; Dedra Congdon, Proficient in Math & Writing; Ashley Davidson, Proficient in Writing; Colin Davis, Proficient in Writing; Kristen Dupay, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Victoria Fallon, Advanced in Math, Reading, & Science, Proficient in Writing; Eric Faramelli, Proficient in Math, Reading, & Writing; Owen Flannery, Advanced in Reading & Writing, Proficient in Math & Science; Rebecca Gow, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Alexis Hancock, Advanced in Writing, Proficient in Math & Reading; Christopher Hartman, Advanced in Reading,

Proficient in Math, Science & Writing, Kerri Jarnagin, Advanced in Reading & Writing, Proficient in Math & Science; Kurtis Jenkins, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Kristy Kozlowsski, Proficient in Reading; Nathan Liples, Proficient in Reading & Writing, Kenna Mailey, Proficient in Writing; Benjamin Maitland, Advanced in Math, Reading, and Science, Proficient in Writing; Kate McAndrew, Proficient in Writing; Tyler McNery, Proficient in Reading; Ashley Meshach, Proficient in Writing; Colby Mikloiche, Proficient in Writing; Bethany Millard, Proficient in Writing; Caroline Miller, Proficient in Math, Reading, & Writing; Laura Moser, Proficient in Math, Reading, & Writing; Jacob O'Leary, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math & Writing; Eric Ord, Proficient in Reading; Logan Palmiter, Advanced in Science, Proficient in Math, Reading, & Writing, Bradley Pfahl, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math, Science, & Writing; Veronica Robbins, Advanced in Math, Reading, & Science, Proficient in Writing; Jordan Roeske, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math, Science, & Writing; Nicholas Sabucak, Advanced in Math, Proficient in Science & Writing; Alyssa Sheare, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Lee-Anne Sherman, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Tiffany Smith, Proficient in Writing; Nicholas Speed, Proficient in Writing; Victoria Sterling, Proficient in Math, Reading, & Writing; Joshua Stoddart, Proficient in Reading & Science; Megan Sutton, Proficient in Writing; Caitlyn Tague, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Math & Writing; Travis Tiger, Proficient in Reading & Writing; Dakota Tracy, Proficient in Math; Kelsey Twining, Advanced in Reading, Proficient in Writing; Katie Valentine, Proficient in Math, Reading & Writing; Tomika VanVleck, Proficient in Writing; Michala Zeck, Proficient in Writing; Morgan Zrowka, Proficient in Writing; Kari Zupanovich, Proficient in Writing

Skills USA State Competition

Andrew Shumski – 8th Place – Community Service

1.5 Approval of the Minutes – April 8, 2013.

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Twining, to approve the minutes dated April 8, 2013 as corrected. (Correct typing error of Mrs. Stine's name)

Resolution 263, Motion Carried – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

1.6 Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report: Mrs. Sondra Stine, Treasurer, reported as listed.

1.7 Veronica Robbins, SGA Liaison updated the Board on various club activities at the high school.

1.8 Presentation by Nutrition Inc. – Melissa Hatala and Katie Wallis spoke to the board about the National School Lunch Program and the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act, and what changes will take place in the coming year. There was a discussion between the Board, public and Nutrition, Inc on the amount of waste, by what is mandated to be served. There was also a discussion on what has been done and what needs to be done to educate the children as well as staff on making the right choices to make the lunch a reimbursable lunch, rather than an ala carte lunch. Also questioned was why there were no napkins available.

1.9 SIS Briefing by I.T. Department – Jim Soya & Matt Georgetti presented a comparison of Student Information Systems. They outlined the differences between our current system and two others, along with a cost comparison for the board's consideration.

1.10 First Hearing of Visitors – You may speak about anything on the agenda.

Jane Mack, Brooklyn, pointed out that two students arrived late and should be presented with their PSSA certificates. They were Eric Ord and Dylan Thomas.

2. Finance Committee: Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Chairperson

Committee Members: Thomas Stoddard, Roy Twining

Financial Reports

2.1 The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine, to confirm payment of the March 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 \$2,129,378.30.

Resolution 264, Motion Carried – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

2.2 The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine, to approve the list of bills for the April 22, 2013 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$103,131.43.

Resolution 265, Motion Carried – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

Mr. Twining questioned check # 22008974 (De Lage Landen (rental of copiers) & 220008815 (NEIU – VLINC – How many courses did the 20 students take. (67)

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan asked how much extra help has been needed in the business office. How many hours? (This information will be provided)

2.3 Budget Presentations - 2013-2014

- **Elementary Budget** – Mr. Doster presented the proposed 2013-2014 elementary budget in the amount of \$228,602.62, which represents an increase of \$4,933.02. He also presented the elementary staffing needs for the coming year. We currently have 8 teachers retiring and 1 resignation. He feels the need to hire 10 teachers to adequately cover at the elementary building.
- **High School Budget** – Mr. Presley presented the proposed 2013-2014 athletic budget in the amount of \$89,330.00. This represents an increase of \$14,680.00. He then presented a proposed 2013-2014 high school budget in the amount of \$1,109,881.00 which represents an increase of \$52,694.00. He also presented his case for a full time reading teacher and an assistant principal.
- **Maintenance Budget** – Mr. Taylor presented the proposed 2013-2014 maintenance budget in the amount of \$803,000.00, which represents an increase of \$62,900.00. The main reason for the increase is the need to purchase some new equipment.
- **I.T. Department** – Mr. Soya & Mr. Georgetti presented the proposed 2013-2014 information technology budget in the amount of \$369,400.00, which represents an increase of \$87,400.00. This budget does not include the additional cost to update the student information system.

3. Personnel Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Christine Plonski-Sezer

- 3.1 The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan to appoint Allison Martino of Kirkwood, NY, as a K-12 guidance counselor effective April 23, 2012 at M+12 Column, Step 1, Salary \$51,493.00, benefits according to the MVEA contract, pending receipt of all documentation.

Resolution 266, Motion Carried – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

- 3.2 The motion is made by Mrs. Stine second by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to post and advertise for athletic director and coaches: fall sports - golf coach, boys soccer coach and assistant coach, girls soccer coach and assistant coach, Junior High boys soccer coach, Junior High girls soccer coach, cross country coach, girls volleyball coach, basketball cheerleading coach, with applications due in the business office by 2:00 PM on Monday, May 13, 2013. Please send applications along with clearances to: Mrs. Francine R. Shea, Superintendent, 11748 State Route 106, Kingsley, PA 18826.

Resolution 267, Motion Carried – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Michael Barhite

5. Education Committee: Ellen Aherne, Chairperson

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Sondra Stine

6. Building and Site Committee: Roy Twining, Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Michael Barhite

Mr. Taylor presented his report. This was the last day for the wood stove. NRG Controls and Johnson Controls should have their quotes on upgrading the security and fire systems for the next meeting.

7. Transportation Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Roy Twining

1. Discuss the purchase of the two-way radios – There was a discussion on the need for two-way communication with the bus and car/van drivers. It was the consensus there was not much support from the drivers and it should be dropped. Possibly look into cell phone boosters.
2. Discuss the purchase of a 10 passenger van – There was some discussion on the possible purchase of a 10 passenger van. This would help with some sporting events and scholastic competitions. This would be in addition to the current fleet. It was suggested that with the current requests of a new truck, gator and the van we need to prioritize the greatest need. Before commitment the Board wants to see the bottom line.

8. MVEA Labor Relations Committee: Thomas Stoddard, Chairperson

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

The next scheduled meetings will be May 21, 2013 and June 4, 2013. Both meetings at 6:00 PM. Committee to meet at 5:30.

8.1 MVESPA Labor Relations committee: Thomas Stoddard Chairperson

Committee: Stephen Kilmer, Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Sondra Stine

The next scheduled meetings will be May 15, 2013 and June 6, 2013. Both meetings at 6:00 PM. Committee to meet at 5:30.

9. Consent Agenda

Items removed for separate action: nothing removed.

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mrs. Stine to approve the consent agenda.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.1 Approve Homebound Instruction

The motion is made to approve homebound instruction for student #15025, beginning March 8, 2013, ending last day of school 2013.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.2 Approve Field Trip Requests

The motion is made to approve the following field trip requests:

- a) **JoAnn Voda, Ronald Gardoski, Robert Fisher, 12 Chaperones, and the 4th Grade Class**, on Friday, May 10, 2013 to attend Friends of Salt Springs State Park E-3 Environmental Education Program. Trip to be paid by Transportation Costs to be paid by Salt Springs State Park. No substitutes necessary.
- b) **Jacqueline Ferenczi, Scott Fisher, Katherine Holzman, 12 Chaperones & the 5th Grade Class**, on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 to attend Vehicular Career Day at Montrose Area High School, Montrose, PA. Transportation cost paid by NTIEC, No substitutes required. No cost to the District.
- c) **Michael Talabiska, County Conservation Representatives, and 50 Students**, on Friday, May 3, 2013 to attend Envirothon Prep Day, at Mountain View High School and **12 students going to** Talabiska wood lot. Transportation cost \$35.60 and substitute cost \$85.00. Total cost - \$120.00.
- d) **Jaimie Himka, Molly Virbitsky, Pamela Ealo, Lindsay Radicchi, Danielle Scott, Marion Seamans, Judy Bell, Jane Tompkins, Melissa Berish, Colleen Heller, and Robyn O'Brien, and 27 students** on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 to attend Special Olympics at Memorial Stadium, Tunkhannock Area School District, Tunkhannock, PA. Transportation costs to be paid by Strategies for Life activities account. No substitutes required.
- e) **Molly Virbitsky, Jaimie Himka, Melissa Berish, Jane Tompkins and 15 students**, on Friday, May 3, 2013 to attend Prom 2013 at Lackawanna Trail High School. Transportation to be paid by the Strategies for Life activity account. Donation to Lackawanna Trail for hosting - \$50.00
- f) **Molly Birosak and 6 students**, on Friday, May 10, 2013 to attend Chorus Fest at Valley View. Transportation cost \$74.32, Registration fee \$210.00, Substitute cost \$85.00 for a total cost of \$369.31.

- g) **Karen Voigt, Brenda Sinkovich, Alexandra Konsur, Tomara Wilding (United Neighborhood), and 15 students**, On April 29, 2013 to go bowling at Maplewood Lanes, South Montrose, PA. Cost paid by the 21st Century Learning Grant. No cost to the district.
- h) **Karen Voigt, three teachers (one each day), and 20 students**, on Monday, May 20, 2013 - 6th grade, 5 students; Wednesday, May 22, 2013 – 7th grade, 7 students and Thursday, May 23, 2013 – 8th grade, 8 students to design a project at Tingley Glass, Harford, PA. District Van is scheduled. Cost is paid by the 21st Century Learning Grant. No cost to the district.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.3 Approve School Calendar – 2013-2014

The motion is made to approve the school calendar for 2013-2014.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.4 Approve Long Term Substitute

The motion is made to approve Heather Hall as a long term elementary substitute having served 30 consecutive days in the same position, at a rate of \$160.00 per day, retroactive to April 16, 2013.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.5 Accept Elementary School, High School, and Athletic Student Activities Financial Reports

The motion is made to accept the student activities financial reports for the Mountain View Elementary School, the Mountain View High School, and the Mountain view Athletic Department for the quarter ending 3/31/2013, and to file for audit.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.6 Approve Memorandum of Understanding – Superintendent Contract

The motion is made to approve the memorandum of understanding to the Superintendent's contract.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.7 Motion to accept Corrective Action Plan

The motion is made to accept the corrective action plan for the auditor general's performance audit report for fiscal years ending June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.8 Motion to Authorize Special Meeting of the Board of Education on Monday, May 6, 2013

The motion is made to authorize advertising a special meeting of the Board of Education on Monday, May 6, 2013, at 6:00 PM for budget purposes.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.9 Motion to Approve PSBA Resolution Urging Increase State Funding for School Construction & Renovation Projects

The motion is made to approve PSBA Resolution Urging Increase State Funding for School Construction & Renovation Projects

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.10 Motion to Approve PSBA Resolution Calling for Reform of the Commonwealth's Cyber Charter School Funding Formula

The motion is made to approve PSBA Resolution Calling for Reform of the Commonwealth's Cyber Charter School Funding Formula.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

9.11 Motion to Approve PSBA Resolution Calling for Reform of the Commonwealth's Charter and Cyber Charter School Funding Formula

The motion is made to approve PSBA Resolution Calling for Reform of the Commonwealth's Charter and Cyber Charter School Funding Formula.

Resolution 268, Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda – (8 Yes, 1 Absent)

10. Administration

10.1 Superintendent's Comments – Mrs. Francine Shea

Mrs. Shea congratulated the students of the Arts Alive program on a spectacular event. She attended 1 day of a 3 day special education conference, which was well done. She presented to the board a power point she presented to the teachers. She would like to review our current offerings to improve our programs here.

10.2 Business Manager – Mr. Joseph Patchcoski – nothing new to report

10.3 Principal's Comments

Elementary Principal – Mr. Andrew Doster – nothing new to report

High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley – PSSA testing for Science starts tomorrow for two days. He also thought the Arts Alive program was excellent. He congratulated the Student Government on receiving the National Council of Excellence Award. He thanked them for their hard work.

10.4 Director of Curriculum & Instruction and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt –

Mrs. Shea reporting for Mrs. Voigt said the Rosewood Ensemble preformed at the elementary school.

10.5 Director of Special Services – Mr. Michael Slesinski also attended the special education conference and thought it was well presented and looks forward to attending the full conference next year. ESY letters have gone out. He is working on a program “*Life after School with Kids with Disabilities*” on May 15th. He reported the office of vocational rehabilitation will be here April 30th for a meeting.

New Business from Board Members

Dr. Plonski-Sezer said she will be attending a meeting at NEIU on Tuesday, April 23rd. Mr. Stoddard asked if we had any follow-up on the SRO from Mr. Legg or the Sherriff's office on the SRO. (Nothing yet, Mrs. Shea will follow up)
Mr. Williams heard a rumor that the District was going to reduce sports activity funding. (Not that anyone is aware of).

Second Hearing of Visitors

Jane Mack questioned if the JH soccer was still going to be co-ed since we were advertising for both a girls and boys coach. (Yes) She also asked why there is not banner in the gym recognizing the state championship soccer team. (Mr. Griffis is working on it. Mr. Presley will check with him on the status)

Dylan Thomas said he agrees with Mr. Taylor the baseball fields are in bad shape and need to be fixed. It is dangerous to play on the field. The drainage is bad.

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

HELD:

- Monday, April 8, 2013 9:30 PM to 10:40 PM for personnel
- Monday, April 22, 2013, 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM for personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, April 22, 2013 following the public meeting for personnel
- Monday, May 13, 2013 before and after public meeting for personnel

11. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Aherne to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Diane Makosky
Board Secretary