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**Mountain View School District**  
**"A Community's Commitment to Excellence"**  
**Board of Education Public Meeting**

**Monday, September 25, 2023 - 7:00 PM**  
**Agenda**

**\*\*\*Minutes\*\*\***

**1. Opening Activities**

- 1.1. Call to Order
- 1.2. Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3. Roll Call

**Board of Education:**

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

**Administration:**

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

**1.4. ELECT SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE:**

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte seconded by Mr. Talabiska, to elect Mr. Snyder as secretary pro tempore for the duration of this meeting per section 405 of the PA School Code.

Voting:       7    Yes       No       Abstain       2    Absent

**1.5. Pride in Mountain View**

**Nutrition-Erin Kiryluk- gave report on new items in cafeteria for students. Gave board members some samples of new items that will be given to the students. Introduced new intern. Looking at some themed meals and started 2<sup>nd</sup> chance breakfast at the high school.**

**Admin Goals Presentation- MV Administrative team presented district, building and department goals for the 2023-2024 school year.**

1.6. Approve the Board Minutes

The motion is made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the minutes dated September 11, 2023 as presented.

Voting: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent

**This motion was tabled until the next school board meeting.**

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

**This motion was tabled until the next school board meeting.**

1.8. 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.

**Mr. Brewster asked about agenda item: 2.5, 3.1, and 5.3.**

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson  
Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

2.1. Approve Service Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve a Services Agreement Amendment between the Mountain View School District and Scranton Counseling Center, effective from September 2023-June 2024 school year, as presented.

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

2.2. Approve Service Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve a Services Agreement Amendment between the Mountain View School District and The Meadows Psychiatric Center at a cost of \$70.00 per day, effective for the 2023-2024 and the 2024-2025 school years, as presented.

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

2.3. Approve Exonerations

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

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

2.4. Approve September Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for September 11, 2023 for the General Fund in the amount of \$666,667.30 and for the Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$ 0 totaling \$666,667.30, as presented.

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

2.5. Approve MOU

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve an MOU with the United Way of Susquehanna County et al, as presented.

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

3. **Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson**  
Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Derek O'Dell

3.1. Motion to Approve Security Police

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Phil Price, Clifford PA, as Security Police.

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

3.2. Approve Supplemental Salary Requests

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve supplemental salary requests for 2023-2024, as presented.

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

4. **Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Chairperson**  
Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

5. **Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson**  
Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

5.1. Approve Conference Requests

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

A. Leslie Gossage, October 3, December 6, 2023, April 10, May 6, 2024, Title III Consortium Meetings, NEIU (No cost to the district)

Voting: 7 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

**5.2. Approve Homebound**

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Homebound Instruction for Student #30044 beginning August 28, 2023.

Voting 7 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

**5.3. Approve Instruction in the Home**

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Instruction in the Home for Student #29080 beginning January 23, 2023 concluding at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Voting 7 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 2 Absent

**6. 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

**7. Administration**

**7.1. Principals' Comments**

Elementary Principal - Mr. Patrick McGarry- No report

High School Principal - Dr. Mark Lemoncelli- No report

**7.2. Director of Special Services - Mrs. Erica Loftus-** Spoke about the Special Olympics PA Unified Champion Schools partnership with Mountain View Jr/Sr High School. Mrs. Loftus spoke about a possible collaboration to bring transformational inclusive programming to our students with and without disabilities through building a bocce team.

**7.3. Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Federal Programs - Mr. Andrew Snyder-** No report

**7.4. Business Manager - Mrs. Donna Keslo-** No report

**7.5. Superintendent - Dr. Michael Elia-** No report

## 8. Closing

8.1. New Business from Board Members- Mr. Barhite spoke and provided an update on the district's effort to provide better signage for the crosswalk between both schools.

8.2. Second Hearing of Visitors

You may address any topic. 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.

### No Comments

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

#### HELD:

- Wednesday, September 13, 2023 from 6 pm-8 pm for Personnel
- Monday, September 25, 2023 – 5:15 pm – 7:17 pm for Personnel

#### SCHEDULED:

- Monday, October 16, 2023 before the public meeting

## 9. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.

### Enclosures:

- 1.4 – September 11, 2023 Minutes
- 1.5 - Treasurer and Cafeteria Report
- 2.1 - Scranton Counseling Agreement
- 2.2 – The Meadows Agreement
- 2.3 – Exonerations
- 2.4 – Bill List
- 2.5 – MOU United Way
- 3.2 – Supplemental Salaries