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

**Monday, September 11, 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> P <u>  </u> Mr. Michael Barhite         | <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mr. David Schulte                 |
| <u>  </u> A <u>  </u> Mr. Kenneth Decker          | <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mrs. Sondra Stine                 |
| <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mr. Derek O’Dell            | <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mr. Michael Talabiska             |
| <u>  </u> A <u>  </u> Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer | <u>  </u> A <u>  </u> Mr. Danny Very                    |
| <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mr. Jason Richmond          | <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mrs. Donna Keslo, Sec. Non-Member |

**Administration:**

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

**1.4. Pride in Mountain View:**

**SGA Representative** - Penelope Ziegler read her report to the board.  
**PSBA Honor Roll Program** - Colin Dempsey  
**Girls Wrestling** made a short presentation to the board on current student interest, enrollment and booster finances.  
**Miss Jamie Supanick**- Thanked the board for her being hired.

**1.5. Approve the Board Minutes**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve the minutes dated August 14, 2023 as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

**1.6. 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.

**No one from the community had comments.**

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

**2.1. Approve Service Agreement with TREHAB**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte to approve an Agreement between the Mountain View School District and TREHAB for 2023-2024, as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

**2.2. Award Bid for Wood Chips**

The motion was made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to award the qualified bid for wood chips for the 2023-2024 school year to Deekpark of Tunkhannock, in the amount of \$56 per ton, per bid specifications, as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

**2.3. Award Bid for Fuel Oil**

The motion was made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to award the qualified bid for fuel oil for the 2023-2024 school year to Mirabito of Binghamton, in the amount of \$3.83 per gallon, per bid specifications, as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

**2.4. Award Bid for Snow Plow Services**

The motion was made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to award the qualified bid for snow plow services for the 2023-2024 school year to Mike Daniels of Brooklyn, in the amount of \$ 150 per hour, per bid specifications, as presented.

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

**2.5. Approve September Bill List**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for September 14, 2023 for the General Fund in the amount of \$231,779.97 and for the Cafeteria in the amount of \$9,298.31 totaling \$241,078.28, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 2.6. Approve Bills Paid in Advance

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve bills paid in advance for September 2023, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 2.7. 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: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

## 3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

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

### 3.1. Approve Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve the following to the clerical substitute list:

Reagan White, Union Dale, Clerical

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.2. Appoint Paraprofessional

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Brittany Latwinski, Nicholson, as a paraprofessional at a starting rate of \$13.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of September 12, 2023.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.3. Appoint Paraprofessional

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Wendy Thomas, South Gibson, as a paraprofessional at a starting rate \$13.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of September 12, 2023.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.4. Approve Supplemental Salaries

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska to approve the following supplemental salaries:

- A. Jenifer Davis, Elementary School Media Coordinator
- B. Rebecca Giordano, Mentor
- C. Anna Van Wert, Sophomore Class Co-Advisor
- D. Anna Van Wert, HS Student Council Assistant
- E. Allison Bluhm, Mentor for High School Nurse

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.5. Accept Letter of Resignation

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska to accept the letter of resignation, from Sherry Vonada from her cafeteria position effective August 25, 2023, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.6. Accept Letter of Resignation

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska to accept the letter of resignation, from Andrea Saam from her paraprofessional position, effective August 18, 2023, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.7. Approve Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska to approve the following substitute:

Kristy Bayle, Jackson, PA, to the elementary school professional substitute list

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.8. Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to authorize posting and advertising for a paraprofessional position with benefits per the MVESPA Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.9. Accept Letter of Resignation

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska to accept the letter of resignation, from Teri Edwards from her cheerleading coaching position, effective August 21, 2023, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.10. Authorize Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to authorize advertising for a cheerleading coach.

Voting: 6 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.11. Appoint Custodian

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Brenda Evans, Hop Bottom, PA as a custodian at a starting rate of \$12.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of September 12, 2023.

Voting: 6 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 3 Absent

### 3.12. Approve Volunteer

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint the following Volunteer:

A. Isabel Keating, Volleyball

Voting: 6 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 3 Absent

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

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

### No Report

## 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 through E:

A. Lisa Kozloski, September 29, October 27, November 17, December 6, 2023; January 26, February 23, March 22, April 26, May 17, 2024, School Psychologist Meetings, NEIU, (Travel \$294.75)

- B. Sharon Kress, Wednesday through Friday, November 8-10, 2023, A/CAPA Fall Annual Conference, Hershey PA (Travel \$184.71, Lodging \$604.00, Registration \$351.00, Substitute \$261.00; Total \$1,388.71)
- C. Sheri Ransom and 6-7 students, Thursday, October 12, 2023, Healthcare Career and College Exploration Event, Viewmont Mall (Transportation \$31.44)
- D. Jamie Lee White, Wednesday and Thursday, September 27 & 28, 2023, PREPARE Workshop, NEIU (Registration \$20.00)
- E. Marybeth Krivak, Tuesday, October 24, 2023, Fall 2023 POWER Library Training, NEIU) Substitute \$110.00)

Voting:   6   Yes        No        Abstain   3   Absent

**5.2. Approve Field Trip Requests**

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska to approve the following field trip requests, A through C:

- A. Kathy McHenry and 8 FBLA students, Saturday through Monday, October 28-30, 2023, PA FBLA State Leadership Workshop, Kalahari Resort, (Transportation \$64.35, Lodging \$2,120.00 paid by FBLA/Students, Registration \$450.00 paid by FBLA, Substitute \$110.00; Total \$2,752.44)
- B. Sheri Ransom and 6-7 Students, Thursday, October 12, 2023, Healthcare Career and College Exploration Event, Viewmont Mall (Transportation \$31.44)
- C. Todd Calabro, Environmental Forum, September 25, 2023 at Lackawanna State Park, October 5, 2023 Keystone College, November 3, 2023 LRCA, January 19, 2024 LCEEC, March 15, 2024 Lake Scranton, April 18, 2024 Countryside Conservancy, May 7, 2024 Montage Mountain, May 21, 2024 Susquehanna River (Transportation \$196.50, Substitute \$880.00; Total \$1,076.50)

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**- Mr. Taylor reported that the air conditioning has been completed in the high school gymnasium. ESG is still waiting on the hardware for the main outside doors before they begin installation.

**7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson**  
 Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

**7.1. Approve Transportation Contractor**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint the following car/van contractor for the 2023 - 2024 school year, as presented:

Lewis Transportation

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

7.2. Approve Transportation Substitute Drivers

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint the following car/van substitute driver for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented:

James McNeas, JR – Clifford Township

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

- 8. **Labor Relations Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson**  
MVEA Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Dan Very, Kenneth Decker- **No Report**  
MVESPA Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte, Sondra Stine  
**No Report**

8.1 Approve MOU with MVEA for Duration of 2023-2029 School Year

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte to approve the MOU with the MVEA adding Elementary School Media Coordinator to the contract, as presented.

Voting: 6 Yes      No      Abstain 3 Absent

9. Administration

9.1. Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal - Mr. Patrick McGarry- Had old Harford clock repaired (estimated early 1900's) ...will be hung in elementary main office. ES enrollment-516 and Mrs. Pompey's tree was planted in her memory.

High School Principal - Dr. Mark Lemoncelli- HS enrollment 460, E-Kind shirts have been given out in memory of Ethan Loring in a symbol to be kind to one another. Welcomed Wendy and Brittany to the district.

9.2. Director of Special Services - Mrs. Erica Loftus

9.3. Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Federal Programs - Mr. Andrew Snyder- Data for PSSA, Keystone are on an upward trend. All data shared with teachers. All teacher training are under way...Letrs, Reading Apprenticeship.

9.4. Business Manager - Mrs. Donna Keslo...the auditors will be coming soon to complete their audit of last year.

9.5. Superintendent - Dr. Michael Elia- Thank you to the board and the administration for all of their hard work.

## 10. Closing

### 10.1. New Business from Board Members

### 10.2. 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

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

#### HELD:

- Monday, September 11, 2023 - 6:00pm -7 pm for Personnel and Safety.

#### SCHEDULED:

- Monday, September 25, 2023 before the public meeting

## 11. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

#### Enclosures:

- 1.4 - August 14, 2023 Minutes
- 2.1 - TREHAB Agreement
- 2.2 - Wood Bid
- 2.3 - Fuel Bid
- 2.4 - Snow Bid
- 2.5 - September Bill Listing
- 2.7 - Bills Paid in Advance
- 3.5 - Sherry Vonada Resignation
- 3.6 - Andrea Saam Resignation
- 3.9 - Teri Edwards Resignation
- 8.1 - MOU with MVEA