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

**Monday, October 16, 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> P <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> P <u>  </u> Mr. Danny Very        |
| <u>  </u> P <u>  </u> Mr. Jason Richmond          | _____ , 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> _____ Vacant                  | <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** A motion was made by Mr. Schulte and seconded by Mr. O’Dell to amend the agenda.

Voting:    8    Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain    1    Absent

**1.5** A motion was made by Mr. Schulte and seconded by Mr. O’Dell to elect Mr. Snyder as Secretary Pro Tempore for the duration of this meeting per section 405 of the PA School Code.

Voting:    8    Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain    1    Absent

**1.6** Pride in Mountain View:

**SGA Representative** - Penelope Ziegler- Ms. Ziegler reported all of the information as the School Board Liaison related to: MVSGA, FBLA, Class of 24, 25, 26, Yearbook, Band and Chorus, Art Club, and Culture Shock.

**1.7** Approve the Board Minutes

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve the minutes dated September 11<sup>th</sup>, September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as presented.

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**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. Very expressed that that during the special meeting held on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6 pm that he voted "Yes" to Agenda Item 3.1.**

**2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

**2.1. Authorize Establishing Backpack Food Program Activity Account**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to authorize establishing the Backpack Food Program Activity Account for Supplies for the program.

Voting 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**2.2. Approve Unified Champion Schools MOU Service Agreement**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve a Services Agreement MOU between the Mountain View School District and Special Olympics Pennsylvania, from the date of approval through June 30, 2024, as presented.

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**2.3. Approve October Bill List**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for October 16, 2023 for the General Fund in the amount of \$650,076.66 and for the Cafeteria in the amount of \$82,375.24 totaling \$732,451.90, as presented.

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**2.4. 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: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**2.5. Approve Transfer To Athletic Fund**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to authorize transfer from General Fund to Athletic Fund in the amount of \$9,000.00

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**2.6. Approve Agreement with ArbiterSports**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the agreement between the Mountain View School District and ArbiterSports beginning January 23, 2023 and ends June 30, 2026 in the amount of \$3,225.00, as presented.

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

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

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

**3.1. Motion to Approve Security Police, Game Manager and Scorekeeper**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Janice Price, Clifford PA.

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**3.2. Approve Supplemental Salaries**

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

**A.** Rebecca Giordano, After School Tutor

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 Absent

**3.3. Approve Substitute**

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

Kari Belcher, Clifford Township PA, to the Paraprofessional Substitute list  
Makenzie Bell, Nicholson PA, Emergency Certified Teacher Substitute list

Voting: 8 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain 1 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. Maggie Breese, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, November 7-9, 2023, SAP Training, NEIU, (Travel \$15.65, Registration \$350.00; Total \$365.65)

Voting:   8   Yes        No        Abstain   1   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. Sheri Ransom 3-4 students, Tuesdays and Fridays beginning October 10, 2023 until end of school year, Weis, Scott Twp., (Transportation \$23.58 per trip)
- B. Sheri Ransom 2-3 students, Tuesdays beginning September 12, 2023 until end of school year, YMCA, Carbondale (Transportation \$27.51 per trip)
- C. Sheri Ransom 2 students, Mondays beginning September 11, 2023 until end of school year, Clifford Senior Center and United Way Free Library, Clifford PA (Transportation \$13.10 per trip)
- D. Sheri Ransom and 2-3 students, Mondays and Thursdays beginning September 11, 2023 until end of school year, Interfaith, Montrose PA (Transportation \$17.03 per trip)
- E. Sheri Ransom and 2 students, Wednesdays beginning September 13, 2023 until end of school year, Allied, Scranton PA (Transportation \$35.37 per trip)
- F. Sheri Ransom and 2-3 students, Tuesdays beginning September 12, 2023 until end of the school year, Interfaith in Forest City (Transportation \$22.27 per trip)
- G. Mason Stiver and 15 band students, Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Susquehanna County Band, Forest City HS (Transportation \$140.20, Substitute \$110.00, Registration \$400.00; Total \$650.20)
- H. Mason Stiver, Terri Kelsey and 1 student, Friday, October 27, 2023 and Saturday, October 28, 2023, Marywood String Celebration, Marywood University (Transportation \$39.00, Substitute \$110.00, Registration \$70.00; Total \$219.00)
- I. Jamie Supancik, Brittany Latwinski and 1 parent per child and 14 students, Friday, October 13, 2023, Roba's Family Farm, North Abington Twp. (Transportation \$137.14, Registration \$300.00; Total 437.14)
- J. Steven Farrell, Stacy Decker, 1 parent per child and 16 students, Friday, October 13, 2023, Roba's Family Farm, North Abington Twp. (Transportation \$137.14, Registration 340; Other \$75.00; Total \$552.14)

- K. Jamie Bottger, Stephanie Kile and the Culture Shock Class, Thursday, October 26, 2023, Hubble Vision Planetarium Show, Roberson, Binghamton NY (Transportation \$216.00, Registration \$205.00, Substitute \$220.00; Total \$641.00)
- L. Todd Calabro, 1 adult and 35 students, Tuesday, October 10, 2023, Envirothon Practice Day, Salt Springs State Park (Transportation \$209.61, Substitute \$220.00; Total \$429.61)
- M. Mason Stiver, Kathy McHenry and 6 students, Wednesday, October 18, 2023, Prom Committee trip to Stone Hedge to view venue (Transportation \$26.20, Substitute \$110.00; Total \$136.20)
- N. Charleene Martens and 5 students, Thursday, October 18, 2023, Scholastic Scrimmage, WVIA (Transportation \$31.44, Substitute \$110.00; Total \$141.44)

Voting:   8   Yes        No        Abstain   1   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 #32062 beginning August 28, 2023 concluding at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Voting   8   Yes        No        Abstain   1   Absent

### 5.4. Approve Homebound

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Homebound for Student #28117 beginning August 28, 2023 concluding October 28, 2023.

Voting   8   Yes        No        Abstain   1   Absent

### 6. **Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson** Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's Report- **Outside Doors have been installed at the High School.**

### 7. **Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson** Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very- **No Report**

### 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**

### 9. **Administration**

#### 9.1. Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal - Mr. Patrick McGarry- **Reported: Upcoming Halloween events including Spook Party, Halloween Parade and Fire Prevention Assembly.**

High School Principal - Dr. Mark Lemoncelli- **Reported: September Student of the Month winners, Announcements for Homecoming and Backpack Food Pantry.**

9.2. Director of Special Services - Mrs. Erica Loftus- **Reported: Excited about starting Unified Sports program at Mountain View and Grant for inclusion.**

9.3. Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Federal Programs - Mr. Andrew Snyder: **Reported: Progress in District-Wide curriculum trainings.**

9.4. Business Manager - Vacant

9.5. Superintendent - Dr. Michael Elia- **Reported: Thanking the Board of Education for patience with the transition in the Business Office.**

## 10. Closing

10.1. New Business from Board Members- **Mr. Schulte reported on the latest Trauma Conference and he recommended it for teachers. Mr. Decker announced the upcoming Alumni Dinner on November 4<sup>th</sup>.**

10.2. Second Hearing of Visitors

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

### **HELD:**

- Thursday, October 5, 2023 - 5:00pm – 6:05 pm for Personnel
- Monday, October 16, 2023 - 6:00pm – 7:10 pm for Personnel

### **SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, October 30, 2023 before the public meeting

## 11. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

**Enclosures:**

1.4-September 11 and 25, October 5, 2023 Minutes  
2.2-Special Olympics  
2.3-Bill List  
2.4-Exonerations  
2.6-ArbiterSports  
FYI-Conference Reports