

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 7:08 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- Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Treasurer | A- Mr. Roy Twining |
| A- Mrs. Ellen B. Aherne | P- Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary
(Non-Member) |

ADMINISTRATION

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| P- Dr. Andrew Chichura, Superintendent | P- 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 – 7:39 P.M. |
| P- Mrs. Susan Pipitone, Director of Special
Services | |

APPROVE MINUTES: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2012, and the February 13, 2012, public meetings as corrected. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #203 (6 yes, 3 absent) Add under February 13, 2012, New Business from Board Members (Mrs. Aherne gave a report on the recent NEIU meeting).

TREASURER REPORT AND CAFETERIA REPORT: Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Treasurer, reported as listed. Accepted as presented.

FIRST HEARING OF VISITORS

Monica Miller, Kingsley, referred to the discussion last week on the cost of the NCTM Math Conference. She feels there is a moral problem and we should show we value our teachers by letting them go to the conference.

Mary Harrison, Nicholson, questioned why there was no bill list provided. Several people also questioned this.

Ann Corbin questioned if the contract to Gene Tranovich was a new contract or an extension of the current contract. What is the rate being paid? She also questioned why the fuel escalation was removed from last week’s agenda.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

DISBURSEMENT CONFIRMATION/RATIFICATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to confirm payment of the January 2012, General Fund Bill List, Debt Service Fund Bill List, Cafeteria Fund Bill List, and to ratify the payment of employee payroll, transportation contracts, fringe benefit payments, and fund transfers in the total amount of **\$3,105,372.35**. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #204 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE LIST OF BILLS: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the list of bills for the February 2012, General Fund Bill List, and Cafeteria Fund Bill List in the **total** amount of **\$379,409.63**. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #205 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan seconded by Mrs. Stine, to transfer funds from the Settlement Agreement for the Bond Issue of 2002 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Funds in the amount of \$221,832.00. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #206 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT 2010-2011 YEAR END AUDITOR REPORT: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to accept the auditor's report for the 2010-2011 school year as presented by Brian Kelly, C.P.A. and Brad Murray C.P.A. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #207 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR EXONERATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve exonerating tax collectors from further collection of the 2011, delinquent real estate taxes as per the list submitted by the tax collectors to Susquehanna County for collection and that taxes will not be exonerated, but collected by Susquehanna County as per liens filed by the tax collectors in the Susquehanna County Courthouse. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #208 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE EXONERATION OF TAX COLLECTORS PER CAPITA TAXES AND OCCUPATIONAL TAXES: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve exonerating tax collectors from further collection of per capita taxes for 2011, and of occupational taxes for 2011, as per the list submitted by the tax collectors, and that taxables not be exonerated but turned over to the delinquent occupational tax collector to collect such taxes as are collectable. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #209 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE EXONERATIONS FOR PER CAPITA TAXES: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve exoneration for per capita taxes as submitted by tax collectors. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #210 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC STUDENT ACTIVITIES FINANCIAL REPORTS: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to accept the student activities financial reports for the Mountain View Elementary School, the Mountain View High School, the Mountain View Athletic Department, and the Mountain View High School Scholarship Fund for the quarter ending December 31, 2011, and to file for audit. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #211 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS BETWEEN SUBFUNCTIONS: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve 2011-2012 budget transfers between sub-functions as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #212 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNCTIONS: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve 2011-2012 budget transfers between functions as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #213 (6 yes, 3 absent)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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

ADDITION TO SUBSTITUTE LISTS: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to appoint the following to the substitute lists **pending receipt of all documentation:**

- a. **Amy Branning**, 243 Main Street Apt 1, Susquehanna, PA, Early Childhood Education, certified add to the elementary substitute list,
- b. **Cindy Saxon**, 205 SR 207, South Gibson, PA, add to the cafeteria substitute list,
- c. **Whitney Twining**, 232 SR 2036, Thompson, PA, certified in Instructional Science, add to the secondary substitute list,
- d. **Kelly Tratthen**, 481 Bunnell Farm Road, Uniondale, PA certified in Health and Physical Education, add to the elementary and secondary substitute lists,
- e. **Lillie Thomas**, 196 Ed Allen Road, New Milford, PA, add to the secretary substitute list,
- f. **Deserae Davis**, 219 A South Turnpike Road, Dalton, PA, certified in Elementary, add to the elementary substitute list,
- g. **Melinda Darrow**, 46 Park Place, New Milford, PA, certified in English 7-12, add to the secondary substitute list,

Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #214 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPOINT SUPPLEMENTAL SALARY POSITION(S): The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to appoint Supplemental Salary Position(s) for the 2011-2012 school year as presented. The following were appointed: William Norton, Junior Varsity Baseball Coach, Anthony Borgia/Ernest Griffis, Junior High Baseball Co-Coaches; Ryan Hiller, Junior High Softball Coach; Mark Hemmerly, Boys' Volleyball Coach; Jenny Keating, Elementary Intramural Volleyball Coach; Diane Supancik, Mentor for Janice Benedict; Anthony Borgia, Mentor for Ryan Hiller; and Debra Earley, Mentor for Jenny Keating. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #215 (6 yes, 3 absent)

Jay Wescott, Lenox Township, asked if we were now going to be paying a Junior Varsity Baseball coach. Is that going to follow through for basketball?

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to authorize advertising for paraprofessional, custodial, clerical, cafeteria, bus and car/van substitutes with applications due by March 6, 2012. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #216 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE VOLUNTEER(S): The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to approve the following volunteers for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Ryan J. Hiller, 252 Prompton Road, Honesdale, PA - Athletics/Baseball
- Phillip Price, 247 SR 2012, Clifford Township, PA – Athletics/District
- Michael J. Molenko, PO Box 87, Brooklyn, PA – Athletics/Softball
- Jerome Roceika, 846 Romeika Road, Susquehanna, PA – Athletics/Track

- Kyle Wilkins, 1935 McCarthy Road, Nicholson, PA – Athletics/Baseball
Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #217 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the resignation of Brion Stone from his Junior High Boys' Baseball position for the 2011-2012 school year as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #218 (6 yes, 3 absent)

Jay Wescott, Lenox Township, asked why Ryan Hiller was being appointed as a volunteer since he was just appointed as a coach.

ACKNOWLEDGE NOTIFICATIONS OF INTENT TO RETIRE: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to acknowledge notifications from Cynthia Singer, Sue Ann Wildrick, Susan Schaffer, Robert Fisher, Kathleen Kurosky, Mary Harrison, Cheryl Kerr, David Schulte, Constance Schulte, and Sharon Kinney of their intent to retire as of the last day of school in June 2012, as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #219 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the letter of resignation as of May 25, 2012, due to retirement, submitted by Rose Borgna, as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #220 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the letter of resignation as of the last day of the 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement, submitted by Marilyn Light, as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #221 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the letter of resignation as of the last day of the 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement, submitted by Lauren Weilage, as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #222 (6 yes, 3 absent)

DESIGNATE TEMPORARY REPRESENTATIVE: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to designate Andrew Chichura as a temporary representative for the Susquehanna County Personal Income Tax Commission. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #223(6 yes, 3 absent)

APPOINT BUSINESS MANAGER: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to appoint Janice M. Finnochio, of Saylorsburg, PA, as business manager effective March 12, 2012 at a salary of \$70,500.00 and benefits according to Board policy. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #224 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPOINT BUSINESS OFFICE SECRETARY: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to appoint Brittany Wilkins, 40B Cozy Lake Court, Hop Bottom, PA, as secretary for the business office effective February 21, 2012, at a salary of \$8.75 per hour and benefits according to Board Policy. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #225 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to approve Ryan Hiller as a long term substitute, at a salary of \$160.00 per day, with benefits according to board policy, retroactive to February 13, 2012, as a result of him serving in the same high school position for more than 30 consecutive days. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #226 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE REQUEST FOR SABBATICAL LEAVE FOR RESTORATION OF HEALTH: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to approve the request submitted by Christine Depew for a Sabbatical Leave for Restoration of Health for 93 days (one school term) starting March 12, 2012 extending into the 2012-2013 school year as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #227 (6 yes, 3 absent)

ACCEPT BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION/AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING FOR POSITION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the resignation of Kevin M. Griffiths from his Region 3-Lathrop Township board member position retroactive to February 13, 2012, and authorize the board secretary to advertise for the position with applications due by 2:00 P.M. March 9, 2012. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #228 (6 yes, 3 absent)

APPROVE REQUEST FOR SABBATICAL LEAVE FOR RESTORATION OF HEALTH: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan to approve the request submitted by Mary Niemotka for a Sabbatical Leave for Restoration of Health for 93 days (one school term) starting May 1, 2012 extending into the 2012-2013 school year as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #229 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

POLICY COMMITTEE

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Chichura spoke about information provided the Board on the Governor's proposed budget.

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Mr. Doster said he had 39 students signed up for the senior trip out of 101 students. There was much discussion as to let the trip run with less than 50% participation. It was the consensus not to run the trip.

Dr. Adams made the motion to run the senior trip with 39 students. Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan seconded the motion. Voting: Not Carried. Refer to Resolution #230 (4 no, 2 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

This lead to a discussion on what to do with the money raised. Some felt you cannot cancel the trip now since they had worked to go. Some wanted to give the money back, others thought something should be done that would include the whole class.

Mr. Doster was given permission to meet with the class and if he can get 50% of the class to go he can run the trip.

Mr. Doster said he needs the program of studies approved in March so he can move forward with the scheduling process in April. Mr. Stoddard suggested holding two meetings before March 12th to discuss this. This meeting will recess until February 27th. Mr. Doster expressed his need for some administrative help if we want to move forward.

Mr. Presley and Mrs. Pipitone had nothing to report.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS UPDATE

Mrs. Voigt said they participated in Math Counts competition on Saturday. Since she has Title I money that needs to be used she is in hopes of offering a summer school program this year including transportation.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Todd Adams

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Sondra Stine

APPROVE CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE FOR TITLE II; i3 ASSET SCIENCE; AND READING RECOVERY: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve Conference attendance requests for:

- a. **Melissa Wasko, Kristy Moher, Jenifer Pliska**, on Wednesday and Thursday, February 22 & 23, 2012, to attend Solids and Liquids, Penn State Great Valley, Malvern PA, with cost estimated at \$166.50 mileage, \$288.00 lodging, \$510.00 substitute (Title II)
- b. **Teri Edwards, Rebekah Ihlefeldt, Karen Voigt, Susan Gesford, Chris Robinson, Abigail Barrett, Katherine Holzman**, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 26, 27, & 28, 2012, to attend the NCTM Math Conference, Philadelphia, PA, with cost estimated at \$1,611.00 lodging, \$2,172.00 registration, \$935.00 substitute, (Title II) (van not available car scheduled)
- c. **Karen Voigt**, on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, March 25, 26, 27, & 28, 2012, to attend PAFPC (Federal Programs) Annual Conference, Hershey, PA, with cost estimated at \$536.13 lodging, \$360.00 registration, (Title I) (District car is scheduled)

Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #231 (5 yes, 1 no, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

Dr. Adams feels it would be good to approve the National Conference. Mrs. Voigt said they are offering over 700 sessions so each teacher can attend what pertains to them. She also noted for some time now the district no longer pays for meals. The teacher is responsible for their own meals.

APPROVE CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve Conference attendance requests as amended for:

- a. **Anne Urnoski**, on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, to attend Tips and Techniques for Successful Articulation Therapy in Schools, NEIU #19, Archbald, PA, with cost estimated at \$0.00,
- b. **James Soya**, on Friday, February 3, 2012, to attend the Technology Coordinator's Meeting, NEIU #19, Archbald, PA, with cost estimated at \$13.26 mileage,
- c. **Melody Haley**, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, April 13, 14, & 15, 2012, to attend the PA Association of School Nurses Annual Education Conference, Penn Stater Conference Center, State College, PA, with cost estimated at \$238.00 lodging, \$425.00 registration, \$85.00 substitute,

- d. **Diana Slick, Carole Heier-Rainey**, on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, to attend Understanding the Mental Health System for Children and Student Assistance Networking Meeting, Lackawanna Center for Public Safety – 911 Center – Jessup, PA, with cost estimated at \$0.00,
- e. **Heather Larkin, Lisa Kozloski**, on Thursday, March 29, 2012, to attend Brain Steps Training, NEIU #19, Archbald, PA with cost estimated at \$0.00,
- f. **James Soya**, on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, to attend Angelbeat 2012, Hilton, City Avenue, Philadelphia, PA with cost estimated at \$0.00, (will ride with another attendee),

Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #232 (5 yes, 1 no, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPROVE FIELD TRIP/COMMUNITY BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCE

ATTENDANCE: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve Field Trip/Community Based Learning Experience attendance requests for:

- a. **Corinne Ross (2 Students)**, on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, April 15, 16, 17, & 18, 2012, to attend the Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference, Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, PA, with cost estimated at \$255.00 substitute, (District car is scheduled)
- b. **Kathleen Kurosky, Donna Porter, Jamie White, Jackie Bain, Ernie Griffis, (10th Grade Students)** on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, to attend the Sophomore College Tour, Johnson College, Marywood University, and Penn State Worthington, with cost estimated at \$412.44 bus, \$170.00 substitute,
- c. **Donna Porter, Kathleen Kurosky, (11th Grade Students)** on Monday, April 30, 2012, to attend the Northeast Regional College Fair/Kings College, with cost estimated at \$236.83 bus,
- d. **Margaret McCarty, (4 Students)**, on Monday March 9, 2012, to attend a Live Interview, Magic 93 Studio, Wilkes Barre, with cost estimated at \$90.40 mileage, (District van is scheduled) (will reimburse the district via Activity Fund/Drama Club)
- e. **Margaret McCarty, (5 Students)**, on Wednesday, February 29, 2012, to attend Publicity Taping for Oklahoma, WVIA Studios, West Pittston, with cost estimated at \$80.40 mileage, (District van is scheduled) (will reimburse the district via Activity Fund/Drama Club)
- f. **Karen Voigt, Mary Ann Tranovich, Peter Regeski, (10 – Sixth Grade Students and 10 – Seventh/Eighth Grade Students)**, on Saturday, February 18, 2012, to attend the Math Counts, Penn State Worthington, Dunmore, PA, with cost estimated at \$129.95 bus, \$430.00 registration,
- g. **Charlene Olcese (3 Chorus Students)**, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 8, 9, & 10, 2012, to attend the PMEA Region IV Chorus, Lackawanna Trail High School, Factoryville, PA, with cost estimated at \$104.04 mileage, \$401.65 registration and music cost, \$127.50 substitute, (District car is scheduled)
- h. **Kelly Richmond, Diane Supancik, Karen Bolcavege, Melissa Berish, Debbie Andzulis, (12 Life Skills Students and 4 Autistic Students)**, on Friday, February 24, 2012, to attend the Accessing Community Store and Planning Social Activity Bowling, Dickson City, Walmart, Eynon, with cost estimated at \$218.70 bus, \$85.00 substitute,
- i. **Michael Talabiska, (Science Olympiad Students)**, on Wednesday, March 7, 2012, to attend the Northeast Regional Science Olympiad, Penn State, Wilkes Barre, PA, with cost estimated at \$225.25 bus, \$450.00 registration, \$85.00 substitute,
- j. **Robert Fisher, Charlene Olcese, (17 Students)**, on Friday, March 30, 2012, to attend the Middle School Band Festival 2012, Western Wayne High School, with

- cost estimated at \$145.29 bus, \$459.00 registration, \$170.00 substitute,
- k. **Charleene Martens, Karen Voigt, (10-12 Students)**, on a date to be determined, to attend the High School Challenge, Dresden, NY – Tompkins Cortland Community College, with cost estimated at \$487.40 bus, \$400.00 registration, \$85.00 substitute,
 - l. **Cheryl Kerr, Scott Fisher, Katie Holzman, (5th Grade Classes), (Four Adult Chaperones per class)**, on Wednesday, May 2, 2012, to attend Vehicular Career Day, Montrose Area High School, Montrose, PA, with cost estimated at \$0.00, (Transportation reimbursed by NTIEC)
- Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #233 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPOINT MEMBERS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING (STRATEGIC PLANNING): The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to appoint members for the Professional Education subcommittee for the Comprehensive Planning (Strategic Planning) in accordance with 22 PA Code Chapter 49 as follows:

- Parents of Children Attending School – Janet Adams, Edlyn Flannery, and Laura Schutz
- Local Business Representatives – Kristie Congdon, Monica Miller, Gail Powers, and Kathy Tuttle
- Community Representatives – Ronalyn Corbin, Corey Gesford, Cindy Reynolds, and Joan Peters

Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #234 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPROVE 2012-2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the 2012-2013 school calendar as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #235 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

Dr. Chichura noted the first day of school for students in 2012-2013 would be August 29, 2012, with some make up days falling within the school year.

APPROVE HOME STUDIES STUDENT(S): The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the following home studies student(s) for five (5) hours of instruction per week or hours in compliance with their IEP:

<u>Student Number</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Estimated Ending Date</u>
a. #15054	01/18/2012	Monthly Review
b. #14165	01/23/2012	04/23/2012

Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #236 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve a Due Process Settlement Agreement and Release as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #237 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPROVE SMILE PENNSYLVANIA MOBILE DENTISTS: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the administration scheduling the Smile Pennsylvania Mobile Dentists program for the 2012-2013 school year as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #238 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

Dr. Chichura offered a brief explanation on the mobile dentist program.

AUTHORIZE FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM (FFVP) APPLICATION:

The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to authorize the submission of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable program application for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #239 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

BUILDING AND SITE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Roy Twining
Committee Members: Kevin Griffiths, Dava Rinehart-Cowan

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Kevin Griffiths
Committee Members: Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Todd Adams

APPROVE PARENT/GUARDIAN DRIVER: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve Cassandra Biesecker, 7564 SR 547, Harford, PA as a parent driver for the 2011-2012 school year at the current IRS rate, retroactive to January 24, 2012. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #240 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPROVE PARENT/GUARDIAN DRIVER: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve Jeffrey Butler, 33 State Route 2021, Nicholson, PA as a parent driver for the 2011-2012 school year at the current IRS rate, retroactive to February 6, 2012. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #241 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

Ivie Simons questioned why we were appointing parent drivers. It was explained we have no regular contractors available.

APPROVE CAR/VAN SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the following as car/van substitute drivers for the 2011-2012 school year pending receipt of all documentation:

- Jeffrey McDonald, 149 Green Street, Carbondale, PA
- William Washenko, 181 Phillips Street, Throop, PA
- Donna Biesecker, 1657 Blanding Lake Road, New Milford, PA
- Ilhan Sezer, 641 Plonski Road, Thompson, PA

Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #242(5 yes, 1 abstain, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

APPROVE VAN CONTRACT FOR GENE TRANOVICH BUS COMPANY: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve a van contract effective March 1, 2012, through the end of the 2011-2012 school year for Gene Tranovich Bus Company as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #243 (6 yes, 2 absent, 1 vacant)

Dan Anthony, Brooklyn, questioned the rate of pay. This will be provided.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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

Mr. Stoddard noted a meeting with the MVEA was held February 15, 2012. The next meeting will be March 14, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

SECOND HEARING OF VISITORS

Bob Baker, reporter, questioned how the superintendent search was going.

Jay Wescott, Lenox Township, had issues with the Board having a problem paying \$200.00 to return a wheelchair but had no problem having the attorney present for the last two meetings and paying the new business manager over \$70,000.00 when current administration are not getting raises.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

HELD

Monday, February 13, 2012, 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, February 13, 2012, 9:15 P.M. to 10:50 P.M. – Personnel

SCHEDULED

Monday, February 20, 2012 – 6:00 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, March 12, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, March 19, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting

The meeting was recessed at 8:25 P.M., until Monday, February 27, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. in the boardroom.

Diane Makosky
Secretary

	Adams	Aherne	Griffiths	P-Sezer	R-Cowan	Stine	Stoddard	Twining	Zick
203.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
204.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
205.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
206.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
207.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
208.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
209.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
210.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
211.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
212.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
213.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
214.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
215.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
216.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
217.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
218.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
219.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
220.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
221.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y

Mountain View School District
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222.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
223.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
224.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
225.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
226.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
227.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
228.	Y	absent	absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
229.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
230.	Y	absent	vacant	N	N	Y	N	absent	N
231.	Y	absent	vacant	N	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
232.	Y	absent	vacant	N	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
233.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
234.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
235.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
236.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
237.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
238.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
239.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
240.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
241.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
242.	Y	absent	vacant	abstain	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y
243.	Y	absent	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	absent	Y

February 27, 2012 reconvened from February 20, 2012.

The reconvened 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 7:00 P.M., by president, Mr. James Zick.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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| P- Mr. James W. Zick, President | V- Vacant |
| 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- Dr. 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 | P- Mr. Andrew Doster, Jr. /Sr. High School Principal |
| V- Vacant, Business Manager | A- 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 | |

Dr. Adams made the motion, seconded by Dr. Plonski-Sezer to rescind the motion made last Monday regarding the senior trip. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #244 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan said she was voting yes as long as the number remains at 50%.

Mr. Twining said he was voting yes but noted there are deadlines in place for a reason. They need to be abided by.

Dr. Adams made the motion, seconded by Dr. Plonski-Sezer to approve the senior trip on May 31, 2012 through June 3, 2012. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #245 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

FIRST HEARING OF VISITORS

Danielle Scott thanked the Board for voting yes to the senior trip. She also asked for the policy where it is written requiring 50% participation in class trips.

Margaret Smith asked what the reluctance in letting the trip run. Many students do not go on vacations so they fund raise for the opportunity to be able to go on the trip.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

APPROVE NEIU#19 SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT FOR 2012-2013: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve the NEIU #19 Special Education Contract for the 2012-2013 school year as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #246 (5 yes, 3 no, 1 vacant)

APPROVE RESOLUTION REGARDING DELINQUENT LOCAL EARNED INCOME TAX COLLECTION FOR 2011 AND PRIOR YEARS: The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Stine to approve the resolution regarding delinquent local earned income tax collection for 2011 and prior years as presented and attached. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #247 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

Dr. Chichura said he attended the tax commission meeting. The representatives approved submitting the resolution.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the letter of resignation as of the last day of the 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement, submitted by Charlene Olcese, as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #248 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

ADDITION TO SUBSTITUTE LISTS: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to appoint the following to the substitute lists **pending receipt of all documentation:**

- a. **Sarah Krause**, 1348 Stearns Road, New Milford, PA, Elementary K-6 and Early Childhood N-3 certified add to the elementary substitute list,
 - b. **Glen Mackey**, 735 Mackey Road, Nicholson, PA, Technology Education, Middle Level Math, and Middle Level Science certified add to the secondary substitute list,
- Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #249 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to accept the resignation of Jamie White from her Track Assistant

position for the 2011-2012 school year as presented. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #250 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

APPOINT SUPPLEMENTAL SALARY POSITION(S): The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to appoint Supplemental Salary Position(s) for the 2011-2012 school year as presented. The following was appointed: Jacob Madas, Track Assistant. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #251(8 yes, 1 vacant)

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING AFTER POSTING: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to authorize advertising after posting for a full-time Clerical position with applications due by Wednesday, March 14, 2012. Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #252 (8 yes, 1 vacant)

Dr. Chichura said due to an internal transfer effective April 1, 2012, he has posted the vacant position. He has a waiver of the 60 day probation period. He is in hopes to be able to appoint on March 19, 2012 to allow for some training before the transfer takes place.

POLICY COMMITTEE

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

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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

REVIEW PROGRAM OF STUDIES: Reviewed was the Program of Studies for the 2012-2013 school year.

Mr. Doster reviewed various components to the proposed Program of Studies. He feels to achieve proficiency in ICT we need to offer the electives we are. He noted that all electives do not run each year. He is concerned about students transferring from Mountain View for academic reasons. He is looking for increased flexibility in scheduling, to be able to place students appropriately in classes.

Mrs. Voigt discussed project lead the way. She noted the need for additional electives geared towards engineering. Would like to see culture shock back in the schedule for 2013-2014.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan said it is about choosing electives that are most effective. It's about choices and how we effectively spend our money. What are our needs?

Mr. Doster said the number of students in the class is not indicative of the interest there is, but where it may fall in the schedule. He said enrollment is going down because courses are being cut. You can't cut education. The National Science of Standards states classes with 20 students or less students are most effective.

Mercedes Kromko and Sarah Pulice both agreed classes with fewer student are more productive.

Faculty members Roger Thomas, Madonna Munley, Darin Bain, Brenda Sinkovich, Teri Edwards, and Donna Porter all spoke to the importance of offering electives. Dual enrollment is for a unique student. It interferes with after school sports. They agree with small class sizes. If you force students to take classes they are not interested in they will not do good. They agreed core courses are important but the students also need a variety of electives. For example a student who excels in art or music will see their core courses improve. If you drive core courses you will lose students. If you lose top students it will have a negative effect on PSSA scores.

Students Mercedes Kromko, Sarah Pulice, Joe Marshalek and Alex Taylor spoke on the importance of electives. If you eliminate electives you may crush someone's dream. Some indicated they would like to see additional help in preparing for SAT and PSSA.

Dr. Plonski-Sezer said when she taught she had 9 periods a day with no study halls or resource periods. Chorus was after school.

Mr. Twining noted it was nice to see the involvement at the meeting. He would like to see it continue. They will review the feedback. At this point no cuts have been made.

Currently we have 14 VLINC students, 36 Vo-tech students, less than 10 youth apprentice students.

Margaret Smith said she tries to stay updated by reading the transcript. She understands some cuts have to be made and supports the Board.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan asked the students if a survey would be helpful regarding the electives. They all agreed it would.

REVIEW GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Reviewed was the Graduation requirements.

The Board was provided a list of local schools and their graduation requirements. We are in line with other districts.

Ann Corbin, Brooklyn, doesn't think we should change anything.

Joe Marshalek asked why we compare with other schools.

Mercedes Kromko said most students are over the requirements.

Brenda Sinkovich asked why we are looking at this.

It was explained by looking at other schools we can learn from them. We need to look at everything to make the best decisions.

Monica Miller, Kingsley, asked if the program of studies would be ready for the March meeting.

Donna Porter requested when making changes to keep in mind the Vo-tech students as they need 4 periods when they are at Mountain View.

APPROVE CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: The motion was made by Dr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Stine, to approve Conference attendance requests for:

- g. **Robert Presley, Diana Evans Slick, Carole Heier-Rainey, Robin Phillips,** on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, May 7, 8, & 9, 20, 2012, to attend Elementary SAP (Student Assistance Program) Training, 911 Call Center, Jessup, PA with cost estimated at \$760.00 registration, \$255.00 substitute,
Voting: Carried. Refer to Resolution #253 (6 yes, 2 no, 1 vacant)

BUILDING AND SITE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Roy Twining
Committee Members: Vacant, Dava Rinehart-Cowan

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Vacant
Committee Members: Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Todd Adams

It was noted the fuel escalation will be on the March meeting.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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

NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

SECOND HEARING OF VISITORS

Dan Anthony, Brooklyn, said the more you cut the more the students lose.

Mr. Twining questioned what we are doing now when a student leaves? Are we finding out why? Mrs. Porter volunteered to obtain this information. She asked the Board to provide her with the information they want to know.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

HELD

Monday, February 13, 2012, 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, February 13, 2012, 9:15 P.M. to 10:50 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, February 20, 2012, 6:00 P.M. to 7:05 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, February 20, 2012, 8:30 P.M. to 9:50 P.M. – Personnel

SCHEDULED

Monday, February 27, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, March 12, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, March 19, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting

ADJOURN: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

Diane Makosky
Secretary

	<u>Adams</u>	<u>Aherne</u>	<u>Griffiths</u>	<u>P-Sezer</u>	<u>R-Cowan</u>	<u>Stine</u>	<u>Stoddard</u>	<u>Twining</u>	<u>Zick</u>
244.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
245.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
246.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
247.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
248.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
249.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
250.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
251.	Y	Y	vacant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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