

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 7:06 P.M., by vice-president, Dr. Todd Adams.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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| A- Mr. James W. Zick, President | P- 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- Mrs. 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 | P- 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 | |

REVIEW MINUTES: Reviewed the January 16, 2012, regular public meeting minutes.

Mr. Griffiths read his letter of resignation from the Board and left the meeting at 7:15 P.M.

PRESENTATION: Local Audit Presentation. Mr. Brian Kelly and Mr. Brad Murray presented the audit report as of June 30, 2011. The audit report included an unqualified opinion. Mr. Kelly explained there were no findings with the audit.

FIRST HEARING OF VISITORS

None

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

REVIEW JANUARY DISBURSEMENTS: Review the January 2012, General Fund Bill List, Debt Service Fund Bill List, Capital Reserve Fund Bill List, Cafeteria Fund Bill List, and the payment of employee payroll, transportation contracts, fringe benefit payments, and fund transfers in the total amount of **\$3,105,372.35.**

REVIEW LIST OF BILLS: Review the preliminary list of bills for the February 13, 2012, General Fund Bill List in the amount of **\$179,207.68.**

Mr. Twining questioned check #22006349 to DeLage Landen (Copier rental) and check #22006419, to UPS for postage to return a wheel chair. This seemed high. We should be shopping around for the best price. Mr. Stoddard questioned check #2206364 to ISP Laser. It was explained it was for toner cartridges and projection lamp bulbs.

REVIEW TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE: Review 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.

REVIEW REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR EXONERATION: Review 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.

REVIEW EXONERATION OF TAX COLLECTORS PER CAPITA TAXES AND OCCUPATIONAL TAXES: Review 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.

REVIEW EXONERATIONS FOR PER CAPITA TAXES: Review exoneration for per capita taxes as submitted by tax collectors.

No action was taken on the exonerations as no documentation was provided.

REVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC STUDENT ACTIVITIES FINANCIAL REPORTS: Review 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.

Mr. Stoddard questioned why FBLA, Student Leadership, and Strategies for Life had such high receipts. FBLA and Strategies for Life do numerous fund raisers. Student Leadership will be looked into.

Mr. Twining asked if SADD was still active? The advisor is trying to generate some interest. He questioned why the yearbook had a negative balance. This is always the case until orders and advertising start coming in.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan questioned what the Tech Ed Graphics was used for. This will be checked into.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan questioned if the people who contribute to the scholarship fund ever receive an accounting of the money. They should be receiving a report along with a letter for tax purposes. This will be checked into further.

Mr. Stoddard questioned the library receipts. This is because of the book fair.

REVIEW BUDGET TRANSFERS BETWEEN SUBFUNCTIONS: Review 2011-2012 budget transfers between sub-functions as presented.

Mr. Stoddard questioned why transfers were necessary.

REVIEW BUDGET TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNCTIONS: Review 2011-2012 budget transfers between functions as presented.

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan questioned if the Band Booster Club was still active. If so why aren't they helping with some of these expenses.

REVIEW NEIU#19 SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT FOR 2012-2013: Review the NEIU #19 Special Education Contract for the 2012-2013 school year as presented.

It was the general consensus the contract needed to be revised to have more accountability. What happens when the NEIU cannot provide services making us not in compliance with a student's IEP for example. Also we need more accountability regarding Medical Access billing.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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

All personnel items will be reviewed in executive session following the meeting.

REVIEW SUBSTITUTE LISTS: Reviewed the substitute lists **pending receipt of all documentation:**

REVIEW SUPPLEMENTAL SALARY POSITIONS: Reviewed Supplemental Salary Positions for the 2011-2012 school year as presented.

REVIEW THE NEED TO ADVERTISE FOR SUBSTITUTES: Reviewed the need to advertise for paraprofessional, custodial, clerical, cafeteria, bus, and car/van substitutes.

REVIEW VOLUNTEER(S): Reviewed volunteers for the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW RESIGNATION JR. HIGH BOYS BASEBALL: Reviewed the resignation for Jr. High Boys' Baseball.

REVIEW NOTIFICATIONS OF INTENT TO RETIRE:

REVIEW NOTIFICATIONS OF RESIGNATION DUE TO RETIREMENT:

REVIEW SUPERINTENDENT CANDIDATES:

REVIEW SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT:

REVIEW BUSINESS MANAGER CANDIDATES:

REVIEW BUSINESS OFFICE SECRETARY CANDIDATES:

REVIEW LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE:

REVIEW REQUEST FOR SABBATICAL LEAVE:

POLICY COMMITTEE

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

1. Registration for NEIU #19 Board Members meeting on February 23, 2012. Dr. Chichura plans on attending the meeting at the NEIU on 2/23/12. Anyone interested in attending should let him know by Wednesday.
2. Dr. Chichura gave an update on Governor Corbett's Education Budget. Staci Wilson reporter asked what impact the elimination of the Accountability Block Grant would have on kindergarten and Pre-K?

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Mr. Presley said parent conferences were well attended. He thanked both the parents and staff for their support. He said the PTO had Bingo night on Friday. That also was well attended and everyone had fun.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS UPDATE

Mrs. Voigt reported we did not receive the Striving Readers Grant. The NEIU is working on a Bullying Grant, which if they receive, we will be part of K thru 12. We had two students compete in the Brain Bee Saturday.

Mrs. Pipitone thanked the paraprofessionals for coming Thursday to the CPR training. Everyone is now CPR certified.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Todd Adams

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Sondra Stine

REVIEW CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE FOR TITLE II; i3 ASSET SCIENCE; AND READING RECOVERY: 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)

Mr. Stoddard questioned why three teachers needed to attend the same conference. Why can't one go and bring back the information. Because of the grant requirements.

There was a lot of discussion on the Math Conference and the registration fee. Why are we sending the entire math department? With the common core concept it was thought everyone would benefit by attending the workshops that was applicable to what they each teach.

REVIEW CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: Review the Conference attendance requests 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. **Jan Price**, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, March 20, 21, 22, & 23, 2012, to attend the PA State Athletic Directors Association Conference, Hershey, PA, with cost estimated at \$149.00 lodging, \$365.00 registration,

- d. **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,
- e. **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,
- f. **Heather Larkin, Lisa Kozloski**, on Thursday, March 29, 2012, to attend Brain Steps Training, NEIU #19, Archbald, PA with cost estimated at \$0.00,
- g. **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),

It was questioned the need for the athletic director to attend the conference in Hershey.

REVIEW FIELD TRIP/COMMUNITY BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCE ATTENDANCE:

Review the 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 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(already paid),
- 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,

Mr. Twining questioned why only 2 students would be attending the FBLA Leadership

conference; is the entire sophomore class participating in the college trip; why only 4 or 5 students participating in the publicity of the play; why is there only 1 substitute required for the Life Skills and Autistic Students; and how many student are participating in science Olympiad?

REVIEW MEMBERS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING (STRATEGIC PLANNING): Review 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
- Local business representatives
- Community representatives

The list will be provided for the 2/20/12 board meeting.

REVIEW 2012-2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Review the DRAFT 2012-2013 school calendar.

It was the consensus of the board to go with draft one of the calendars and have make up days during the school year.

Mr. Twining questioned why open house was not on the same day. This is because of time constraints for parents with students in both buildings.

REVIEW HOME STUDIES STUDENT(S): Review 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> |
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| a. #15054 | 01/18/2012 | 2011-2012 year |
| b. #14165 | 01/23/2012 | 04/23/2012 |

REVIEW SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE:

REVIEW SMILE PENNSYLVANIA MOBILE DENTISTS: It was the consensus of the board to proceed with Smile Pennsylvania Mobile Dentist.

REVIEW FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM (FFVP) APPLICATION FOR THE 2012-2013 FISCAL YEAR: It was the consensus to proceed with the Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program application for next year.

BUILDING AND SITE COMMITTEE

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

ROBERT TAYLOR'S MONTHLY REPORT REVIEW: Mr. Taylor reviewed his report with the board.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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

All transportation items will be reviewed in executive session following the meeting.

REVIEW CAR/VAN PARENT/GUARDIAN DRIVERS:

REVIEW CAR/VAN SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS: Reviewed a car/van substitute drivers for the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW VAN CONTRACT FOR REMAINDER OF 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: Reviewed a van contract effective March 1, 2012, through the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW THE NEED FOR AN ADDITIONAL CONTRACT FOR CAR/VAN: Reviewed the need for an additional car/van contract for the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW WHEELCHAIR VAN CONTRACT PROPOSAL: Reviewed a wheelchair van contract proposal for 2012-2013.

REVIEW FUEL ESCALUTION FOR BUS/CAR/VAN CONTRACTORS:

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Thomas Stoddard

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

Mr. Stoddard reported there will be a meeting with the MVEA on Wednesday, February 15, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Aherne gave a report on the recent NEIU meeting.

SECOND HEARING OF VISITORS

Ashley Kilmer, South Gibson, questioned why Mr. Hagenbuch was removed from being the substitute in her child's class. An executive session was granted to further discuss this after the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

HELD

Monday, January 16, 2012, 6:15 P.M. to 7:05 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, January 16, 2012, 8:20 P.M. to 10:50 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, January 23, 2012, 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. – Personnel
Saturday, January 28, 2012, 9:30 A.M. to 2:45 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, January 30, 2012, 6:30 P.M. to 10:15 P.M. – Personnel
Thursday, February 2, 2012, 6:30 P.M. to 9:55 P.M. – Personnel
Monday, February 6, 2012, 7:00 P.M. to 10:25 P.M. – Personnel

SCHEDULED

Monday, February 13, 2012 – 6:00 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, February 20, 2012 – 6:00 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, March 12, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting

ADJOURN: The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, seconded by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 P.M.

