

**MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014
BOARD ROOM
MINUTES**

Board: President, Kathryn Chandless. Vice President, Robert Sack, Leonard Altieri, Barbara Harvey, Atsushi J. Baker, Sherry-Lee McAuliffe, Matthew DeNucci

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire

Administration: Dr. Merle Horowitz, Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Mr. Michael Dumin

Press: Leslie Krowchenko

Audience: 12 start of meeting ~ 8 for regular meeting

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Chandless called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Altieri led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH

The Honorable Barry C. Dozer will administer The Oath of Office and The Loyalty Oath to Matthew J. Bilker and Matthew Catania.

4. ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Altieri, Mr. Baker, Mr. Bilker, Mr. Catania, Mrs. Chandless, Mr. DeNucci, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. McAuliffe, Mr. Sack.

No student representatives were present

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mrs. Chandless asked for a motion to accept the agenda, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Altier, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

There were several addendums to the agenda
Curriculum, Instruction and Technology
Human Resources and Policy
Facilities and Transportation

Mrs. Chandless asked for a vote for the Agenda to be approved as amended.

With no further discussion the Agenda was approved as amended 9 – 0

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

A parent spoke with regards to having a bus stop changed for her student due to child care issues.

Mrs. Chandless said that Dr. Horowitz would follow up with her.

7. WE ARE PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

NONE

8. COMMENDATIONS

Mrs. Galbraith was presented a Bell for her service on the Board. Mrs. Galbraith was a member of the School Board for 11 years. She was thanked for all her hard work and service to the community and the students of the district.

9. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

NONE

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Horowitz explained that the summer was very busy, we welcomed 20 new teachers and there were workshops for all professional staff. She also explained that we partnered with a magazine In-Community magazine. She thanked Anna Deacon for her help in getting 16 pages together to showcase the district. She continued to share about Chris Lee is working with her on a smart phone app for the district. This will go live this fall. The online education is also taking off again this fall. Dr. Horowitz thanked Mike Dumin and his crew for getting the buildings ready for the school year. She also wanted to congratulate the Broomall Newtown Baseball team for the achievements. She would like to have these student recognized maybe at the September Board meeting.

Dr. Horowitz continued to say that in her spare time she has penned a book about bullying and it will be published. She and her colleague have been asked to present at a conference in Harrisburg.

She then made the announcement that after 9 years and with much discussion with her family she will be retiring on June 30, 2015.

11. SECRETARY'S MINUTES

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2014 Special Meeting, June 24, 2014 Regular Meeting and the July 22, 2014 Special Meeting.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

12. OTHER REPORTS

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Independent Provider Contract with Nancy Nowell to provide Human Development educational services to students in the Districts Life Skills Support programs for 2014-2015 school year.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Independent Provider Contract with Edward Freed, Ph.D. to provide Behavioral Health/Mental Health services to students in the Marple Newtown School District through the Office of Pupil Services.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 800250 to attend The Woodlynde School as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement attached. This is a renewed agreement. This is not a new placement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 841453 to attend The Concept School as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the 2014-2015 school year. This is not a new placement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 841414 to attend The Woodlynde School as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the 2014-2015 school year. This is not a new placement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Addendum Agreement for Student No.840170. Original Settlement Agreement approved by the Board of Directors on June 23, 2009.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 840943 to attend Green Valley Academy as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. This is not a new placement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Extended School Year Agreement for student attending Extended School Year at Wordsworth Academy Summer 2014. The student was previously listed and approved on the May Board Agenda.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, second by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 802354 to attend the Mill Creek School as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement attached. This is a renewed agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 880389 to attend Green Valley Academy as per the “In Lieu of FAPE” agreement attached.
This is a renewed agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No.841589 to attend Green Valley Academy as per the “In Lieu of FAPE” agreement attached.
This is a renewed agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No.840993 to attend Green Valley Academy as per the “In Lieu of FAPE” agreement attached.
This is a renewed agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 800342 to attend the Mill Creek School as per the “In Lieu of FAPE” agreement attached.
This is a new agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 841947 to attend the Child Guidance Resource Center for Extended School Year, Summer 2014.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 841454 to attend Green Valley Academy as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the 2014-2015 school year. This is a new agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed by 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the following Student No. 840170 to attend The Melmark School, an Approved Private School from July 1, 2014 through August 15, 2014. This is a contract renewal, not a new placement.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Independent Provider Contract with Marvin Rosen, Ph.D. to provide Behavioral Health/Mental Health services to students in the Marple Newtown School District 1 day per week, through the Office of Pupil Services.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve student 841947 to attend the Vanguard School, an Approved Private School (APS) as a new placement for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 840040 to attend Green Valley Academy as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the 2014-2015 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 802977 to attend the Mill Creek School as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the 2014-2015 school year. This is a not a new agreement.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Release and Settlement Agreement for Student No. 800463 as prepared by Special Education Counsel.

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 840234 to attend Talk Institute and School for the 2014-2015 school year. This is a renewed agreement, not a new placement.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve the Independent Provider Contract with Maria Toggia, Certified School Psychologist, to provide direct and consultative school related psychological services to students in the Marple Newtown School District through the Office of Pupil Services.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion to approve Student No. 600018 to attend The Timothy School for the 2014-2015 school year. This is a new agreement. There are two agreements, one for ESY and one for the school year.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

13. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – Leonard B. Altieri, III, Chairperson

13.02 Field Trips

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Mr. Doug Killough, Teacher, to accompany the Cross Country Team to Great Adventure, New Jersey for a meet on September 27 and September 28, 2014. The total cost per pupil is \$100.00. The cost to the District will be fuel and tolls.

Motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Mr. Doug Killough, Teacher, to accompany the Model UN and National Honor Society students to the United Nations in New York on December 11, 2014. The total cost per pupil is \$40.00. There is no cost to the District.

Motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Mr. Mike Colgan, Coach, to accompany the Varsity Girls' Basketball team to Orlando, Florida, from December 10 to December 14, 2014. The total cost per pupil is \$400.00. There is no cost to the District.

Motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Mr. Mike Miller, Coach, to accompany the High School Boys Lacrosse team to St. John's High School in Chevy Chase, MD on March 7, 2015 for a pre-season scrimmage. The cost of this trip is paid by the athlete's activity fee. There is no cost to the District.

Motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Mr. Brian Isselman, Teacher, Ms. Tracy Jacobson, Counselor and Mr. Michael Winterbottom, Teacher, to accompany LINK students to South Mountain YMCA, Wernersville, PA for a Leadership/Team Building Activity.

Motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

13.03 Textbook Disposal

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve the disposal or sale of the 2008 Elementary Houghton/Harcourt Storytown K-5 Reading Series.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

13.04 Change to mural design at Paxon Hollow Middle School

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve a change of a mural design for PHMS. The Board approved the original mural design with the condition that Dr. Subers check on the copyright infringement concerns. Not being able to resolve the copyright concern, Dr. Subers would like to change the mural to a student designed mural, as presented.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

14.01 Committee Report – Sherry-Lee McAuliffe, Chairperson

14.02 RETIREMENT

CLASSIFIED

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following classified retirement item(s) 1.

- 1) Anthony Vinci - Special Education Assistant
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: September 1, 2014
Reason: Retirement

Motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.03 RESIGNATIONS

CLASSIFIED

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following classified resignations item(s) 1 through 7.

- 1) Mary Beth Mariani - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: Personal
- 2) Melissa Raffel - Title 1 Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Effective: August 6, 2014
Reason: Personal
- 3) Nicole Scali - Special Education Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Effective: August 1, 2014
Reason: Personal
- 4) Lori Strzelecki - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: August 1, 2014
Reason: Resignation in order to accept different position in
Marple Newtown School District
- 5) Gail Harley - Custodian
Operations
Effective: August 18, 2014
Reason: Personal
- 6) June Eicholz - Office Assistant
Russell Elementary
Effective: September 1, 2014
Reason: Personal
- 7) Teresa Batista - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: August 19, 2014
Reason: Personal

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.04 TERMINATIONS

CLASSIFIED

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion **to** approve the following classified terminations item(s) 1 through 35.

- 1) Alex Casterioto - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 2) Artia Johnson - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 3) Elizabeth McCabe - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 4) Chrysta Hamilton - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 5) Jennifer Bossard - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 6) Joanne Poole - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 7) Kimberly Harkins - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 8) Sarah Geary - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School

Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

9) Stephanie Williams - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

10) Vicki Bear - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

11) Chelsea Darczuk - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

12) Danielle Young - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

13) Gregory Tosto - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

14) Julie Fruncillo - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

15) Kyle Johnson - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

16) Michaela Pelka - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

17) Steven Moyse - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014

Reason: End of Assignment

18) Suzanne Carini - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

19) Theo Quinn - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

20) Theresa McInaw- Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

21) Timothy Ferkler - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

22) Allison Fuhr - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

23) Jennifer Clay - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

24) Jessica Pollock - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

25) Kelsey Ploppert - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

26) Lynn Donato - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 27) Maria Dion - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 28) Sunny West - Special Education Assistant - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 29) Helen Town - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
District
Effective: August 1, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 30) Julie Fruncillo - Health Assistant
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: September 1, 2014
Reason: Resignation to accept Special Education Assistant
position in MNSD

- 31) Joseph Blaisse - Substitute Custodian
Operations
Effective: August 29, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 32) Omar Johnson - Substitute Custodian
Operations
Effective: August 29, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 33) Ralph Salomone - Substitute Custodian
Operations
Effective: August 29, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 34) Steve Kroberger - Substitute Custodian
Operations
Effective: August 29, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 35) Chris Vandervere - Substitute Custodian
Operations
Effective: August 29, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

PROFESSIONAL

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following professional terminations item(s) 1 through 27.

- 1) Abby Hughes - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 2) Alyssa Brown - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 3) Jackie Jumper - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 4) James Galligan - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 5) Joelle Hedlund - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 6) Lauren Nagel - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 7) Maria Boursalian - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

- 8) Nicole Ainslie - Behavior Specialist - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 9) Robert Mutz - Behavior Specialist - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 10) Susan Benner - Bus Nurse - ESY
Culbertson
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 11) Emily Lovitz - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 12) Heather Rosen - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 13) Jessica Galligher - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 14) Jill Gill - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 15) Jill Mascio - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 16) Jillian Meyers - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment
- 17) Lynda McDonald - Special Education Teacher - ESY

Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

18)Megan Smith - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

19)Michelle Salerno - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

20)Randi Rentz - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

21)Sophie Cross - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

22)Sue Salerno - Special Education Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

23)Allison Steinmeyer - Speech Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

24)Kristen DeGregoria - Speech Teacher - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

25)Cathy Brachman - Nurse - ESY
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

26)Gabrielle LaVenia - Homebound Instructor
District

Effective: August 1, 2014
Reason: Personal

27) Kristin Hartner - Sub Nurse
District
Effective: August 1, 2014
Reason: End of Assignment

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.05 LEAVES

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the following professional leaves, item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) Stephanie Murray - Language Arts Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: August 26, 2014 through and including January 16, 2015
Reason: Child Rearing Leave
- 2) Emily Speer - Math Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: November 7, 2014 through and including June 17, 2015
Reason: Medical Leave: November 7, 2014 through and including January 7, 2015
FMLA: January 8, 2015 through and including March 27, 2015
Child Rearing Leave: March 28, 2015 through and including June 17, 2015
- 3) Kerry DeFronzo – Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: December 18, 2014 through and including May 15, 2014
Reason: Medical Leave: December 18, 2014 through and including February 10, 2015
FMLA: February 11, 2015 through and including May 8, 2015

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following classified leaves item(s) 1.

- 1) Margaret Bristow - Special Education Assistant
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: September 2, 2014 through and including
October 14, 2014
Reason: Medical Leave

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.06 RETURN FROM LEAVE

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following classified return from leave item(s) 1 through 6.

- 1) Gina Johnson - Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary
Return Date: August 26, 2014
Returning from: Child Rearing Leave
- 2) Kristin Eiser - Elementary Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Return Date: August 26, 2014
Returning from: Child Rearing Leave
- 3) Amanda Kelly - Psychologist
Worrall Elementary
Return Date: August 26, 2014
Returning from: Child Rearing Leave
- 4) Rebecca Pullin - Elementary Special Education Teacher
Russell Elementary
Return Date: August 26, 2014
Returning from: Child Rearing Leave
- 5) Henry Chin - Custodian
Operations
Return Date: August 18, 2014
Returning from: Medical Leave

- 6) James Ross - Bus Driver
Transportation
Return Date: September 2, 2014
Returning from: Medical Leave

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.07 APPOINTMENTS

PROFESSIONAL

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following professional appointments, item(s) 1 through 4.

- 1) Melissa Santangelo - .4 LTS Mathematics Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$42,646(pro-rated) BA- Step 1
Effective: August 26, 2014
Reason: Replaces Michelle Lunn (Special Assignment regarding Math Grant)
- 2) Dominic Frassinelli - LTS Science Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$42,646 (pro-rated) BA - Step 1
Effective: August 26, 2014 through and including January 16, 2015 (91 work days)
Reason: Replaces Melanie Hinkle (Child Rearing Leave)
- 3) Michael Bannan - LTS English Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$42,646 (pro-rated) BA - Step 1
Effective: August 26, 2014 through and including January 15, 2015 (90 work days)
Reason: Replacing Stephanie Murray (Child Rearing Leave)
- 4) Synthia Shoemaker - .5 Secondary Mathematics Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$42,646 (pro-rated @ \$21,323) BA - Step 1
Effective: August 26, 2014
Reason: New position (School Board approved 6/24/2014)

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following classified appointments, item(s) 1 through 16.

- 1) Bobbie McBride - Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.39 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Replacing Robert Piraine (Retired)
- 2) Gladys Palazzo - Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.39 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Replacing Denise Guilberta (Termination)
- 3) Chelsea Darczuk - LTS Special Education Assistant
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$13,640 pro-rated
Effective: August 26, 2014 to November 16, 2014
Reason: Replacing Maria Boursalian (Reassignment)
- 4) Kelsey Ploppert - LTS Special Education Assistant
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$13,640 (pro-rated)
Effective: September 2, 2014 through and including
October 14, 2014
Reason: Replacing Margaret Bristow (Medical leave)
- 5) Julie Fruncillo - Special Education Assistant
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$13,640
Effective: September 2, 2014
Reason: Replacing Anthony Vinci (Retirement)
- 6) Danielle Young - Special Education Assistant
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$13,640
Effective: September 2, 2014
Reason: Replacing Lisa Siracusa (Transfer)
- 7) Luke Heavens - Cafeteria Worker, Cook
District

Salary: \$13.50 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Replacing Ellen Moy (Retirement)

- 8) Cheryl Falcone - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
Loomis Elementary School

Salary: \$12.13 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Realignment of Department

- 9) Rose Pearce - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
Culbertson Elementary School

Salary: \$12.13 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Realignment of Department

- 10) Mindy Zaleta - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
Worrall Elementary School

Salary: \$12.13 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Realignment of Department

- 11) Joanne Carrigan - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services Sub
District

Salary: \$8.00 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Realignment of Department

- 12) Jacqueline Dulgerian - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services Sub
District

Salary: \$8.00 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Realignment of Department

- 13) Alexis Lanciano - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services Sub
District

Salary: \$8.00 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Realignment of Department

- 14) Lori Strzelecki - Cafeteria Worker, Cook
District

Salary: \$13.50 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Replacing Giovanna Castagna (Retirement)

15) Timothy Ferkler - Classified Substitute

District
Salary: \$10.34 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014

16) Catherine Regan - Classified Substitute

District
Salary: \$10.34 per hour
Effective: August 27, 2014

17) June Eicholz – Classified Substitute

District
Salary: \$10.35
Effective: September 2, 2014

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following administrative appointments, item(s) 1 and 2.

1) Porscha Whiteside - Deskside Technician

Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$40,000 pro-rated
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Replacing Brett Snell (Reassignment)

2) Nicholas Vico - Deskside Technician

District
Salary: \$45,000 pro-rated
Effective: August 27, 2014
Reason: Replacing Kevin Conway (Resignation)

3) James Wigo – Principal

Culbertson Elementary
Salary: \$110,000.
Effective: September 2, 2014
Reason: Approve start date

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.08 REASSIGNMENTS

CLASSIFIED

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following classified reassignments, item(s) 1 through 3.

1. Lisa Siracusa - Special Education Assistant
From: Culbertson Elementary School
To: Russell Elementary School
Reason: Replacing Nicole Scali (Resignation)

2. Lynn Hansell - Special Education Assistant
From: Paxon Hollow Middle School
To: Marple Newtown High School
Reason: Student promotion from PHMS to MNHS

3. Teresa Dempsy - Cafeteria Worker, Food Services
From: Marple Newtown High School
To: Worrall Elementary School
Reason: Replaces Mary Beth Mariani (Resignation)

Motion was made by Mrs. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.09 ACTIVITY CONTRACTS

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the appointment of personnel to activity contracts for the 2014-2015 school year as attached. The amount of each contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated agreement.

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.10 SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

PROFESSIONAL

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to correct the salary of the following professional employee, item(s) 1.

- 1) Kurt Ritter - LTS Biology
Marple Newtown High School

Salary: \$42,646 (pro-rated) BA – Step 1
Effective: August 26, 2014 through January 18, 2015
Reason: Replacing Elizabeth Landes (Child Rearing Leave)

Motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.11 MNAA COMPENSATION PLAN

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the Marple Newtown Administrative Association (MNAA) COMPENSATION PLAN in accordance with Act 93 for the period effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.12 ACT 93 COMPENSATION PLAN

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the Marple Newtown Act 93/Confidential Employees (“Act 93 Employees”) COMPENSATION PLAN in accordance with Act 93 for the period effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.

Motion made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

14.13 Benefits Contract

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the three-year agreement with Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. to provide the district with employee benefits management consulting services as more fully described in Exhibit A of the Agreement. Subject to any changes as may be mutually agreed by the parties, Gallagher Benefit Services will receive, as compensation for its services under this Agreement, fees in the amount of:

\$35,000.00 Year 1 – 7/1/2014 – 6/30/2015
\$37,500.00 Year 2 – 7/1/2015 – 6/30/2016
\$40,000.00 Year 3 – 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2017

Motion made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 - 0

15. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

15.01 Committee Report – A. J. Baker, Chairperson

15.02 Bills for Payment

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$5,883,842.56, Capital Fund bills in the amount of \$58,465.37, Capital Reserve bills in the amount of \$415,667.20, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$20,573.25.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

15.03 Transfers and Monthly Reports

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to approve monthly financial reports for May and June 2014, Treasurer's Report for June 2014, and budget transfers for June 2014.

Informational item monthly financial reports for July 2014.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

15.04 Donations

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept \$250.00 donation from Loomis Elementary 5th Grade Committee for Loomis Elementary School.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from Frank C. Videon, Inc. for "Raise the Bar".

Motion made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from Premier Medical Management for "Raise the Bar".

Motion made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Catania

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from Main Line Health Care for “Raise the Bar”.

Motion made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from Advanced Chiropractic Center, Dr.Thomas Graziano for “Raise the Bar”.

Motion made by Mr. Sack, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$10,200.00 donation from Paxon Hollow PTO for smart boards.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from Marple Newtown Soccer Boosters for “Raise the Bar”.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 - 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from EJK Inc. for “Raise the Bar”.

Motion made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$250.00 donation from ATI Physical Therapy for “Raise the Bar”.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to accept a \$5,100.00 donation from William Culbertson PTO for Painting Blacktop Playground Project.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

15.05 Taxpayer Assessment Appeal

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize settlement on Folio No.30-00-01717-00 annualized tax dollar loss for tax year 2014 is \$29,615.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize settlement on Folio No. 30-00-01718-01 annualized tax dollar loss for tax year 2014 is \$30,207.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to authorize the Solicitor to prosecute the following real estate tax assessment appeals for Tax Year 2015 regarding the following properties 1 through 6:

- 1) Folio 30-00-02840-75, 3855 West Chester Pike, Newtown Township
- 2) Folio 30-00-02826-00, 3607 West Chester Pike, Newtown Township
- 3) Folio 30-00-02813-00, 3515 West Chester Pike, Newtown Township
- 4) Folio 30-00-01651-90, 106 Millview Lane, Newtown Township
- 5) Folio 25-00-04498-00, 1600 S. Sproul Road, Marple Township
- 6) Folio 25-00-03030-00, 2156 Mary Lane, Marple Township

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

15.06 Taxpayer's Request – Abatement of Penalty and Interest

Mr. Baker asked for a motion to abate penalty and interest on Folio: 30-00-00634-90 in the amount of \$306.00.

Motion made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 3

16. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

16.01 Committee Report – Matthew A. DeNucci, IV, Chairperson

16.02 Facilities

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to ratify approval of the following change orders for Board-Approved Capital Projects, items 1 through 6:

- 1) Change Order for the PA System Project to add the Admin. Building and the High School to the District wide paging system, at a cost of \$8,400.00.
- 2) Change Order for the Paxon Paving Project to replace the concrete Sidewalk along Paxon Hollow Road (the existing sidewalk was narrow, pitted, has numerous cracks, and in some places is crumbling), the replacement was at a cost of \$16,775.00.
- 3) Change Order for the Paxon Paving Project to repair additional areas that were identified to need full depth replacement, at a cost of \$13,176.00.
- 4) Change Order for the Paxon Paving Project to sealcoat the entire front lot, at a cost of \$8,150.40.
- 5) Change Order for the Gauntlett Floor Project to do remediation work to the subfloor at a cost not to exceed \$14,470.00.
- 6) Change order for the Worrall Elementary School Compressor Project to supply and install a Suction Temperature Sensor, Discharge Temperature Sensor, and a Motor Protection Module, these parts were not part of the original scope of work, at a cost not to exceed \$6,200.00

Motion made by Mrs. McAuliffe, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the Delaware County Christian School to use the Marple Newtown High School Stadium for football games on September 6, September 20 and September 27, 2014, October 10 and October 25, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the purchase of a Jacobsen 11' Wide Rotary Mower from Lawn and Golf, 647 Nutt Road, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania 19406. This purchase will be under the PA State Contract at a cost of \$54,115.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the purchase of a Tomcat GTX Disk Rider Floor Scrubber from Penn Valley Chemical Co., 201 Kriebel Avenue, Lansdale, Pennsylvania 19446. This purchase will be under the Co Stars purchasing group at a cost of \$12,825.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the purchase of a Lazer S – 60" Rear Discharge zero turn mower from Conway Power and Equipment, 1614 East Strasburg Road, West Chester, Pennsylvania 19380. This purchase will be under the PA State Contract at a cost of \$9,878.30.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the Administration to hire Stephen Parks & Associates, 412 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648 to develop an Athletic Fields Master Plan, this plan will include the Marple Newtown High School Athletic Fields, the Paxon Hollow Athletic Fields, and the Gauntlett Center Athletic Fields, at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00 plus expenses.

Motion made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the Administration to hire Chester Valley Engineers, Inc., 83 Chestnut Road, Paoli, Pennsylvania 19301, to provide civil drawings needed to develop the Athletic Fields Master Plan at a cost not to exceed \$16,000.00.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the Administration to hire Bonnett Associates, Inc., 220 Baldwin Tower, Eddystone, PA 19026, to provide a school capacity assessment for Paxon Hollow Middle School, Culbertson Elementary School, Loomis Elementary School, Russell Elementary School, and Worrall Elementary School, at a cost not to exceed \$20,104.00 plus reimbursable expenses.

Motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. McAuliffe

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

Mr. DeNucci asked for a motion to approve the Administration to hire Montgomery Educational Consultants, Inc., 416 South Ave., Media, PA 19063, to provide Demographics and Enrollment projections for the Marple Newtown School District, at a cost not to exceed \$13,500.00.

Motion made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Baker

With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

17. DELAWARE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT

NONE

18. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

NONE

19. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

NONE

20. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mrs. Galbraith spoke about Dr. Horowitz. She wanted to publicly thank Merle for all of her accomplishments. Most you cannot see. She brought pride back to the district. She knows her staff from teachers to custodians. She is the most respected Superintendent in the county. Their friendship has grown over the years; they will continue to be friends long after they are both no longer part of the district. She wishes the best for Merle, that her book will be published in the next year, that she have fun planning her daughter's wedding and maybe she will even become a grandmother.

21. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

NONE

22. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business for the Board, Mrs. Chandless adjourned the meeting at 8:44 PM

Respectfully submitted:

**Joseph Driscoll
Board Secretary**