

MT. LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
7 HORSMAN DRIVE  
PITTSBURGH PA 15228

DISCUSSION MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2022  
MT. LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL ROOM D205  
*PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM*

7:30 P.M.

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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Action Items for October 17, 2022 Board Meeting
  - A. Financial Items
    - 1. Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report reflects cash transactions for the month of September 2022. The report is typical for this time of year and the Superintendent recommends it for approval.
    - 2. Monthly List of Bills – The monthly list of bills reflects checks authorized to be drawn between September 17 and September 30, 2022. All checks have been reviewed by the administration and are typical of this time of year. The Superintendent recommends approval of this list.
    - 3. List of Tax Refunds - The list of tax refunds totaled \$1,710.35 for three (3) refunds for September. The list has been reviewed by the solicitor's office which recommends approval. The lists are recommended for approval by the Superintendent.
    - 4. List of Unusable Equipment - The list of unusable equipment includes a leaf vacuum, concrete brush, tumbling mats, teacher desk, round table, file cabinets, a technology charging cart, and a universal AC charge station. The Superintendent recommends approval of this list.
  - B. Personnel Items
    - 1. Personnel Report - The Personnel Report details personnel appointments, changes in assignments, leaves of absences, resignations, and retirements to be considered by the Board.
  - C. Other
    - 1. Agreement with Energy Harbour - The Board is asked to consider an agreement that will add four (4) additional District accounts to Energy Harbour LLC, our electrical supplier who supplies our Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) program. This agreement secures that these four accounts, currently at the Duquesne Light default rate, will be

applied at the lowest brokered rate at the execution of this agreement. Also, this ensures that any non-sustainable energy will be replaced with available energy produced by wind turbines on our grid, and all the energy procured by Mt. Lebanon School District was produced by a renewable source with zero-emission. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.

2. Agreement with Food Service Consultant - The District is seeking professional services to assist in the preparation and response to the audit requests, as we are completing the bi-annual review of our food service operations from the State Department of Food and Nutrition. The cost of this service will be \$300 per day not to exceed three days per week for 10 weeks. This will be paid from the Food Service Fund. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.
3. Approval of Student Assistance Team for 2022-2023 - The Pennsylvania Department of Education requires that members of the Student Assistance Team be memorialized by the School Board for the 2022-2023 school year. The following individuals have agreed to serve on the Student Assistance Team for 2022-2023:

**Central Office Representative:** Dr. Ronald Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Dr. Marybeth Irvin, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education

**Allegheny Children's Initiative Liaisons:** Megan Ruddock, Aubrey Fraser, Amanda Sable, Megan Becker

**Mellon Middle School Student Assistance Program Team:** Dr. Christopher Wolfson, Principal; Gina Mahouski, Assistant Principal; Samantha Defurio, School Nurse; Helaina Kolonay, School Psychologist; Kara Gillespie, Counselor; Amy Whealdon, Counselor; Erica Harrington, Teacher; Lori Knox, Teacher; Roilyn McGregor, Teacher; Julie Tomer, Teacher

**Jefferson Middle School Student Assistance Program Team:** Dr. Sarah Shaw, Principal; Katelyn Toth, Assistant Principal; Jacquelyn Raco, School Nurse; Erika Vasquez, School Psychologist; Allison Levison, Counselor; Pete Berg, Counselor; Janice Cherry, Teacher; Kristen Hertzog, Teacher; Gwen Kassep, Teacher; Ashlee Beckett, Teacher; Beth Luptak, Teacher; Ed Petsko, Teacher; Stephanie Ross, Teacher; Molly Wetmore, Teacher; John Young, Teacher

**Mt. Lebanon High School Student Assistance Program Team:** Dr. Joel Thompson, Principal; Hannah Mincemoyer, Unit Principal; Dr. Theresa Mitchell, Unit Principal; Dr. Lorien Moyer, Unit Principal; Chad Johnston, Counselor; Tara Leja, Counselor; Casey Bowles, Counselor; Joy Rullo, Counselor; Shelly Saba, Counselor; Beth Schneider, Counselor; Rachel Jackson, Counselor; Lauren Dederer, Teacher; Jodi Dunlap, Teacher; Lisa Hoover, Teacher; Tim Kirsch, Teacher; Darren McGregor, Teacher; Ann Sartorio, Teacher; Rich Schmitt, Teacher; Stu Snodgrass, Teacher; Joe Tighe, Teacher; Kajsa Tolomeo, Teacher

**Foster Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:** Dr. Jason Ramsey, Principal; Marlo Lancaster, Counselor; Shaina Vasinder, School Psychologist; Sara Schmidt, School Nurse; Crystal Hinton, Teacher; Sharon Phillips, Teacher; Regina Sandora, Teacher; Margaret Satersmoen, Teacher; Margaret Schappell, Teacher

**Hoover Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:** Dr. Nicole Giehll, Principal; Kimberly Gamble, Counselor; Shaina Vasbinder, School Psychologist;

Alexandra Connelly, School Nurse; Paul Asmann, Teacher; Katie Cornell, Teacher

***Howe Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:*** Matthew Rizzutto, Principal; Han Karbowski, Counselor; Sheila Carr, School Psychologist; Karlie Gerhart, School Nurse; Margie Digiorno, Teacher; Laurie Watkins, Teacher

***Jefferson Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:*** Brett Bielewicz, Principal; Shira Akamatsu, Counselor; Jacquelyn Raco, School Nurse; Kim Salvador, Teacher; Bill Zbozny Del Percio, Teacher

***Lincoln Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:*** Dr. Ronald Kitsko, Principal; Elizabeth Herb, Counselor; Sheila Carr, School Psychologist; Karlie Gerhart, School Nurse; Lisa Locke, Teacher; Kathryn Seiferth, Teacher

***Markham Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:*** Jocelyn Artinger, Principal; Christie Ketterman, Counselor; Shaina Vasbinder, School Psychologist; Sara Schmidt, School Nurse; Frank Gigler, Teacher; Ian Stone, Teacher

***Washington Elementary School Student Assistance Program Team:*** Brook Webb, Principal; Lori Morin, Counselor; Helaina Kolonay, School Psychologist; Samantha DeFurio, School Nurse; Amanda Cheskawich, Teacher; Kim Polakoski, Teacher; Miranda Policz, Teacher

4. Boys Basketball Student Trip - The High School Athletic Department and Administration are requesting permission for the Boys Basketball team to travel to Hilton Head, South Carolina for a holiday tournament on December 18 - 22, 2022. Students will miss 4 days of school. The Booster Club pays the cost of transportation to/from the tournament, as well as overnight accommodations. The Superintendent recommends approval of this student trip.
5. High School Orchestra Student Trip - The High School Administration is requesting permission for the High School Orchestra to travel to New York, NY as they received an invitation to participate in the Orchestra Cup at Lincoln Center from March 3 - 5, 2023. Students will miss 1 day of school. Students would be responsible for the cost of the trip. The Superintendent recommends approval of this student trip.
6. Jefferson Middle School Student Council Student Trip - The Jefferson Middle School Administration is requesting permission for the Jefferson Middle School Student Council Executive Board to travel to Boyertown Area High School in Boyertown, PA to participate in the Pennsylvania Association of Student Councils' State Leadership Conference from November 4 - 5, 2022. Students will miss 1 day of school. The District and students will share the cost of the trip. The Superintendent recommends approval of this student trip.
7. Parent Transportation Contracts - These are agreements with two families who requested to transport their exceptional students to their current outside placement school. The parents will submit the appropriate documentation and proof of insurance and applicable mileage reports to the District. The District will receive applicable State transportation reimbursement. The Superintendent recommends approval of each agreement.
8. Nursing Services Provided by STAT Medical Staffing Services, Inc. - This is a request for the Board to approve an agreement between the Mt. Lebanon School District and STAT Medical Staffing Services, Inc. for the 2022-2023 school year for the purpose of providing temporary certified school nurse and/or skilled nursing services as an interim

support measure for coverage of daily nursing operations, and to assist with students with special needs for after school activities. Temporary nursing support is requested due to emergency coverage needs until open vacancies are filled, and is not intended to replace bargaining unit positions. The cost of the service is \$67.88 per hour for each Certified School Nurse. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.

9. Nursing Services Provided by Interim HealthCare of Pittsburgh, Inc. - This is a request for the Board to approve an agreement between the Mt. Lebanon School District and Interim HealthCare of Pittsburgh, Inc. for the 2022-2023 school year for the purpose of providing temporary certified school nurse and/or skilled nursing services as an interim support measure for coverage of daily nursing operations, and to assist with students with special needs for after school activities. Temporary nursing support is requested due to emergency coverage needs until open vacancies are filled, and is not intended to replace bargaining unit positions. The cost of the service is \$60.00 for each RN, and \$50.00 for each LPN. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.
10. Speech Language Pathology Services Provided by Sunbelt - This is a request for the Board to approve an agreement between the Mt. Lebanon School District and Sunbelt beginning September 19, 2022 and ending December 2, 2022 for the purpose of providing speech language pathology services for students with disabilities throughout the school day. The cost of the service is \$80 per hour and will not exceed \$33,000. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.
11. Paraprofessional Services Provided by Sunbelt - This is a request for the Board to approve an agreement between the Mt. Lebanon School District and Sunbelt for the purpose of providing paraprofessional services for students with disabilities throughout the school day. The cost of the service is \$55 per hour and will not exceed \$66,413 per contracted paraprofessional for the 2022-2023 school year. We do not anticipate contracting more than four (4) paraprofessional positions. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.
12. Paraprofessional Services Provided by ProCare Therapy - This is a request for the Board to approve an agreement between the Mt. Lebanon School District and ProCare Therapy for the purpose of providing paraprofessional services for students with disabilities throughout the school day. The cost of the service is \$48 per hour and will not exceed \$68,000 for the 2022-2023 school year. The Superintendent recommends approval of this agreement.

D. Discussion

1. Policies

- a. IMD - Holiday Ceremonies and Observances in Schools
- b. IHBA - Independent Educational Evaluation Policy
- c. JLI - School Violence, Terroristic Threats and Terroristic Acts

2. Middle School Mathematics - The administration will present information regarding the middle school mathematics program including performance and the approach to continuous improvement.

IV. Questions or Comments from Residents. Presentations or comments are to be limited to three (3) minutes.

V. Upcoming Public Meetings

October 17, 2022 - 6:45 p.m.

Board DEI Committee Meeting  
D205, Mt. Lebanon High School  
Zoom

October 17, 2022 - 7:30 p.m.

Board Regular Meeting  
D205, Mt. Lebanon High School  
Zoom

VI. Adjournment

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