

**Magnolia School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
February 21, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Nick D’Amico opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Roll Call

Mrs. Rebecca Ammen	Present
Mr. Nick D’Amico	Present
Mr. Mark Godfrey	Present
Mrs. Rebeca Lang Staffieri	Present
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present
Mrs. Alyssa Vazquez-Colon	Present
Mr. Dale Martin	Present

Other Attendees

Mrs. Karen Macpherson, Superintendent

Mission Statement

Mission Statement was read by Nick D’Aminco.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on December 20, 2022
- Minutes of the Reorganization/Regular Board of Education meeting held on January 4, 2023

Motioned by Mark Godfrey Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve Minutes

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved

**Open Audience
Participation I**

Open Audience Participation I – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Motioned by Mark Godfrey Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve opening of Audience Participation I

Voice Vote. All in favor

None

**Close Audience
Participation I**

Close Audience Participation I

**Motioned by Rebecca Ammen, Seconded by Alyssa Vazquez Colon
Vote: To approve closing of Audience Participation I
Voice vote. All in favor**

**Board of Education
Business**

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

**State and Local School
Board Association**

None

**Superintendent's
Report**

Superintendent's Report

Presentation

Presentation: Jennifer Pontarelli - Start Strong

Information Items:

A. Curriculum/Programs

1. Feasibility Study discussed

B. Interdistrict – None

C. Public Relations/Liaison- None

D. Student/Parental Issue and Concerns - None

E. Buildings and Grounds

1. A lockdown was conducted on January 6, 2023
2. A fire drill was conducted on January 23, 2023

F *Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session)

1. Our next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2023

G. Misc- - None

H. HIB

No HIB to report at this time

I Principal's Report –

1. Mr. Sorrentino's report for December and January (**Attachment**)

Personnel

Motion to Approve Personal Items 1 through 10

Accept with regret the Resignation of Stacey Augustine Effective 4/14/23

Ashley Morris – Clinical Practice 5/9/23-6/15/23

Dylan Smith – Coursework at Rowan Summer and Fall 2023

Kelly Livingston – Supervisory Class Spring 2023

Lezley Turnbull – Member of NJNA of Social Workers

Elisa Rutherford – Maternity Leave/FMLA 3/20/23-12/1/23

Rich Clement – Attend National Building and Grounds Association Conference in Atlantic City March 20-22

Merri Hanson – Paid 300.00 a Month to Continue CST Office Help

Pay Cost for Chaperones Zachary Camerieri, Paul Sorrentino, and Lezley Turnbull for 8th Grade Trip

Increase Substitute Teacher Pay Rate to \$125.00 a Day Effective March 1, 2023

1. To accept the resignation of Stacey Augustine as school social worker effective April 14, 2023 (**Attachment**).
2. Ashley Morris, a student from Rowan University, to do her clinical practice placement for her teacher of students with disabilities with Karin Carson from May 9, 2023 to June 15, 2023.
3. Dylan Smith to take a Summer 2023 and Fall 2023 coursework at Rowan University in pursuit of his Masters of Education degree with Supervisor and Principal (payment as per contract).
4. Kelly Livingston to take a supervisory class in the spring 2023 at the request of the board of education at a cost of \$1566.00.
5. Lezley Turnbull to become a member in the New Jersey National Association of Social Workers at a cost of \$236.00 each year.
6. Elisa Rutherford to take maternity leave and invoke FMLA effective March 20, 2023 with a return date of December 1, 2023.
7. Rich Clement to attend the National Building and Grounds Association Conference in Atlantic City on March 20 -22 (Board to pay \$194.00 for the cost of two nights).
8. Merri Hansen to be paid \$300.00 a month to continue to help the CST office from January to the remainder of the 2022 -2023 school year and as needed for the 2023-2024 school year.
9. Magnolia Public School to pay for the following teachers/administration chaperones to go on the 8th grade class trip at a cost of \$65.00 per person Zachary Camerieri, Paul Sorrentino, and Lezley Turnbull.
- 10.. To increase the substitute teacher pay rate to \$125.00 a day effective March 1, 2023.

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Dale Martin

Vote: To approve Personnel Items 1 through 7 and 9

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mr. Martin, Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Lang Staffieri , Mrs. Sorbello,Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon and Mr. D’Amico (7-0-0)

Vote: To approve Personne Items 8 and 10

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mr. Martin, Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Lang Staffieri , Mrs. Sorbello,Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon and **Mr. D’Amico (6-0-1)Mr. D’Amico – Abstained**

Motion Approved

School Social Work Job Description

Motion to Approve Job Descriptions Items 1 through 5

School Psychologist Job Description

1. The twelve month School Social Worker job description (**Attachment**).

School Counselor Job Description

2. The ten/twelve month School Psychologist job description (**Attachment**)..

Early Childhood Supervisor Job Description

3. The School Counselor job description (**Attachment**).

4. The twelve month Early Childhood Supervisor job description (**Attachment**),

Supervisor of Special Education/CST Job Description

5. The Supervisor of Special Education/CST job description (**Attachment**).

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To approve Job Descriptions Items 1 through 5

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Workshop Item 1, Curriculum Item 1 and Trips/Events Items 1 through 3

Workshops

Ashton Whitaker – Workshop 2/28/23

1. Ashton Whitaker to attend a workshop on February 28, 2023 at Camden County College entitled Write more, grade less at a cost of \$149.00 (to be taken out of title II).

Curriculum

Resolution to Participate In the LEAP Implementation Grant

1. The attached resolution to participate in the LEAP implementation Grant to join Sterling, Stratford, Somerdale, and Laurel Springs to do a Feasibility Study

A copy of our 2009 feasibility study is attached for reference (**Attachment**)

Trips/Events

**8th Grade Diner Dance
3/9/23**

1. The 8th grade dinner dance on March 9, 2023 to be held at Valleybrook Country Club from 6:00pm to 10:00pm.

**Bus for 8th Grade
Dinner Dance**

2. The Magnolia board of education to pay for one bus for the 8th grade dinner dance to Valleybrook Country Club at the cost of \$315.00

**8th Grade Class Trip
5/10/23**

3. The 8th grade class trip on May 10, 2023 to Philadelphia PA on the Spirit of Philadelphia and a Phillies game with a return time of approximately 8:00pm

Motioned by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon, Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve Workshop, Curriculum and Trips/Events

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mr. Martin, Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Lang Staffieri , Mrs. Sorbello, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon and Mr. D’Amico (7-0-0)

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Calendar Item 1

Calendar

**School Calendar 2023-
2024**

1. The 2023-2024 Magnolia Public School Calendar (**Attachment**)

Motioned by Rebecca Ammen, Seconded by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To Approve Calendar Item 1

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Policies Items 1 and 2

Policies

Policies and Regulations

1. Policies 0152, 0161, 0162, 2423, 2425, 5200, 5512 5512.01, 8140, 8330
Regulations: 5200 8140, 8330, 8420.2 8420.7 and 8420.10

**Abolishment of Policy
1648.11 The Road
Forward-COVID19
Health and Safety**

2. The abolishment of the following policies
1648.11 The Road Forward- COVID19 Health and Safety Policy

1648.13 School Employee Vaccination Requirements Policy

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Karen Sorbello

**Vote: To Approve Policies Items 1 and 2
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Motion Approved

**Board Secretary
Report**

BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Informational Items:

Financial Disclosures

Board Actions

Board Actions:

Motion to Approve Items A through G

Bill List

A Warrants

The attached bill lists:

- February 2023 warrants (**Attachment A1**)
- July 2021 through June 2022 Payroll (**Attachment A2**)

State Contract – Xerox

B State Contract – Xerox

To approve a purchase with Xerox under state contract #40469 for a 60 month copier lease in the amount of \$593.67 per month.

ACES – Natural Gas

C ACES – Natural Gas

To approve Resolution 2023-2-1 approving the purchase of natural gas services through ACES Bid (**Attachment C1**)

SEMI

D SEMI

To participate in SEMI for the 2023-2024 school year despite being eligible for a SEMI waiver and to confirm that all SEMI requirements will be implemented including the submission of the staff pool list, completion of the random moment time study, and all cost reporting in accordance with all program deadlines for the entire 2023-2024 school year.

**Starlight – Non Fair
and Open**

E Non Fair and Open – Starlight

To award a non fair and open contract to Starlight Homecare Agency for 1:1 nursing services for student #3963950202 in the amount of \$62.00 per hour to potentially exceed \$17,500.00.

**Newborn Nurses – Non
Fair and Open**

F Non Fair and Open – Newborn Nurses

To award a non fair and open contract to Newborn Nurses for 1:1 nursing

services for student #3963950202 in the amount of \$70.00 per hour to potentially exceed \$17,500.00.

**Horizon Helathcare –
Non Fair and Open**

G Non Fair and Open – Horizon Healthcare

To award a non fair and open contract to Horizon Healthcare for 1:1 nursing services for student #3963950202 in the amount of \$70.00 per hour to potentially exceed \$17,500.00.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Second by Rebecca Ammen

Vote: To approve Items A through G

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mr. Martin, Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Lang Staffieri , Mrs. Sorbello,Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon and Mr. D’Amico (7-0-0)

Motion Approved

Open Audience Participation II – None

Executive Session – None

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:40 pm by Karen Sorbello Seconded by Rebecca Ammen

Vote: To Adjourn meeting

Voice Vote. All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

**Greg Gontowski
Board Secretary**

