

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 28, 2024
Marple Newtown School District Board Room
Minutes

Board: Mrs. Dana Altobelli,, Mr. Matthew Bilker, President, Mr. David Dezzi, Mrs. Barbara Harvey, Mr. Anthony Maalouf, Mr. John McKenzie, Mrs. Lisa Pacell, Mr. Nicholas Reynolds, Mr. Nicholas Siano, Vice President,

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Joel DiBartolomeo, Mr. Joe Driscoll, Mr. Jim Orwig, Mr. Jake Gallagher. Dr. Kerri McGinley

Press: 0

Audience: 45 beginning ~ 1 after presentation

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Bilker called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM and advised that the Board met in Executive session to discuss Personnel and Legal matters.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Siano led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. PRESENT

Mrs. Altobelli, Mr. Bilker, Mr. Dezzi, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Maalouf, Mr. Siano
6 Board members present
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to accept the agenda as presented.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

There was none.

6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

The student representatives gave the following report:

- Junior/Senior Prom took place on Friday May 5th and was a success
- The Art show was held on May 16th and showcased a lot of Marple's hard work in the Art Department.
- Marple is hosting a STEM night right now for 5th and 4th grade students in the district run by students in the Science National Honor Society Project 10.

- The Sophomore class is raising money for the Eagles Autism Foundation by walking laps around the track and participating in other outdoor activities
- Seniors are participating in their Senior project; presentations will take place the week of June 4th.
- SAT testing will take place at Marple this Saturday.
- Tiger Recognition night will take place on June 5th
- Last day for students is June 13th.
- Commencement is June 13th at Villanova
- Baseball, Softball and Lacrosse all made States and are playing the district championship. Baseball just won their game so they are district champs, then Softball and Lacrosse will play tomorrow

7. COMMENDATIONS

- Student Representative Recognition
- Delaware County Bar Association Law Day Winners: Poster & Essay
- Future Business Leaders of America Competitive Event's Winners
- Young Poets of Delaware County Poetry Contest Winners
- Knex STEM Design Competition Winners
- Pennsylvania Society for Biomedical Research Poster Contest Winners

Dr. Kane called the student representatives up to say Thank you for attending all the meetings and keeping the Board informed. She also presented to Kira who will be graduating the book "Oh the Places You Will Go". Kira will be going to Pitt, wishing her the best of luck, you are supper involved as well as Allison. Dr. Kane also presented Allison with a certificate, and we will see her next year giving her reports.

Dr. Kane introduced the Teacher and Learning supervisor who handed out certificates to the student winners.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Congratulations to our fourth and fifth grade students and instrumental music teachers for their instrumental and choral performances at the Spring Concert and District Concert. All our schools hosted their evening of the arts showcasing the talented artwork of our students. Congratulations to the students and the art teacher.

Our elementary schools also had a wonderful time for their field days last week.

Our administration team hosted a Kindergarten parent information session last week, which was very well attended.

Thank you to our PTO for honoring and celebrating our faculty for Teacher Appreciation Week. The partnership between home and school is what makes our community special. Thank you, parents!

Paxon

Paxon Hollow Middle School is proud to share that they have been making lemonade with Alex's Lemonade Stand for the past 20 years! This annual event saw a remarkable achievement this year, with over \$33,000 raised, contributing to a grand total of over \$615,000 collected over 20 years. The event brought together students from both Paxon Hollow and Haverford Middle Schools for a day filled with excitement and camaraderie.

MNHS

The high school has three (3) teams playing for district championships this week. Best of luck to our baseball, softball, and boys lacrosse teams. The seniors are working on senior project looking forward to graduation is on June 13th at Villanova.

9. SECRETARY'S MINUTES

Mrs. Altobelli asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2024 Regular Meeting.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacer, Mr. Reynolds

10. OTHER REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Bilker asked that the next 20 motions be approved.

Motion to approve the independent provider contract with Criticare, to provide nursing services for students as needed per student's IEP's for 2024-2025 school year. This is a contract renewal.

Motion to approve the confidential settlement agreement and release between the District and the Parents of student 804803 for student to attend private school for the 2024-2025 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the enrollment agreement for students 882421, 880070, 885052, 881440, 881873 to attend approved private school for the 2024-2025 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the enrollment agreement for students to attend approved private school for extended school year (ESY) summer 2024: 882421, 880070, 881002, 880353, 600033, 885052, 804286, 881873. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the confidential settlement agreement and release for student 882936 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school as well as extended school year (ESY) 2024. This is a new agreement.

Motion to approve the agreement between the District and Lakeside Youth Service to provide trainings and consultation for faculty throughout the 2024-2025 school year. This is a new agreement.

Motion to approve the education agreement between Marple Newtown School District and Foundations Behavioral Health for the 2023-2024 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement for student 882937 to attend approved private school for extended school year (ESY) 2024. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement for student 884074 to attend approved private school for Extended School Year (ESY) 2024. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the One-to-One service agreement for student 884074 attending approved private school for extended school year (ESY) 2024. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement for student 885358 to attend private school for extended school year (ESY) 2024. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement for student 883954 to attend private school for Extended School Year (ESY) 2024. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement for student 885358 to attend private school for the 2024 2025 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement for student 883954 to attend private school for the 2024 2025 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the list of students to attend out-of-district extended school year (ESY) programs for the period June, 2024 through August, 2024.

Motion to approve the confidential settlement agreement and release between the District and the parents of student 880425 for student to attend Private School for the 2024-2025 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the master services agreement for students 600018, 804035, 804444, 803897, 881384 attending extended school year (ESY) at Approved Private School Summer 2024, subject to the approval of the final language by the Solicitor.

Motion to approve the agreement with Pediatric Services of America, LLC, a staffing agency used to fill various positions such as nurses or PCAs for students placed out of district. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the agreement with Aveanna Healthcare Legal Entities, a staffing agency used to fill various positions such as nurses or PCAs for students placed out of district. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the agreement with Aveanna Staffing Services, LLC, a staffing agency used to fill various positions such as nurses or PCA's for students placed out of district. This is not a new agreement.

Motions were made by Mr. Maalouf, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 880691

Motion was made by Mr. Maalouf, seconded by Mrs. Altobelli

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0 by Roll Call Vote
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

Board Member	Read/Attended	Vote
Mrs. Altobelli	Read	Yes
Mr. Bilker	Read	Yes
Mr. Dezzi	Read	Yes
Mrs. Harvey	Read	Yes
Mr. Maalouf	Read	Yes
Mr. Siano	Read	Yes

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 883821

Motion was made by Mr. Maalouf, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0 by Roll Call Vote.
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

Board Member	Read/Attended	Vote
Mrs. Altobelli	Read	Yes
Mr. Bilker	Read	Yes
Mr. Dezzi	Read	Yes
Mrs. Harvey	Read	Yes
Mr. Maalouf	Read	Yes
Mr. Siano	Read	Yes

11. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

11.01 Committee Report – Barbara Harvey, Chairperson

11.02 Bills for Payment

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$2,387,422.41, Capital Reserve Fund bills in the amount of \$114,471.40, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$190,606.28.

11.03 Monthly Reports

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the monthly financial reports for March 2024, Treasurer's Report for April 2024, Investment Schedule for April 2024, and Budget Transfers.

Informational item monthly financial report for April 2024.

Motions were made by Mr. Siano and Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

11.04 2024-2025 Final Budget Adoption Presentation

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to adopt the 2024-2025 General Fund Budget for the Marple Newtown School District in the amount of \$112,700,000.

Motion was made by Mr. Siano, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 5 – 0

No: Mr. Maalouf

Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to adopt the 2024 Annual Tax Levy Resolution, as presented

Motion was made by Mr. Dezzi, seconded by Mr. Siano

With no further discussion motion passed 5 – 0

No: Mr. Maalouf

Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the 2024 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Siano, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve motions under 11.05 through 11.10.

11.05 School Board Treasurer

Motion to elect Dominick DuVernois as School Board Treasurer and Custodian of Student Funds. Section 404 of the school code stipulates" ... and shall annually, during the Month of May, elect a Treasurer to serve for one (1) year beginning the first day of July following the selection...."

11.06 Postage Machine

Motion to approve the purchase of the Mailcenter2000 postage machine in the amount of \$10,760.00 from Pitney Bowes. Pricing per Pennsylvania State Contract.

11.07 Network Switches

Motion to approve the purchase of Network Switches in the amount of \$787,832.40 from CDW-G as provided for in the 2024-2025 Budget.

11.08 Donation

Motion to approve the donation from Giant in the amount of \$3,294.85 for various needs for MNSD students and families.

11.09 Budgetary Reserve Transfer

Motion to approve a transfer from Budgetary Reserve in the amount of \$60,000.00 for special education legal services.

11.10 Food Service

Motion to approve the purchase of cafeteria equipment for the High School, Paxon Hollow, and Administration building in the amount of \$183,491.00 from 11400 Inc. Pricing is the lowest of three quotes per corresponding COSTARS contracts and will be funded through the Food Service Fund.

Motion to approve 2024-2025 School Lunch prices as follows: Elementary Schools: from \$2.90 to \$3.00 (increase of .10 cents) Paxon Hollow Middle School: from \$3.15 to \$3.25 (increase of .10 cents) Marple Newtown High School: from \$3.40 to \$3.50 (increase of .10 cents)

Motions were made by Mr. Siano, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

Mr. Maalouf questioned the cost of the machine in the motion under 11.06.

Mr. Driscoll explained that this was a change by the USPS and we need to comply.

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

12. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

12.01 Committee Report – Nicholas J. Reynolds, Sr., Chairperson

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve motions under 12.02 through 12.07.

12.02 Change order Credits No. MC-2, Loomis Elementary School Project

Motion to approve the following change order credits from Five Star Inc., Change Order No. MC 02 Total: \$24,379.95 Credit.

Electri-Tech, Inc., Change Order No. COR X1, was directed to provide temporary protection for new electrical junction boxes located at new fan coil units until HVAC fan coil units are installed. Cost for work shall be back charged to Five Star, Inc. in accordance with Electri-Tech, Inc. proposal COR 12 dated 9/20/2019 in the amount of \$2,921.38. COR X1 Total: \$2921.38 Credit.

Electri-Tech, Inc., Change Order No. COR X2, was directed to relocate new generator annunciator conduit to accommodate new HVAC work installed by Five Star, Inc. Cost for work shall be back charged to Five Star, Inc. in accordance with Electric-Tech, Inc. proposal COR 22 dated 8/10/2020 in the amount of \$1429.63. COR X2 Total: \$1429.63 Credit.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc., Change Order No. COR X3, was directed to replace ceiling tiles that were damaged during construction. Costs for work are in accordance with L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal COR 43 dated 2/24/2021 in the amount of \$5,213.57. Five Star, Inc.'s portion of this work is \$1,651.00 based upon walk through by Bonnett Associates, Inc., and Marple Newtown School District. COR X3 Total: \$1651.00 Credit.

DWD Mechanical Contractor, Inc., Change Order No. COR X4, was directed to locate and repair refrigerant leaks and resolve leak detection system troubles in new

system provided by Five Star, Inc. Cost for work shall be back charged to Five Star, Inc. in accordance with DWD Mechanical Contractor, Inc. PO dated 3/22/2024 in the amount of \$625.00. COR X 4 Total: \$625.00 Credit.

Non-Conforming Credit Agreement for color of new fabric ducts located in the cafeteria as agreed upon by Marple Newtown School District and Five Star Inc. in the amount of \$4000.00. COR X5 Total: \$4000.00 Credit.

Quantity Allowance Credit. Deduct for HVAC Contractor's Quantity Allowance remaining balance of \$13,752.94.

12.03 Change Order No. GC-07, Loomis Elementary School Project

Motion to approve the following change order from L.J. Paoella Inc. Change Order No. GC-07. Total: \$2500.00.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc., Change Order No. COR 013.1, provide additional chase wall to conceal electrical conduits in Health Suite Room D111. Costs for work in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal COR 013.1 dated 8/6/21 in the amount of \$1,073.28. COR 013.1 Total: \$1073.28.

L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc., Change Order No. COR 017.1, during E Wing renovations, an existing steel beam was exposed that required additional framing and structural support to complete the new wall layout. Work in accordance with Elton & Thompson sketches SKS-15 to 18 dated 9/30/19. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. revised proposal dated 12/8/23 in the amount of \$20,143.23. COR 017.1 Total: \$20,143.23.

L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 43, was directed to replace new ceiling tiles that were damaged during construction by contractors. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 2/24/2021 in the amount of \$5,213.57. Portions of this cost were back charged to Five Star, Inc., Myco Mechanical, Inc. and Electri-Tech, Inc., as determined during walkthroughs by representatives of BAI and MNSD. COR 43 Total: \$5,213.57.

L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 44.1, additional painting of boiler room railings and exterior cafeteria loading dock walls as requested by Owner. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 8/6/21 in the amount of \$1,678.33. COR 44.1 Total: \$1678.33.

L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 45.1, additional landscaping along front of school and additional locations on site as requested by Owner. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 2/10/21 in the amount of \$6,384.83. COR 45.1 Total: \$6,384.83.

: L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 46, following removal of existing boiler room ceiling, existing voids were identified between the boiler room and adjacent corridors and spaces. Scope includes sealing of voids as required by township inspector. Costs for work are in accordance with L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 2/15/21 in the amount of \$2,818.94. COR Total: \$2,818.94.

L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 47.1, cost for existing wall patching and repairs at kitchen area and other select locations and credit for removal of existing masonry wall at end of E wing. The result is a no cost change in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 8/6/21.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 48.1, provide additional steel roof framing at additional roof drain and new breeching in the boiler room. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 2/15/21 in the amount of \$3,140.24. COR 48.1 Total: \$3,140.24.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 49, because of time restrictions due to PECO gas line upgrades, new masonry and associated footing, work had to be done on overtime to maintain schedule for opening of school. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. revised proposal dated 12/8/23 in the revised amount of \$2,836.60. COR 49 Total: \$2836.60.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR 50, owner requested a change, have Delco Solutions install new Salto locksets in lieu of installation by the General Contractor. Costs for work are in accordance with L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc. proposal dated 12/8/23 for a CREDIT the amount of \$1,000.50. COR 50 Total: \$1000.50 Credit.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. COR X1. credit for removal of existing concrete landing at temporary modular classroom wing. Costs as agreed upon between L. J. Paoella Construction, Inc., and BAI for a CREDIT in the amount of \$4,101.00. COR X1 Total: \$4101.00 Credit.

L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. Change Order No. X2, credit for cost associated with refinishing of stage by MNSD following attempts to refinish the stage by L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc.'s subcontractor, was unsuccessful. Cost as documented in BAI correspondence dated 2/11/21 for a CREDIT in the amount of \$13,623.75. COR X2 Total: \$13,623.75 Credit.

Deduct for General Construction Contractor's Quantity Allowance remaining balance of \$22,063.75.

12.04 Change Order No. GC-02, Culbertson Elementary Classroom Addition

Motion to approve the following change order from Balton Construction Inc. Change Order No. GC 02, Total: \$13,506.77.

Balton Construction Inc., Change Order No. COR 34, addition of access control gate to be located on west side of school as requested by owner. Scope includes gate, support posts, concrete footings, and accessories in accordance with Bonnett Associates, Inc. drawing SK-A100.1 dated 4/08/2024. Costs in accordance with Balton Construction, Inc., COR 34 dated 04/2/2024 in the amount of \$13,506.77. COR 34 Total: \$13,506.77.

12.05 Change Order No. GC-06, Marple Newtown High School Athletic Fields Renovations

Motion to approve the following change order from Uhrig Construction Inc. Change Order No. GC 06. Total: \$5860.00.

Uhrig Construction, Inc., Change Order No. COR 32, owner requested removal of additional overgrown areas and associated landscaping cleanup work and seeding at perimeter of Lower Fields facility in accordance with Uhrig Construction, Inc. proposal dated 9/25/2023 in the amount of \$5,860.00. COR 32 Total: \$5860.00.

12.06 Donation

Motion to approve the donation from Fizzano Brothers for lacrosse wall material in the stadium at Marple Newtown High School.

12.07 PA State Grant

Motion to approve the application to apply for the Public School Facility Improvement Program PA State Grant. Any matching funds required will be funded through capital reserve.

Motions were made by Mr. Dezzi, seconded by Mrs. Altobelli

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

13. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – Nicholas V. Siano, Chairperson

Mr. Siano asked for a motion to approve motions under 13.02 through 13.04

13.02 Administrative Trips

Motion to approve Michelle Lydon, Supervisor of Special Education, to attend the annual Special Education Leadership Academy Conference (PATTAN) in Gettysburg, PA on July 8-11, 2024. The cost of transportation is approximately \$462.87 and paid by The Pennsylvania Fellowship Program. The cost to the district is approximately \$606.75.

13.03 Student Trips

Motion to approve Tyler Mertens, Advisor, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School Future Business Leaders of America students to compete in the National Leadership Competition in Orlando, FL on June 29, 2024, through July 3, 2024. The cost of transportation is approximately \$450.00 per student, being paid by the student and reimbursed by the district. The cost of the activity is approximately \$1,810.00 and will be paid for by the district. The cost to the district is approximately \$3,160.00.

Motion to approve Jake Olimpi, Band Director, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School Marching Band to the annual Band Camp at Camp Canadensis in Canadensis, PA on August 22, 2024, through August 25, 2024. The cost of transportation is approximately \$4,997.50 and paid by the district. The cost of the activity is approximately \$179.00 per student, paid by the student. The cost to the district is approximately \$4,997.50.

13.04 Textbook Adoptions

Motion to approve the purchase and new adoption of English resources for the Paxon Hollow Middle School Library, as presented.

Motion to approve the purchase and new adoption of English resources for the Marple Newtown High School, as presented.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

13.05 Disposal of Books

Mr. Siano asked that the following motions be approved.

Motion to approve the disposal of books from the Culbertson Elementary School Library, as presented.

Motion to approve the disposal of books from the Loomis Elementary School Library, as presented.

13.06 Professional Development

Motion to approve an agreement with the organization, AI for Education, in the amount of \$13,500.00. Grant funds will be used to pay for this service.

Motions were made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

13.07 Donation

Mr. Siano asked for a motion to approve the following motions.

Motion to accept a donation to Loomis Elementary School from the PTO in the amount of \$847.75, which will be used to purchase a MNSD Loomis Elementary Step and Repeat Banner for photo opportunities, as presented.

Motion to accept a donation to Loomis Elementary School from the PTO in the amount of \$1,566.31, which will be used to purchase a storage cabinet for the Loomis Elementary School Faculty room, as presented.

Motions were made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Altobelli

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

13.08 Policies

Mr. Siano asked for a motion to approve the First Reading of Board Policy 808, Food Services, as recommended by the Pennsylvania School Boards Association, as presented.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

14. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

14.01 Committee Report – John P. McKenzie, Chairperson

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the motions under 14.02 through 14.16.

14.02 Position Reduction/Abolishment

ADMINISTRATIVE

Motion to approve the abolishment of the following administration position:
one (1) Director of Human Resources (Human Resources Department)

14.03 Resolution

Motion to be It resolved that Marple Newtown School District Board of Directors hereby reassigns the role, duties and responsibilities of Dr. Joel DiBartolomeo, Assistant Superintendent, to the operations and functions of the Human Resources Department, effective July 1, 2024. There is no change to Dr. DiBartolomeo's current title, employment contract, and Commission.

14.04 Position Creation

ADMINISTRATIVE

Motion to it is recommended that the Board approve the creation of a Commissioned position of Assistant Superintendent of Schools to the Marple Newtown School District effective July 1, 2024.

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the creation of one (1) Special Education Teacher position, in accordance with the current MNEA Agreement, due to increased enrollment, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

14.05 Termination(s)

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional termination(s) item(s) 1 through 20.

- 1) Sophia Grigorakakis – LTS Elementary Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: June 13, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 2) Ryan Baker – LTS Elementary Designed Thinking Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: June 13, 2024

Replacing: End of Assignment

- 3) Marissa Massini – LTS Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 13, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 4) Madison Walsh – LTS Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 5) Megan MacNeal – LTS Designed Thinking Teacher
Russell Elementary School
Effective: June 13, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 6) Hanna Crowley – LTS Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 7) Matthew Cook – LTS Special Education Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 8) Lisa Barbuto – LTS Reading Specialist
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 9) Sara Turner – LTS Social Studies Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 10) Emily Belford – LTS Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 11) Sydney Torresson – LTS Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 12) Allison Rollo – LTS French Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment

- 13) Christine Eisenfelder – LTS Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 14) Julia Palermo – LTS Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 15) Siobhan McDonough – LTS Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 16) Karin McCurdy-Melfi – LTS English as Second Language Teacher (ESL)
Loomis & Worrall Elementary Schools
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 17) Jenna Hastings – LTS Special Education Teacher
Russell Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Replacing: End of Assignment
- 18) Britannia Worotikan – LTS Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 19) Kristine Maguire – LTS Special Education Teacher
District-wide
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment
- 20) Katerina Innaurato – LTS Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: End of Assignment

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified termination(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Kim Best – Secretary (12-month position)
Pupil Services Department
Effective: May 6, 2024
Reason: Withdrew candidacy

14.06 Retirement(s)

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional retirement(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Kathleen Walker – Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: Retirement

CLASSIFIED:

Motion to approve the following classified retirement(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Fatos Ciraku – Custodian
Russell Elementary School
Effective: July 31, 2024
Reason: Retirement

14.07 Resignation(s)

Motion to approve the following professional resignation(s) item(s) 1 through 6.

- 1) Madison Allwein – Spanish Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 2) Aysel Tuna – Librarian
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 3) Jennifer McKenzie – English Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: May 20, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 4) Trisha Adami – Designed Thinking Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 19, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 5) Brittany Horton – Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 18, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 6) Laura Monzo – Designed Thinking Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: June 3, 2024

Reason: Resignation

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified resignation(s) item(s) 1 through 5.

- 1) Antonia Marsella – School Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Effective: April 26, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 2) Ana Cavanagh – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Effective: June 14, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 3) Miguel Medina – Transportation Aide
Transportation Department
Effective: May 10, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 4) Brian Battista – School Assistant
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: May 6, 2024
Reason: Resignation
- 5) Daniel Shovgan – Custodian
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: May 31, 2024
Reason: Resignation

14.08 Leave(s)

ACT 93 - CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES

Motion to approve the following confidential employee(s) leave(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Donna Sperone – Security Personnel
District-Wide
Effective: April 12, 2024, through April 29, 2024
Reason: Medical: April 12, 2024, through April 18, 2024
Uncompensated: April 19, 2024, through April 26, 2024

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional leave(s) item(s) 1 through 4.

- 1) Marykate Grande – Elementary Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: May 26, 2024, through June 18, 2024
Reason: CRL: May 26, 2024, through June 18, 2024

- 2) Keli Tull – Social Studies Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: April 30, 2024, through June 12, 2024 (AM only)
Reason: Medical: April 30, 2024, through June 12, 2024 (AM only)
FMLA: April 30, 2024, through June 12, 2024 (AM only)
- 3) Rylee Everhart – Health & Physical Education Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: September 4, 2024, through November 29, 2024
Reason: Medical: September 4, 2024, through October 21, 2024
FMLA: September 4, 2024, through November 29, 2024
- 4) Marina Langworthy – Science Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: August 26, 2024, through June 19, 2025
Reason: Medical: August 26, 2024, through September 16, 2024
FMLA: August 26, 2024, through November 15, 2024
CRL: November 18, 2024, through June 19, 2025

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified leave(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Robert Gorman – Custodian
Operations Department/Loomis Elementary School
Effective: June 21, 2024, through July 19, 2024
Reason: Medical leave: June 21, 2024, through July 10, 2024
FMLA: June 21, 2024, through July 19, 2024

14.09 Return from Leave

ADMINISTRATIVE

Motion to approve the following administrative employee return from leave(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Stefanie McDevitt – Assistant Principal
Marple Newtown High School
Return date: May 2, 2024
Reason: Medical/FMLA

ACT 93 CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES

Motion to approve the following confidential employee return from leave(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Donna Sperone – Security Personnel
District-Wide
Return date: April 29, 2024
Reason: Medical/Uncompensated Leaves

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional return from leave(s) item(s) 1 through 6.

- 1) Kathleen Walker – Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Return date: May 6, 2024
Returning from: Medical/FMLA
- 2) Sara Berl – Elementary Designed Thinking Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Return date: May 28, 2024
Returning from: FMLA
- 3) Keli Tull – Social Studies Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Return date: June 12, 2024
Returning from: Medical/FMLA
- 4) Jenny Kim – English as Second Language Teacher (ESL)
Loomis & Worrall Elementary Schools
Return date: August 26, 2024
Returning from: CRL
- 5) Amy Hornberger– French Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Return date: August 26, 2024
Returning from: CRL
- 6) Jennifer Philipp – Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Return date: May 22, 2024
Returning from: FMLA

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified return from leave(s) item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) Gregory Valentine – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Return Date: April 25, 2024
Returning from: Uncompensated leave
- 2) Aaron Cylinder – Custodian
Operations Department
Return Date: April 19, 2024
Returning from: Medical/FMLA leaves
- 3) Dante Purifico – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Return Date: May 1, 2024
Returning from: Uncompensated leave

14.10 Appointments

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1.

- 1) Jaclyn Oestreich – School Nurse (0.5 position)
Pupil Services Department
Salary: \$30,300.00 (MA; Step-3: prorated at 0.5)
Effective: August 26, 2024
Replacing: Marie Kozak (Reassigned)

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 12.

- 1) Kimberly Stone – Transportation Aide
Transportation Department
Salary: \$18.93 per hour
Effective: April 28, 2024
Replacing: Marcel Douglas (Reassigned)
- 2) Barbara Hearne – School Assistant
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$13,246.00 (prorated)
Effective: May 6, 2024
Replacing: Maria Siegert (Resignation)
- 3) Marcus Weathers – Summer Maintenance Employee
Operations Department
Salary: \$18.00 per hour
Effective: June 14, 2024
Reason: Temporary summer assistance
- 4) Kevin Hahn – Summer Maintenance Employee
Operations Department
Salary: \$18.00 per hour
Effective: June 11, 2024
Reason: Temporary summer assistance
- 5) Marguerite Nestoras – Summer Maintenance Employee
Operations Department
Salary: \$18.00 per hour
Effective: June 17, 2024
Reason: Temporary summer assistance
- 6) Bryce Beltrante – Classified Substitute
Operations Department
Salary: TBD by Assignment
Effective: May 29, 2024

- 7) Christine Hall – Special Education Assistant
Pupil Services Department/Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$20,157.00
Effective: August 28, 2024
Replacing: Dennis Yang (Resignation)
- 8) Marguerite Nestoras – Food Service Worker II
Food Services Department /Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$15.18 per hour
Effective: May 6, 2024
Replacing: Nicole Kovtonuk (Reassignment)
- 9) Laine Zachary – Bus Driver in Training
Transportation Department
Salary: \$18.93 per hour
Effective: May 26, 2024
Replacing: George Tagkalidis (Resignation)
- 10) Michael Jordan – Bus Driver in Training
Transportation Department
Salary: \$19.50 per hour
Effective: July 1, 2024
Replacing: Archie Zoegar (Resignation)
- 11) Nick Bruni – Custodian
Operations Department/Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$20.16 per hour
Effective: June 3, 2024
Replacing: Daniel Shovgan (Resignation)
- 12) Jessica Grieco – Custodian
Operations Department/Loomis Elementary School
Salary: \$20.76 per hour
Effective: August 1, 2024
Replacing: Fatos Ciraku (Retirement)

14.11 English Language Learner Summer Learning 2024

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the appointment of the following professional personnel for the 2024 ELL Summer Learning Program. The following staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment, Item(s) 1.

- 1) Kerri McCormick – ELL Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$42.00 per hour
Effective: July 1, 2024, through August 2, 2024

14.12 Summer Learning Program 2024

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following professional personnel for the 2024 Summer Learning Program as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

14.13 Extended School Year (ESY) 2024

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following professional personnel for the 2024 ESY Program as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following classified personnel for the 2024 ESY Program as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

14.14 Substitute Teacher Service Agreement Addendum

Motion to reapprove the attached agreement addendum with Substitute Teacher Service (STS) as presented, effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026, as presented.

14.15 Contract Renewal - Institutional Compliance Solutions (ICS)

Motion to reapprove the Scope of Work request, effective September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025, as presented with Institutional Compliance Solutions (ICS) to provide the district with a full range of consulting services with a specialization in Title IX compliance as mandated by the Federal Government. The total cost of this service will not exceed \$5,250.00, as presented.

14.16 Transfers

PROFESSIONAL TRANSFERS

Motion to approve the professional transfers, effective for the 2024-2025 school year, item(s) 1 through 9:

Name	From	Assignment	To	Assignment
1. Kellylynn Nicholson	Worrall	2nd grade teacher	Worrall	4th grade teacher
2. Stephanie Amen	Worrall	1st grade teacher	Worrall	Kindergarten teacher
3. Kelsey Sun	Worrall	Spec. Educ. teacher	Worrall	4th grade teacher
4. Brianna Graziola	Russell	2nd grade teacher	Russell	3rd grade teacher
5. Stacy DiCandilo	Culbertson	2nd grade teacher	Culbertson	3rd grade teacher
6. Marina Golato	Culbertson	2nd grade teacher	Culbertson	3rd grade teacher
7. Brenna King	Loomis	4th grade teacher	Loomis	5th grade teacher
8. Jamie Micewski	Loomis	4th grade teacher	Loomis	2nd grade teacher
9. Jessica Civitello	Loomis	2nd grade teacher	Loomis	4th grade teacher

CLASSIFIED TRANSFERS

Motion to approve the classified transfers, effective August 3, 2024, item(s) 1:

Name	From	Assignment	To	Assignment
1. Robert Gorman	Loomis	Custodian	Russell	Custodian

Motions were made by Mr. Maalouf, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0
Absent: Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Reynolds

15. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT TO THE BOARD

There was none.

16. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was none.

17. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Maalouf ~ First, I will say to Vice President Siano, thank you for dialing me in last month’s meeting. About 45 minutes in, my phone consistently kept dropping, so I had to dial back in. That caused Mr. Siano’s phone to ring. I saw at the 1-hour mark, that several rings prompted another member to the Board to tell Mr. Siano to turn his ringer off. I am sorry for that interruption. I don’t know why my calls keep dropping towards the meeting’s end, but I made an earnest effort to get back in.

However, now that I am here, in person, I do want to offer my full support to the residents of the Valley View neighborhood in Newtown Square, who spoke last month.

It was reported that Pickwick, Valley View, and Mulberry Lanes experience issues related to student parking. As they said, is not an issue limited to parking. It is the unneighborly and illegal conduct.

But blocking driveways is against the law. Speeding, depending on the MPH, is against the law. The unauthorized idling in someone else’s driveway – against the law. Driving the wrong way on a one-way street – against the law. Lettering – against the law. Hindering trash pick-up or plumbing services, maybe not illegal, but bad neighborship. A member of the community provided visual evidence of two of these instances.

In last month’s meeting, Dr. Kane stated that it saddens her that our students would not be good neighbors. It saddens me too. And so, now that I am here – I am adding my voice in a call on all school employees to teach our student to be better neighbors and better citizens.

This is important because as Mr. Rosenstock from Mulberry Lane pointed out, if the neighborhood goes in certain direction, it could become more difficult. I would prefer that this did not go to that point in Newtown (permit parking for residents). With daytime

prohibitions in Marple and permit parking in Newtown's Vally View neighborhood, that will just move students parking over to the Avenues, which is to the immediate southwest of the high school. The neighborhood also contains streets of Malley, Berman, and Gilbert – that last of which is seeing minimal student parking already.

Something else the Superintendent said from the last meeting which I also agree with is that it will be a combination of remedies. And so, some of the suggestions voiced at last month's meeting which I agree with include:

Continue to have periodic announcements in high school regarding parking.
Use the student information system – use the parent communication system.
People at this table said that they don't know if parents are reading the communications.
If it's already being done, do it again.
Issue the tickets.
Next Year, call an assembly for all students who drive.
A copy of the parking policy being made available to the communities impacted.

I know we're heading into the summer, but the school board cannot and will not lose sight of the concern. Until this changes, this is not a closed matter. And Board members can also play a part in shaping the solution. We have PTO liaisons. Some of us came to this board right from the PTO. It is time to go to some meetings. Let's get to work.

Finally, as someone who viewed the meeting, I think if there's ever a time when a poster is presented or some sort of visual aid, I would request that a member of the Board or someone else who's able to just flip that around so that it can be viewed.

Quickly, I'm in agreement with the President's response as it relates to the band practice area, I don't think we need to, we shouldn't touch that area.

18. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business for the Board, Mr. Bilker adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph Driscoll
Board Secretary