

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Budget and Finance Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting – Immediately following Budget and Finance

Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Committee Meeting – Immediately following Facilities and Transportation

Administration Building – Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT

Board: Mrs. Altobelli, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Maalouf, Mr. Siano, Mrs. Pacer

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

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mr. Siano called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Siano led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

3.01 Committee Report – Barbara Harvey Chairperson

3.02 Additions to the Agenda

There was none

3.03 Approval of the Minutes

3.04 Approval of Section 3 of the agenda relating to Budget and Finance

Mr. Driscoll explained the following motions and asked that they go to the full Board for approval.

3.05 Bills for Payment

MOTION: To approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$8,566,274.44.

MOTION: To authorize the Business Administrator to release checks for payment during the months of July and August, as needed.

Mr. Driscoll explained that this done so that the bills can continued to be paid during the summer when there is no Board meeting.

3.06 Financial Reports

MOTION: To approve the monthly financial reports for April 2024, informational for May 2024 and Budget Transfers.

3.07 Fund Balance

MOTION: To commit and/or assign a portion of the audited general fund balance as of June 30, 2024, towards future capital purchases and improvements, assessment reductions and/or capital reserve funding, and approve any necessary transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund in 2024-2025.

3.08 Designation of Depositories

MOTION: To approve the following Financial Institutions for the 2023-2024 fiscal year as required by School Code:

TD Bank
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)
Pennsylvania State District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)

Mr. Driscoll explained that this is one yearly.

3.09 ViewSonic Boards

MOTION: To approve the purchase of 25 ViewSonic Boards in the amount of \$52,150.00 from CDW-G as provided for in the 2024-2025 Budget.

Mr. Driscoll explained that these will start to replace those at the High School

3.10 Request to Close Student Activity Account and Donations

MOTION: Request to close the Class of 2024 account at Marple Newtown High School. The balance in the account is currently \$16,258.83. Donations will be made and distributed evenly among the following 9 high school clubs: Student Sunshine, LINK, Best Buddies, Model UN, Feeding Fellow Americans, Morgan's Message, Helping Paws, Garden Club and Society of Women Engineers in the total amount of \$7,200.00 and \$9,058.83 will be donated to the Class of 2028.

There was a brief discussion of the amount of money that remained. Mr. Driscoll explained that some classes fundraise more than others

All of the above motions will go to the full Board for approval.

3.11 Public Comment

There was none

3.12 Adjournment

4. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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

4.02 Additions to the Agenda

There was none

4.03 Approval of Minutes

4.04 Approval of Section 4 of the Agenda relating to Facilities and Transportation

Mr. Gallagher explained the following motion

4.05 Utility Contract Renewal

MOTION: To approve the NRG Direct Energy three-year utility contract renewal from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2028, as presented.

Will take the above motion to the full Board for approval

4.06 Public Comment

There was none

4.07 Adjournment

5. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

5.01 Committee Report – Nicholas V. Siano, Chairperson

5.02 Administrative Trips

Mr. Siano asked that the following motions go to the full Board for approval.

MOTION: To approve Michael Winterbottom, Best Buddies Advisor, to attend the Best Buddies Leadership Conference (BBLC) in Bloomington, IN on July 19-22, 2024. The cost of transportation is approximately \$200.00 and paid by Best Buddies International. The cost of the activity is approximately \$400.00 and paid by the district. The cost to the district is approximately \$400.00.

5.03 Student Trips

MOTION: To approve Tracy Jacobson, Michael Winterbottom and Steven Smilk, Advisors, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School LINK Students to go to South Mountain YMCA in Reinholds, PA on October 12, 2024, through October 14, 2024. The cost of transportation is approximately \$175.00 per student and paid by the student. The cost of the activity is approximately \$25.00 per student and paid by the student. There is no cost to the district.

5.04 Donation

MOTION: To approve the donation of fitness equipment from Keystone NFP Broomall, LLC, Keystone NFP Perkiomen, LLC. (Independently owned Planet Fitness) to Marple Newtown High School, as presented.

5.05 Disposal of Books

MOTION: To approve the disposal of books from the Worrall Elementary School Library, as presented.

MOTION: To approve the disposal of outdated textbooks from Marple Newtown High School, as presented.

5.06 New Digital Resource

MOTION: To approve the purchase of the digital resource, WeVideo, for a one-year subscription in the amount of \$11,000. WeVideo will replace the digital program, EdPuzzle, as presented.

5.07 Discontinuation

MOTION: To discontinue and dispose of the resource, EdPuzzle, as presented.

5.08 Policy

MOTION: To approve the Second Reading of Board Policy 808, Food Services, as recommended by the Pennsylvania School Boards Association, as presented

The above motions will go to the full Board for approval.

5.09 Public Comment

There was none.

5.10 Adjournment

Dr. Kane congratulated the Boys Lacrosse team, they just won their game and they are going to the finals on Saturday at Penn State.

With no further business for the Board, Mr. Siano adjourned the meeting at 6:44 PM