

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 4, 2023 BOARD MEETING

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Meyersdale Area School District was held Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Media Center, 309 Industrial Park Road, Meyersdale, PA. The meeting was called to order by board member Celeste Decker.

Dr. Karlie opened the meeting with an invocation and led those present in the flag salute.

Roll Call:

Members present: Bryan Stanczyk, Travis Smith, Mark Ferris, Ron Donaldson, Celeste Decker, Missy Platt .....6  
Members absent: Gidget Brooks, Brian Deist, Heather Reese .....3

Others present: Tracey Karlie-Superintendent, Shannon Brant-Bus.Mgr./Bd. Sec., John Wiltrout – HS Principal, Wayne Miller – MS Principal, Devin Pritts – Elem. Principal, Dan Johnson, Jen Sines, Rachel Haning, Matt Gombita, Tim Miller, Patti Shaulis, Laurel Daniels, Bailey Knotts.

Public comments:

Matt Gombita – Thank you to MASD for opportunity to continue education and complete principal certification.

Tim Miller – Softball team planning trip to Myrtle Beach in the spring.

Correspondence:

- Dr. Karlie presented an honor roll certificate to Ron Donaldson for 8 years of service as a school board member.

A motion was made by Bryan Stanczyk, seconded by Missy Platt, to recommend approval of the September 6, 2023 minutes.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

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A motion was made by Bryan Stanczyk, seconded by Travis Smith, to approve the October treasurers' reports:

<b>TREASURER'S REPORT</b>		<b>MEYERSDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		<b>OCTOBER 4, 2023 for AUGUST</b>		
		Somerset Trust Company		PSDLAF
		Athletic	General	
<b>Cash Balance 8/01/2023</b>		<b>\$ 398.48</b>	<b>\$ 199,263.34</b>	<b>\$ 5,635,924.38</b>
<b>RECEIPTS FOR AUGUST</b>				
Taxes			469,669.63	
Interest on Investments		0.02	26.44	24,453.78
Investments Cashed				
Miscellaneous/Refunds			4,861.05	
Commonwealth of PA/IUO8				1,845,720.76
Retiree BC/BS Payments			5,974.95	
Cafeteria				4,516.44
Rentals			545.00	
Contribution from Private Source			14,580.00	
Transfer from general			600,000.00	
Gate Receipts			265.00	
Student Fees			300.00	
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>0.02</b>	<b>1,096,222.07</b>	<b>1,874,690.98</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS &amp; BEG. BAL.</b>		<b>398.50</b>	<b>1,295,485.41</b>	<b>7,510,615.36</b>
<b>LESS EXPEND. AUGUST</b>		<b>\$ 398.50</b>	<b>\$903,704.16</b>	<b>\$ 633,293.74</b>
<b>Balance 8/31/2023</b>		<b>\$ (0.00)</b>	<b>\$ 391,781.25</b>	<b>\$ 6,877,321.62</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>				
PLGIT			\$385,958.02	
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>			<b>\$385,958.02</b>	
<b>Capital Reserves Fund</b>				
PLGIT	\$ 397,520.10			
Somerset Trust Co.	\$ 42.21			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 397,562.31</b>			
To be used for capital projects only				

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<b>CAFETERIA TREASURER'S REPORT</b>				
<b>OCTOBER 4, 2023 for AUGUST</b>				
<b>Balance 8-1-2023</b>				<b>\$247,419.00</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>				
Breakfast Sales		16.62		
Lunch Sales		137.17		
Ala Carte Sales		\$ 639.40		
Funds in Trust		\$ 3,175.56		
Interest		\$ 22.93		
Subsidies		\$ 4,516.44		
Other revenue				
Payroll				
<b>Total Receipts for August</b>				<b>\$ 8,508.12</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
Salaries/Benefits				
Contracted Service-Nutrition		\$ 7,978.21		
Cafeteria Repairs				
Returned Check		\$ -		
Misc		\$ 14.65		
<b>Total Expend. for August</b>				<b>\$ 7,992.86</b>
<b>Balance 8-31-2023</b>				<b>\$247,934.26</b>

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mark Ferris, seconded by Missy Platt, to approve payment of the general fund bills in the amount of \$410,617.94.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mark Ferris, seconded by Bryan Stanczyk, to recommend approval of the following items under Personnel:

1. Recommend approval for Tracy Wedge to be added to the classroom volunteer list, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district.
2. Recommend approval for Brooke DiFebo to attend a FTW: Build, Fly Code Drones seminar at the IU8 Richland Office on Feb 22, 2024. Approximate cost to the district is:
 

a.	Registration	\$ 50.00
b.	Mileage	\$ 25.63
c.	<u>Substitute</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$225.63</b>
3. Recommend approval to add Christopher Chavez, Richard Marshall, Sara Johnston, Emma Evans, Kiyonna Jones, Alex Schrock, David Blaney, Lauren Hartman and Kendall Swick to the approved substitute teacher list for Ignite Education Solutions, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district.

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4. Recommend approval for Carrie Long, Cay Helinski and Megan Edwards to attend a 3-day series conference for Text Dependent Analysis 2023 in Duncansville, PA November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Approximate cost to the district is:
 

a.	Registration	\$ 300.00
b.	Food	\$ 108.00
c.	Mileage	\$ 290.82
d.	<u>Substitute</u>	<u>\$1,350.00</u>
	Total	\$2,048.82

5. Recommend approval to accept the resignation of board member, Heather Reese.  
 Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mark Ferris, seconded by Bryan Stanczyk, to recommend approval to hire Leigh Deist as the Interim Facilities Manager per the agreed upon salary, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Donaldson, Decker, Stanczyk, Ferris, Platt, Smith.....6  
 Nays: .....0  
 Abstain: .....0

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mark Ferris, seconded by Travis Smith, to recommend approval of the following items under Academic Education:

1. Recommend Lilah Topper and Jewelia Housel, daughters of Jennifer Valentine, be granted a tuition waiver beginning in the 2023-2024 school year in accordance with Policy 202.
2. Recommend approval to change November 3, 2023 ACT 80 day to November 10, 2023.
3. Recommend permission for Cassie Arnold to take eight students to tour St. Vincent College using the school van on November 8, 2024.
4. Recommend approval for Cassie Arnold and two other teachers, if needed, to take 10<sup>th</sup> grade students to Flight 93 Memorial in November 2023. Approximate cost to the district is:
 

a.	Bus	\$160.00
b.	Substitute	\$ 300.00
c.	<u>Other</u>	<u>\$ 75.00</u>
	Total	\$ 535.00
5. Recommend approval for Marissa Deist to take her students to a community-based instruction activity monthly.
6. Recommend approval for Cassie Arnold to take students to tour ACM on October 17, 2023 at no cost to the district.
7. Recommend approval for Cassie Arnold and one other teacher, if needed, to take students to SCTC for a tour on November 2, 2023. Approximate cost to the district is:
 

a.	Bus	\$141.90
b.	<u>Substitute</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>
	Total	\$291.90
8. Recommend approval for Mrs. Deakins and Mr. Edwards to take the Honors English classes to Penn State in Fayette on October 25, 2023 for the production of Romeo and Juliet. Approximate cost to the district is:
 

a.	Bus	\$370.00
b.	Substitute	\$300.00
c.	<u>Penn State Contribution</u>	<u>(\$200.00)</u>
	Total	\$470.00

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9. Recommend approval for Mrs. J. Sines to take the After-School Program students on an incentive trip on the last day of the program.
10. Recommend approval for Josiah Walker and Angel Floyd to take the Esports kids to Saint Francis University in the school van in October or November.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Missy Platt, seconded by Mark Ferris, to recommend approval of the following items under legislation and policy:

1. Recommend approval of the following changes to the MASD policy manual:
  - a. Updates to policies: 006, 216.1, 251, 800, 830, 830.1
2. Recommend approval of the proposed settlement in the Altria case.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bryan Stanczyk, seconded by Travis Smith, to approve Dr. Karlie, as superintendent of Meyersdale Area School District, to purchase the necessary safety and security equipment as recommended by the School Police Officer per board resolution.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Travis Smith, seconded by Mark Ferris, to recommend the following coach(es) and volunteer(s) be approved, as listed, for the upcoming 2023-24 sporting seasons, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district:

- a. Tonya Daniels – Volunteer Varsity Girls Basketball
- b. Mike Seibert – Head Junior High Girls Basketball
- c. Gracen Miller – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball
- d. Matt Gombita – Head Junior High Boys Basketball
- e. David Miller – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball
- f. Richard Berkley – Head Varsity Boys Basketball
- g. Cody Stewart – Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball
- h. David Butchie Knopsnyder – Head Junior High Wrestling
- i. John Porter – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wrestling
- j. Dr. Tracey Karlie – Head Varsity Wrestling
- k. Chris Hutzell – Assistant Varsity Wrestling
- l. Terri Karlie – Head Girls Wrestling
- m. Chadd Sines – Volunteer Wrestling
- n. Craig Tresnicky – Volunteer Wrestling
- o. Mike Swick – Volunteer Wrestling
- p. Larry Smith – Volunteer Rifle
- q. George Soflac – Volunteer Rifle
- r. Lucas Carnell – Volunteer Wrestling
- s. Elijah Miller – Volunteer Boys Basketball
- t. Andy Sines – Volunteer Wrestling

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ron Donaldson, seconded by Bryan Stanczyk to recommend approval of the following items under Buildings and Grounds:

1. Recommend approval for the PA Maple Festival to utilize the school's facilities for the 77<sup>th</sup> annual PA Maple Queen Contest as well as auditions and contest rehearsals.

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2. Recommend approval for the Meyersdale Youth Wrestling Boosters to use the elementary gym and wrestling room for practices every Monday and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. starting December 2023 to March 2024, except for days there is no school and or school is dismissed early. Also, use of the high school gym and home ec room on January 20, 2024 for their Tournament.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bryan Stanczyk, seconded by Mark Ferris, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:51 pm.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.