

Mountain View School District
“A Community’s Commitment to Excellence”
Board of Education Public Meeting

Monday, November 12, 2018
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on November 12, 2018 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:06 PM by Mr. Michael Barhite, President.

1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Roll Call – Board Members Present:

Mr. Michael Barhite, President; Mr. Jason Richmond, First Vice President; Mr. David Schulte, Second Vice President; Mr. Danny Very, Treasurer; Mrs. Sondra Stine; Mrs. Monica Miller.

Absent: Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer; Mr. Ed Napierkowski; Mr. Kenneth Decker.

Administration Present:

Mrs. Karen Voigt, Superintendent, Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal; Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski, Special Education Director, Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal; Dr. Mike Elia, Director of Curriculum; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Ms. Rachel Terry, Asst. Business Manager.

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

Years of Service Recognition:

5 years: Charlene Anastasio, April Ball, Ruby Bishop, Sheri Ransom, Chantel Kraft, Heather Powers, Allison Martino, Linda Sivers, Adrienne Brown, Dr. Elaine Chichura, Jamie Esagro, Steve Farrell, Leslie Gossage, Alisha Hudak, Jenny Keating, Marybeth Krivak, Glen Mackey, Jaimie Mirabelli, Joey Scanlon, Alicia Waters, Geraldine Pinker, Ann Marie Ford, Colleen Hammond

10 years: Brion Stone, Rose Williams

15 Years: Julie Beach, Rebekah Ihlefeldt, Mel Lasher, Katie Naegele, Corinne Ross, Aaron Sinkovich, Brenda Sinkovich, Diana Slick, Ginger Compton, Andrea James, Kristy Moher

20 Years: Sue Penedos

25 Years: George Barbolish, Holly James, Karen Voigt

30 Years: Sharen Griffin

- Mrs. Voigt recognized employees for their years of service.

Presentation: State Assessment Results K-12

- Dr. Lake presented the MV state assessment results for K-6.
- Mr. Presley presented the MV state assessment results for 7-12.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –October 22, 2018

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the minutes dated October 22, 2018, as presented.

Motion 121 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

1.6 First Hearing of Visitors – *You may speak about anything on the agenda. Please identify yourself by name and address all comments to the Board as a whole. You will be allowed two (2) minutes for your comments; five (5) minutes if prior written notification was made. Comments relative to private student matters or personnel issues should be directed to the appropriate school authority outside of this meeting. The presiding officer reserves the right to interrupt or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.*

- Ted Brewster asked several clarifying questions about the agenda.

2. Finance Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Monica Miller

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve November Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the November 12, 2018 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$180,613.54

Motion 122 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.2 Transfer Tax Settlement

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the settlement with Norfolk Southern Railroad regarding transfer tax dispute.

Motion 123 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.3 Approve Student Settlement

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve settlement of a matter concerning student #27010; the terms of the written settlement agreement to include compensatory education in the amount of \$15,000.00, independent evaluations, and reimbursement of \$9,000.00 in attorney's fees.

Motion 124 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.4 Approve Student Settlement

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve settlement of a matter concerning student #27012; the terms of the written settlement agreement to include compensatory education in the amount of \$20,000.00, independent evaluations, and reimbursement not to exceed \$9,000.00 in attorney's fees.

Motion 125 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.5 Resolution to Amend PIAA Classifications

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve a Resolution to amend PIAA classifications to Level the competitive arena, as presented.

Motion 126 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.6 Agreement with Sweet/Stevens/Katz/Williams

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve a standard agreement between Mountain View School District and Sweet/Stevens/Katz/Williams, as presented.

Motion 127 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.7 Agreement with ALICE Training Institute

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve a standard agreement between Mountain View School District and ALICE Training Institute for 3 years, as presented.

Motion 128 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.8 Approve Change Orders #4 for ESG project as follows:

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve change order #4 for ESG project as follows

1. Labor and Material to replace (2) coils in cafeteria from Tri-State McQuay \$3,515.00

Motion 129 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.9 Award Re-Bid For Wood Fuel

The motion was made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to award re-bid for wood fuel from December 8, 2018 until June 30, 2019 to Strategic Energy Design and Development of Harford, PA, in the amount of (not to exceed) \$40.75/per ton, per bid specifications as presented.

Motion 130 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3. Personnel Committee: Monica Miller, Chairperson

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte

3.1 Approve Volunteer

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve the following volunteer:

Dwight Carey, Kingsley, PA: 7-8 Grade Basketball
Gary Parks, Hallstead, Wrestling
Darin Bain, JH Basketball

Motion 131 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3.2 Approve Supplemental Salary Requests

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve supplemental salary requests for 2018-2019 as presented.

Motion 132 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3.3 Appoint Full-Time Maintenance Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to appoint Courtney Norton, South Gibson, to a full-time maintenance position at a starting rate \$12.70 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, effective November 13, 2018.

Motion 133 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3.4 Post and Advertise Custodian Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to post and advertise for a full-time custodian position with a salary of \$11.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Motion 134 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3.5 Appoint Coach

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to appoint Nate Tompkins, South Gibson, to a Junior High Girls Basketball coach at a stipend of \$3,107 per year, pending receipt of all documentation.

Motion 135 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Danny Very

- Mrs. Voigt reported that the policy committee met. There will be a first reading of policy 824 at the next meeting.

5. Education Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Sondra Stine

5.1 Approve Conference Requests

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve the following conference requests:

- A. Christine Misiura, Michael Elia and Katie Beichler on Monday, November 19, 2018, Improving Performance in Math, NEIU 19 (Registration \$397.50, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$587.50 each trip) (Title II-A)
- B. Leslie Gossage, Friday, November 3, 2018, Title III Consortium Meeting, NEIU (No cost to the district)
- C. Karen Galvin, Friday, December 14, 2018, Technology In Context: Aligning Speech-Language Interventions with Research-Based Methods, NEIU (Travel \$14.98)
- D. Rebecca Giordano, Colleen Heller, Diana Slick, Monday through Wednesday, November 12th-14th, 2018, TACT 2 Certification, IU 20 Easton PA (Travel \$308.16, Lodging \$1,082.90, Registration \$750.00, Substitute \$285.00, Substitute Paraprofessional \$261.00; Total \$2,687.06)

Motion 136 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

5.2 Approve Field Trip Requests

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve the following field trip requests:

- A. Katie Beichler, Marybeth Krivak , George Barbolish and 63 students, Tuesday, December 18, 2018, NHS and NJHS Christmas Caroling, Gino Merli Veteran's Center and Allied Services (Transportation \$158.24, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$348.24)
- B. Diana Lombardi, Mason Stiver and 2 Students, Wednesday, November 28, 2018, WVIA Artist of the Week Taping, Pittston, PA (Transportation \$49.05, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$239.05)
- C. Heidi Serbonich, Colleen Hammond, Dawn Neri, Kathy Walker and 6 students on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, Tobyhanna Operation Santa Claus (Transportation \$104.60)
- D. Kelly Richmond, Katie Beichler, Danielle Scott, Missy Berish, Jen Zech, Charissa Ofalt, Diane Supancik and 8 students, Wednesday, November 7, 2018, Feed-A-Friend, Trehab, Montrose, PA (Transportation \$189.05, Substitute \$95.00; Total \$284.05)
- E. Kelly Richmond, Danielle Scott and five Students, Thursday, December 6 and Wednesday, December 13, 2018, Eagles Nest Grocery Shopping and Breakfast, Montrose Price Chopper, Dunkin Donuts or McDonald's (Transportation \$20.71)
- F. Mason Stiver and 1 student, Sunday, November 18, 2018, District Band Pre-Audition, Wyoming Valley West HS (Transportation \$59.95, Registration \$8.00; Total \$67.95)

G. Sheri Ransom and 5 students, Wednesday, November 21, 2018, Friends of the Poor, Scranton, PA (Transportation \$30.52)

Motion 137 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

5.3 Approve Agreement between Mountain View and Cabot

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve agreement between Mountain View School and Cabot Mobile Oilfield Learning Program Educational Outreach Program, as presented.

Motion 138 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

6. Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson

Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor announced that there are issues with the sewer plant. The new pump already broke. Contractors are still working on the valves in the ES gym that regulate temperature. The new electronic road sign is working well. The wrestling room will be completed by Friday, and the cost to date is \$27,000. The blue van will be repaired over the Christmas break. There was a meeting with ESG to discuss the scope of renovating the baseball field. Improving drainage and fencing are a priority.

7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson

Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Danny Very

- Mr. Witiak mentioned that there is a meeting at the Clifford Township Municipal Building regarding the replacement of the culvert on SR 106 over tributary to east branch of the Tunkhannock Creek.

8. Labor Relations Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

MVEA Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Monica Miller, Kenneth Decker
MVESPA Committee Members, Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte, Sondra Stine

9. Administration

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake

- Dr. Lake stated that the Veteran's Day program was a success. 42 veterans attended. The entire school recited the pledge of allegiance outside by the flagpole. This is career week. Report card will be distributed on November 14. The book fair begins on November 15.

High School Principal – Mr. Robert Presley

- Mr. Presley declared that report cards will be distributed on November 14. Winter sports start soon. The Halloween Costume Contest was a success. NHS book drive generated a car-load of books. Seussical The Musical was terrific. The career fair was last week. The Veteran's Day program included flag folding

from VFW 8488 and empty seat at the table. A special thanks to Jan Price for coordinating the program.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski

- Mrs. Anuszewski distributed materials pertaining to the latest homeless audit.

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction –Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia explained Act 44 impacts. The Safe To Say system is an anonymous tip line that all districts in PA will use. The call center is based in Harrisburg. School districts and/or police departments will be notified based on severity and credibility of tip with regards to injury to self or others.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- Mr. Witiak advised the board that MV has received a division order for their interest in Jeffers Farm #9.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt

- Mrs. Voigt announced Seussical The Musical was great. MV is receiving a \$25,000 grant for Part A of Act 44. Penn Security Bank and Trust will give a grant for dual enrollment. The alumni dinner was well attended. Sapphire will now handle all 1-Calls. The Dine-In will be on December 4 at 8:15 AM in both schools.

New Business from Board Members

- Mrs. Stine attended a Vo-Tech meeting at Elk Lake. They are adding a CDL program.
- Mr. Schulte thanked Mrs. Anuszewski for the Homeless Audit materials. He also thanked Dr. Lake and Mr. Presley for their scores presentation.

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- John Karakash stated that driver supply is an issue in the wood fuel transportation industry too. He thanked Mr. Witiak for his help with submitting the bid.

Executive Session – Announcement of executive sessions held and/or scheduled.

HELD:

- Monday, October 28, 2018- 8:40-9:40 PM for Personnel
- Monday, November 12, 2018-6:00 PM-7:00 PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, November 26, 2018, before and after the public meeting

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Schulte, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5-October 22, 2018 minutes
- 2.1-November 2018 Bill List
- 2.2-Norfolk Southern Settlement Agreement
- 2.5-PIAA Resolution
- 2.6- Sweet/Stevens/Katz/Williams Agreement
- 3.2-Supplemental Salary Request
- 5.3-Mobile Oil Field Learning
- FYI-Tax Collector Agreed Upon Procedures Report
- FYI-2-Conference Reports
- FYI-3-October 2018 Transition Activity Report
- FYI-4-What's New at the View-Veteran's Day
- FYI-5-Girls Soccer Booster Club
- FYI-6-Girls Basketball Booster Club
- FYI-7-Boys Basketball Booster Club

Respectfully Submitted by,

Tom Witiak