

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on August 10, 2015 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 07:17 PM by President Stoddard.

1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Elect Secretary Pro Tempore

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury, to elect Brittany Wilkins as secretary pro tempore per section 405 of the PA School Code until October 1, 2015 at \$125.00 per meeting plus mileage.

Motion 63 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

1.4. Roll Call – Board Members Present:

Mr. Thomas Stoddard, President, Second Vice President, Mrs. Ellen Aherne, Treasurer, Mr. Michael Barhite, Mr. Jason Casselbury, Dr. Andrew Chichura, Mr. Jason Richmond, and Ms. Brittany Wilkins, Secretary, Non-Member

Absent:

Mr. Roy Twining, First Vice President and Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Second Vice President.

Administration Present

Mrs. Karen Voigt, Superintendent, Mr. Joseph Patchcoski, Business Manager, Mrs. Christine Kelly, Elementary Principal, Dr. Christopher Lake, Director of Curriculum & Instruction & Federal Programs, Mr. Robert Presley, H S Principal Ms. Gail Wnorowski, Director of Special Services and Attorney Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent - Laurie Cobb, Asst. Business Manager

1.5 Approval of the Minutes – August 10, 2015

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the minutes dated August 10, 2015 as presented.

Motion 64 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

1.6 Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report: Mrs. Ellen Aherne, Treasurer, reported as listed.

8. Labor Relations Committee: Thomas Stoddard, Chairperson

MVEA Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Christine Plonski-Sezer, Michael Barhite
MVESPA Committee Members, Sondra Stine, Roy Twining, Jason Richmond

8.1 Approve Tentative Professional Employees Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite second by Mr. Casselbury to approve tentative Professional Employees Agreement between Mountain View School District and Mountain View Education Association for the period of July 1, 2012-June 30, 2018.

Motion 65 Carried (6 Yes, 1 No, 2 Absent)

1.7 Presentation by Community School Based Behavioral Health – Scranton Counseling – CEO Ed Haffron and vice President Sal Santoli.

Mr. Haffron and Mr. Santoli discussed the programs development in the school system stating that this program is to service children's needs and how it will help the students, families and community.

1.8 First Hearing of Visitors – You may speak about anything on the agenda.

- Corey Gesford, Clifford Twp., questioned if the school years budget is online and why Jr. High sports do not offer two coaching positions.
- Monica Miller, Harford Twp., thanked the teachers and the Board of Education for their hard work on negotiating the contract for the teachers.

2. Finance Committee: Roy Twining, chairperson

Committee Members: Andrew Chichura, Jason Richmond

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve July 2015 Disbursements

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury to confirm payment of the July 2015 General Fund Bill List, Debt Service Bill List, Cafeteria Fund Bill List, and to ratify the payment of employee payroll, transportation contracts, fringe benefit payments, and fund transfers in the amount of \$132,273.52.

Motion 66 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

2.2 Approve August 24, 2015 Bill Lists

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve the list of bills for the August 24, 2015 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$180,866.51.

Motion 67 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

2.3 Approve Payroll Transition Assistance

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve Diane Makosky, Kingsley, Pa to provide payroll transition assistance at an hourly rate of \$47.10 as needed up to 50 hours.

Motion 68 Failed (2 Yes, 5 No, 2 Absent)

Discussion:

Mr. Patchcoski stated that Mrs. Makosky's help is necessary. Alternative is CSIU at \$125.00 per hour.

2.3.1 The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury to rescind motion 68.

Motion 69 Carried (6 Yes, 1 No, 2 Absent)

2.3.2 The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve Diane Makosky, Kingsley, Pa to provide payroll transition assistance at an hourly rate of \$47.10 as needed up to 50 hours.

Motion 70 Carried (5 Yes, 2 No, 2 Absent)

2.4 Approve Letter of Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve a letter of agreement with Lancaster – Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 for Multi Tiered System of Support for 2015-2016 with a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Motion 71 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

Discussion:

Monica Miller, Harford Township, what is this program?

Mrs. Kelley stated the program practices and focuses on good writing.

3. Personnel Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Chairperson

Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Jason Casselbury

3.1 Accept Letter of Resignation

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne second by Mr. Casselbury to accept the letter of resignation from Philip Wetzel from his custodial position effective August 13, 2015 as presented.

Motion 72 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.2 Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to authorize posting and advertising for a fulltime (260 day) custodian at \$11.20 per hour and benefits according to the MVESPA CBA.

Motion 73 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.3 Appoint Cafeteria Monitor

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to appoint Melissa MacDonald, Kingsley, PA as a 2.5 hour cafeteria monitor at \$10.20 per hour and benefits according to the MVESPA CBA, pending receipt of all documentation.

Motion 73 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.4 Appoint Account Clerk

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to appoint Phyllis Sanauskas, Clifford, PA as a 260 day account clerk at \$15.00 per hour, pending receipt of all documentation.

Motion 74 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.5 Approve Additional to Substitute List

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve the following addition to the substitute list, pending receipt of all documentation:

1. Devon Maye, Montrose, PA – Certified 6-12 in Social Studies
2. Christine Cosklo, Clifford Township, PA – Paraprofessional, Clerical, Hall/Cafeteria Monitor

Motion 75 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.6 Appoint PSBA Representative

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to appoint Jason Richmond as the PSBA Representative.

Motion 76 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.7 Approve ACT 93 for Director of Curriculum & Instruction

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve ACT 93 benefit package for the Director of Curriculum and Instruction as presented.

Motion 77 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.8 Approve Volunteers

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve the following volunteers:

1. Amanda Albert, Kingsley, PA – Elementary Volunteer
2. Kerri Jarnagin, Nicholson, PA – Girls' & Boys' Volleyball

Motion 78 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.9 Approve District Office Clerical Benefit Package

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve the District Office Clerical Benefit Package for the account clerk for 2015-2016.

Motion 79 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3.10 Appoint Coaches

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to appoint the following coaches:

1. Heather Osborn, Clifford Township, PA – Girls’ Volleyball Assistant Coach - \$2,816.00
2. Shaun Pellew, Kingsley, PA – Junior Varsity Baseball Co- Coach - \$1,408.00
3. Joseph DeManicor, Clifford Township, PA - Junior Varsity Baseball Co- Coach - \$1,408.00
4. David DeMark, Clifford Township, PA – Junior High Baseball Coach - \$2,431.00
5. Jason Henke, Hop Bottom, PA – Boys’ Junior High Basketball - \$2,783.00

Motion 80 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3. Shaun Pellew, Kingsley, PA – Junior Varsity Baseball Co- Coach - \$1,408.00 **HOLD**
4. Joseph DeManicor, Clifford Township, PA - Junior Varsity Baseball Co- Coach - \$1,408.00 **HOLD**
5. Jason Henke, Hop Bottom, PA – Boys’ Junior High Basketball - \$2,783.00 **HOLD**

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Jason Richmond

5. Education Committee: Ellen Aherne, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Jason Casselbury

5.1 Approve Conference Request

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

1. Robert Presley and Christine Kelly on Saturday, October 17, 2015, Sunday, October 18, 2015, Monday, October 19, 2015 and Tuesday, October 20, 2015 to attend the State Conference for Elementary and Secondary Principals at State College, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$201.70, Registration Cost - \$1,150.00, Lodging - \$774.00 – Total Cost - \$2,128.70)
2. Stephanie Kile on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 and Thursday, September 10, 2015 to attend Keystone Data Review, Harrisburg, PA (Substitute Teacher - \$190.00)

Motion 81 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

5.2 Approve Field Trip Requests

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

- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students beginning Thursday morning, September 3, 2015 and every Thursday morning during the school year to go to Interfaith, Montrose, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$46.78 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students beginning Monday afternoon, September 14, 2015 and every Monday afternoon during the school year to go to Interfaith, Montrose, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$46.78 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students on Thursday afternoon, September 16, 2015 and every Thursday afternoon during the school year to go to Lenoxville Community Hall, Lenoxville, PA. (Transportation cost - \$36.52 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 and every Wednesday during the school year to go to Laura's Hope Rescue, Hop Bottom, Pa and Forest City Senior Center, Forest City, PA (Transportation cost - \$62.53 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students beginning Wednesday, August 26, 2016, Thursday, August 27, 2015, Friday, August 28, 2015 and every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday during the school year to attend Endless Mountain Learning Center, New Milford, Pa. (Transportation Cost - \$44.00 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 4 Students on Friday afternoon, September 4, 2015 and every Friday afternoon during the school year to visit AFA Gallery and Albright Library, Scranton, PA (Transportation Cost - \$84.40 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students on Monday morning, September 14, 2015 to visit Forest City Nursing Home, Forest City, PA (Transportation Cost - \$46.53)
- Sheri Ransom, Melissa Berish and 2 Students on Monday afternoon, September 14, 2015 and Thursday afternoon, September 17, 2015 and every Monday afternoon and Thursday afternoon during school to visit Clifford Market, Clifford, PA (Transportation Cost - \$37.63 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 3 Students on Tuesday morning, September 1, 2014 and every Tuesday morning during the school year to visit the YMCA, Carbondale, PA (Transportation Cost - \$59.32)
- Sheri Ransom, Melissa Berish and 2 Students on Friday morning, September 4, 2015 and every Friday morning during the school year to visit Blue Ridge Senior Center, Great Bend, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$46..05 per trip)
- Sheri Ransom and 2 Students beginning Tuesday morning, September 8, 2015 and every morning during the school year to attend Endless Mountain Learning Center, New Milford, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$43.58)

Motion 82 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

6. Building and Site Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Roy Twining, Sondra Stine

Mr. Taylor's report

- Presented information on installing a water fountain in the cafeteria.
- The new district van will be delayed a couple of weeks due to minor body change of the van.

- Custodial and maintenance staff have been working hard to get the teachers situated for the start of school.
- NEP was working over the weekend at the high school on the phone system.

Justin Fletcher, Clifford Twp., asked if the school recycles cardboard.

7. Transportation Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Andrew Chichura, Jason Casselbury

7.1 Approve Additional to Substitute List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Richmond to approve the following additional to the Car/Van Substitute List, pending receipt of all documentation:

- Edward Kraft, Hop Bottom, PA
- Marie Kraft, Hop Bottom, PA

Motion 83 Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

8. Labor Relations Committee: Mr. Stoddard, Chairperson

MVEA Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Christine Plonski-Sezer, Michael Barhite

MVSPA Committee Members, Sondra Stine, Roy Twining, Jason Richmond.

Corinne McNabb thanked the Board of Education, committee and administration for their hard work on the contract.

9. Administration

9.1 Principal's Comments

Elementary Principal – Mrs. Christine Kelly

- Thanked teachers, association and the Board of Education on their agreement.
- First day back for teachers was a great start.
- Thanked Nutrition for their first day back breakfast.
- Proud of staff for welcoming new staff members.
- She looks forward for Wednesday when students come back.

High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley

- Congratulated staff on their new contract.
- Thanked Mr. Taylor for his blood borne pathogens class.
- Stated that staff will be taking the 3 hour child abuse class on Tuesday.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Ms. Gail Wnorowski

- Congratulated MVEA on their contract.
- Busy first day getting the kids ready for school.
- Thanked the staff for their patients with changes for school year.

9.3 Director of Curriculum and Instruction – Dr. Christopher Lake

- Thanked Board of Education, administration, students, teachers and community for his welcome back,
- Administration is working on a different evaluation plan

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Joseph Patchcoski

- Congratulated Board of Education, teachers and Mrs. Voigt on new contract.
- Thanked the Board of Education for reconsidering Mrs. Makosky's return and for hiring Mrs. Sanauskas.
- Working on getting transportation set up for this coming year.

9.5 Superintendent's Comments – Mrs. Karen Voigt

- September 10th Meeting Susquehanna County Recreational Center at 6 pm.
- School received at \$2,500 anonymous donation for the gifted programs
- Complimented the teacher negotiation team and Board of Education on their hard work

New Business from Board Members

Second Hearing of Visitors

Jenny Keating, Clifford Twp., owed Abby Mecca a thank you for her support with the MVEA contract

Abby Mecca, Lathrop Twp., thanked the teachers.

Ken Schmidt, Kingsley, asked why the Board of Education did not approve some of the coaches.

Corey Gesford, Clifford Twp., asked if the school budget is on the website and are they interviewing for coaching.

Jane Mack, Brooklyn Twp., recommended that next board meeting this big should be held in the auditorium

Abby Mecca asked about shuttle buses and why the board of education doesn't practice parliament procedures.

Kathy Wilcox, Gibson Twp., asked why the school doesn't receive a one week spring break.

Jenny Keating asked if 21st Century will be utilizing the shuttle buses.

Corey Gesford asked what Mr. Richmond will be doing with PSBA association.

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

HELD:

- Monday, August 10, 2015, 9:20 PM to 10:50 PM for Personnel
- Tuesday, August 18, 2015, 6:00 Pm to 9:20 PM for Personnel
- Wednesday, August 20, 2015 12 PM to 10 PM for Personnel
- Monday, August 24, 2015, 6:00 PM to 7:06 PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, August 24, 2015 after public meeting for Personnel

- Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 6:00 PM for Real Estate
- Monday, September 14, 2015 before and after the public meeting for Personnel

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Casselbury, second by Mr. Richmond to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany L. Wilkins
Board Secretary