

1. Opening Activities

1.1. Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education held on May 13, 2013 in the James W. Zick Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM by President Williams

1.2. Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Williams, President; Mr. Thomas Stoddard, First Vice President; Mrs. Ellen Aherne, Second Vice President; Mrs. Sondra Stine, Treasurer; Mr. Michael Barhite, Mr. Stephen Kilmer, Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Mrs. Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Mr. Roy Twining, and Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary, Non-Member.

1.4. Administration Present

Mrs. Francine Shea, Superintendent; Mr. Joseph Patchcoski, Business Manager; Mr. Andrew Doster, Elementary Principal arrived at 7:21 PM, Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal, and Mr. Michael Slesinski, Director of Special Services, Mrs. Karen Voigt, Director of Curriculum and Federal Programs.

Laurie Cobb, Assistant Business Manager – absent

1.4 **PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:** Recognition for students and staff

Student Government Association: National Student Council Award

Advisors – Andrea Aten & Abigail Fitzpatrick

Students – Alex Showalter, Brianna Young, Delaney Heller, Emma Demark, Erika Freely, Emily Shevchuck, Rebekah Tiffany, Samantha Krisa, Stephanie Ostir, Travis Hartman, Abby Mecca, Alison Showalter, Brandon Freely, Lexy Wansacz, Morgan White, Allison Virbitsky, Emily Tracy, Hayley Maloney, Sabrina Fallon, Brandon Hawm, Megan Getz, Katie Valentine, Bryce Beeman, Kari Zupanovich, Karri Jarnigan, Stephanie Virbitsky, Veronica Robbins, and Victoria Sterling

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Officers - Past President – Cynthia Catalfamo, Current President – Lisa Kozloski, 1st Vice President – Cherie DeManicor, 2nd Vice President – Lynette Andzulis, Treasurer – Jenna Master, Secretary – Melissa Boswell

Volunteers: - Karen Voigt, Michelle Strickland, Melissa Heller, Cathy Wilcox, Jennifer Long, Connie Milunic, Diana Dick, Colleen Hammond, Lynne Hernandez, Chris Catalfamo, Joe DeManicor, Nate Master

1.5 Approval of the Minutes – May 6, 2013.

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Twining, to approve the minutes dated May 6, 2013 as presented.

Resolution 270 – Motion Carried (9 Yes)

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

2. Finance Committee: Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Chairperson
Committee Members: Thomas Stoddard, Roy Twining

Financial Reports

2.1 The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan second by Mrs. Stine, to approve the list of bills for the May 13, 2013 General Fund bill list in the amount of \$101,598.21.

Resolution 271 – Motion Carried (9 Yes)

Mr. Stoddard questioned checks to Sweet Stevens, L J Bogumil, John Madas, and Anthony Borgia. Mr. Twining also had questions on the check to L J Bogumil. Mr. Williams questioned checks to Cadillac Ranch, Gloria Calabro, and Utility Management Company for water testing.

Discussion on the proposed 2013-14 budget was moved to follow the consent agenda.

3. Personnel Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson
Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Christine Plonski-Sezer

3.1 Approve Supplemental Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan to approve Jamie Janesky as a mentor for Heather Hall for the balance of the 2012-2013 school year

Resolution 272 – Motion Carried (8 Yes, 1 Abstain)

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson
Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Michael Barhite

5. Education Committee: Ellen Aherne, Chairperson
Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Sondra Stine

Mr. Presley discussed proposed changes to Program of Studies. These were changing the academic course requirements for accelerated courses, changing course descriptions from general and academic to academic and accelerated. Also discussed was a parent waiver to allow a student to participate in an accelerated course when it has not been recommended. It was the consensus of the board to include a parent waiver.

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Twining, to table the motion on the Program of Studies until May 22, 2013.

Resolution 273 – Motion Carried (9 Yes)

6. Building and Site Committee: Roy Twining, Chairperson
Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Michael Barhite

6.1 Mr. Taylor's Report – Mr. Taylor reported the skid steer was down with a cracked radiator. Also there was a small leak in the high school roof. The contractor was out within 4 hours to make repairs and check the roof. Johnson Controls will be here Thursday to

present their quote on the upgrade to the security and fire alarm systems. Mr. Taylor was asked if he could explain the large discrepancy in the two quotes already received. It is because one company is using the existing equipment where they can and the other company is using all new equipment.

7. Transportation Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Roy Twining

8. MVEA Labor Relations Committee: Thomas Stoddard, Chairperson

Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Christine Plonski-Sezer

- a) The next scheduled meetings will be May 21, 2013 and June 4, 2013. Both meetings at 6:00 PM. Committee to report at 5:30 PM.

8.1 MVESPA Labor relations committee: Thomas Stoddard, Chairperson

Committee Members, Stephen Kilmer, Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Sondra Stine

- a. The next scheduled meetings with be May 15, 2013 and June 6, 2013. Both meetings at 6:00 PM. Committee to report at 5:30 PM.

9. Consent Agenda

Items removed for separate action; none

The motion is made by Mr. Twining, second by Mrs. Stine to approve the consent agenda.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried (9 Yes)

9.1 Approve Quarterly Report for High School Scholarship Fund

The motion is made to accept the financial reports for the Mountain View High School Scholarship Fund for the quarter ending 3/31/2013, and to file for audit.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.2 Approve the following Science Textbooks

The motion is made to approve the following Science Textbooks:

- a) Campbell Biology: 9th edition, Copyright: 2012, Publisher – Pearson; Author: Reece, Urry, Cain, Wasserman, Minorsky, and Jackson; Grade Level – AP Biology

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.3 Approve Conference Request

The motion is made to approve the following Conference Request:

- a) **Jamie White and Diana Slick** on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 to attend the 3rd annual school counselor professional development day, at Marywood University, Scranton, PA. No substitute requires, no cost to the district

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.4 Approve Field Trip Request

- a. **Pamela Ealo, Lindsay Radicchi, Robyn O'Brien, Colleen Heller, Marion Seamans, Danielle Scott, Judy Bell, and 12 students**, on Monday, May 20, 2013 to go to Pump-N-Pantry and Ice Cream stand in New Milford, Pa. No substitutes are required, transportation cost \$70.55.
- b. **Cheryl Decker, Joy Bognatz, Kristy Bayle & 19 Pre-K students**, on Thursday, June 6, 2013 to go to the Discovery Center, Binghamton, NY. Transportation cost \$225.00 and registration fee \$152.00 for a total cost of \$376.00.
- c. **Gretchen Wydeen & 9 students** on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 to attend Good Food Tour at Wegmans, Dickson City, PA and Osaka, Scranton, PA. Transportation cost paid through F&CS activity fund. Substitute cost - \$85.00.
- d. **Jackie Ferenczi, Scott Fisher, Katie Holzman, Diana Slick, Linda VanGorden, 76 Students, and 12 chaperones** on Friday, June 7, 2013 to go to Soldier's Orphan School and Linda Berol's alpaca farm, Kingsley, PA. Transportation cost paid by Harford Historical Society. No cost to the District.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.5 Approve Addition to Substitute List

The motion is made to approve the following additions to the substitute list:

- a) Ashley Gregory, Throop, Pa, certified K-6 Elementary Education
- b) Chelsea Lunger, Montrose, Pa, certified K-6, Elementary Education
- c) Anthony McKennas, Montrose, Pa, certified K-6, Elementary Education, Grades 7-9 in Math, Science, and Citizenship
- d) Jacklyn Bewich, Newfoundland, Pa, certified K-6 Elementary Education, ESL, and 7-12 English Content Knowledge
- e) Jamie Kauczka-Esgro, Scott Township, Pa, certified Early Childhood, K-6 Elementary
- f) Ann Marie Ford, Clifford Township, Pa, Clerical, Cafeteria/Hall Monitor, and Paraprofessional
- g) Geraldine Pinker, Hop Bottom, Pa, Paraprofessional

Pending receipt of all documentation.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.6 Approve Data Processing Contract with CSIU

The motion is made to approve the Data Processing Contract with CSIU, Lewisburg, PA. Based on enrollment of 1120 students, the cost for Fund Accounting is \$4,345.60, Payroll is \$5,006.40, and Personnel is \$1,769.60 for a total annual cost of \$11,121.60.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.7 Approve Homebound Teacher

The motion is made to approve Mary Ann Tranovich as a homebound teacher and add her to the homebound list of teachers.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.8 Authorize Closure of Student Activity Account

The motion is made to authorize closure of the English Club Student Activity Account with the balance of \$280.63 to be transferred to the Student Government Activity Account.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.9 Approve Refund of Taxes Paid:

The motion was made to approve a refund of taxes paid by Jeffrey T. & Wendy L. Hixson in the amount of \$210.51 for school year 2012-2013 and include a copy of request in the board minutes as attached.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

9.10 Approve Advertising for Winter Sports

The motion is made to approve advertising for Boy's Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Junior High Basketball Coaches and Girl's Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Junior High Basketball Coaches with applications due in the Business Office by 2:00 PM, June 3, 2013.

Resolution 274 – Motion Carried Under Consent Agenda (9 Yes)

Discuss Preliminary Budget – 2013-2014

10. Administration

10.1 Superintendent's Comments – Mrs. Francine Shea – Nothing new to report

10.2 Business Manager – Mr. Joseph Patchcoski – Nothing new to report

10.3 Principal's Comments

Elementary Principal – Mr. Andrew Doster continues to have a positive year. On Tuesday, May 21st the 6th grade will leave for Washington, DC for their trip,
High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley reported the prom was held on Friday, May 10th. Keystone exams are taking place in Literature today and tomorrow. On Wednesday and Thursday will be the Biology Keystone exams on Algebra Keystone exams will be next week. He extended his congratulations to Mrs. Aten and Mrs. Fitzpatrick and the students of student government for being recognized for receiving the National Student Council Award.

10.4 Director of Curriculum & Instruction and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt

Mrs. Voigt reported the Federal Monitoring was last Monday. There were no findings, everything with in order. We will be good for 3 years. The science showcase was held last Thursday in the elementary school. This Thursday is the math competition. We are a

part of the math grant which will allow us to access materials free from NASA. There will be a free summer student stem camp in July for grades 3 through 8.

10.5 Director of Special Services – Mr. Michael Slesinski

Mr. Slesinski passed out the requested information on the number of learning support teachers and paraprofessionals are in the elementary and high school. Along with data on new students enrolled with IEP's and the number off campus.

Mrs. Shea asked if anyone have questions for Mr. Georgetti or Mr. Soya. This lead to a discussion on the new proposed student information system.

Motion to Change the Library Software

The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine to change the library software from Alexandria to Follette at an initial cost of \$5,518.50 for the first year to include conversion, training, and implementation. The cost for the second year would be \$2,358.00 as amended.

Resolution 275 – Motion Carried (9 Yes)

Motion to Change the Student Information Software

The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine to change the Student Information Software from Skyward to Sapphire at a cost of \$41,739 for conversion, training and implementation for the first year, the second year cost of \$19,452.00. Meal Magic for the first year cost of \$3800.00 and the second year cost of \$2310.00.

Motion is withdrawn – Meeting recessed at 8:25 PM. Meeting reconvened at 8:40 PM

Motion to Change the Student Information Software

The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine to change the Student Information Software to Sapphire from Skyward at a cost of \$37,934.00 the first year to include conversion, training, and implementation; the second year cost would be \$19,452.00.

Resolution 276 – Motion Carried (9 Yes 1 No) Mr. Twining voting no.

Motion to Change Point of Sale Software

The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine to change to Meal Magic for the Cafeteria Point of Sale Software at a cost of \$3800.00 the first year to include conversion, training, and implementation; the second year cost would be \$2,310.00.

Resolution 277 – Motion Carried (8 Yes, 1 No) Mr. Twining voting no.

New Business from Board Members – Nothing new to report

Second Hearing of Visitors

Kristen Canfield, South Gibson, representing the car/van drivers presented data to the Board in asking for a raise in the rate paid per mile. She also pointed out the need for the drivers to have information on medical issues with their students to be better prepared in case of an emergency. It was pointed out the need to be advised of discipline issues as well.

Dave Schulte, Clifford Township, is in favor of the parent waiver, but suggested the student also sign it. He feels if the student signs the waiver they will do better in the class. He does not completely agree with the minimum grade requirement. In a lot of cases it is a maturity factor. He feels calculus should be taught before the student is a senior as it is needed for some of the advanced sciences.

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

Monday, May 6, 2013 – 8:15 PM to 9:45 PM for personnel
Monday, May 13, 2013 – 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM for personnel

SCHEDULED:

Monday, May 13, 2013 following the public meeting for personnel
Monday, May 20, 2013 before and after the public meeting for personnel

11. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Aherne to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:09 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Diane Makosky
Board Secretary