

1. Opening Activities

1.1. Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education held on May 28, 2013 in the James W. Zick Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:18 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, Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Mrs. Dava Rinehart-Cowan, and Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary, Non-Member.

Absent:

Mr. Stephen Kilmer, Mr. Roy Twining

1.4. Administration Present

Mrs. Francine Shea, Superintendent; Mr. Joseph Patchcoski, Business Manager, Mr. Michael Slesinski, Director of Special Services, Mrs. Karen Voigt, Director of Curriculum and Federal Programs.

Absent

Laurie Cobb, Assistant Business Manager, Mr., Andrew Doster Elementary Principal, Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal

1.5 Approval of the Minutes – May 20, 2013.

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, to approve the minutes dated May 20, 2013 as presented.

Resolution 285 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

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

2.1 Approve Tentative General Fund Budget

The motion was made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine, to approve a tentative General Fund Budget for the 2013-2014 fiscal year for the Mountain View School District totaling \$17,863,433.00 based on 35.8608 mills real estate tax, \$5.00 per capita tax under Act 511, \$5.00 per capita tax under Section 679 of the Public School Code, Occupational Assessment Tax at 100 mills, 1% Earned Income Tax under Act 511, and 1% real estate transfer tax.

Resolution 286 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

2.2 Appoint School District Treasurer for 2013-2014

The motion is made by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan, second by Mrs. Stine, to appoint Roy Twining as school district treasurer for the 2013-2014 school year, at a rate of \$2,400.00 per year.

Resolution 287 – Motion carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

3. Personnel Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Christine Plonski-Sezer

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan to accept the letter of resignation from Judy Molenko from her study hall/lunch monitor position at the high school effective May 17, 2013 as presented.

Resolution 288 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Michael Barhite

Dr. Plonski-Sezer presented the second reading of policy #115 – Vocational Technical Education Policy and #204 Pupils Attendance Policy.

Joy Bognatz asked to a reading of the changes to policy #115. These two policies will be posted to the website.

5. Education Committee: Ellen Aherne, Chairperson

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Sondra Stine

6. Building and Site Committee: Roy Twining, Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Michael Barhite

7. Transportation Committee: Mr. Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Stephen Kilmer, Roy Twining

8. MVEA Labor Relations Committee: Mr. Stoddard, Chairperson

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

- A meeting with the MVEA was held May 21, 2013. The next scheduled meeting will be June 4, 2013. Meeting 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

- The next scheduled meetings will be June 6, and June 13, 2013. Both meetings at 6:00 PM. Committee to report at 5:30 PM.

9. Consent Agenda

Items removed for separate action; No items were removed.

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mrs. Aherne to approve the consent agenda as corrected.

Resolution 289 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

9.1 Approve Long Term Substitute

The motion is made to approve John Fitzpatrick as a long term high school substitute having served 30 consecutive days in the same position, at a rate of \$160.00 per day, retroactive to May 23, 2013.

Resolution 289 – Motion Carried under the Consent Agenda (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

9.2 Approve Addition to Substitute List

The motion is made to add Lisa Ingaglio, Hop Bottom, to the paraprofessional substitute list, pending receipt of all documentation.

Resolution 289 – Motion Carried under the Consent Agenda (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

9.3 Approve Homebound Instruction

The motion is made to approve homebound instruction for student #15054 beginning August 28, 2013 to the end of the 2012-2013 school year, per IEP Requirement.

Resolution 289 – Motion Carried under the Consent Agenda (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

9.4 Approve Conference Request

The motion is made to approve conference request for:

1. **Katie Naegele** on Tuesday June 11, 2013 to attend *Read like a Detective* at NEIU19, Archbald, PA. No substitute required - no cost to the District.

Resolution 289 – Motion Carried under the Consent Agenda (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

10. Administration**10.1 Superintendent's Comments – Mrs. Francine Shea**

- Mrs. Shea noted the upcoming Pennsylvania Education Summit on June 13th. Anyone interested in attending should let her know.
- She also commented on the budget. The easy cuts have been made with more difficult cuts to come. We will be drawing down the fund balance in lieu of raising taxes. We must look at the revenue. We must keep a fiscally sound structure in place. Administration spent time working with the Business Manager and Assistant Business Manager. The budget will be posted on the website tomorrow. It is hard to control costs due to rising health care, retirement costs and mandates put on us with no funding from the state.

10.2 Business Manager – Mr. Joseph Patchcoski

- Mr. Patchcoski reminded everyone there is still work to be done this is only a tentative budget. He said it will be available to the public tomorrow.

10.3 Principal's Comments

Elementary Principal – Mr. Andrew Doster – Karen Voigt reported Mr. Doster returned from Washington and that everyone had a good time. Field days are going on this week.
High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley leaves for Virginia Beach tomorrow with the seniors.

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

1. **VLINC Restructuring** – Mrs. Voigt reported that NEIU 19 will no longer be supporting VLINC. It is being transferred to NEIU 15 in Harrisburg. The cost of the program will increase from \$1,000.00 annually to \$5,500.00 annually. There will be a free online course offered in Digital Citizenship. She pointed out that students that need to take Algebra or Geometry find it difficult to take an online course and be successful without the benefit of a teacher. She proposed we offer summer school and charge the same fee of \$225.00 for those students needing Algebra or Geometry. She feels we would break even.
2. **Keystone Refreshers** – Mrs. Voigt said they are working on the schedule for next year for students not scoring proficient on the Keystone Exams that a refresher course would be offered during 9th period for Algebra, Literature, & Biology, each being offered 2 days a week.

10.5 Director of Special Services – Mr. Michael Slesinski

- Mr. Slesinski is in the process of reviewing responses for the ESY. He is also working on the annual application for alternative education for students with disruptive behavior.

New Business from Board Members – Mr. Williams thanked the administration for their work on the budget.

Second Hearing of Visitors

- Chad Hollenbeck, Brooklyn Township asked if a decision had been made regarding reinstatement of the wrestling program. Mr. Presley is checking with the National Guard on the donation of the mats, he is also looking into a lead for donation of uniforms. It was the consensus of the Board the program would be reinstated.
- Ann Corbin, Brooklyn asked if there were any programs or classes being eliminated that the State could come back and fine us like in the past?

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

HELD:

- Monday, May 20, 2013, 8:50 PM to 11:45 PM for personnel
- Monday, May 28, 2013, 6:00 PM to 7:14 PM for personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, May 28, 2013 following the public meeting for personnel
- Monday, June 10, 2013 before and after public meeting for personnel

11. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Aherne to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Diane Makosky
Secretary