

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

**Monday, July 24, 2017**  
**MINUTES**

**1.1 Call to Order**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on July 24, 2017 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:33 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. Kenneth Decker; Mrs. Monica Miller; Mrs. Sondra Stine; Mr. Jason Casselbury.

Absent: Mr. Ed Napierkowski, Treasurer; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer.

**Administration Present**

Mrs. Karen Voigt, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal; Mrs. Christine Kelly, Elementary Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Dr. Patricia Pasierb, Director of Special Services; Ms. Rachel Terry, Asst. Business Manager.

**1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:**

**Presentation:** Elementary and Jr/Sr High Handbooks

- Mr. Presley presented updates to the Jr. / Sr. High School Handbook.
- Mrs. Kelly presented updates to the Elementary School Handbook.

**1.5 Approval of the Minutes –July 10, 2017**

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the minutes dated July 10, 2017 as presented.

Motion 17 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

**1.6 Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report:** Edward Napierkowski, Treasurer, reported as listed.

**1.7 First Hearing of Visitors – You may speak about anything on the agenda. (Please state your name and township when being recognized)**

- Corey Gesford asked to which private schools we provide transportation.

- Corey Gesford asked what rules state that we have to provide transportation to private schools.
- Dan Anthony asked how you know if a student is homeless.

## **2. Finance Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Monica Miller

### Financial Reports

#### **2.1 Approve June Disbursements**

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury, to confirm payment of the 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 \$4,334,065.00

Motion 18 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

#### **2.2 Approve July 24, 2017 Bill Lists**

The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the list of bills for the July 24, 2017 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$376,943.78.

Motion 19 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

**2.3** The motion is made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the following quarterly reports dated June 30, 2017 as presented and file for audit:

1. High School Activities Account
2. High School Scholarship Account
3. Elementary School Activities Account
4. Athletic Account

Motion 20 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **3. Personnel Committee: Monica Miller, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte

#### **3.1 Approve Substitutes**

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve the following substitutes, pending receipt of all documentation:

Patricia Button, Kingsley, PA, to the clerical, cafeteria monitor, cafeteria and paraprofessional substitute lists

Motion 21 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

#### **3.2 Approve Substitutes**

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve the following substitutes, pending receipt of all documentation:

Ashley Beavers, Hop Bottom, PA, to the clerical and paraprofessional substitute lists

Motion 22 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### **3.3 Appoint Athletic Trainer**

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Mr. Richmond, to appoint Daniel Frost, as Athletic Trainer for the 2017-2018 school year at \$2,300.00 per season (fall, winter, spring) for a total of \$6,900.00.

Motion 23 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson**

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Jason Casselbury

**4.1** First Reading-Policy #249 Bullying/Cyberbullying/Sexting

**4.2** First Reading-Policy #221 Dress and Grooming

**4.3** Second Reading- Policy #815 Acceptable Use of Technology and the Internet

## **5. Education Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Sondra Stine

**5.1** Approve Title III Consortia MOU

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the Title III Consortia MOU, as presented.

Motion 24 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

**5.2** Approve Conference Requests

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

A. James Soya, Matthew Georgetti, Robert Presley, Christine Kelly, Mary Lynne Twining and Michele Strickland on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, to attend Sapphire University 2017, Hershey, PA (Travel \$314.58)

Motion 25 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **6. Building and Site Committee: Jason Casselbury, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor stated that the light poles were removed. New ones will be installed on Wednesday, weather permitting. The grease traps were worked on at the HS. Nearly all of the floors have been refinished with both gym floors recoated. The new van has arrived. Sections of the sidewalk at the HS are being replaced.

## **7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Jason Casselbury

### **7.1 Approve Bus Contractor**

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve Chris Catalfamo as the bus contractor for bus route #6.

Motion 26 Carried: 5 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Casselbury, Mrs. Stine, Mr. Decker), 2 No (Mrs. Miller, Mr. Schulte), 2 Absent (Dr. Plonski-Sezer, Mr. Napierkowski)

### **7.2 Approve Bus Route**

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Richmond, to approve the rerouting of bus route #3. Bus route #3 will service Faith Mountain students. Bus Route #3 will be paid by state formula; however, it will only be paid to 72 capacity / 48 pupils. If ridership ever exceeds 48 pupils, formula will be adjusted to reflect increased riders.

Motion 27 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **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

- Mr. Barhite mentioned that Mrs Voigt, Mr. Barhite, Mr. Breese and Mrs. Holzman met for a pre-negotiations early bird meeting on July 18.

### **8.1 Grievance**

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Casselbury to reject the grievance as filed on July 6, 2017 by MVESPA

Motion 28 Carried: 7 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Casselbury, Mr. Schulte, Mr. Decker, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Stine), 2 Absent (Mr. Napierkowski, Dr. Plonski-Sezer)

## **9. Administration**

### **9.1 Principals' Comments**

**Elementary Principal – Mrs. Christine Kelly**

- Mrs. Kelly is busy getting ready for the fall. She thanked Mr. Taylor for getting the building ready. She thanked Amy Stedman and Stacey Decker for working in SKRP the past 2 weeks.

#### **High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley**

- Mr. Presley said the master schedule is nearly complete. The upstairs is completely cleaned and the downstairs is nearly finished. There was no summer school offered due to low registration.

#### **9.2 Director of Special Services – Dr. Patricia Pasierb**

- Absent

#### **9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction –Dr. Christopher Lake**

- Dr. Lake mentioned that we have received Keystone & AP results. There is a meeting with cyber school families on August 3 at 7:00pm in the HS. The assessment tool, iReady, will be implemented this year.

#### **9.4 Business Manager- Mr. Thomas Witiak**

- None.

#### **9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt**

- Mrs. Voigt stated the third Children's Market will be held tomorrow. The elementary summer theatre's performance was held last Thursday. Tri-Cities Opera is performing Glory Denied in Binghamton this fall with some MV students attending. Transportation and admission will be paid by a donor through the Community Foundation.

#### **New Business from Board Members**

- Mr. Schulte noted that he has been in contact with ACS and is hoping for a \$500 grant from them.

#### **Second Hearing of Visitors**

- Corey Gesford asked if parents could opt-out of ChromeBooks.
- Corey Gesford asked how many pages are in the dress code.
- Corey Gesford stated what the dress-code should be changed to.
- Corey Gesford asked what portion of our budget is for healthcare.
- Corey Gesford asked what would be the change in cost if the United States switches to a National Single Payer System.
- Corey Gesford asked why there is not term limits for board members.
- Corey Gesford asked which region Mr. Barhite represented.
- Gary Sanauskas asked if the bus line-up could be adjusted to keep the crosswalk open at all times.
- Pat Fernelli asked for clarification on the dress code.

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

#### **HELD:**

- Monday, July 10, 2017, 8:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., Personnel
- Monday, July 24, 2017- 6:00 PM to 7:25 PM for Personnel, Real Estate, Labor Relations

**SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, July 24, 2017, after the public meeting
- Monday, August 14, 2017, before and after the public meeting

**10. Adjourn**

The motion was made by Mr. Richmond, second by Mrs. Miller, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.6-July 10, 2017 Minutes
- 1.7-Treasurer's Report & Cafeteria Report
- 2.1-Disbursements
- 2.2-Bill List
- 2.3-Quarterly Report
- 4.1- Policy #249 Bullying
- 4.2 - Policy #221 Dress and Grooming
- 4.3 - Policy #815 Technology
- 5.1- Title III MOU
- FYI 1 - Land Proposal Susquehanna County Recreational Building
- FYI 1 2-WVIA Enhanced Scholar Program

Respectfully Submitted by,

Tom Witiak