

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

Monday, February 25, 2019
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on February 25, 2019 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:10 PM by Mr. Jason Richmond, President.

1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Roll Call – Board Members Present:

Mr. Jason Richmond, President; Mr. Kenneth Decker, First Vice President; Mr. Edward Napierkowski, Second Vice President; Mr. Danny Very, Treasurer; Mrs. Monica Miller; Mrs. Sondra Stine; Mr. Michael Barhite; Mr. David Schulte; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer.

Absent: None

Administration Present:

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

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

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

SGA-Sydney Barhite

- Sydney presented the MVSGA School Board Liaison Report.

Presentation -VLN –Jamie Marshall

- Mr. Marshall presented an internal online program alternative to Cyber Charter Schools.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –February 11, 2019

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the minutes dated February 11, 2019, as presented.

Motion 214 Carried: 9 Yes

1.6 Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report: Dan Very, Treasurer, reported as listed.

- Mr. Very presented the Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report.

1.7 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.*

- None.

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Monica Miller

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve February Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the February 25, 2019 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$194,302.09.

Motion 215 Carried: 9 Yes

2.2 Approve Student Activities

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the creation of the following student activities – 2020 PASC State Conference.

Motion 216 Carried: 9 Yes

2.3 Approve Mark's Driving School, LLC

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Mark's Driving School, LLC to provide the Mountain View Students with behind the wheel driving instruction and testing for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

Motion 217 Carried: 9 Yes

2.4 Approve Paper Bid

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to award bid for copy paper to Contract Paper Group (CPG) of Ohio in the amount of \$26.96 per case.

Motion 218 Carried: 9 Yes

2.5 Approve January Disbursements

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Miller, 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 \$3,528,639.26.

Motion 219 Carried: 9 Yes

2.6 Approve Exonerations for Real Estate, Per Capita and Occupation Taxes

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Miller, to approve exonerations for 2019 real estate, 2019 per capita taxes and 2018 occupation taxes as submitted by the Susquehanna County Courthouse and tax collectors, as presented.

Motion 220 Carried: 9 Yes

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 Mrs. Stine, to approve the following volunteer:

Joyce Harvey, Hop Bottom, PA: Softball

Motion 221 Carried: 9 Yes

3.2 Approve Substitute

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the following substitute.

a. Luke Duceman, Mount Carmel, PA, to the secondary substitute List

Motion 222 Carried: 9 Yes

3.3 Approve Coaches

The motion is made by Mrs. Miller, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the following coaches:

Carly Propst, Ass't Softball Coach Beach Lake
Dave Harvey, Head Softball Coach Hop Bottom
Laura Sedlak, JH Softball Coach, Clifford Twp

Motion 223 Carried: 9 Yes

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Edward Napierkowski, Danny Very

4.1 First Reading of the following policy:

Policy #806- Child Abuse

- Policy #806- Child Abuse was not read. It will be read and discussed at the Policy Committee Meeting held on March 6, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the James Zick Board Room.

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. Very, to approve the following conference requests:

- A. Katie Naegele and Pam Ealo on Monday, March 25, 2019, Oppositional Defiant and Disruptive Children and Adolescents, Hilton Scranton Conference Center (Registration \$399.98, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$589.98)
- B. Janice Price on Tuesday through Friday, March 19-22, 2019, PA State Athletic Directors Association Meeting, Hershey, PA (Travel \$165.88)
- C. Allison Martino and Carol Rainey, Monday, March 4, 2019, School Counselor Workshop with a Focus on High Priority, NEIU (No cost to the district)
- D. Allison Bluhm, Friday through Sunday, March 29-31, 2019, PASNAP, State College (Lodging \$256.00, Registration \$350.00, Substitute Teacher \$95.00; Total \$701.00)
- E. Karen Galvin, Wednesday through Saturday, April 10-April 13, 2019 PA State Speech Language/Hearing Association Convention (Travel \$165.85, Tolls/Parking \$97.00, Lodging \$447.00, Registration \$295.00, Total \$1,004.85)

Motion 224 Carried: 9 Yes

5.2 Approve Field Trip Requests

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

- A. Andrea Aten and 3 students, Thursday through Saturday, March 14-16, 2019, PASC Executive Board Meeting, March 2019, Johnstown, PA (Substitute \$190.00, all other expenses paid by PASC)
- B. Sheri Ransom and 9-11 students, Wednesday, April 24, 2019, Carnegie Science Centers Mobile FabLab, Steamtown Mall (Transportation \$29.00)
- C. Todd Calabro and Whitney Johnson and 15 students, Wednesday, March 6, 2019, Science Olympiad, Penn State Wilkes Barre (Transportation \$302.10, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$492.10)
- D. Andrea Aten and 3 students, Wednesday, March 6, 2019, Kalahari March Planning Meeting, Mt. Pocono, PA (No cost to the district)
- E. Charleene Martens and Brion Stone and 8 students, TBD, PM's for 7 days, maple syrup collecting, Dennis Farm, Brooklyn, PA (No cost to the district)

Motion 225 Carried: 9 Yes

5.3 Approve School Calendar

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the 2019-2020 school year calendar as presented.

Motion 226 Carried: 9 Yes

6. Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor stated the wood boiler went down on 3 separate occasions today. There were lots of sticks in the latest load. The supplier has been notified. Several windows in the ES will be replaced. They will need to be re-tinted. Additional lighting and water can be added to the generator.

7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

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 announced that last Thursday was the first 3-hour delay. He thanked the cafeteria staff for quickly serving children. Thanked the PTO for hosting the "Girls Just Wanna Fun" dance. This week is Dr. Seuss week. Progress Reports go out on March 11.

High School Principal – Mr. Robert Presley

- Mr. Presley stated that winter sports have concluded. The girls basketball team won their first playoff game. The boys basketball team lost their first playoff game. The Produce Market will be held on Tuesday, February 26. Tri-Cities Opera will be held on Wednesday. He and Dr. Elia are working on the program of studies.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski

- Mrs. Anuszewski mentioned that there will be two Tact-2 trainings in March. The Friends of the Poor will provide us with the backpack snack program.

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction –Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia said that the math department is meeting with math vendors to determine the optimum curriculum. The latest safety meeting focused on safety assessment. The safety grant was resubmitted. Science and art curricula are being revised.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- No comment.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt

- Mrs. Voigt stated we must complete a district-wide risk assessment. We will review safety policies. We will be holding a safety summit with parents, guardians, and community members. We are considering purchasing vaping detectors / noise detectors for the HS lavatories. They cost almost \$1,000 each. Odyssey of the Mind will be held March 9. She thanked the late Juanita Bennett for a \$50,000 post-mortem donation. The 3-hour delay went smoothly, but we will work out a few kinks.

New Business from Board Members

- Mr. Schulte declared that the Clifford Fire Department is participating in anti-suicide training. The Clifford Fire Department will also begin carrying a flack jacket in the ambulance.
- Mr. Decker hopes that a neighboring school district will participate in wrestling team cooperative.

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

HELD:

- Monday, February 25, 2019- 6:00 PM-7:05 PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, February 25, 2019, after the public meeting
- Monday, March 11, 2019 before and after the public meeting

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:19 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5-February 11, 2019 minutes
- 2.1-February 2019 Bill List
- 2.2-Student Activities
- 2.3-Mark's Driving School
- 2.5-Disbursements
- 2.6-Exonerations
- 4.1-#806 Child Abuse Policy
- FYI-Conference Reports
- FYI 2-January 2019 Transition Activity Report
- FYI 3-Adult Education-Spring 2019
- FYI 4-VLN Information

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak