

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

Monday, September 28, 2020
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on September 28, 2020 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:17 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. Michael Barhite, Second Vice President; Mr. Michael Talabiska, Treasurer; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer; Mrs. Sondra Stine; Mr. David Schulte; Mr. Danny Very.

Absent: Mr. Derek O’Dell.

Administration Present:

Dr. Mike Elia, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Dr. Mark Lemoncelli, High School Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal (via call-in); Douglas Womelsdorf, Director of Curriculum; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski, Special Education Director.

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –September 14, 2020

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mrs. Stine, to approve the minutes dated September 14, as presented.

Motion 77 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

1.6 Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report: Michael Talabiska, Treasurer, reported as listed.

- Mr. Talabiska presented the Treasure 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, Derek O'Dell

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve September Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the September 28, 2020 General Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$680,071.75.

Motion 78 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.2 Approve August Disbursements

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, 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 \$2,668,140.02.

Motion 79 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

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

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve exonerations for 2020 real estate, 2020 per capita taxes and 2020 occupation taxes as submitted by the Susquehanna County Courthouse and tax collectors, as presented.

Motion 80 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.4 Approve Homestead / Farmstead Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the Homestead Farmstead printing and mailing agreement with GSS. \$0.35 per piece for printing and \$0.55 per piece for postage, as presented.

Motion 81 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.5 Approve Verizon Limited Distance Learning Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the Verizon Limited Distance Learning Agreement.

Motion 82 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Derek O'Dell

3.1 Accept Letter of Resignation

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mrs. Stine, to accept the letter of resignation from Stephanie Anuszewski from her Director of Special Services position effective October 9, 2020, as presented.

Motion 83 Carried: 6 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mrs. Stine, Dr. Plonski-Sezer, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Talabiska, Mr. Decker), 2 No (Mr. Schulte, Mr. Very), 1 Absent (Mr. O'Dell)

3.2 Authorize Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to authorize advertising for a Director of Special Services position with benefits per Act 93 Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Motion 84 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.3 Approve Business Office Salaries

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the Business Office salaries for July 1, 2020-June 30, 2023, as presented.

Motion 85 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.4 Approve Business Office Benefit Package

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the Business Office Benefit Package for July 1, 2020-June 30, 2023, as presented.

Motion 86 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.5 Approve Substitute

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

- a. Seth Fluck, Brooklyn, PA, to the H.S./Elem. Substitute lists

Motion 87 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.6 Appoint Custodian Position

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to appoint Alayna Robinson, Kingsley, to a full-time custodian position at a starting rate \$11.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, effective September 29, 2020.

- Motion placed on hold. No action taken.

3.7 Approve Supplemental Salary Requests

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve supplemental salary requests for 2020-2021, as presented.

Motion 88 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Derek O'Dell

4.1 Second Reading of the Following Policies (Discussion):

Policy #006.1-Attendance at Meetings via Electronic Communications

- Dr. Plonski-Sezer read Policy #006.1-Attendance at Meetings via Electronic Communications

5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

5.1 Approve Instruction in the Home

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Instruction in the Home for Student #29080 beginning August 27, 2020.

Motion 89 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.2 Approve Instruction in the Home

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Instruction in the Home for Student #26080 beginning August 27, 2020.

Motion 90 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.3 Approve Instruction in the Home

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Instruction in the Home for Student #31069 beginning August 27, 2020.

Motion 91 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.4 Approve Instruction in the Home

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Instruction in the Home for Student #32062 beginning August 27, 2020.

Motion 92 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.5 Approve Homebound

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Homebound for Student #30011 beginning 9/21/2020 and ending TBD.

Motion 93 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.6 Re-Approve Resocialization of Sports Recommendations

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to re-approve the Resocialization of Sports Recommendations, as presented.

Motion 94 Carried: 7 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Decker, Mr. Very, Mr. Talabiska, Mrs. Stine, Dr. Plonski-Sezer), 1 No (Mr. Schulte), 1 Absent (Mr. O'Dell)

6. Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor stated the cost of the pipe repair is going to cost about \$30,000. The pipe was air-pressure tested to check the quality of the repair. A camera was placed into the pipe for a visual inspection.

7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

7.1 Approve Car/Van Substitute Drivers

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Very, to appoint the following car/van substitute driver for the 2020-2021 school year:

Joann Brown, Hop Bottom, PA
Christine Zeck, Thompson, PA

Motion 95 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

8. Labor Relations Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson

MVEA Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Dan Very, Kenneth Decker
MVESPA Committee Members, Christine Plonski-Sezer, David Schulte, Sondra Stine

8.1 Approve MOU with MVEA for Duration of Contract

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve the MOU with the MVEA for the duration of the MVEA Contract (Expiring June 2023), as presented.

Motion 96 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

9. Administration

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake

- Dr. Lake wished Mrs. Anuszewski good luck. He welcomed Mr. Womelsdorf to Mountain View. There will still be a Halloween parade. Fire prevention week will occur with local fire departments.

High School Principal –Dr. Mark Lemoncelli

- Dr. Lemmoncelli announced that Hannah Gerron won the Distinguished Leader Award. WVIA nominated 2 Mountain View students Megan Zipprich and Stephanie Nichols. Mrs. McHenry was elected regional FBLA advisor.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski

- Absent

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction – Mr. Douglas Womelsdorf

- Mr. Womelsdorf stated it was a pleasure to be part of Mountain View.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- No comment.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia announced that meal pick-up will be extended to 7 days per week. Neighbors can pick up meals.

New Business from Board Members

- Mr. Schulte said fire prevention week will be updated to be socially distanced.
- Mr. Decker thanked the district's excellent administration.

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- Justin Fletcher asked if we will be full-time until next marking period. Mr. Richmond said the board will vote again at the October 26 meeting.
- Ted Brewster asked what the resocialization plan entails. Mr. Richmond said that 75 people will be allowed at indoor events. Tickets will be for family members.

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

HELD:

- Monday, September 28, 2020-6:00 PM-7:10 PM for Personnel, Negotiations

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, October 12, 2020 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 7:51 PM.

Enclosures:

1.5-September 14, 2020 minutes
1.7-Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report
2.1-September 2020 Bill List
2.2-Disbursements
2.3-Exonerations
2.4-Homestead Agreement
3.1-Anuszewski Resignation
3.3-Business Office Salaries
3.4-Business Office Benefits
3.7-Supplemental Salaries
4.1-Policy #006.1-Attendance at Meetings via Electronic Communications
8.1-MVEA MOU

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak