

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

Monday, July 13, 2020
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on July 13, 2020 was held in the High School Auditorium and was called to order at 7:16 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 (via call-in); Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Dr. Mark Lemoncelli, High School Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal (via call-in); Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski, Special Education Director (via call-in); Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor (via call-in).

Absent: VACANT, Director of Curriculum; VACANT, Asst. Business Manager.

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

Presentation - High School Handbooks-Dr. Lemoncelli

- Dr. Lemoncelli presented the High School Handbook.

Presentation of the Resocialization of Sports Recommendations- Dr. Elia

- Dr. Elia presented the Resocialization of Sports Recommendations.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –June 22, 2020

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the minutes dated June 22, 2020, as presented.

Motion 1 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

1.6 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.

- Ted Brewster asked questions about the agenda and handbook.

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve July Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve the list of bills for the July 13, 2020 General Fund, Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$404,773.94.

Motion 2 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.2 Approve Continuation of Student Activities

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve continuation of the following student activities – Activities, Art Club, Band, Chorus, Class of 2021, Class of 2022, Family and Consumer Sciences, FBLA, FOCUS Class, Drama Club, Mountain View Student Government Association, National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society, Olweus / PBIS, PASC State Conference 2020, Students Against Drunk Driving, Scholastic Team, Science Club, Ski / Snowriders Club, Strategies for Life, Students In Need, and Yearbook for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion 3 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.3 Approve Closing of Student Activities

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve closing of the following student activities – Class of 2020 and Spanish Honor Society for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion 4 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.4 Approve PATH Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve an agreement between the Mountain View School District and PATH for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

Motion 5 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.5 Approve ProCare Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve an agreement between the Mountain View School District and ProCare Therapy, for Speech Language Services for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

Motion 6 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.6 Approve Electronic Signature Resolution

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve a resolution which grants Dr. Michael S. Elia, (Assistant Superintendent)/Superintendent, while in his position as such, permission to Electronically Sign documents for the Department of Education, as presented.

Motion 7 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.7 Approve MOU with Pennsylvania State Police

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Decker, to approve MOU between Pennsylvania State Police, Susquehanna County DA Office and the Mountain View School District from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, as presented.

Motion 8 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

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

3.1 Appoint Athletic Director

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Talabiska, to appoint Jan Price, Clifford Township, PA, as the athletic director for the 2020-2021 school year with a stipend of \$6,500.00.

Motion 9 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Derek O'Dell

4.1 Approve the Following Policy:

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mrs. Stine, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy #246-Student Wellness

Motion 10 Carried: 6 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Decker, Dr. Plonski-Sezer, Mr. Richmond, Mrs. Stine, Mr. Talabiska), 2 No (Mr. Schulte, Mr. Very), 1 Absent (Mr. O'Dell)

5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

5.1 Approve Handbooks

The motion is made by Mr. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to adopt the following handbooks for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented:

- a) HS Parent-Student Handbook
- b) Student Athletics

Motion 11 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.2 Approve Dual Enrollment

The motion is made by Mr. Stine, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve Dual Enrollment between the Mountain View School District and Lackawanna College for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

Motion 12 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.3 Approve Resocialization of Sports Recommendations

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

Motion 13 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

6. **Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor said that cleaning and waxing is almost complete at the ES. Dead trees around campus were removed. The sign in front of the school is more visible. Baseball field sod will be fixed by installer.

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

- Mr. Witiak mentioned that bus 24 will not be replaced. Instead, routes will be shifted. There will be an emphasis on load balancing.

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

9. **Administration**

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake

- Dr. Lake stated that he is working on re-opening. The largest class is 26. Still working on arrival protocols. Students will remain in classrooms as much as possible. Recess will be segmented.

High School Principal – Dr. Mark Lemoncelli

- Dr. Lemoncelli said he is working on the master schedule. Additional COVIS signage is being created by Mr. Donnelly. Believe we can follow the reopening plan and reopen safely.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski

- Mrs. Anuszewski declared that Virtual-ESY is in its second week. She is working on making the reopen work across all programs.

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction – VACANT

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- No comment.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia announced that the administration team is busy working on the safe reopening of both schools. The frequency of communication to households will increase in the coming weeks.

New Business from Board Members

- Mr. Schulte said that NHS students helped with the Clifford Fire Department BBQ.

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- Michael Bills asked if IEP meeting will be held virtually. Mrs. Anuszewski said that IEP meetings will be held virtually or by phone.

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

HELD:

- Monday, July 13, 2020 – 6:00 PM - 7:10PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Tuesday, July 27, 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 8:21 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5-June 22, 2020 Minutes
- 2.1-July 2020 Bill List
- 2.4-PATH Agreement
- 2.5-ProCare Agreement
- 2.6-Approve Electronic Signature Resolution
- 2.7-State Police MOU
- 4.1-Policy #246-Student Wellness
- 5.1-Handbooks
- 5.2-Lackawanna Dual Enrollment

5.3- Resocialization of Sports Recommendations

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak