

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

Monday, March 9, 2020
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on March 9, 2020 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:21 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; Mrs. Sondra Stine; Mr. Danny Very; Mr. David Schulte; Mr. Michael Talabiska; Mr. Derek O’Dell.

Absent: Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Treasurer.

Administration Present:

Mrs. Karen Voigt, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Dr. Mike Elia, Director of Curriculum; Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski, Special Education Director; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal; VACANT, Asst. Business Manager; VACANT, High School Principal.

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

2020-2021 Budget Presentations

Technology - Patty Button, Matt Georgetti

- Mrs. Button and Mr. Georgetti presented the Technology Budget in the amount of \$468,397.91.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –February 24, 2020

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the minutes dated February 24, 2020, as presented.

Motion 247 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.

- Corey Gesford asked about vacating coaching positions after each season.
- Ted Brewster asked about security.

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve March Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the March 9, 2020 General Fund, Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$340,862.21.

Motion 248 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.2 Approve Agreement with County Security Police

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve Agreement with Mark Richards, Security Services, effective immediately, \$26.50 per hour armed, \$18.50 per hour unarmed, as presented.

Motion 249 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.3 Support 2020 Reform of PA Charter School Payment Resolution

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to support the 2020 Charter School Payment Reform Resolution, as presented.

Motion 250 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

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

3.1 Motion to Appoint Special Education Teacher

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to appoint Corey Harrington, Dalton, PA as a Special Education Teacher, effective date to be determined, B+24 Column, Step 8 with a salary of \$58,782 and benefits according to the MVEA Agreement.

Motion 251 Carried: 7 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Schulte, Mr. Talabiska, Mrs. Stine, Mr. Very, Mr. O'Dell), 1 No (Mr. Decker), 1 Absent (Dr. Plonski-Sezer)

3.2 Approve Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following substitute.

- a. Sarah Rosar, Dunmore, PA, to the School Counselor Substitute list

Motion 252 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.3 Correct Approve Long Term Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve Miranda Price as a long term substitute for having serviced more than 30 consecutive days as a high school art teacher with the rate of \$160.00 per day retroactive to March 6, 2020 (corrected date).

Motion 253 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.4 Approve Spring Coaches

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following coaches/volunteer:

JH Baseball Coach	Ron Jackson	Kingsley Township
Boys Volleyball, Ass't Coach	Jordan Kochmer	Clifford Township
Boys Volleyball, Volunteer	Mark Hemmerly	Lenox Township
Girls Softball, Volunteer	Owen Bewley	Gibson Township

Motion 254 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 Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy #220- Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials

Motion 255 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4.2 Approve the Following Policy

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy #913-Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

Motion 256 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4.3 Approve the Following Policy

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy #006- Meetings

Motion 257 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4.4 Approve Retirement of Policies

The motion is made by Mr. Talabiska, second by Mr. Very, to to approve the retirement of the following policies:

Policy #'s 303 and 404

Motion 258 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4.5 First Reading of the Following Policies:

Policy #210-Use of Medication

- Mr. Talabiska read Policy #210-Use of Medication.

5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

5.1 Approve Conference Requests

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

- A. Leslie Gossage, Tuesday, March 17, 2020 and Friday, May 8, 2020, Title III Consortium Meetings, NEIU (No cost to the district).
- B. Karen Zaums, Wednesday, April 1 through Saturday, April 4, 2020, PSHA 2020 Convention, Pittsburgh, PA (Travel 351.90, Parking \$75.00, Lodging \$474.78, Registration \$235.00; Total \$1,236.68)
- C. Mason Stiver, Thursday through Saturday, May 23-25, 2020, PMEA All State Conference, Kalahari Resort (Travel \$34.50, Lodging \$394.20, Registration \$165.00, Substitute \$190.00; Total \$783.70)
- D. Stephanie Anuszewski, Lisa Kozloski, Charleene Martens, Monday and Tuesday, November 16 and 17, 2020, PA Association for Gifted Ed 2020 Conference (Travel \$126.50, Registration \$874.32; Total \$1,000.82)

Motion 259 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.2 Approve Field Trip Requests

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

- A. Alisha Hudak, Colleen Heller, Colleen Hammond, Debbie Pompey, 4 adults and 7 students, Tuesday, April 21, 2020, Lackawanna County Coal Mine Tour, Coal mine Tour and lunch, PA (Transportation \$36.27)
- B. Alisha Hudak, Colleen Heller, Colleen Hammond, Debbie Pompey, 4 adults and 7 students, Monday, March 16, 2020, Life Skills Bowling and Shopping (Transportation \$29.90)

- C. Alisha Hudak, Colleen Heller, Colleen Hammond, Debbie Pompey, 4 adults and 7 students, Thursday, May 7, 2020, STEM School Day at PNC Field (Transportation \$42.55)
- D. Charleene Martens, volunteer and 16 students, Monday, March 23, 2020, K'NEX Challenge (unknown cost to the district)
- E. Allison Martino, Samantha Hayden, Jamie White and 40 Juniors, Monday, April 27, 2020, College Fair Field Trip, Kings College and Misericordia University (Transportation \$307.00)
- F. Rebekah Ihlefeltd, Marybeth Krivak, HS Team, Holly James, Christine Misiura, Middle Level Team, 2020 NEIU Reading Competition, Western Wayne Middle and High Schools (Transportation \$244.18)
- G. Mason Stiver, Jamie Bottger and 8 students, Saturday, April 4, 2020, Jazz Fest, Blue Ridge High School (Transportation \$23.00, Registration \$400.00; Total \$423.00)
- H. Mason Stiver and 8 students, PMEA D9 Bandfest, Wallenpaupack Middle School (Transportation \$58.00, Registration \$400.00, Substitute \$95.00; Total \$553.00)
- I. Andrea Aten and 2020 PASC State Conference Chairs, Friday, May 1, 2020, PASC Region I Conference, Governor Mifflin HS (Substitute \$95.00, Transportation provided by PASC)
- J. Andrea Aten and 2020 PASC State Conference Chairs, Tuesday, April 28, 2020, PASC Region J Conference, Neshaminy HS (Substitute \$95.00, Transportation provided by PASC)
- K. Andrea Aten and 2020 PASC State Conference Chairs, Friday, April 3, 2020, PASC Region G Conference, Williamson HS (Substitute \$95.00, Transportation provided by PASC)
- L. Andrea Aten and 2020 PASC State Conference Chairs, Friday, March 20, 2020, PASC Region F Conference, Millersburg Area HS (Substitute \$95.00, Transportation provided by PASC)

Motion 260 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 the freezer door was delivered and installed. Door 39 was installed too. Andre & Son gave professional opinion on baseball field condition. Baseball scoreboards are ready to be installed. Bio-Globe disinfection was performed at both buildings.

7. Transportation Committee: Kenny Decker, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

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

- The board discussed contract negotiations during executive session.

9. Administration

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake

- Absent

High School Principal – Vacant

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Stephanie Anuszewski

- Mrs. Anuszewski mentioned that the Special Education conference in Hershey was cancelled because of Coronavirus fears. Sherri Ransom and Mrs. Anuszewski were scheduled to present. MVES Yoga Program was featured on WNEP.

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction –Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia congratulated the Boys Basketball on a successful season. A Walk Through Broadway musical was a great success. MVHS is hosting a FBLA conference. Dr. Lemoncelli shadowed at the HS last Thursday.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- Mr. Witiak announced we received the first refund check from ESG.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt

- Mrs. Voigt stated that Elk Mountain is refunding money from the most recent ski trip. They want it to be used towards the state SGA Conference at Kalahari. Two students competed at the Scholarship Challenge at Sayre. There is no asbestos in MVSD. MVSD is actively monitoring the Coronavirus situation – MV will be vigilant without panic. 7 students competed at PJAS with 4 first place finishes.

New Business from Board Members

- Mr. Barhite pondered if we can improve the crosswalk in front of the schools with lights.
- Mr. Decker was pleased to hear compliments about MVSD from former students.

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- Corey Gesford thanked Bob Taylor.

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

HELD:

- Monday, March 9, 2020 – 5:00 PM - 7:15 PM for Personnel, Negotiations

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, March 23, 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 8:44 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5- February 24, 2020 Minutes
- 2.1- March 2020 Bill List
- 2.2-County Police
- 2.3-Charter School Payment Resolution
- 4.1-Policy #220- Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials
- 4.2-Policy #913-Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals
- 4.3-Policy #006-Meetings
- 4.5-Policy #210-Use of Medication
- FYI-Information on Coronavirus/Flu
- FYI-2-NEIU#19 NEIU Program/Service Utilization Report
- FYI-3-Joint letter to NEPA Legislators-Cyber-Charter

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak