

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

Monday, October 11, 2021
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on October 11, 2021 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:05 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. Danny Very; Mr. David Schulte; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Mr. Michael Talabiska, Mr. Derek O’Dell.

Absent: Mrs. Sondra Stine, Treasurer.

Administration Present:

Dr. Mike Elia, Superintendent; Dr. Mark Lemoncelli, High School Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal (via call-in); Mrs. Erica Loftus, Special Services Director; Mr. Douglas Womelsdorf, Director of Curriculum; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager.

1.4 ELECT SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE:

The motion was made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer seconded by Mr. Schulte, to elect Mr. Talabiska as secretary pro tempore for the duration of this meeting per section 405 of the PA School Code.

Motion 113 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

1.5 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

Goals Presentation-Administrative Team

1.6 Approval of the Minutes –September 27, 2021

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the minutes dated September 27, 2021, as presented.

Motion 114 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

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.

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

2.1 Approve October Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the October 11, 2021 General Fund, Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$111,434.87.

Motion 115 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

2.2 Reconsider and Approve US Employee Benefits

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to reconsider and approve US Employee Benefits as the HRA provider effective January 1, 2022

Motion held. No action taken.

2.3 Reconsider and Approve agreement with WAEF Counseling Services LLC

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to reconsider and approve the agreement between the Mountain View School District and WAEF Counseling Services LLC, for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Motion held. No action taken.

2.4 Reconsider and Approve agreement with Head Start

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to reconsider and approve the agreement between the Mountain View School District and Head Start, for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Motion held. No action taken.

2.5 Approve Establishing Student Activity

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve establishing the following student activity, Class of 2024, for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion 116 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

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

3.1 Reconsider and Appoint Part-time Cafeteria Monitor

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to reconsider and appoint Cathy Swanson, Hop Bottom, PA as part-time cafeteria monitor with a salary of \$10.50 per hour and benefits per MVESPA, with a start date of September 28, 2021.

Motion 117 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.2 Appoint Elementary Art Teacher (Corrected Motion from August 9, 2021)

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to appoint Cynthia Stanton, Clifford Township, PA as an Elementary Art Teacher at a salary of \$68,907.00, Masters+24 Column, Step 3, effective October 12, 2021 and benefits according to the MVEA CBA.

Motion 118 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.3 Approve Long Term Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve Laura Sedlak as a long term substitute for having serviced more than 30 consecutive days as a math teacher with the rate of \$160.00 per day effective October 5, 2021.

Motion 119 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.4 Approve Long Term Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve Matthew Ord as a long term substitute for having serviced more than 30 consecutive days as an elementary teacher with the rate of \$160.00 per day effective October 5, 2021.

Motion 120 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.5 Approve Long Term Substitute

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve Jamie Supancik as a long term substitute for having serviced more than 30 consecutive days as an elementary art teacher with the rate of \$160.00 per day effective October 6, 2021.

Motion 121 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.6 Approve Affiliation Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve an affiliation agreement between the Mountain View School District and Clarks Summit University for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion 122 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.7 Approve Affiliation Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve an affiliation agreement between the Mountain View School District and Keystone College for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion 123 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.8 Approve Affiliation Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve an affiliation agreement between the Mountain View School District and Marywood College for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion 124 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

3.9 Approve Volunteer

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve Karen Krizauskas, Clifford Twp., as a volunteer for the high school and elementary health offices.

Motion 125 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

4.1 Second Reading of the Following Policy (discussion):

Policy 008- Organization Chart

4.2 Approve the PSBA Policy Participation Agreement:

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mr. Schute, to approve the PSBA Policy Participation Agreement, as presented.

Motion 126 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

4.3 First Reading of the Following Policies:

Policy 311- Reduction of Staff
Policy 312- Performance Assessment of Superintendent
Policy 313- Evaluation of Employees
Policy 314- Physical Examination
Policy 314.1- HIV Infection
Policy 317- Conduct/Disciplinary Procedures
Policy 318- Attendance and Tardiness
Policy 319- Outside Activities

5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

5.1 Approve Conference Requests

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

- A. Christine Misiura on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, October 26, 27, 28, 2021, K-12 Student Assistance Program Training, NEIU (Registration \$350.00, Substitute \$300.00; Total \$650.00) Title IV

Motion 127 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

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. Sheri Ransom and 2-3 students, Mondays beginning September 20, 2021 until the end of the school year, Interfaith, Montrose, PA (Transportation \$15.68 each trip)
- B. Kathy McHenry and four FBLA Officers, Saturday-Monday, October 30-November 1, 2021, FBLA State Leadership Workshop, Kalahari Resort (Transportation \$61.60, Lodging \$1000.00 (pd by FBLA), Registration \$495.00 (Paid from Activities Fund), Substitute \$100.00; Total \$161.60)
- C. Todd Calabro, Whitney Johnson and 33 students, Thursday, October 21, 2021, Envirothon Competition Practice (Transportation \$235.20, Substitute \$200.00; Total \$435.20)
- D. Kelly Richmond, Danielle Scott, Dawn Neri and 6 students on Friday, October 15, 2021, Montrose for groceries, bank, post office, library and lunch (Transportation \$16.80)

Motion 128 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.3 Approve Homebound Instruction

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve homebound instruction for Student #30044 beginning September 15, 2021 ending October 18, 2021.

Motion 129 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.4 Approve Agreement with Pennsylvania Friends of Agriculture Foundation

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve an agreement between the Mountain View School District and the Pennsylvania Friends of Agriculture Foundation, for the Mobile AG Ed Science Lab between January 31, 2021 and February 4, 2022.

Motion 130 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

5.5 Approve Updated Health and Safety Plan

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve updated Health and Safety Plan for the Mountain View School District, for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Motion 131 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent

6 Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

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

9. Administration

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Dr. Christopher Lake

High School Principal – Dr. Mark Lemoncelli

9.2 Director of Special Services – Mrs. Erica Loftus

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction and Federal Programs –Mr. Douglas Womelsdorf

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

9.5 Superintendent– Dr. Michael Elia

New Business from Board Members

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

HELD:

- Monday, August 23, 2021 – 6:00 PM-7:00 PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, August 23, 2021 after the public meeting
- Monday, September 13, 2021 before and after the public meeting

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Very, second by Mr. Schulte, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5- September 27, 2021 Minutes
- 2.1- October 2021 Bill List
- 2.3- WAEF Counseling Services LLC
- 2.4- Head Start
- 4.1- Policy 008- Organization Chart
- 4.2- PSBA Policy Participation Agreement
- 4.3- Policy 808- Food Services
 - Policy 311- Reduction of Staff
 - Policy 312- Performance Assessment of Superintendent
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 - Policy 319- Outside Activities
- 5.5- Updated Health and Safety Plan

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak