

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

**Monday, June 28, 2021**  
**MINUTES**

**1.1 Call to Order**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on June 28, 2021 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:37 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; Mr. Derek O’Dell; Mrs. Sondra Stine.

Absent: Mr. Michael Talabiska, Treasurer; Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer.

**Administration Present:**

Dr. Mike Elia, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager, Mr. Douglas Womelsdorf, Director of Curriculum; Dr. Mark Lemoncelli, High School Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Erica Loftus, Special Services Director. Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: None

**1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:**

**1.5 Approval of the Minutes –June 14, 2021**

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Very, to approve the minutes dated June 14, 2021, as presented.

Motion 312 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

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

- Mrs. Stine 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.*

- Ted Brewster asked clarifying questions about the agenda.

## **2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

### **2.1 Approve June Bill List**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the June 28, 2021 General Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$355,992.25, as presented.

Motion 313 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### **2.2 Approve May 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 \$2,421,211.60, as presented.

Motion 314 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 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 2021 real estate, 2021 per capita taxes and 2021 occupation taxes as submitted by the Susquehanna County Courthouse and tax collectors, as presented.

Motion 315 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### **2.4 Approve 2021-2022 Final Budget**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the 2021–2022 Final Budget in the amount of \$23,088,156, as presented.

Motion 316 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### **2.5 Approve School Breakfast and School Lunch Prices for 2021-2022**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve school breakfast and school lunch prices for the 2021-2022 school year.

High School Breakfast:	Student - \$1.10	Adult - \$2.00
High School Lunch:	Student - \$2.25	Adult - \$3.50
Elementary Breakfast:	Student - \$1.10	Adult - \$2.00
Elementary Lunch:	Student - \$2.00	Adult - \$3.50

Motion 317 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### **2.6 Approve Cafeteria Budget**

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the 2021-2022 Cafeteria Budget, as presented.

Motion 318 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 2.7 Approve Avenna

The motion is made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the contract with Avenna, as presented.

Motion 319 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

## 3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

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

### 3.1 Approve Supplemental Salary Requests

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve supplemental salary requests for 2021-2022, as presented.

Motion 320 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 3.2 Approve Summer ESY Staff

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the following ESY Staff for Summer 2021:

**Teacher:** Rebecca Giordano, Matthew Ord, Cory Harrington, Kelly Richmond (substitute) and Katie Naegele (Virtual)

**Paras:** Judy Bell, Kristy Bayle, Dawn Neri, Joy Bognatz, Debbie Pompey, Cheryl Taylor, Danielle Scott

**Speech:** Karen Zaums

**OT:** Heather Larkin

**PT:** Nicole Dixon

Motion 321 Carried: 6 Yes (Mr. Decker, Mr. Barhite, Mrs. Stine, Mr. O'Dell, Mr. Very, Mr. Schulte), 1 Abstain (Mr. Richmond), 2 Absent (Mr. Talabiska, Dr. Plonski-Sezer)

### 3.3 Approve Administrators Not Covered by ACT 93 Plan

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the Administrators Not Covered by ACT 93 Plan for the Business Manager for the 2021-2023 school year, as presented

Motion 322 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 3.4 Approve Substitute

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

- a. Courtney Randall, New Milford, PA, to the High School and Elementary Substitute lists, PK-4.

Motion 323 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 3.5 Approve Administrators ACT 93 Plan

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the Administrator ACT 93 Plan for Sheri Ransom for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Motion 324 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 3.6 Approve Administrators ACT 93 Plans

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Very, to approve the Administrator ACT 93 Plans for the for the 2021-2023 school year, as presented

Motion 325 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

## 4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

### 4.1 Approve the Following Policy:

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy 333-Professional Development

Motion 326 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 4.2 Approve the Following Policy:

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the following policy, as presented.

Policy 249-Bullying/Cyberbullying/Sexting

Motion 327 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

### 4.3 Second Reading of the Following Policies (discussion):

Policy 000-Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations

Policy 007-Distribution

Policy 003-Functions

Policy 002-Authority and Powers

Policy 001-Name and Classification

- Mrs. Stine led the discussion on Policy 000-Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations, Policy 007-Distribution,

Policy 003-Functions, Policy 002-Authority and Powers, and  
Policy 001-Name and Classification

**5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

**5.1 Approve Emergency Instructional Time**

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Barhite, to approve the Emergency Instructional Time template, as presented.

Motion 328 Carried: 7 Yes, 2 Absent

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor said the ESG meeting is July 1. Prices are fluctuating on several projects / items. Gym floors are done.

**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**

- Dr. Lake thanked custodians, maintenance and Nutrition. Students are receiving snacks. STEM program is up and running. Reading Camp starts soon. Pre-K has open seats.

**High School Principal –Dr. Mark Lemoncelli**

- Dr. Lemoncelli thanked Bob and Ruby for their hard work. Classrooms are getting ready. The gym floor looks great. Graduation went well. Credit recovery starts this week. Summer school is free of charge.

**9.2 Director of Special Services –Mrs. Erica Loftus**

- Mrs. Loftus stated that ESY starts July 6. There are 12 ES students and 9 HS students.

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

- Mr. Womelsdorf said that federal programs grant applications are nearly complete.

**9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak**

- Mr. Witiak reviewed potential building use fees.

### **9.5 Superintendent– Dr. Michael Elia**

- Dr. Elia stressed that the district will have a united vision and shared vision of the district moving forward.

### **New Business from Board Members**

#### **Citizen’s Advisory Committee**

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

#### **HELD:**

- Monday, June 28, 2021 - 6:00 PM-7:30 PM for Personnel, Negotiations

#### **SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, June 28, 2021, after the public meeting
- Monday, July 12, 2021 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 8:27 PM.

#### **Enclosures:**

- 1.5- June 14, 2021 Minutes
- 1.6- Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report
- 2.1- June 2021 Bill List
- 2.2- Disbursements
- 2.3- Exonerations
- 3.1- Supplemental Salaries
- 3.3- Witiak Agreement
- 3.5- Ransom Agreement
- 3.6- Act 93 Agreement
- 4.1- Policy 333-Professional Development
- 4.2- Policy 249-Bullying/Cyberbullying/Sexting
- 4.3- Policy 000-Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations
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Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak