

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

Monday, February 22, 2021
MINUTES

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on February 22, 2021 was held in the High School Auditorium and was called to order at 7:32 PM by Mr. Jason Richmond, President.

1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence for MV losses over the past few weeks.

1.3 Roll Call – Board Members Present:

Mr. Jason Richmond, President; Mr. Kenneth Decker, First Vice President; Mr. Michael Talabiska, Treasurer; Mr. David Schulte; Mr. Derek O’Dell (via call-in); Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer.

Absent: Mr. Michael Barhite, Second Vice President; Mr. Danny Very; Mrs. Sondra Stine.

Administration Present:

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

Absent: None

1.4 PRIDE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW:

SGA Liaison-Tori Pellew

- Tori presented the MVSGA Liaison Report.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes –February 8, 2021

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Talabiska, to approve the minutes dated February 8, 2021, as presented.

Motion 193 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

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

- Mr. Talabiska 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*

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- Ted Brewster asked clarifying questions about the agenda.

2. Finance Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O'Dell

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve February Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the list of bills for the February 22, 2021 General Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$255,371.14, as presented.

Motion 194 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.2 Approve January Disbursements

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, 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 \$2,084,946.08, as presented.

Motion 195 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

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

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, 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 196 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.4 Approve Mark's Driving School, LLC

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve Mark's Driving School, LLC to provide the Mountain View Students with behind the wheel driving instruction and testing.

Motion 197 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.5 Approve Agreement with County Security Police

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, 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 198 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

2.6 Approve Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center

The motion is made by Mr. Decker, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center, effective the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years, \$67.00 per day for educational services, as presented.

Motion 199 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 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 Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve supplemental salary requests for 2020-2021, as presented.

Motion 200 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3.2 Authorize Advertising for Coaches for Spring Sports for 2020-2021 School Year

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to authorize advertising for spring coaches for: Varsity Baseball, Baseball Assistant, JV Baseball, JH Baseball, Varsity Softball, Softball Assistant, JV Softball, JH Softball, Varsity Track, Track Assistant (3), Boys Volleyball, JV Boys Volleyball for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion 201 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

3.3 Approve Job Description for Coordinator of Payroll/Accounts Payable

The motion is made by Mr. Schulte, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the job description for Coordinator of Payroll/Accounts Payable, as presented.

Motion 202 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

4.1 Approve Updated District COVID-19 Guidelines

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mr. Schulte, to approve the updates to the MVSD COVID-19 case protocols and our Health and Safety plan.

Motion 203 Carried: 6 Yes, 3 Absent

5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

6. Building and Site Committee: Danny Very, Chairperson

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- Mr. Taylor said about 90% of the grant application is complete. MV is running out of room to put snow.

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 said the ES is preparing progress reports. March is Read Across America Month. Dr. Seuss's birthday is next week.

High School Principal –Dr. Mark Lemoncelli

- Dr. Lemoncelli said MV has wrestlers going to states for the first time since 2010. Mr. Mackie's class, "What's Great About Manufacturing" presentation won the state contest. The HS is considering an outdoor prom. Planning for graduation has begun.

9.2 Director of Special Services –Mrs. Erica Loftus

- Mrs. Loftus said that all teachers received training.

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

- Mr. Womelsdorf is meeting with Mr. Taylor to finalize the grant.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- No update.

9.5 Superintendent– Dr. Michael Elia

- Dr. Elia thanked community members for replying to the survey. There has been 584 responses. 88% of responses are from parents. All comments are being read.

New Business from Board Members

- Mr. Schulte stated that the ACS recognized him for being a 50 year member.
- Mr. Decker thanked Dr. Elia and Dr. Lemoncelli for supporting the wrestling team.

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- Chase Poploski feels the school should be a full-open for the 4th quarter.

- Ted Brewster asked clarifying questions about the agenda.
- Lori DeMark asked what aspects are reviewed to determine if school should be reopened. Mr. Richmond said that some of areas reviewed are safety, personal spacing, transportation, virtual learning, cafeteria and mental health.

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

HELD:

- Monday, February 22, 2021 - 6:00 PM- 7:25 PM for Personnel, Negotiations

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, February 22, 2021, after the public meeting
- Monday, March 8, 2021 before and after the public meeting

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Schulte, second by Mr. Decker, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5-February 8, 2021 Minutes
- 1.6-Treasurer Report and Cafeteria Report
- 2.1-February 2021 Bill List
- 2.2-Disbursements
- 2.3-Exonerations
- 2.5-Security Police Agreement
- 2.6-Meadows Agreement
- 3.1-Supplemental Salaries
- 3.3-Coordinator of Payroll/Accounts Payable Job Description

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak