

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

**Monday, April 17, 2023 - 7:00 PM**  
**Agenda**

**\*\*\*Minutes**

**1. Opening Activities**

- 1.1. Call to Order – 7:22 pm
- 1.2. Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3. Roll Call

Board of Education:

<u>  </u> P Mr. Michael Barhite	<u>  </u> P Mr. David Schulte
<u>  </u> P Mr. Kenneth Decker	<u>  </u> P Mrs. Sondra Stine
<u>  </u> P Mr. Derek O’Dell	<u>  </u> P Mr. Michael Talabiska
<u>  </u> P Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer	<u>  </u> P Mr. Danny Very
<u>  </u> P Mr. Jason Richmond	<u>  </u> P Mrs. Donna Keslo, Sec. Non-Member

Administration:

<u>  </u> P Dr. Michael Elia	<u>  </u> P Mr. Patrick McGarry
<u>  </u> P Mrs. Donna Keslo	<u>  </u> P Dr. Mark Lemoncelli
<u>  </u> A Mr. Andrew Snyder	<u>  </u> P Mr. Joseph Gaughan, Attorney
<u>  </u> P Mrs. Erica Loftus	

1.4. Pride in Mountain View:

SGA Representative - GG Larkin – See Attached Sheet, Dr. Lemoncelli announced that GG Larkin is the Scholastic Student of the Year

Lavetta Woodson Award Presentation by Ellen Holdredge – Presented to Mr. Richard Loman and Debroah Pompey’s family on her behalf.

1.5. Approve the Board Minutes

The motion is made by Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the minutes dated March 20, 2023 as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

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

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.

**None**

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

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Derek O’Dell

2.1. Approve Service Agreement

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Barhite, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve a Services Agreement between the Mountain View School District and Primero Edge for an initial implementation cost of \$1,995.00 and an annual subscription of \$1,885.00, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

2.2. Approve April Bill List

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Barhite, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve the list of bills for April 20, 2023 for the General Fund in the amount of **\$324,012.14** and Cafeteria Fund in the amount of **\$48,758.34** for a total of **\$372,770.48**, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

2.3. Approve Exonerations

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Barhite, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve exonerations for real estate, per capita and occupation taxes submitted by the Susquehanna County Courthouse and tax collectors, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

2.4. Approve Bills Paid in Advance

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Barhite, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve bills paid in advance for February and March 2023, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

2.5. Approve Transfer of Funds

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Barhite, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve the transfer of funds from General Fund account to the Athletics account in the amount of \$10,000.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

## 2.6. Approve Tax Bill Printing Contract

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Barhite, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve Government Software Services, Inc. as the school tax bill printing company for the 2023 real estate tax, per capita tax, and occupation tax bill printing, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

## 3. Personnel Committee: David Schulte, Chairperson

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

### 3.1. Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to authorize posting and advertising for a clerical position with benefits per the MVESPA Agreement, with a start date to be determined.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.2. Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to authorize posting and advertising for a certified school nurse position with benefits per the MVEA Agreement, with a start date of August 22, 2023.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.3. Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to authorize posting and advertising for a Special Education position with benefits per the MVEA Agreement, with a start date of August 22, 2023.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.4. Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to authorize posting and advertising for a Computer Science and/or Math (dual

certification) position with benefits per the MVEA Agreement, with a start date of August 22, 2023.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.5. Approve Supplemental Salary Request

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve Karen Zaums as a mentor for Carla Hendricks the 2022-2023 school year at a prorated stipend per the negotiated contract and for the 2023-2024 school year.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.6. Approve Volunteers

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the following volunteers, A through II:

- A. Melanie White, Clifford Twp.; Field Day, Field Trip, Classroom Activities
- B. Thomas Johnson, Clifford Twp.; Field Trip, Field Day, Carnival
- C. Tomika Barney, Lenoxville; Field Trip, PTO, Field Days, Classroom
- D. Danielle Davis, Union Dale; Field Trip, Field Day, Classroom, PTO
- E. Tara Sheare, Clifford Twp.; Field Trip, In School Opportunities
- F. Susan Norton, Clifford Twp.; Field Trip, Field Days
- G. Lisa Carpenter, Susquehanna; Field Trip, Classroom Activities, PTO
- H. Shana Benedict, Kingsley; Field Trip, Classroom
- I. Tonya Molenko, Kingsley; Field Trip, Field Day, Classroom
- J. Michael Molenko, Kingsley; Field Trip, Field Day, Classroom
- K. Stacey Preambo, Hop Bottom; Field Trip
- L. Stephanie Thatcher, Susquehanna; Field Day, Field Trip
- M. Amber Mack, Kingsley; Carnival, Field Trip, Classroom
- N. Vicki Goodrich, New Milford; Whenever Needed
- O. Elizabeth Nonnenmacher, Carbondale; Field Trip, Classroom
- P. Delaney Hollenbeck, Kingsley; Boys Volleyball
- Q. Melissa Schneider, Kingsley; Field Trip, Field Day, Classroom
- R. Glenda Pavelski, Susquehanna; Field Trip, Classroom
- S. Sherry Stiles, Nicholson; Field Trip, Classroom
- T. Alexis Adams, Union Dale; Field Trip
- U. Hannah Hussong, Lenoxville; Field Day, Field Trip
- V. Beth Stoud, Susquehanna; Classroom, Field Trip
- W. Ashley Shaw, Nicholson; Field Trip, Field Day
- X. Tamica Blaisure, Union Dale; Anything
- Y. Kendra Salansky, Greenfield; Field Trip
- Z. Lindsay Robertson, Nicholson; Field Trip, Field Day, PTO
- AA. Felicia Compton, South Gibson; Field Trip, Field Day
- BB. Alicia Chidester, Nicholson; Anything

- CC. Donna Keslo, Union Dale; Field Trips, Field Day, Afterschool Activities  
 DD. Dawn Dukerich, Clifford Twp.; Field Trip, Classroom, Other Activities  
 EE. Brittany Latwinski, Nicholson; Anything  
 FF. Justine Manning, Clifford Twp.; Field Trips, Classroom, etc.  
 GG. Joy Payne Allen, New Milford; PTO, Field Trips, Classroom  
 HH. Danielle Parisot, Clifford Twp.; Field Trip  
 II. Brandon Sanders, Clifford Twp.; Field Trip, Field Day, Classroom Helper

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.7. Accept Letter of Resignation for Retirement

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to accept the letter of resignation, for retirement purposes, from Judy Bell from her Paraprofessional position, effective August 24, 2023, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.8. Authorize Advertising

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to authorize advertising for a District Building Level Professional Substitute position with a daily rate of \$130.00 and benefits according to the attached agreement, with a start date of August 22, 2023.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.9. Appoint Custodian

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to appoint Darek Ladden as a custodian, at a starting rate of \$12.20 per hour and benefits per MVESPA Agreement, with a start date of April 18, 2023.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

### 3.10. Accept Letter of Resignation for Retirement

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to accept the letter of resignation, for retirement purposes, from Susan Jones from her Cafeteria/Hall Monitor position, effective immediately, as presented.

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

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

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, Sondra Stine

##### 4.1. Second Reading of the Following Policies (discussion):

Policy 137 - Home Education Programs

Policy 137.1 - Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students

Policy 137.2 - Participation in Co-Curricular Activities and Academic Courses  
by Home Education Students

Policy 137.3 - Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by  
Home Education Students

Next policy meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the board conference room.

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

Committee Members: Michael Talabiska, David Schulte

##### 5.1. Approve Conference Request

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the following conference request:

- A. Sharon Kress, Wednesday and Thursday, April 12-13, 2023, A\CAPA Spring 2023 Virtual Conference (Registration \$100.00)

Voting: 9 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent

##### 5.2. Approve Field Trip Requests

The motion is made by Mrs. Sondra Stine, second by Mr. Michael Talabiska, to approve the following field trip requests A through S:

- A. Samantha Hayden, Allison Martino and 30 students, Monday, April 24, 2023, Northeast Regional College Job Fair and College Tour, Kings College and Wilkes University (Transportation \$378.30)
- B. Mason Stiver, Cindy Catalfamo, 2 additional adults, 15-20 Sr. Band Students, Saturday, May 27, 2023, Dorney Park Band Trip (Transportation \$381.00, Turnpike Tolls \$40.00; Total \$421.00)
- C. Ashley Coviello, Brandi Miller, Erica Gething, 12 chaperones, nurse and 1<sup>st</sup> grade class, Thursday, May 4, 2023, Animal Adventure Park, Harpursville NY (Transportation \$611.40, Nurse \$105; Total \$716.40)
- D. Allison Paparelli, Katie Holzman, Adrienne Brown, Colleen Hammond, 15 chaperones and 71 students, Lackawanna State Park/Lenox Dairy Bar (Transportation \$232.40, Substitute \$105.00, Substitute Paraprofessional \$87.00; Total \$424.40)

- E. Jenny Riley, Joshua Carpenter, Melissa Wasko, 15 chaperones, 3 paraprofessionals, 1 SBBH, nurse and the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class, Tuesday May 16, 2023, Kopernik Observatory and Science Center, Vestal NY (Transportation \$564.54, Substitute \$105.00, Substitute Paraprofessional \$261.00; Total \$930.54)
- F. Tracy Bazil, Laurie Barlow, Alicia Water, Jaimie Mirabelli, Kindergarten class, parent chaperones, paraprofessionals, nurse and SBBH Support Staff, Friday, May 5, 2023, Discovery Center, Binghamton NY (Transportation \$520.40, Substitute \$105.00, Paraprofessional \$174.00; Total \$799.40)
- G. Diana Lombardi, Sheri Ransom, Administration and the Art Club, Tuesday, May 9, 2023, Corning Glass Museum, Corning NY (Transportation \$333.00, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$438.00)
- H. Christine Misiura, Allison Paparelli, Sue Gesford and 16 students, Thursday, May 25, 2023 NPCTM Math Contest 2023, Johnson College in Scranton (Transportation \$145.11, Registration \$160.00, Substitutes \$315.00; Total \$620.11)
- I. Diana Lombardi and 4 students, Thursday, May 11, 2023, Plein Air Painting, Lackawanna State Park (Transportation \$19.50, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$124.50)
- J. Ashley Kelly, JoAnn Voda, Kristy Moher, 8 chaperones, Nurse, 1 SBBH member and 54 students, Friday, May 19, 2023, Lackawanna Coal Mine Tour, McDade Park, Scranton, PA (Transportation \$269.68, Substitute Nurse \$105.00, Admission \$382.00; Total \$756.68)
- K. Mason Stiver and 12 students, Friday, May 12, 2023, PMEA District 9 Bandfest, Lakeland HS (Transportation \$139.00, Registration \$396.00, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$640.00)
- L. Andrea Sanders, Jackie Ferenczi, Charleene Martens, 10 chaperones and 78 students, Thursday, May 25, 2023, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Team Adventure, Rock Mountain Bible Camp (Transportation \$13.75)
- M. Todd Calabro, Junior High Envirothon, Wednesday, May 31, 2023, Lackawanna State Park (Transportation \$19.00, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$124.00)
- N. Rebekah Ihlefeldt, Jessica Trichilo and 8 PJAS students, Sunday through Tuesday, May 14-16, 2023, PJAS State Competition, Penn State Main Campus (Registration \$2,500.00, Substitute \$420.00; Total \$2,920.00)
- O. Jamie Bottger, Molly Birozak and 4 students, PMEA D9 Chorus Fest, Dallas Middle School (Transportation \$145.56, Registration \$178.00, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$422.56)
- P. Jamie Esgro, Susan Gravine, chaperones and 40 students, Tuesday, May 9, 2023, Empet's Farm, Kingsley (Transportation \$35.83)
- Q. Molly Birozak and 10 students, Friday May 5, 2023, Chorus Fest, Dallas HS (Transportation \$125.40, Regustration \$430.00, Substitute \$105.00; Total \$660.40)
- R. Jamie Esgro, Susan Gravine, chaperones and 40 students, Tuesday May 9, 2023 (rain date May 10, 2023), Empet Farms (Transportation \$35.83)
- S. Jamie Janesky, Colleen Heller, chaperones and second grade class, Tuesday May 9, 2023 (rain date May 10, 2023), Pavelski Farms (Transportation \$81.43)

Voting:   9   Yes        No        Abstain        Absent

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's Report – Spoke about the wood burner savings for the year versus what we would have spent if we had to run just the oil.

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

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Danny Very

None

**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

**8.1 Approve MOU with MVEA for Duration of 2022-2023 School Year**

The motion is made by Mr. Michael Talabiska, second by Mr. David Schulte, to approve the MOU with the MVEA extending the retirement incentive until June 30, 2023, as presented.

Voting: 9 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent

**9. Administration****9.1. Principals' Comments**

Elementary Principal - Mr. Patrick McGarry

Spoke about PSSA's, upcoming filed trips  
High School Principal - Dr. Mark Lemoncelli

Spoke about PSSA's, Band and Chours concerts, Jazz Fest and CTC Student of the Month

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

Spoke about Life Skills Prom

**9.3. Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Federal Programs - Mr. Andrew Snyder**

Absent

**9.4. Business Manager - Mrs. Donna Keslo**

Spoke about the upcoming budget season

### 9.5. Superintendent - Dr. Michael Elia

Spoke about the ESG projects and where they were all at to be finalized

## 10. Closing

### 10.1. New Business from Board Members

Spoke about different community events that are coming up, for example the Jan Price Dedication, PA state talking about whole milks in schools, and a upcoming benefit for Joy Rude.

### 10.2. Second Hearing of Visitors

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**John Fletcher was asking about the crossing of the street between the elementary and the high school. Administrator let him know that it was a concern and that we are working on a solution.**

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

**HELD:**

- Monday, April 17, 2023 - 5:30pm – 7:15pm for Personnel

**SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, May 8, 2023 before the public meeting

## 11. Adjourn

The motion is made by Mr. David Schulte, second by Mr. Dan Very, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

**Enclosures:**

- 1.5 - March 20, 2023 Minutes
- 1.6 - Treasurer / Cafeteria Reports
- 2.1 - Primero Edge
- 2.2 - Bill Listing
- 2.3 - Exonerations
- 2.6 - Government Software Service Agreement
- 3.7 - Bell Resignation
- 3.8 - Building Substitute Agreement
- 3.10 - Jones Resignation
- 4.1 - Policy 137 - Home Education Programs
- 4.1 - Policy 137.1 - Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students
- 4.1 - Policy 137.2 - Participation in Co-Curricular Activities and Academic Courses By Home Education Students
- 4.1 - Policy 137.3 - Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by Home Education Students