

Antietam School District
Minutes of the Hybrid Board Meeting
Monday, August 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

The Antietam School District Board met in person and virtually in a Teams meeting for their voting meeting on Monday, August 21, 2023. Mr. Roberts, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, Monday, August 21, 2023. Mr. Roberts noted that The Board will meet in executive session after this voting meeting, Monday August 21, 2023 regarding Litigation and Safety and Security. Mr. Roberts asked if there if there were any corrections to the agenda, none were noted.

The following Members were present:

Rebecca DiSarro	Michael Roberts
Geneia Kromer	Lorraine Storms
Kyla Ramsey	Charles Weldele

Also Present:

Dr. Heidi Rochlin	Superintendent
Tracy Detwiler	Director of Finance & Business
Staci Fink	Supervisor of Special Ed
Ken Bonkoski	Supervisor of Maintenance and Facilities – via Teams
Anthony DiSarro	Supervisor of Technology and Security Coordinator
Nicole Schieck	Principal, Mt. Penn Primary Center – Via Teams
Brian F. Boland	Solicitor, Kozloff Stoudt
Jennifer Reeves	Board Secretary

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Rochlin spoke about some good things that came out of the emergency meeting that took place on August 20, 2023, and things that are in the beginning stages of planning to help students, families and the community.

Dr. Rochlin mentioned there was a donation from proceeds of a magnet sale by the “Napkin Guy” – former student and artist, Jimmy Etele, all proceeds of the sale of Mountaineer magnets were donated to the Antietam School District. Jimmy noted in his letter that was given with his check, that this donation to the school is not his alone. This donation is the donation of alumni, neighbors, sisters, brothers, moms and dads, and all who call or had called Mt Penn home.

Dr. Rochlin was pleased with how the first day of the soft start with Cohort A present went. She showed pictures of our 6th grade students at Alvernia and mentioned all attending students of the district had Subway for lunch. It seemed that the new traffic pattern was going well with the soft start, with only half of the student population attending and she was hopeful that would be the trend when the buildings had all students in attendance.

Dr. Rochlin stated that there are plans to have quarterly combined town hall meetings so community members can ask questions, with the Antietam School District, Central Berks, Lower Alsace and Mt. Penn Borough quarterly. More info to come on dates to come. More information in the presentation attached.

Mr. Roberts noted the minutes of the August 14, 2023, meeting had been distributed and asked if there were any corrections. None were noted. A poll by a voice vote resulted in the minutes being approved.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Weldele moved seconded by Mrs. Storms, to approve the contract between Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services, Inc. and Antietam School District effective June 28, 2023 through June 27, 2024.

Approve the agreement between Antietam School District and The Independent School Psych, LLC effective August 21, 2023 - through June 30, 2024.

Accept the donation check from former student Jimmy Ettele of \$2,300.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 6 Mmes., DiSarro, Ramsey, Kromer and Storms; Messrs. Roberts and Weldele.

Motion carried.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Storms moved seconded by Ms. Ramsey, to Accept the donation of materials for the project "Learning to Love Reading" from Donors Choose.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 6 Mmes., DiSarro, Ramsey, Kromer and Storms; Messrs. Roberts and Weldele.

Motion carried.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Ms. Kromer moved in Mrs. Alarcon's absence seconded by Mrs. Ramsey to approve the 2023-2024 Homeschool List Enclosure

Approve the 2023-2024 Residency Affidavits list.

Approve the 2023-2024 guardianship affidavit list.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 6 Mmes., DiSarro, Ramsey, Kromer and Storms; Messrs. Roberts and Weldele.

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Ms. Ramsey moved, Mrl Weldele seconded, to accept the letter of Resignation from Myra Morales, effective August 15, 2023.

Ratify Jessica Millard, Kindergarten teacher, Temp Professional, Bachelor's Step 3, 52,500, with benefits, effective date from August 14, 2023.

Approve the transfer of 25 days of accumulated sick leave for Rebecca Mohler (Becker) from the Reading School District.

Approve the transfer of 20 days of accumulated sick leave for Kyle Schiffert from the Reading School District.

Approve the unpaid dates for staff as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 6 Mmes., DiSarro, Ramsey, Kromer and Storms; Messrs. Roberts and Weldele.

Motion carried.

Being there was nothing further to discuss Mr. Roberts adjourned the meeting at 6:47 pm.

Submitted by:



Jennifer Reeves
Board Secretary

Board Updates



8/21/2023



Thank You!

#Floodthis - \$2,300



Updates!

- Day 1 was a success!









Updates!

- Parking:
 - As the entire district population comes together, we will reevaluate the parking needs of staff and students.
 - Food Service and Transportation:
 - All food service and transportation worked well today!
 - Facilities:
 - Needs, as they arise, continue to be addressed.
 - All facilities were ready to go for students today!
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Updates!

- Family Outreach/Beginning of Year Communication:
 - Reminder: All presentations and Q&A sessions are posted on the website for families to view as needed.
 - Traffic Patterns:
 - The new traffic pattern worked well today!
 - Codes/Zoning, etc.
 - We were given a verbal notice for use and occupancy today for the church.
 - Paperwork is being filed to pursue the Special Exception with the Borough.
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Updates!

- We will be scheduling Town Hall style Q&A meetings for residents, the school board, Mt. Penn, Central Berks, and LA Twp. Times/dates/locations TBD.
 - We are working to schedule volunteers to help escort/supervise students between buildings. More information on how to sign-up coming soon!
 - We are also looking into the possibility of bringing back the “block parents” program.
 - We would like to help set up a Facebook transportation group. More information coming soon!
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