

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

Monday, May 5, 2025 - 7:00 PM
Agenda

1. Opening Activities

- 1.1.** Call to Order
- 1.2.** Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3.** Roll Call

Board of Education:

_____ Mr. Michael Barhite	_____ Ms. Louise Cator
_____ Mr. Kenneth Decker	_____ Mr. Tracy Flynn
_____ Mr. Derek O’Dell	_____ Mr. Michael Talabiska
_____ Mr. Michael Molenko	_____ Mr. Danny Very
_____ Mr. Jason Richmond	_____ Mr. Thomas Witiak, Sec. Non-Member

Administration:

_____ Dr. Michael Elia	_____ Mr. Patrick McGarry
_____ Mr. Thomas Witiak	_____ Dr. Mark Lemoncelli
_____ VACANT	_____ Mr. Joseph Gaughan, Attorney
_____ Mrs. Erica Loftus	

1.4. Pride in Mountain View:

SGA Representative – Brooklyn Anderson

Proposed Final Budget – Mr. Thomas Witiak

1.5. Approve the Board Minutes

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve the minutes dated April 22, 2025, as presented.

Voting: _____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

1.6. Treasurer’s Report – Michael Talabiska, Treasurer

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: Michael Molenko, Derek O'Dell

2.1. Approve May Bill List

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve the list of bills for May 5, 2025 for the General Fund in the amount of \$_____ and the Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$_____, totaling \$_____, as presented.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.2. Appoint School Solicitor

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to appoint Joseph F. Gaughan, P.C. as school solicitor for the 2025-2026 school year at an annual retainer amount of \$11,000.00 and a rate of \$140.00 per hour for other services according to proposal, as presented.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.3. Approve Substitute Per Diem Rate Sheet

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve the Substitute Per Diem Rate Sheet for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.4. Approve Quarterly Reports

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve the following quarterly reports dated March 31, 2025 as presented and file for audit:

1. High School Activities Account
2. High School Scholarship Account
3. Elementary School Activities Account

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.5. Approve Service Agreement with Marywood University

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve a Services Agreement between the Mountain View School District and Marywood University, as presented.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.6. Appoint Bank of Record

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to appoint Peoples Security Bank & Trust as bank of record for 2025-2026.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.7. Appoint Collector of Delinquent Taxes

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to appoint G. H. Harris Associates, Inc., Dallas, PA as delinquent per capita and delinquent occupational tax collector for the 2025-2026 school year.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.8. Approve 2025-2026 Proposed Final Budget

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve the 2025 – 2026 Proposed Final Budget in the amount of \$ _____.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.9. Appoint Property Insurance Company

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to appoint DGK Insurance as property, auto, worker's compensation, etc. insurer for the 2025-2026 school year.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

2.10. Approve Tax Bill Printer

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve Government Software Services (GSS) for 2025 real estate tax, per capita tax, and occupation tax bill printing, as presented.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3. Personnel Committee: Michael Molenko, Chairperson Committee Members: Louise Cator, Derek O'Dell

3.1. Approve Summer IT Help

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve summer IT help (Restricted to 29.5 hours per week) at a rate of \$13.00 an hour beginning June 16, 2025 and ending August 15, 2025.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.2. Approve Summer IT Employee

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve Andrew Graham as summer IT help at a rate of \$13.00 an hour beginning June 16, 2025 and ending August 15, 2025.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.4. Approve Substitute

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve the following substitutes:

Kala Mason, Forest City PA, to the Teacher Substitute List

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.5. Approve ESY

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve ESY for summer 2025 at the following time and dates: 8:15 AM to 12:15 PM for staff and is on the following dates: June 30, July 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, and 24.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.6. Approve ESY Staff

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve ESY Staff for summer 2024:

Teachers: Sarah Evans, Stacy Decker, Rebecca Giordano
Paraprofessionals: Joy Bognatz, Colleen Heller, Dawn Neri, and Brittany Latwinski
Substitute: Caitlin Williams (paraprofessional & teacher)
Related Services: Karen Zaums and Heather Larkin

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.7. Approve School Police Officers

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to designate the following individual(s) to act as school police officer(s) for the District: (1) Lee Rowan and (2) Mark Mulvey. This designation is contingent upon court approval as set forth in Article XIII-C of the Public School Code of 1949, 24 P.S. § 13-1302-C *et al*, and the appointment of said individual(s) by a judge of the Susquehanna County Court of Common Pleas. The Board further desires that said individual(s) possess all powers currently available, and which may subsequently become available, under Article XIII-C of Public School Code of 1949, 24 P.S. § 13-1302-C *et seq*. The Board hereby directs Administration and counsel to take all actions necessary and proper to apply for this appointment, as required by Article XIII-C of the Public School Code of 1949, 24 P.S. § 13-1302-C *et al*.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.8. Approve Termination

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve the termination of at-will employee Lena Clark from her District Office Administrative Assistant Position for reasons of economy, effective May 16, 2025.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.9. Approve Termination

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve the termination of Samantha Owens from her Assistant Softball Coach position, effective April 29, 2025.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.10. Approve Coaching Position

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to approve the following supplemental salary coaching position:

A. Cheerleading Assistant Coach, Rebecca Gulley, \$1,932.00.

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

3.11. Authorize Posting and Advertising

The motion is made by _____, second by _____ to authorize posting and advertising for the following coaching position:

A. Softball Assistant Coach

Voting: ____ Yes ____ No ____ Abstain ____ Absent

4. Policy Committee: Michael Talabiska Chairperson

Committee Members: Danny Very, Tracy Flynn

5. Education Committee: Michael Talabiska, Chairperson

Committee Members: Tracy Flynn, Louise Cator

5.1. Approve Field Trip Request

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve the following field trip requests:

Alison Martino & 1 staff TBD, 30 students, April 28, 2025, Kings College & Wilkes University (Travel: \$342.25; Total: \$342.25).

Glen Mackey, 5 students, May 14, 2025, What's so Cool About Manufacturing State Awards, Harrisburg, PA (Substitute: \$115.00; Total: \$115.00).

Voting: _____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

5.2. Approve Religious Instruction 2025-2026

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve the Religious Instruction Program between the Mountain View School District and the Child Evangelism Fellowship of Susquehanna County for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.

Voting: _____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

5.3. Approve Student Settlement

The motion is made by _____, second by _____, to approve a settlement agreement between the Mountain View School District and student #24029.

Voting: _____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ 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, Danny Very, Kenneth Decker

MVESPA Committee Members: Derek O'Dell, Michael Talabiska, Danny Very

9. Administration

9.4. Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal - Mr. Patrick McGarry
High School Principal - Dr. Mark Lemoncelli

9.5. Director of Special Services - Mrs. Erica Loftus

9.6. Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Federal Programs - VACANT

9.7. Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

9.8. Superintendent - Dr. Michael Elia

10. Closing

10.4. New Business from Board Members

10.5. Second Hearing of Visitors

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

HELD:

- Monday, May 5, 2025 - 6:30pm - _____pm for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, June 9, 2025 before the public meeting

11. Adjourn

The motion was made by _____, second by _____, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at _____pm.

Enclosures:

- 1.5- April 22, 2025 Minutes
- 1.6 – Treasurer's Report
- 2.1- Bill List
- 2.2 – School Solicitor
- 2.3 - Substitute Per Diem Rate Sheet

2.4 - Quarterly Reports
2.5. – Marywood University
2.8. – Final Proposed Budget
2.10. – Tax Bill Printer
5.2. – Religious Instruction