

Mountainside Board of Education

Meeting Highlights

May 21, 2019



This newsletter provides a monthly summary of discussions and actions taken at the Mountainside Board of Education meetings.

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Mountainside School District Board of Education

James W. Ruban, Jr. (President), Christopher Minks (Vice President)
Dante Gioia, Dana Guidici Pietro, Jordan Hyman,
Candice Schiano, Carmine Venes

Administrative Team

Nancy Lubarsky, Ed.D., Chief School Administrator
Steven DiGeronimo, Interim Business Administrator
Kimberly Richards, Principal - Deerfield School
Ann Cooke, Interim Supervisor of Special Education

Action Items	Action Taken
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	<i>BOE approved minutes for:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 30, 2019 Regular and Executive Session
<u>CSA's Report</u>	<i>Chief School Administrator:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Lubarsky recognized students who participated in the Earth Day poetry/poster contest, as well as Kelly Hanratty who won the "Young Writers of Union County" Arbor Day poetry contest; Dr. Lubarsky reported on the achievement of her goals and addressed questions from the board; Mrs. Richards presented the DFG report on NJ School Performance; Dr. Lubarsky recognized the retirement of Lee Kline and thanked her for 33 years in the district.
<u>BH Liaison Report</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> none
<u>Administration</u>	<i>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achievement of 4 of 5 Merit Goals from Dr. Lubarsky's contract to be approved by County Superintendent; 19-20 holidays for administrators & secretaries; 19-20 holidays for Supervisor of Maintenance & Custodial Services & custodians; Safety & security drills for April 2019.
<u>Budget and Finance</u>	<i>BOE approved:</i> <i>As certified by the Board Secretary:</i> Budget transfers for April; Payment of the Bill List; Reports of the Board Secretary for April 2019. <i>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gen. Fund max. spending for prof. services & pub. relations; tax resolution of Borough of Mountainside tax payments for 19-20 SY; tax payment schedule for the 19-20 SY from Borough of Mountainside to Mountainside BOE; Cooperative Pricing Agreement w/ Ed. Services Comm. of NJ; Student Transportation Contract Renewal w/ Durham School Service for 19-20 SY; 3-yr. Managed Print Services agrmnt. w/ Atlantic Tomorrow's Office; Renewal of FSMC base year contract w/ Maschio's Food Services, Inc. for 19-20 SY; Bayada Home Health Care Contract from 5/8/19-6/30/20 to provide nursing services as needed; Dr. Frank as school physician for 19-20 SY; Sp. Ed. placements & services; agrmnt. w/ Learning Ally for Institution State License services for 19-20 SY; agrmnt. w/ Next Step Pediatric Therapy for physical therapy services for 19-20 SY; agrmnt. w/ Rutgers Douglas DDC for ABA services for 19-20 SY; agrmnt. w/ Trinitas Children's Therapy Services for OT services for 19-20 ESY program; contract w/ Cestone Electric Co., Inc. to install classroom projectors at BW and DF; contract w/ UCESC for Sp. Ed. Tuitions and Fees for programs & services for 19-20 SY; tuition contract w/ Union County Vo-Tech for 19-20 SY; 60 mo. leases for postage meters from 7/1/19-6/30/24.

<u>Personnel</u>	<p><i>As recommended by the CSA, BOE approved:</i></p> <p>Retirement of Lenore Kline; notification to take classes from Adrienne Ridley; Appointment of Paula Pontoriero as Special Education Supervisor for 19-20 SY; Appointment of Kathy Goldbeck as 3-8 Coordinator for 19-20 SY; Rescinding the resignation of Tara Pirozzoli; Appointment of Lisa Arroyo to position of PE long-term sub at BW; Dara Blass to work Th/Fr as para for remainder of this SY; Appointment of Alexandra Eppinger to full-time Sp. Ed. Teacher/Reading Specialist at BW for 19-20 SY; Appointment of Dara Blass to full-time Special Ed. Teacher at DF for 19-20 SY; Appointment of Nicole Cruts as Health/Phys. Ed. teacher for 19-20 SY; ESY staffing for the 19-20 session.</p>																		
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<u>Committee Reports</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Venes attended a County meeting on the "Path to Progress" regarding regionalization/consolidation discussions. Mr. Hyman mentioned the library offers help for students with summer projects. Mr. Gioia noted the passing of a 3rd grade BH student. 																		
<u>Public Participation</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 																		

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