

# Mountainside Board of Education

## Meeting Highlights

June 12, 2018



*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 Guidicipietro, Kate Motz, Jeane Parker, Carmine Venes

### Administrative Team

Nancy Lubarsky, Ed.D., Chief School Administrator

Donna Alonso, Business Administrator

Kimberly Richards, Principal - Deerfield School

Christina Orozco, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Instruction

Action Items	Action Taken
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	<i>BOE approved minutes for:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May 22, 2018 Regular and Executive Sessions.</li> </ul>
<u>CSA's Report</u>	<i>Chief School Administrator:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussed grants received this year; Presented the recommended Social Emotional Learning Curriculum.</li> </ul>
<u>Berkeley Heights Liaison Report</u>	None
<u>Administration</u>	<i>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NJDOE waiver application, used primarily for emergent hiring; Security Drill Statement of Assurance; Anticipated facility requests for 2018-2019 for (1) change of use of office space and (2) waiver request for preschool and kindergarten toilet rooms; Beechwood and Deerfield Schools April 2018 safety and security drill reports and bus emergency evacuation drill reports.</li> </ul>
<u>Budget and Finance</u>	<i>BOE approved:</i> <i>As certified by the Board Secretary:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Budget transfers for the month of May; Payment of the Bill List; Reports of the Board Secretary for May 2018; Payment of supplementary bill list and payroll which shall become due on or before June 30, 2018.</li> </ul> <i>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Re-appointment of Paula Hatch as Treasurer of the Mountainside School District; transfer of funds in excess of 2% from the 2017-2018 fiscal year; Fee amounts for student activities; List of independent contractors/physicians/agencies if needed; Greenwood Lawn Service; Right to Know Services and Asbestos Management Services from RAMM Environmental Services, Inc.; CDK Systems, Inc. for accounting and personnel software services; JAG Consulting for technology services; Special Education placements and services; School district travel; Acceptance of ESSA Grant Funds for Title I, II, and IV and refusal of Title III.</li> </ul>

<b><u>Personnel</u></b>	<p><i>As recommended by the CSA, BOE approved:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employment contracts for Donna Alonso, School Business Administrator and Christina Orozco, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Instruction; Appointments of Suzanne Jenks, Grades 3-8 Coordinator, Corey Berger, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, Adriana Contreras, Spanish Teacher, Jill MacConnell, Kindergarten Teacher, Barbara Higinbotham, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher; April Starling, Barbara Higinbotham and Jayne Hartnett for homebound instruction during July and August; Appointment of Kristin Trentham, Recreation Activities Club Advisor, Paige Primmer and Stephanie Ianniello, Recreation Activities Club Assistants; Beechwood School Summer Academic Camp Staff: Amanda Baker, Courtney Hunter, Stephanie Ianniello, Kristin Trentham, and Lydra Shehu; Extended School Year Staff: Lisa Bruno, Leila Morrelli, Julia Lima; Rebecca Walsh, Diana Diaz, Carmen Tavares, Dara Blass, Carmine Ann Casolaro, Nicole Ellis; Child Study Team Staff for summer: Eileen D’Antonio, Leila Morrelli, Tara Pirozzoli, Amanda Somers-Guerrasio, Caitlin McGarrity; Laurie Wilson and Kristen DalCortivo for summer support; Paraprofessionals for 2018-2019; Increase in salaries for non-affiliated personnel; Retirement of Janet Fullowan, Confidential Secretary; Maternity disability leave for Laryssa Del Guercio; Request for tuition reimbursement from Suzanne Jenks.</li> </ul>																		
<b><u>Curriculum</u></b>	<p><i>As recommended by the CSA, BOE approved:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rutgers UBHC <i>Social Decision Making/Problem Solving</i> as the Social Emotional Learning Curriculum.</li> </ul>																		
<b><u>Policy</u></b>	<p><i>BOE had second reading and adoption of these policies:</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="505 808 1563 1255"> <tr> <td>0169.02</td> <td>Board Member Use of Social Networks</td> <td>New Suggested</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3437</td> <td>Military Leave – Teaching Staff Members</td> <td>Revised Recommended</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4437</td> <td>Military Leave – Support Staff Members</td> <td>Revised Recommended</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7425</td> <td>Lead Testing of Water in Schools</td> <td>New Recommended</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8630</td> <td>Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility</td> <td>Revised Mandated</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9242</td> <td>Use of Electronic Signatures</td> <td>New Recommended</td> </tr> </table>	0169.02	Board Member Use of Social Networks	New Suggested	3437	Military Leave – Teaching Staff Members	Revised Recommended	4437	Military Leave – Support Staff Members	Revised Recommended	7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools	New Recommended	8630	Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility	Revised Mandated	9242	Use of Electronic Signatures	New Recommended
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<b><u>Old Business</u></b>	None																		
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<b><u>Committee Reports</u></b>	None																		
<b><u>Public Participation</u></b>	Community members asked questions about upgrading Beechwood fields, outreach for parents for Social Emotional Learning Curriculum, and safety and security.																		

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