

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, May 27, 2025  
Marple Newtown School District Board Room  
Minutes

Board: Mrs. Dana Altobelli, Mr. Matthew Bilker, President, Mr. David Dezzi, Mrs. Barbara Harvey, Mr. Anthony Maalouf, Mr. John McKenzie, Mrs. Lisa Pacell, Mr. Thomas Raymond, Mr. Nicholas Reynolds, Mr. Nicholas Siano, Vice President

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Kevin Fagan, Dr. Joel DiBartolomeo, Mr. Joe Driscoll, Mr. Jake Gallagher. Dr. Kerri McGinley

Press: 0

Audience: 35

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mr. Bilker called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and advised that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Legal matters.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Pacell led the Pledge of Allegiance

**3. PRESENT**

Mrs. Altobelli, Mr. Bilker, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Raymond, Mr. Reynolds (by phone), Mr. Siano

Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

**4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to accept the agenda as presented.

Motion was made by Mrs. Pacell, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0  
Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)**

There was none

## 6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

- Our annual school wide Murf basketball tournament was a successful event on April 18 that raised over \$3,000. Money raised goes towards an engineering scholarship for a senior
- Junior and Seniors attended the Prom at Drexelbrook on May 2. Students enjoyed food and dancing, making it a night to remember.
- Marple hosted the SAT on Saturday May 3rd
- AP exams were held May 5th to the 16th
- The NHS Induction for new members and senior cording was May 8th
- Tri-M induction was May 13th
- District Choral Night was May 14th
- The Art show was on May 15th - the main lobby and hallways are beautifully decorated by our art students, and large murals were represented by the AP Studio Art students
- Seniors last day was May 16th. They are now on their senior project, and presentations for this will start the week of June 2nd.
- The Literature, Algebra I, and Biology keystone exams were held the weeks of May 12th and 19th
- Students had an in-service day May 20th, half day on Friday May 23, as well as Monday May 26 for MDW
- This Thursday the 29th Sophomores have their annual project 10 fundraiser raising money for "(Be) Philly" that raises money for underprivileged school systems around Philly
- Elementary schools have been attending multiple field trips throughout the last few weeks, including the Paper Mill, Franklin Institute, Arrowhead, and more.
- Tiger Recognition Award Night for select seniors and underclassmen is on June 5th at 7:00 in the auditorium
- Another SAT will be held at Marple on Saturday June 7th
- The Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2025 will be on June 12th at 1:00 in the afternoon at Villanova
- Last day of school for all students is June 13<sup>th</sup>

## 7. COMMENDATIONS

Dr. Kane recognized several students who won the Young Authors, Young Poets, Central League Writing Contes, Patriots Pen, K'new Stem Design Challenge, and Future Business Leaders of America. Each student who were in attendance received a certificate from Dr. Kane. The Student Representative will be recognized on a later date.

**8. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Kane gave the following report:

**Culbertson**

Culbertson hosted an *Evening of the Arts*, where student artwork was proudly displayed throughout the school.

**Loomis**

Thanks to the Loomis PTO, students in K-5 had a great physics lesson. It describes the process by which lasers produce a focused, coherent beam of light.

**Russell**

Russell was thrilled to host visitors from Wales, who spent two and a half unforgettable school days with our 5th graders.

**Worrall**

Worrall had a successful broken crayon collection. The crayons are melted down, re-made, and distributed to children experiencing extended hospital stays.

**Paxon**

Potter Cup at Haverford Middle School was today. This year, Haverford hosted the event. We just heard that Paxon won.

**MNHS**

The seniors have completed the first week of senior projects. We wish them all the best working with their mentors over the next few weeks.

**9. SECRETARY’S MINUTES**

Mrs. Altobelli asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi

Mr. McKenzie

**10. OTHER REPORTS**

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion that all motions under Other Reports be approved.

Motion to approve the Delaware County Intermediate Unit (DCIU) resolution approving the election of DCIU Board Members for the term July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028, as presented.

Motion to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release between the District and the parents of student 882937 to attend private school for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the list of students to attend out-of-district extended school year (ESY) programs for the period June, 2025 through August, 2025.

Motion to approve the Agreement addendum between Austill's Rehabilitation Services, Inc. and Marple Newtown School District to provide occupational and physical therapy services to students as needed per IEP or service agreement. This contract is in effect for three (3) years from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028.

Motion to approve the independent provider contract with Criticare, to provide nursing services for students as needed per student's IEP's for 2025-2026 school year. This is a contract renewal.

Motion to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release between the District and the parents of student 882390 to attend private school for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the ESY Tuition Agreement for student 885770 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion was made by Mr. Siano, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi

Mr. McKenzie

## **11. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

11.01 Committee Report – Barbara Harvey, Chairperson

Mrs. Harvey asked for a motion that 11.02 through 11.13 be approved

11.02 Bills for Payment

Motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$3,950,347.45, Capital Reserve Fund bills in the amount of \$331,998.95, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$173,314.31.

11.03 Monthly Reports

Motion to approve the Monthly Financial Reports for March 2025, Treasurer's Report for March 2025, Investment Schedule for March 2025, and Budget Transfers.

11.04 Wrestling Mat, Marple Newtown High School

Motion to approve the purchase of a replacement wrestling mat in the amount of \$11,503.44 under Costars contract 014-E22-263.

11.05 Donation

Motion to approve the donation from Giant Food Store Feeding School Kids Campaign in the amount of \$2,928.36 to support public school district food programs.

11.06 School Board Secretary

Motion to elect Dominick DuVernois to fill the unexpired term of Joseph Driscoll, as School Board

Secretary from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027.

11.07 School Board Treasurer

Motion to elect Michael Nardo as School Board Treasurer and Custodian of Student Funds from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

11.08 Right to Know Officer

Motion to appoint Dominick DuVernois as the Right to Know Officer effective June 1, 2025.

11.09 2021 Tax Assessment Appeal

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 25-00-00851-02 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2021, an assessment of \$12,600,000 and a fair market value of \$12,600,000.

For tax year 2022, an assessment of \$14,100,000 and a fair market value of \$14,100,000.

For tax year 2023, an assessment of \$11,284,000 and a fair market value of \$15,500,000.

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$10,857,500 and a fair market value of \$16,500,000.

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$10,147,500 and a fair market value of \$16,500,000.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$5,516,520 above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$60,500 to our District for tax year 2021.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$7,016,520 above the 2022 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$79,173 to our District for tax year 2022.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$4,200,520 above the 2023 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$48,763 to our District for tax year 2023.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$23,773,520 above the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$45,501 to our District for tax year 2024.

11.10 2024 Tax Assessment Appeal

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 30-00-01277-27 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$1,513,400 and a fair market value of \$2,300,000.

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$1,476,000 and a fair market value of \$2,400,000.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$986,600 below the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$11,896.52 to our District for tax year 2024.

#### 11.11 2021 Tax Assessment Appeal

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 30-00-02906-00 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2021, an assessment of \$2,200,000 and a fair market value of \$2,200,000.

For tax year 2022, an assessment of \$2,200,000 and a fair market value of \$2,200,000.

For tax year 2023, an assessment of \$1,601,600 and a fair market value of \$2,200,000.

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$1,447,600 and a fair market value of \$2,200,000.

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$1,353,000 and a fair market value of \$2,200,000.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$929,640 above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$10,195 to our District for tax year 2021.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$929,640 above the 2022 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$10,490 to our District for tax year 2022.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$331,240 above the 2023 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$3,845 to our District for tax year 2023.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$177,240 above the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$2,137 to our District for tax year 2024.

#### 11.12 Request to Close Scholarship Accounts

Motion to authorize the Administration to close student scholarship fund accounts at Marple Newtown High School for student scholarships that are inactive, and to deposit the remaining funds into active scholarship accounts, as presented.

#### 11.13 Request to Close Student Activity Accounts

Motion to authorize the Administration to close student activity fund accounts at Marple Newtown High School for student clubs that have been inactive for at least one year, and to deposit the funds into the Marple Newtown High School student club accounts, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Siano

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

Mrs. Harvey asked that the motions under 11.14 be approved

11.14 2025-2026 Final Budget Adoption

Motion to adopt the 2025-2026 General Fund Budget for the Marple Newtown School District in the amount of \$115,700,000.

Motion to adopt the 2025 Annual Tax Levy Resolution, as presented.

Motion to adopt the 2025 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Pacell

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

## **12. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

12.01 Committee Report – David Dezzi, Chairperson

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion that 12.02 through 12.10 be approved

12.02 Change Order, Marple Newtown High School Auditorium

Motion to approve a change order for Delco Solutions LLC, in the amount of \$19,429, as presented.

12.03 Change Order No. EC-01, Russell Elementary School Boiler Room Renovation

Motion to approve Goldhorn Electrical Construction, Inc., Change Order No. EC-01, for electrical vault remediation. The owner requested a change to remove and remediate existing electrical vault contaminants, in accordance with Goldhorn Electrical Construction, Inc., proposal dated 12/12/2024 (Rev 2), in the amount of \$21,363.40. COR EC-01 Total: \$21,363.40.

12.04 Library Abatement Project, Paxon Hollow Middle School

Motion to approve Environmental Control Systems, Inc., for the air monitoring and sampling of the Paxon Hollow Middle School library renovation project, in the amount not to exceed \$22,975, funded by capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve Bristol Environmental, for the asbestos abatement removal and disposal of the Paxon Hollow Middle School library floor tile and carpet, in the amount of \$12,700, funded by capital reserve, as presented.

12.05 Boiler Room Project, Paxon Hollow Middle School

Motion to approve Bonnett Medica Associates, Inc., to solicit bids for the Boiler Room Project at Paxon Hollow Middle School.

#### 12.06 Library Renovation, Paxon Hollow Middle school

Motion to approve Pereira Construction LLC., as the general contractor for the Paxon Hollow Middle School library renovation, under Costars contract #536618 in the amount of \$30,936, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve County Carpet and Flooring, for the flooring installation of the Paxon Hollow Middle School library renovation, in the amount of \$12,356, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve Goldhorn Electrical Construction, Inc., as the electrical and data installer for the Paxon Hollow Middle School library renovation, under Costars contract #008-638 in the amount of \$30,500, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve John Benner Company, for the painting and prep work for the Paxon Hollow Middle School library renovation, in the amount of \$11,650, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve Corbett, Inc., with the furniture design, purchase, and installation for the Paxon Hollow Middle School library renovation, under Costars contract #035-018 in the amount of \$46,028.91, funded through capital projects fund, as presented.

#### 12.07 Classroom Renovation, Russell Elementary School

Motion to approve Pereira Construction LLC., as the general contractor for the Russell Elementary School classroom renovation, under Costars contract #536618 in the amount of \$127,368, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve County Carpet and Flooring, for the flooring demolition and installation for the Russell Elementary School classroom renovation, in the amount of \$11,900, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

Motion to approve Goldhorn Electrical Construction, Inc., as the electrical and data installer for the Russell Elementary School classroom renovation, under Costars contract #008-638 in the amount of \$72,100, funded through capital reserve, as presented.

#### 12.08 Renovation Phase 2, Administration Center Bus Garage

Motion to approve the Administration Center Bus Garage renovation project, as presented.

Motion to approve SB Conrad, Inc., as the general contractor for the Administration Center Bus Garage renovation project, in the amount of \$1,589,000, funded through capital reserve.

Motion to approve Innovative Service Contractors, LLC, as the HVAC contractor for the Administration Center Bus Garage renovation project, in the amount of \$139,000, funded through capital reserve.

Motion to approve Innovative Service Contractors, LLC, as the plumbing contractor for the Administration Center Bus Garage renovation project in the amount of \$97,500, funded through capital reserve.

Motion to approve Hobbs and Company, Inc., as the electrical contractor for the Administration Center Bus Garage renovation project in the amount of \$329,000, funded through capital reserve.

#### 12.09 Donation

Motion to approve the donation from Marple Newtown Soccer Association for the purchase and installation of new LED lights on the soccer fields, at Russell Elementary School and Paxon Hollow Middle School.

#### 12.10 Transportation

### CONTRACTS

Motion to approve the agreement between MNSD and First Student Inc., to service MNSD students who have been temporarily displaced from their home and reside in townships or counties across the region. The terms of this agreement will be effective May 28, 2025 through June 30, 2027, as attached. This agreement is pending solicitor's final review and School Board approval.

Motion was made by Mrs. Pacell, seconded by Mr. Siano

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

## 13. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

#### 13.01 Committee Report – Dana Altobelli, Chairperson

Mrs. Altobelli asked for a motion that 13.02 through 13.12 be approved

#### 13.02 Educator Conference

Motion to approve an additional cost for Jonathan Ruths, teacher, to attend the PME Conference at Kalahari from April 10-12, 2025. The additional cost to the District is \$360.80, bringing the total cost to \$870.80, as presented.

#### 13.03 Student Trips

Motion to approve Daniel Keehn, Assistant Principal, to accompany Paxon Hollow Middle School 8th grade students to Hershey Park on June 5, 2025. The total cost to the District is \$623.08, as presented.

Motion to approve Anita Stum, advisor, to accompany Marple Newtown High School Future Business Leaders of America club members to Anaheim, CA from June 29, 2025, to July 2, 2025. The approximate cost of transportation is \$3,000 to be paid by the District. The cost of the activity is \$4,200, \$3,100 to be paid by the District and \$1,100 to be paid by the club account. The approximate cost to the District is \$6,100, as presented.

Motion to approve Michael Snow, coach, to accompany the Marple Newtown Softball team to Myrtle Beach, SC from March 12-17, 2026. The cost of transportation is approximately \$10,000 paid by the student. The cost of the activity is approximately \$1,000 per student and paid by the student. There is no cost to the District, as presented.

Motion to approve Christopher Gicking, coach, to accompany the Marple Newtown Football team to Lebanon Valley College from July 12-15, 2025. The cost of transportation is \$2,211.15 paid by the District. The cost of the activity is \$400 per student and paid by the student. The total cost to the District is \$2,211.15, as presented.

#### 13.04 Curriculum Purchases

Motion to approve the purchase of Amplify Desmos for Algebra 1, as a resource to support Algebra 1 instruction, to begin in the 2025-2026 school year. The cost to the District is \$6,676, as presented.

Motion to approve the purchase of Business U, a suite of resources to support multiple high school business courses, to begin in the 2025-2026 school year. The cost to the District is \$3,680, as presented.

Motion to approve the purchase of BSCS Biology to support the implementation of the new STEELS standards in 2025-2026. The cost to the District is \$26,308.80, as presented.

Motion to approve the purchase of sewing machines for Paxon Hollow Middle School for the 2025-2026 school year. The cost to the District is \$1,219.31, as presented.

Motion to approve TWIG Science as the new STEELS-aligned main instructional resource for K-8 Science beginning in the 2025-2026 school year. The cost to the District not to exceed \$400,000, as presented.

#### 13.05 Book Title Adoption, Marple Newtown High School

Motion to approve the adoption of three new book titles to Marple Newtown High School, as presented.

#### 13.06 Disposals

Motion to approve the disposal of books at Worrall Elementary School, as presented.

Motion to approve the disposal of outdated science kit materials at all elementary buildings, as presented.

Motion to approve the disposal of books at Paxon Hollow Middle School, as presented.

#### 13.07 Professional Development

Motion to approve the purchase of 50 books to be used for professional learning meetings in the 2025-2026 school year. The total cost is \$945 to be paid by Ready to Learn Grant, as presented.

#### 13.08 District Wellness Assessment

Motion to approve the annual District Wellness Assessment, as presented.

13.09 Device-Free Procedure, Marple Newtown High School

Motion to approve the Device-Free Procedure proposal for Marple Newtown High School for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.

13.10 Elementary School Report Card

Motion to approve a new Elementary School Report Card for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.

13.11 School Safety

Motion to approve the annual School Safety Report, as presented.

13.12 Technology

Motion to approve the copier lease and service agreement with Fraser Advanced Information Systems in the amount of \$177,038 per year for a term of 4 years.

Motion to approve the contract renewal with FinalSite as our website hosting company. This is a five-year contract with a cost starting at \$21,944 and then 4% increases from year two to five.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Pacell

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi

Mr. McKenzie

**14. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

14.01 Committee Report – Nicholas V. Siano, Chairperson

Mr. Siano asked for a motion that 14.02 through 14.08 be approved

14.02 Appointment to Healthcare Trust Board

Motion to appoint Jennifer Canavan to the Delaware County Public School Healthcare Trust Board for the term July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.

14.03 Contracts

Supplementary Contracts

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the appointment of personnel to activity contracts for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school year in accordance with the MNEA negotiated agreement, as attached.

#### 14.04 Extended School Year (ESY) 2025

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following classified personnel for the 2025 ESY Program, as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

##### CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following classified personnel for the 2025 ESY Program, as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

#### 14.05 Position Abolishment

##### ACT 93

Motion to abolish the Dispatcher/Router Specialist position for the purpose of creating an Assistant Transportation Supervisor who will support the Transportation Department's administrative duties and management of the increasing demands placed upon the District's resources and services.

##### CLASSIFIED

Motion to abolish two (2) Special Education Assistant positions for the purpose of creating two Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT) to meet the increasing demands placed upon the District's Special Education resources and services.

#### 14.06 Position Creation

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to create two (2) Autistic Support Teaching positions to meet the growing demands placed upon the school District's Special Education resources and services, in accordance with the MNEA agreement. One will be scheduled at Culbertson Elementary School, and one will be scheduled at Worrall Elementary School.

Motion to create one (1) regular education teacher position to accommodate increasing first grade enrollment at Culbertson elementary school, in accordance with the MNEA agreement.

##### ACT 93

Motion to create an Assistant Transportation Supervisor position in the Transportation Department to meet the growing demands placed upon the school District's resources and services, in accordance with the Act 93 agreement.

##### CLASSIFIED

Motion to create two (2) Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) positions to meet the growing

demands placed upon the school District's Special Education resources and services, in accordance with the MNESPA agreement.

Motion to approve the creation and advertisement of four (4) Temporary Summer Maintenance positions, May 28, 2025, through and including August 29, 2025, at a rate of \$18.00 per hour.

#### 14.07 Appointments

#### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve summer hours for school nurses at the contracted rate per hour for a maximum of seven (7) hours per school nurse for the period of June 2025 at a rate of \$42.00 per hour, and for the period of July 1, 2025, through August 31, 2025, at a rate of \$45.00 per hour.

Motion to approve the following professional appointment(s) upon successful completion of required paperwork, item(s) 1 through 3:

- 1) Jenny Kim – English Language Learner (ELL) Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: July 7, 2025 through July 17, 2025  
Salary: Contracted MNEA hourly rate  
Reason: Summer school for English Language Learners
- 2) Angelina Velazquez – LTS Special Education Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025 through October 31, 2025  
Salary: \$55,500.00, BA Step 1  
Reason: Substitute for Robert Westbrook
- 3) Kimberly Dobbins – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: May 5, 2025 through June 19, 2025  
Salary: \$58,500, MA Step 1  
Reason: Substitute for Ashley Smart

#### ACT 93

Motion to approve the following Act 93 appointment(s) upon successful completion of required paperwork, item(s) 1:

- 1) Sandra Brassell – Assistant Transportation Supervisor  
Transportation Department  
Effective: July 1, 2025  
Salary: \$60,000.00  
Reason: Reorganization of Transportation Department

#### CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified appointment(s) upon successful completion of required paperwork, item(s) 1 through 11:

- 1) Jordan Dziena – Full Time Accounting Clerk

Food Services Department  
Effective: June 2, 2025  
Salary: \$40,000.00  
Reason: Replacing Donna Miles

- 2) Ashley Waldman – Special Education Assistant  
Worrall Elementary School  
Effective: April 28, 2025  
Salary: \$20,157.00  
Reason: Replacing Kelli Whitaker
- 3) Margaret Brennan – Special Education Assistant  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: May 5, 2025  
Salary: \$20,157.00  
Reason: Replacing Drew McCone
- 4) Kevin Hahn – Summer Custodian Assistant  
Operations Department  
Effective: May 28, 2025 through August 29, 2025  
Salary: \$18.00/hr.  
Reason: Temporary Summer Maintenance
- 5) Marcus Weathers – Summer Custodian Assistant  
Operations Department  
Effective: May 28, 2025 through August 29, 2025  
Salary: \$18.00/hr.  
Reason: Temporary Summer Maintenance
- 6) Donald Vogelgesang – Summer Custodian Assistant  
Operations Department  
Effective: May 28, 2025 through August 29, 2025  
Salary: \$18.00/hr.  
Reason: Temporary Summer Maintenance
- 7) Carisma Kaze – Custodian Substitute  
District Wide  
Effective: April 25, 2025  
Salary: \$20.76/hr.  
Reason: Substitute as needed
- 8) Brian Pierce – Custodian Substitute  
District Wide  
Effective: April 25, 2025  
Salary: \$20.76/hr.  
Reason: Substitute as needed
- 9) Patricia Robinson – Bus Driver in Training  
Transportation Department  
Effective: May 19, 2025  
Salary: \$19.50/hr.

Reason: Replacing John Schmidt

- 10) Emma Langston – Bus Driver in Training  
Transportation Department  
Effective: June 13, 2025  
Salary: \$19.50/hr.  
Reason: Replacing Pradip Desai
- 11) Ian Campbell – Summer Custodian Assistant  
Operations Department  
Effective: May 28, 2025 through August 29, 2025  
Salary: \$18.00/hr.  
Reason: Temporary Summer Maintenance

#### 14.08 EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Motion to approve the appointment of Joel DiBartolomeo as Director of Human Resources for Marple Newtown School District, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2030, and to approve the terms of the Employment Contract between the Board of School Directors and Joel DiBartolomeo, pending final solicitor and School Board approval, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

#### 14.09 Retirements

Mr. Siano asked for a motion for 14.09 and 14.10 be approved.

#### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional retirement(s), item(s) 1 through 2:

- 1) Denise Chamoun – Elementary Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025
- 2) Tracy Paine – Elementary Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: July 9, 2025

#### ACT 93

Motion to approve the following Act 93 retirement(s), item(s) 1:

- 1) Lisa Bradley – Pupil Services Coordinator  
Pupil Services Department  
Effective: August 13, 2025

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified retirement(s), item(s) 1:

- 1) Lisa Massaro – Special Education Assistant  
Marple Newtown High School  
Effective: May 23, 2025

14.10 Resignations

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional resignation(s), item(s) 1 through 3:

- 1) Sara Lynch – Learning Support Teacher  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025
- 2) Kelly Giano – Elementary Teacher  
Worrall Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025
- 3) Kelsey Sun – Elementary Teacher  
Worrall Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Pacell

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi  
Mr. McKenzie

14.11 Termination(s)

Mr. Siano asked for a motion for 14.11 through 14.14 be approved.

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional termination(s), item(s) 1 through 11:

- 1) Ciara Cook – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Maria Asteris)
- 2) Angelina Valazquez – LTS Special Education Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Robert Westbrook)
- 3) Jillian Long – LTS Elementary Teacher

- Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Brenna King)
- 4) Nicole Nelson – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Rachel Henriques)
- 5) Kyle Broaddus – LTS Math Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Marina Langworthy)
- 6) Megan MacNeal – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Briana Graziola)
- 7) Sydney Torresson – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Charolette Ashley)
- 8) Gabrielle Burton – LTS Counselor .5  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment
- 9) Vittoria Jagers – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Beth Lake)
- 10) Phyllis Williams – LTS Math Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Melissa Ebersole)
- 11) Kimberly Dobbins – LTS Elementary Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Reason: End of assignment (Ashley Smart)

## CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified termination(s), item(s) 1:

- 1) John Vella – Bus Driver  
Transportation Department  
Effective: May 27, 2025

Reason: No available position

14.12 Leave(s) of Absence

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional leave(s) of absence, item(s) 1 through 4:

- 1) Lauren Tumelty – Special Education Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: August 19, 2025 through November 24, 2025  
Reason: FMLA
- 2) Caitlin Gallihue – Board Certified Behavioral Analyst  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025 through November 7, 2025  
Reason: FMLA
- 3) Marina Golato – Elementary Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: September 22, 2025 through December 15, 2025  
Reason: FMLA
- 4) Jessica Chickadel – Elementary Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: October 27, 2025 through April 6, 2025  
Reason: FMLA

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified leave(s) of absence, item(s) 1 through 5:

- 1) Danielle Brown – Van Driver II  
Transportation Department  
Effective: March 27, 2025 to June 13, 2025  
Reason: FMLA
- 2) Raymond Haffelfinger – Bus Driver  
Transportation Department  
Effective: April 23, 2025 through May 6, 2025  
Reason: Uncompensated leave
- 3) Steven Kroberger – School Assistant  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: April 21, 2025 through June 13, 2025  
Reason: Uncompensated leave
- 4) Elise Marino – School Assistant  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: May 9, 2025 through June 13, 2025  
Reason: Uncompensated leave

- 5) Daniel Gilronan – Bus Driver  
Transportation Department  
Effective: May 7, 2025 through June 13, 2025  
Reason: Uncompensated leave

#### 14.13 Return from Leave(s) of Absence

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional return from leave(s), item(s) 1 through 3:

- 1) Briana Graziola – Elementary Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from Child Rearing Leave
- 2) Brenna King – Elementary Teacher  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from Child Rearing Leave
- 3) Marina Langworthy – Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from Child Rearing Leave

##### CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified return from leave(s), item(s) 1 through 4:

- 1) Raymond Haffelfinger – Bus Driver  
Transportation Department  
Effective: May 6, 2025  
Reason: Return from uncompensated leave
- 2) Celeste King – Special Education Assistant  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: May 5, 2025  
Reason: Return from FMLA
- 3) Sheila Reynolds – Special Education Assistant  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: May 15, 2025  
Reason: Return from FMLA

#### 14.14 Transfer(s)

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the recommended Professional transfer(s), effective for the 2025 – 2026 School

Year, item(s) 1 through 7:

	Name	From	Assignment	To	Assignment
1)	Craig Scangrella	Culbertson	Third Grade Teacher	Culbertson	Fourth Grade Teacher
2)	Megan McNamee	Culbertson	Third Grade Teacher	Culbertson	Second Grade Teacher
3)	Briana Graziola	Russell	Third Grade Teacher	Russell	Second Grade Teacher
4)	Stuart Berg	Paxon Hollow	Science Teacher	Paxon Hollow	Math Teacher
5)	John Jacobs	MNHS	Autistic Support Teacher	MNHS	Life Skills Support Teacher
6)	Jill Gill	MNHS	Life Skills Support Teacher	MNHS	Autistic Support Teacher
7)	Rachel Bronstein	Loomis	Design Thinking	Loomis	First Grade Teacher

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Dezzi

Mr. McKenzie

**15. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD**

There was none

**16. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

There was none

**17. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

There was none

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business for the Board, Mr. Bilker adjourned the meeting at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted

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Joseph Driscoll  
Board Secretary