

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, June 24, 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, Mr. Dominick DuVernois

Press: 0

Audience: 1

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mr. Bilker called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM and advised that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Legal matters.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Dezzi led the Pledge of Allegiance

**3. PRESENT**

Mrs. Altobelli, Mr. Bilker, Mr. Dezzi, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. McKenzie (by phone), Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Siano

Absent: Mr. Raymond  
Mr. Reynolds

**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. Raymond  
Mr. Reynolds

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

There was none

## **6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT**

- Tiger Recognition Award Night for select seniors and underclassmen was on June 5th at 7:00 in the auditorium
- Third term renaissance qualifiers had the opportunity to go to Morey's pier in Wildwood for an exciting day of the beach, rides, and the boardwalk on June 6<sup>th</sup>
- The SAT was held at Marple on Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup>
- Underclassmen had half days for the last days of school on June 11-13th
- The Morgan's Message Club held an event on June 11 called Wellness Wednesday with over 100 students going outside to destress, walk laps and play lawn games followed by some water ice!
- The Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2025 was on June 12th at 1:00 in the afternoon at Villanova. Students seemed to like to have it during the day, all teachers were in attendance, and families could enjoy the long afternoon and evening together after the ceremony.
- The last day of school for all students was June 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Students will enjoy summer break, hopefully completing their summer assignments until their first day back on September 2nd.
- Freshman orientation will take place in late August, ran by the Tiger Guides.
- That is all we have tonight, but we hope you all have a wonderful summer! It has been an honor to provide you all with the student report the past two years and I am so grateful for the opportunity.

## **7. COMMENDATIONS**

MNHS Boys Lacrosse Championship Team

Dr. Kane introduced Mr. Chris Gicking and Coach Kevin Merchant. Coach Merchant introduced the team and each member of the team received a certificate. The also received Citations from State Representatives Lisa Borowski, Jen O'Mara, and Greg Vitali

Student Representatives – Nick D'Ambrosio and Allison Collins

Dr. Kane thanked both Nick and Allison for attending the Board meetings and keeping the Board informed on what was happening in the schools around the district. Dr. Kane also presented them both with a certificate and a special gift for Allison since this was her last Board meeting.

Joeseeph Driscoll, Business Administrator, Retirement

After 35 years of dedicated service in public education, including 25 years as Business Administrator in the Marple Newtown School District, we recognize and honor Joe Driscoll for his exceptional leadership. He has been a gifted and fiscally responsible Business Administrator of our district's resources, always managing with precision and integrity. and a commitment to excellence. His decisions consistently reflected a deep understanding of

present needs while thoughtfully planning for the future. We thank him for his remarkable contributions and wish him every happiness in retirement.

## **8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Kane gave the following report:

Marple Newtown High School Commencement was a great success hosted at Villanova. The graduation ceremony was a wonderful event for our graduating seniors. Congratulations to all of our 2025 graduates. This year our Marple Newtown High School graduates have been awarded scholarships over the next four years. The Class of 2025 has been awarded approximately 36 million dollars in merit-based scholarships from institutions of higher education. They have also received more than \$250,000 from local scholarships and private donors during our Tiger Recognition event, \$56,000 in private earned scholarships secured through individual student efforts, and approximately \$380,000 in athletic scholarships. These achievements speak to the exceptional talent, determination, and ambition of our graduating class.

Paxon Hollow Middle School's 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony was very well attending at MNHS Gymnasium. We promoted 288 students to high school.

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotions were well attended for all of our elementary schools celebrating of the students finishing their elementary school experience.

Our Kindergartens were promoted to first grade.

Our extended school year programs have begun and are hosted at Culbertson this summer.

Our facilities department is well under way with summer cleaning and maintenance projects.

## **9. SECRETARY'S MINUTES**

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2025 Regular Meeting.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond  
Mr. Reynolds

## **10. OTHER REPORTS**

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 880805.

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

With no further discussion motion passed by roll call vote 7 – 0

Roll call vote

|                | <u>Attend</u> | <u>Read</u> | <u>Vote</u> |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| Mrs. Pacell    |               | Read        | Yes         |
| Mr. Dezzi      |               | Read        | Yes         |
| Mr. Bilker     |               | Read        | Yes         |
| Mr. McKenzie   |               | Read        | Yes         |
| Mr. Siano      |               | Read        | Yes         |
| Mrs. Harvey    |               | Read        | Yes         |
| Mrs. Altobelli |               | Read        | Yes         |

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following motions

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 885067 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 882415 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Intensive Support Supplement Agreement for student 882415 attending Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the One-On-One Staffing agreement for student 882415 attending Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 882415 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Intensive Support Supplement Agreement for student 882415 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the One-On-One Staffing Supplement Agreement for student 882415 attending Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 885067 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 881852 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 884648 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 884480 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for students 882421, 885052, 881440 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Addendum B Agreement for students 882421, 880070, 881002, 880353,

600033, 885052, 804286, 881873 to attend Approved Private School for extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 882935 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year and extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 883415 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year and extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 600025 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year and extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for student 883214 to attend Approved Private School for the 2025-2026 school year and extended school year (ESY) 2025. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release between the District and the parents of student 882389 to attend private school for the 2025- 2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release between the District and the parents of student 882643 to attend private school for the 2025- 2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release between the District and the parents of student 882644 to attend private school for the 2025- 2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the agreement between the District and PHSPartners LLC to provide consulting services to assist the District Administration of the School Based Access Programs (SBAP). This is not a new agreement.

Motion to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release between the District and the parents of student 882399 to attend private school for the 2025-2026 school year. This is not a new agreement.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond  
Mr. Reynolds

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

11.01 Committee Report – Barbara Harvey, Chairperson

Mrs. Harvey asked for motions under 11.02 through 11.12 be approved.

11.02 Bills for Payment

Motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$10,291,692.75,

Capital Reserve Fund bills in the amount of \$204,902.23, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$110,782.85.

Motion to authorize the Business Administrator to release checks for payment during the month of July, as needed.

#### 11.03 Monthly Reports

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

#### 11.04 Budgetary Reserve Transfer

Motion to approve a transfer from Budgetary Reserve in the amount of \$90,000 for substitute teacher services.

#### 11.05 Fund Balance

Motion to commit and/or assign a portion of the audited general fund balance as of June 30, 2025, towards future capital purchases and improvements, assessment reductions and/or capital reserve funding, and approve any necessary transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund in 2025-2026.

#### 11.06 Designation of Depositories

Motion to approve the following Financial Institutions for the 2025-2026 fiscal year as required by School Code:

TD Bank  
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)  
Pennsylvania State District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)

#### 11.07 Policies

Motion to approve the first reading of School Board Policy 625, Credit Card, as presented. District Solicitor has reviewed.

#### 11.08 Closure of Student Activity Accounts

Motion to approve the closure of Class accounts at Marple Newtown High School and to distribute the funds into Marple Newtown High School Student Activity accounts, as presented.

#### 11.09 2021 Tax Assessment Appeal

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 25-00-05303-00 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2021, an assessment of \$18,000,000 and a fair market value of \$18,000,000.

For tax year 2022, an assessment of \$18,000,000 and a fair market value of \$18,000,000.

For tax year 2023, an assessment of \$18,000,000 and a fair market value of \$24,725,274.

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$18,000,000 and a fair market value of \$27,355,623.

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$18,000,000 and a fair market value of \$29,268,292.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$679,170 above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$7,448 to our District for tax year 2021.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$679,170 above the 2022 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$7,664 to our District for tax year 2022.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$679,170 above the 2023 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$7,884 to our District for tax year 2023.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$679,170 above the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$8,190 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 30-00-02442-00 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$1,086,700 and a fair market value of \$1,650,000.

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$1,014,750 and a fair market value of \$1,650,000.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$85,110 below the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$1,026.26 to our District for tax year 2024.

#### 11.11 2025 Tax Assessment Appeal

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 30-00-00635-85 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$150,675 and a fair market value of \$245,000.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$12,300 below the 2025 assessment and will yield an approximate \$150.00 tax loss to the District for tax year 2025. (estimated based upon 2024 millage rate).

#### 11.12 2025-2026 School Lunch Prices

Motion to approve 2025-2026 school lunch prices as follows:

Elementary Schools from \$3.00 to \$3.10 (increase of 10 cents)

Paxon Hollow Middle School from \$3.25 to \$3.35 (increase of 10 cents)

Marple Newtown High School from \$3.50 to \$3.60 (increase of 10 cents)

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond

Mr. Reynolds

11.13 Other Business

11.14 Public Comment

11.15 Adjournment

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

12.01 Committee Report – David Dezzi, Chairperson

12.02 Environmental Services, Administration Center Bus Garage

Mr. Dezzi asked for a motion to approve Environmental Control Systems, Inc., to provide professional services for the underground tank storage removal and installation project, as presented.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond

Mr. Reynolds

12.03 Russell Elementary School

Mr. Dezzi asked that the following motions be approved.

Motion to approve Pereira Construction LLC., with the carpentry, painting, and flooring at Russell Elementary School, under Costars contract #536618, in the amount of \$147,707.50, funded through capital reserve, offset by insurance proceeds, as presented.

Motion to approve Goldhorn Electrical, to replace the electrical VFDs in the boiler room and main distribution panel at Russell Elementary School, under Costars contract #E25-186, in the amount of \$70,945, funded through capital reserve, offset by insurance proceeds, as presented.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond

Mr. Reynolds

12.04 Other Business

12.05 Public Comment

12.06 Adjournment

**13. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

13.01 Committee Report – Dana Altobelli, Chairperson

Mrs. Altobelli asked for motions under 13.02 through 13.08 be approved.

13.02 Student Trips, Marple Newtown High School

Motion to approve Michael Winterbottom, advisor, to accompany Marple Newtown High School Best Buddies to Indiana University from July 18-21, 2025. The cost of transportation is \$400, to be paid by the club account. The cost of the activity is \$400, to be paid by the District. The total cost to the District is \$400, as presented.

13.03 Student Clubs, Marple Newtown High School

Motion to approve MN Pickleball Club at Marple Newtown High School, as presented.

Motion to approve Sports Photography Club at Marple Newtown High School, as presented.

13.04 Agreement

Motion to approve a three-year contract with Branching Minds for Multi-Tiered System of Supports services in the amount of \$33,662.50. The cost is to be paid by both the District and Grant funds, as presented.

13.05 Curriculum Purchases, Paxton Hollow Middle School

Motion to approve the purchase of Amplify Desmos as the core instructional resource for Math Lab, the new mathematics intervention course for grades 6–8 at Paxton Hollow Middle School, beginning in the 2025–2026 school year. The cost to the District is \$8,100, as presented.

13.06 Professional Development

Motion to approve training for Algebra 1 and Math Lab teachers on the effective implementation of the Amplify Desmos resource. The cost to the District is \$2,500, as presented.

Motion to approve a virtual training session for the new STEELS-aligned curriculum resource for High School Biology courses. Total cost to the District is \$900, as presented.

13.07 Book Title Adoptions

Motion to approve new book titles to Worrall Elementary School, as presented.

Motion to approve new book titles to Culbertson Elementary School, as presented.

13.08 Disposals

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

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

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond  
Mr. Reynolds

13.09 Other Business

13.10 Public Comment

13.11 Adjournment

#### **14. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

14.01 Committee Report – Nicholas V. Siano, Chairperson

Mr. Siano asked for motions under 14.02 through 14.12 be approved.

14.02 Supplementary Contracts

PROFESSIONAL

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

14.03 Tuition Reimbursement

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the attached tuition reimbursement, in accordance with Act 93, MNEA, MNAA, and MNESPA negotiated agreements.

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 professional 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 Salary Adjustments

##### ACT 93 CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEE

Motion to approve the 2025 – 2026 Marple Newtown Act 93 Confidential Employees salary changes effective July 1, 2025, as presented.

##### ADMINISTRATIVE

Motion to approve the 2025 – 2026 Marple Newtown Administrative salary changes effective July 1, 2025, as presented.

#### 14.06 Resignations

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional resignation(s), item(s) 1 through 4:

- 1) Jessica Hawthorne – Art Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: June 19, 2025
- 2) Rachel Henriques – Elementary Teacher  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: June 19, 2025
- 3) Mary Murphy – Reading Specialist  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: June 19, 2025
- 4) Matthew Cook – English Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: June 18, 2025

##### CLASSIFIED

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

- 1) Rhonda Williams – Transportation Aide  
Transportation Department  
Effective: May 30, 2025

#### 14.07 Termination(s)

##### CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified termination(s), item(s) 1 through 2:

- 1) Kevin Parsons – Transportation Aide  
Transportation Department

- Effective: May 23, 2025  
Reason: Failure to complete probationary period
- 2) Carisma Kaze – Custodian Substitute  
District Wide  
Effective: May 30, 2025  
Reason: Failure to complete paperwork

#### 14.08 Appointments

##### ADMINISTRATION

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

- 1) Maureen Keough – Accounting Supervisor  
Business Office  
Effective: July 15, 2025  
Salary: \$90,000.00  
Reason: Replacing Michael Nardo

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional appointment(s) upon successful completion of required paperwork, item(s) 1 through 6:

- 1) Paige Steinkomph – Special Education Teacher  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Salary: \$79,200.00, MA Step 10  
Reason: Fills vacancy
- 2) Kimberly Dobbins – Elementary Teacher  
Worrall Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Salary: \$62,000.00, MA Step 2  
Reason: Replacing Kelly Giano
- 3) Keri Hedrick – Elementary Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Salary: \$72,200.00, MA Step 7  
Reason: Replacing Denise Chamoun
- 4) Breslyn Studabaker – Art Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Salary: \$55,500.00, BA Step 1  
Reason: Replacing Susan Harvey-Dubrunfaut
- 5) Sofia Giangrasso – Special Education Teacher

Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Salary: \$56,000.00, BA Step 2  
Reason: Fills vacancy

- 6) Melissa Soley – Reading Specialist  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Salary: \$84,200.00, MA Step 12  
Reason: Replacing Mary Murphy

#### CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified appointment(s) upon successful completion of required paperwork, item(s) 1 through 9:

- 1) Tara Carty - Cook  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: May 27, 2025  
Salary: \$17.42/hr.  
Reason: Replacing Brittany Connor
- 2) Carisma Weiss – Custodian Substitute  
District Wide  
Effective: May 30, 2025  
Salary: \$20.76/hr.  
Reason: Substitute as needed
- 3) Rachel Henriques – Special Education Assistant  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: July 1, 2025  
Salary: \$24,244.00  
Reason: Replacing Karen Galiffa
- 4) Dawn Martin – Office Assistant  
Marple Newtown High School  
Effective: September 2, 2025  
Salary: \$14,752.00  
Reason: Replacing Caterina Salvino
- 5) Carey Pierce – Van Driver II  
Transportation Department  
Effective: June 19, 2025  
Salary: \$28.14/hr.  
Reason: Replacing Dave Glielmi
- 6) Dolores Smyth – Special Education Assistant  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: August 27, 2025  
Salary: \$20,762.00  
Reason: Replacing Michelle Fischetti

- 7) Alex Edwards – Transportation Aide  
Transportation Department  
Effective: June 5, 2025  
Salary: \$19.50/hr.  
Reason: Replacing Kevin Parsons
- 8) Elena Bouvier – Bus Driver  
Transportation Department  
Effective: August 1, 2025  
Salary: \$31.05/hr.  
Reason: Replacing Carey Pierce
- 9) Grace Gardler – Special Education Assistant  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: August 27, 2025  
Salary: \$20,762.00  
Reason: Madison Blankenship

#### 14.09 Leave(s) of Absence

##### CLASSIFIED

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

- 1) Celeste King – Special Education Assistant  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: May 12, 2025 through June 13, 2025  
Reason: FMLA

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

##### PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional return from leave(s), item(s) 1 through 7:

- 1) Jessica Civitello – Elementary Teacher  
Loomis Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from Sabbatical Leave
- 2) Nicole McCullough – Speech and Language Pathologist  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from FMLA
- 3) Sara Miller – Speech and Language Pathologist  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from FMLA

- 4) Melissa Ebersole – Math Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from FMLA
- 5) Briana Graziola – Elementary Teacher  
Russell Elementary School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from Child Rearing Leave
- 6) Marina Langworthy – Science Teacher  
Paxon Hollow Middle School  
Effective: August 19, 2025  
Reason: Return from Child Rearing Leave
- 7) Brenna King – Elementary Teacher  
Loomis Elementary 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:

- 1) Celeste King – Special Education Assistant  
Culbertson Elementary School  
Effective: August 27, 2025  
Reason: Return from FMLA

#### 14.11 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. | Nicole Morrissey   | Culbertson Elementary School | Learning Support Teacher | Culbertson Elementary School | First Grade Teacher      |
| 2. | Danielle Marchese  | Wilson Reading Teacher       | District Wide            | Loomis Elementary School     | Learning Support Teacher |
| 3. | Katerina Innaurato | Loomis Elementary School     | Fourth Grade Teacher     | Loomis Elementary School     | Third Grade Teacher      |
| 4. | Brenna King        | Loomis Elementary School     | Fifth Grade Teacher      | Loomis Elementary School     | Fourth Grade Teacher     |

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|----|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 5. | Alexandra Labutis | Worrall Elementary School  | Third Grade Teacher                | Worrall Elementary School  | Second Grade Teacher         |
| 6. | Kimberly Trigone  | Loomis Elementary School   | Art Teacher                        | Paxon Hollow Middle School | Art Teacher                  |
| 7. | Rachel Stunzi     | Paxon Hollow Middle School | Math and Special Education Teacher | District Wide              | Teacher for Special Programs |

#### 14.12 Contract Renewal

Motion to approve the annual agreement, July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, between Marple Newtown School District and Vector solutions for Employee Safety and Compliance Library, formerly SafeSchools Training, in the amount of \$8,084.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mr. Raymond  
Mr. Reynolds

#### 14.13 Other Business

#### 14.14 Public Comment

#### 14.15 Adjournment

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

Good evening, everyone.

Tonight marks the end of the Joe Driscoll era as the business manager for Marple Newtown School District. For more than two decades, Joe has diligently worked behind the scenes to ensure our schools ran smoothly and responsibly. He has been primarily responsible for the positive financial outlook of our school district, including helping us appropriately finance things we had to do for the betterment of our district while balancing the needs of our community and helping Marple Newtown keep its school taxes lower than anywhere else in the County. Beyond the numbers, which is a dimension that I am not sure Joe loves - he was worked with integrity, dedication, and care - despite sometimes trying to come off as if he doesn't have feelings.

Joe has refused to have a retirement party, or at the very least, has refused to tell me when his retirement party is. He has refused any attention from the board for his retirement. He has refused to go out for a celebratory pint of soda, so we have to do this here...

Joe, your work has made a lasting impact, and your legacy will be felt in every classroom, every program, and every success story in our district. On behalf of the board, the administration, and our entire school community, thank you. We wish you all the best in your next chapter. You've certainly earned it.

**16. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Varsity coach of the Marple Newtown Ice Hockey requested to have a bus take the players to practice after school. He would only need them to be dropped off at practice, parents would pick up the students.

**17. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Several Board members thanked Mr. Driscoll for his time with Marple Newtown and wished him the best in his retirement.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully Submitted

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Dominick DuVernois  
Board Secretary