

**Mountain View School District**  
***“A Community’s Commitment to Excellence”***  
**Board of Education Public Meeting**  
**Monday, June 23, 2026**  
**MINUTES**

**1.1 Call to Order**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on June 23, 2026 was held in the High School Auditorium and was called to order at 7:15 PM by Mr. Tracy Flynn, President.

**1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.3 Roll Call – Board Members Present:**

Mr. Tracy Flynn, President; Mr. Michael Barhite, First Vice President; Mr. Michael Molenko, Second Vice President; Mr. Chase Poplawski; Mr. Kenneth Decker; Mr. Derek O’Dell; Ms. Kirsten Smith; Mr. Jason Richmond.

Absent: Mr. Dan Very.

**Administration Present:**

Dr. Mike Elia, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Attorney Joseph Gaughan, Solicitor.

Absent: Mr. Patrick McGarry, Elementary School Principal; Dr. Mark Lemoncelli, High School Principal; Dr. Bridget Frounfelker, Director of Curriculum; Mrs. Erica Loftus, Special Services; Mr. Tim Chidester, Director of Buildings and Grounds.

**1.4. 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.

- Christine Clayton from the Community Foundation announced that a donor, Devon Energy, has stepped forward and donated \$100,000 towards tuition costs for the 10<sup>th</sup> Grade vo-tech.
- Dava Cowen asked what the plans were for making the district financially sound.
- Sondra Stine wanted asked how the board could even consider not sending 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Vo-Tech.
- Ted Brewster asked clarifying questions about the agenda.
- Megan Unata asked if audits are publicly available.

- Isabella Hobart would like higher accountability for students attending the vo-tech program.

**2. Finance Committee: Kirsten Smith, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Dan Very, Chase Poplawski

- 2.1. The motion is made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Poplawski, to reinstitute the Career and Technology 10th grade program for the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion 262 Carried: 8 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Decker, Mr. O'Dell, Mr. Molenko, Mr. Richmond, Ms. Smith, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Poplawski), 1 Absent (Mr. Very).

- 2.2. The motion is made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Poplawski, to amend the agenda to include a motion to consider amending the budget as adopted on June 8, 2026 for the 2026-2027 school year to include the reinstated 10<sup>th</sup> grade CTC program, as presented.

Motion 263 Carried: 8 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Decker, Mr. O'Dell, Mr. Molenko, Mr. Richmond, Ms. Smith, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Poplawski), 1 Absent (Mr. Very).

- 2.3. The motion is made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Poplawski, to amend the budget as adopted on June 8, 2026 for the 2026-2027 school year to include the reinstated 10<sup>th</sup> grade CTC program. The budget is \$24,134,740.61.

Motion 264 Carried: 8 Yes (Mr. Barhite, Mr. Decker, Mr. O'Dell, Mr. Molenko, Mr. Richmond, Ms. Smith, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Poplawski), 1 Absent (Mr. Very).

**3. Personnel Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Kirsten Smith, Kenneth Decker

**4. Policy Committee: Michael Molenko Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Chase Poplawski

**5. Education Committee: Dan Very, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Kirsten Smith

**6. Building and Site Committee: Kenneth Decker, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Molenko, Derek O'Dell

**7. Transportation Committee: Derek O'Dell, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Michael Molenko

**8. Labor Relations Committee: Tracy Flynn, Chairperson**

MVEA Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Kenneth Decker, Jason Richmond

MVESPA Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Michael Molenko, Michael Barhite

**9. Administration**

**10. Closing**

### 10.1. Second Hearing of Visitors

You may address any topic. 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.

- None.

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

#### **HELD:**

- Monday, June 22, 2026 - 6:00pm – 7:30 pm for Personnel & Contracts
- Tuesday, June 23, 2026 - 6:00pm – 7:15 pm for Personnel & Contracts

#### **SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, July 13, 2026 before the public meeting

## 11. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Barhite, second by Mr. Richmond, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Witiak