

MONTOURSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES FOR BOARD MEETING
Online Zoom Webinar

Tuesday, November 10, 2020
7:03 PM

Call to Order - Board President
Roll Call - Board Secretary

MEMBER

Daniel L. Albert
 Susan Beery
 Scott W. Konkle
 Jennifer L. Marriott
 Dottie M. Mathers, Vice President
 William S. Ruffing

MEMBER

David Shimmel, President
 Ronald E. Snell
 Dale Ulmer
 *Fred Holland, Solicitor
 *Christina Bason, Superintendent
 *Brandy N. Smith, Business Mgr./Bd. Secretary
*(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

Breon, Amy - Elementary School Principal
 Clark, Denise – WOL Coordinator
 Feerrar, Darrin - Elementary School Principal
 Gnoffo, Joseph - Supervisors of Buildings and Grounds
 King, Christopher - Assistant High School Principal
 Myers, Curtis - Middle School Principal
 Peipher, Sebastian – Lead Network Administrator
 Taormina, Daniel - High School Principal
 Williamson, Michele - Supervisor of Special Education
 Residents Media Students

Awards and Recognitions

Mr. Ruffing acknowledged the football and girls' soccer teams for a successful season and playoff run.

Approval of minutes for the following meetings:

- Board Meeting, Tuesday, October 13, 2020
- Work Session, Tuesday, October 27, 2020

Motion: Mathers Second: Konkle
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

Mr. Shimmel announced there was a supplemental agenda this evening.

Public Comment

No public comment

Business Manager's Report

A. General Fund and Cafeteria Fund Treasurer's Report

Motion: Ulmer Second: Marriott
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

B. Budgetary Transfers

Motion: Ulmer Second: Beery
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

Mr. Snell inquired about \$2,150 to purchase AED units on recall. Mr. Snell wanted to know if we got any money back due to the recall.

Mr. Taormina shared why new machines were purchased.

C. Presentation of Bills (Roll Call)

General Fund	-\$2,666,067.09
Cafeteria Fund	-\$ 72,261.66

Motion: Ulmer Second: Marriott
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Ulmer
No: Snell
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

Mr. Snell asked if check #59923 was a monthly payment or an annual payment.

D. Business

Mrs. Smith provided an audit update. The auditors were in the office Friday to conduct the simple audit and that piece is close to being done. Mrs. Smith shared that she is working on the MD&A as well as the AFR and is hoping to get those completed by Monday.

Mrs. Smith shared that there are two motions tonight to make 2 bond payments early. She said that these payments are in the budget for this year to be paid in the spring. However, they are callable and a payment now will save the District around \$20,000.

Mrs. Smith stated that work on next year's budget has started. As of now, the only major concern in this year's budget is the cyber charter school expenditures.

Mr. Snell asked how many students were enrolled in outside cyber charter schools as well as our District cyber option.

Mrs. Smith explained the differences in the budgeted and actual expenses relating to cyber school.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Denise Clark provided a WOL update. This included enrollment numbers, addressing struggles with online learning, and the partnership with Warren County School District. Mrs. Clark shared the work that has been done by the Montoursville team to make sure the students have a successful experience with online learning.

Mr. Sebastian Peipher provided a technology report. Mr. Peipher shared the changes and updates that have occurred in the past year. This included updates to security and aging technology. Mr. Peipher thanked the technology facilitator, Aaron Runkle, and the library staff for their work.

Mr. Dan Taormina provided a High School update. Mr. Taormina congratulated the fall sports teams and district chorus participants, announced the Winter Concert, and provided an update on educating through the COVID situation.

Mr. Chris King thanked the teachers and students for all of their hard work.

Mr. Curtis Myers provided a Middle School update. Mr. Myers discussed recent student activities and thanked everyone for their continued support.

Mr. Darrin Feerrar and Dr. Amy Breon provided elementary school updates. Mr. Feerrar gave insight into how the beginning of the year has gone as well as the Veteran's Day activities. Dr. Breon discussed their mock election and other updates on Loyalsock Valley Elementary.

Mrs. Bason announced that the Senior Thanksgiving Dinner has been canceled.

Agenda Items

• Personnel

P-1 Approval of the following change of leave of absence from a member of the professional staff:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Leave Dates</u>	<u>Changed To</u>
101428	October 9, 2020 to November 8, 2020	October 9, 2020 to December 6, 2020

P-2 Approval of the following addition to fill a long-term position:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Replacement for:</u>
Tim Bachman	Special Education	October 9, 2020 to December 6, 2020	101428

P-3 Approval of the following additions to the guest teacher list for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Guest Teacher</u>
Sheri Hitesman
Kendra Pardoe

Motion: Marriott Second: Konkle
 Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
 No: None
 Absent: None
 Result: **Motion Carried**

- **Transportation**

T-1 Approval for Promiseland Bussing rates in the amount of \$2,295.14 for October 2020. (Attachment)

Motion: Beery Second: Ruffing
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

- **Budget and Finance**

BF-1 Motion to approve the resolution for early redemption of the outstanding April 1, 2021 payment for the Series 2014 Bonds. (Attachment)

Motion: Ulmer Second: Marriott
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

BF-2 Motion to approve the resolution for early redemption of the outstanding May 1, 2021 payment for the Series 2015B Bonds. (Attachment)

Motion: Snell Second: Albert
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

Motion to add the items on the supplemental agenda

Motion: Mathers Second: Mathers
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

G-1 Approval to contract with Conrad Siegel to provide mandatory Affordable Care Act reporting for 2020 at a cost of \$6,800.00. This cost is the same as 2019. (Attachment)

Motion: Ulmer Second: Snell
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

Mr. Shimmel asked for a brief overview on what would be involved with the reporting.

P-4 Approval of the following addition to the substitute support staff list for 2020-2021 school year:

Substitute	Position
Tearra Brezan	Paraprofessional

Motion: Marriott Second: Ruffing
Yes: Albert, Beery, Konkle, Marriott, Mathers, Ruffing, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer
No: None
Absent: None
Result: **Motion Carried**

Other Reports

A. Committee Reports

- PSBA – Dr. Mathers attended the PSBA Delegate Assembly on 11/7.
- Policy Committee – Nothing to report
- LCTC Representative – Everything going well, there is a meeting next Thursday.
- IU Rep. – Nothing to report
- Memorial Gardens – Clean up was October 31, 2020.
- Budget – Nothing to report
- Buildings and Ground – Nothing to report
- Montoursville Foundation – There was a meeting last night but they did not have a quorum.
- Extra-Curricular Activities – Winter sports are starting soon.

Mr. Shimmel announced that the Board will discuss in-person meetings after public comment.

Public Comment

Dan Taormina wanted to take time to recognized Dr. Steve Rush.

Amy Asiello commented on the COVID notifications that are being sent out.

Mr. Konkle asked if Ski Club is able to meet this year for their trips.

Mr. Shimmel asked if there were any thoughts on in-person meetings based on his findings.

Mr. Snell asked if Mr. Shimmel's findings could be made public. Mr. Snell challenged the idea that there wasn't enough space, that temperature checks would be an issue, and that the meetings were a COVID risk.

Mr. Ruffing stated that he would like to be meeting in person as well, but he believes there is too much additional work that needs to be done for set up. He also feels virtual meetings are more accessible for the public.

Dr. Mathers expressed concern about holding meetings in person with COVID case rates rising in the area.

Mrs. Marriott stated her agreement with Dr. Mathers.

Mr. Ulmer said that now is not the time to return to in-person meetings with the rise in COVID cases.

Mr. Konkle agreed that there should not be in-person meetings at this time.

Mr. Shimmel said the Board will just take it a month at a time with the decision making on how meetings will be held.

Mr. Snell asked for the meeting to be opened back up to public comment on this topic.

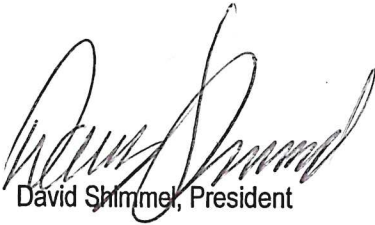
Public Comment

Tina Marie Kline stated that she thinks the Board should get back to in-person meetings as soon as possible.

Brenda Oberheim said that when the cases drop back down the Board should begin meeting in person again.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR MEETING 8:45 PM

Motion: Ulmer Second: Marriott
Voice Vote: Unanimous



David Shimmel, President



Brandy N. Smith, Board Secretary