

MONTOURSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES FOR WORK SESSION McCall Middle School

Tuesday, March 23, 2021
7:07 PM

Pledge to The Flag
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
☐ 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

Prior Presentation

Mrs. Smith gave a presentation on the 2021-2022 projected expenditures.

Mr. Snell asked about the technology expenses since funding was received for the laptops.

Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Bason explained that there are other costs in the technology five-year plan for upgrading other outdated pieces of technology.

Mr. Ulmer asked about the plan and timeline for spending grant money.

Mrs. Bason explained how District needs are evaluated and gave timelines for grant spending.

Mr. Snell stated that he thinks some of the money should be spent on improving the air quality.

Public Comment

Brenda Oberheim stated that she believes the public comment should be left in the videos posted to YouTube. She said she does not believe public comment should be restricted.

Karen Wright stated that she thinks the relief money from the CARES act should be used on the HVAC systems at Loyalsock Valley and Lyter Elementary.

Bill Emick asked about teacher union dues.

Greg Stapp shared information regarding liabilities with the posting of public comment on YouTube.

Mr. Snell stated that he believes public comment should be left in the posted videos for full transparency for those who cannot attend in person.

Mr. Shimmel provided the legal reasoning as to why the public comment sections are removed.

Dr. Beery shared concerns about the District being responsible for re-broadcasting public comment.

Agenda Items

General

G-1 Approval of the Montoursville Area High School Course Catalog for the 2021-2022 year (Available on line)

G-2 Approval of receipt of PlanCon Part K for Partial Accelerated Redemption of Series of 2014. (Attachment)

G-3 Approval of receipt of PlanCon Part K for Accelerated Redemption of Series of 2014. (Attachment)

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

Personnel

P-1 Approval of the following changes to the coaching staff for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Position From:</u>	<u>Position To:</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Replacement for:</u>
Dan Fredericks	Softball	Assistant Coach	Volunteer Coach	NA	NA
Rick Robertson	Softball	Volunteer Coach	Assistant Coach	\$2,000	Dan Fredericks

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

P-2 Approval of the following resignation from a member of the support staff:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Dwayne Rodriguez	Custodian	March 17, 2021

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

Result: **Motion Carried**

P-3 Approval of the following resignation from a member of the administrative staff:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Dr. Amy Breon	Principal	May 28, 2021

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

Mrs. Bason thanked Dr. Breon for everything she has done for the District.

Public Comment

Cathy Burns stated that she believes the mask and social distancing rules should be rethought.

Brenda Oberheim said that masks are hurting the student's socialization and mental well-being.

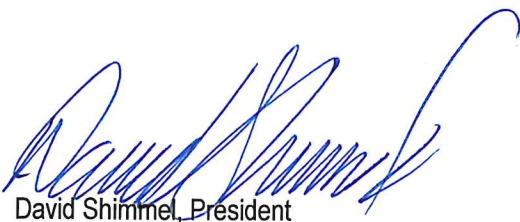
Bill Emick stated that he would just like to know and understand where his tax dollars are being spent.

Mr. Snell said that Board or Administration comments are being deleted from the videos along with public comment.

Mr. Shimmel said that only the public's comments should be removed, but that during a question and answer session an answer can be misinterpreted without the context of the question.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR MEETING 8:47 PM

Motion: Marriott Second: Mathers
Voice Vote: Unanimous



David Shimmel, President



Brandy N. Smith, Board Secretary