# MONTOURSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 50 NORTH ARCH STREET MONTOURSVILLE, PA 17754

# March 10, 2015 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Montoursville Area School District Board of School Directors was held on March 10, 2015 in the Library of the Montoursville Area High School, 50 North Arch Street, Montoursville, PA 17754. The vice-president, Dale I. Ulmer, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Call to Order

<u>Directors Present</u>: Mr. Bergen, Mr. Hagemeyer, Mrs. Kaplan, Mr. Konkle, Mrs. Marriott, Mr. Ruffing, Mr. Ulmer, and the solicitor, Mr. Rowe

Roll Call

Administration Present: Dr. Bowers, Mr. Briggs, Mr. Feerrar, Mr. King, Mr. Kunze, Mr. Moore, Mr. Myers, Mr. Sauers, Mr. Smith and Mr. Taormina

Students Present: Miss Stoner and Miss Wood

Others Present: see the list of "School Board Attendance Record" attached.

# **FLAG SALUTE**

All present pledged allegiance to the flag.

Flag Salute

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The vice-president, Mr. Ulmer, presented the minutes of the February 10, 2015 regular board meeting and the February 24, 2015 work session meeting for approval and announced the minutes would be approved as presented if no objections or corrections were noted. There being no objections or corrections noted the minutes were approved as presented.

Approval of minutes

#### **PRIOR PRESENTATION**

Mr. Ray Stiner was recognized for his 47 years of service to the Montoursville Area School District as coach, volunteer and game manager.

Mr. Ray Stiner presentation

Bethany Lutheran Church Pastor Letcher, representing the Montoursville Ministerium, addressed the Board of School Directors and offered his blessings to the District.

Prior presentation

Mr. Rowe's attendance is noted at this time, 8:09 p.m.

#### APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY SECRETARY

The vice-president, Mr. Ulmer appointed Kurtis J. Kunze as temporary School Board Secretary for this meeting.

Appointment of Temporary Secretary

# TREASURER'S REPORT AND PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Mr. Kunze presented a recommendation for the approval of treasurer's reports for the General Fund and Cafeteria Fund for the month ending February 28, 2015; as well as approval of payment of invoices for the General Fund and Cafeteria Fund for the period ending February 28, 2015. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Treasuer's reports and payment of invoices

#### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of:

Approval of:

• a military leave of absence for **Jeremy Loveland**, a member of the technology staff, effective April 17, 2015 to October 15, 2015;

Military leave of absence

• the appointment of **Anne Mussina**, guidance secretary, Montoursville Area High School, 5.0 hours per day, at an hourly rate of \$12.24, effective March 11, 2015;

Appointment of A. Mussina

- the appointment of **Allison Betts**, long term substitute, special education, C. E. McCall Middle School, from April 13, 2015 to May 22, 2015;
- the appointment of **Syra Dewar**, long term substitute, Spanish, Montoursville Area High School, from March 20, 2015 to May 29, 2015, pending receipt of an emergency certification:
- the addition to the teacher substitute list for the 2014-2015 school year of **Aaron Snyder**, Bloomsburg University, Citizenship; **Kaitlyn Calvert**, Mansfield University, Social Studies, and **Erica Logan**, homebound instruction;
- the addition to the guest teacher list for the 2014-2015 school year of Seth Stoner,
   Megan Fox, Jonathan Delker, and Rachel Sznaider; and
- the addition to the substitute aide list for 2014-2015 school year of **Robert Dunne**, building and event security, pending receipt of clearances;

A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of the Montoursville Area High **School Course Description Catalog** for the 2015-2016 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of:

- new policy No. 309, Assignment and Transfer, for the second reading;
- revised policy No. 317, Conduct/Disciplinary Procedure, for the second reading;
- new policy No. 317.1, Educator Misconduct, for the second reading;
- revised policy No. 302, Employment of Superintendent, for the second reading;
- new policy No. 304, Employment of District Staff, for the second reading;
- new policy No. 305, Employment of Substitutes, for the second reading;
- new policy No. 306, Employment of Summer School Staff, for the second reading;
- new policy No. 307, Student Teachers/Interns, for the second reading;
- revised policy No. 818, Contract Services, for the second reading; and
- revised policy No. 806, Child/Student Abuse, for the second reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Kaplan to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of student participation in festivals and tournaments as listed under agenda item VI-B-5(b). A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mrs. Kaplan to approve the recommendation on first reading. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of the first reading of the **proposed district calendar for the 2015-2016** school year. A motion was made by Mrs. Marriott and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Appointment of A. Betts

Approval of S. Dewar

Additions to the substitute teacher list

Additions to the guest teacher list

Addition to the substitute aide list

Approve School Course Catalog

Approval of new and revised school board policies on second reading

Approval of student participation

Approval of proposed district calendar

#### REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Kunze presented a recommendation for the approval of a proposal from **Astroturf LLC** for the installation of a synthetic turf and track system in Memorial Stadium for the turnkey amount of \$1,260,000.00. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted ves, except Mr. Hagemeyer and Mrs. Kaplan voting no, the motion carried.

Mr. Kunze presented a recommendation for the approval of the **2014 settlement reports** for real estate and interim real estate taxes. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Mr. Kunze presented a recommendation for the approval of the submission of the Pennsylvania Department of Education **PLANCON Part J: Project Accounting Based on Final Costs**, for project 3485, Renovations and Alterations to C.E. McCall Middle School. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

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Buildings & Grounds -

Mr. Scott Cousin of **Crabtree**, **Rohrbaugh and Associates Architects** provided an update regarding the DCED Alternative and Clean Energy Program Grant.

Mr. Cousin presented "LEED" HVAC enhanced commissioning bid proposals conducted by Quality Assurance Plus. The bid amounts were within the scope of the approved overall project costs. Mr. Cousin conveyed that a decision would need to be made within the next week to keep the project on schedule.

Following Mr. Cousin's presentation, a motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mr. Ruffing to accept the low bid of \$156,750.00 by **Air Balancing Engineers** for engineering consulting services for upcoming additions and alterations to the Montoursville Area High School pending the solicitor's review. All members present voted yes, except Mr. Hagemeyer and Mrs. Kaplan, the motion carried.

Mr. Cousin also reminded the Board that a decision needs to be made on the final design of the Arch Street and Memorial Stadium entrances to keep the project on schedule. Mr. Ulmer conveyed that the board will allot time at the next work session to discuss the matter.

Co-Curricular - No Report

Finance - No Report

LCTC Representative – Mr. Hagemeyer provided information regarding recent activities at the Lyco CTC.

Intermediate Unit Representative - No Report

<u>Student Representatives</u> – Miss Stoner announced that Advanced Placement exams are scheduled for the week of March 16, 2015, and Miss Wood announced that spring sports have begun and that three (3) wrestlers placed in the medals at the State tournament.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** 

Dr. Bowers reviewed -

- conference approvals for the professional and administrative staff;
- a report from the Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction;
- a report from the Technology Coordinator;
- a report from the Supervisor of Special Education;
- relevant information on federally funded programs; and
- reports from the building principals.

Approval to purchase synthetic turf and track system

Approval of 2014 tax settlement reports

Approve PLANCON J for Middle School Project

Committee reports

Approve engineering consultant

Informational Items

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Jack Callahan indicated his interest in seeing the scoreboard at Memorial Stadium relocated during renovations to improve coach's view of the scoreboard time clock from the sidelines.

Public Comment

- Mr. Steven Park expressed his concerns to the Board regarding increased injuries caused from having synthetic turf versus natural grass.
- Mr. Ron Snell addressed the Board indicating a synthetic field is not needed at Memorial Stadium. He also addressed the Board regarding the scope of the current project costs and questioned the need for multiple conference rooms.
- Mr. Bill Harris addressed the Board regarding School Board procedures. He expressed his concern whether additional options were explored to fund the project. He also addressed the board regarding higher taxes due to the building project.
- Mr. Mike Lyon commented that a better building facility does not enhance a student's learning. He also commented on his concern regarding higher taxes due to the building project.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to adjourn the meeting. All members present voted yes, the meeting ended at 9:10 p.m.

Adjournment

Dale I. Ulmer Vice President

Kurtis J. Kunze

Acting Secretary

DATE: 3/10/2015

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# SCHOOL BOARD ATTENDANCE RECORD

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