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

#### July 14, 2015 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Montoursville Area School District Board of School Directors was held on July 14, 2015 in the Auditorium of the Montoursville Area High School, 100 North Arch Street, Montoursville, PA 17754. The president, Thomas P. McNamara, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

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

Students Present: None

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 president, Mr. McNamara, presented the minutes of the June 9, 2015 regular board meeting and June 23, 2015 special 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

Trinity Assembly of God Pastor Jonathan Baker, representing the Montoursville Ministerium, addressed the Board of School Directors and offered his blessings to the District.

Prior Presentation

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The president, Mr. McNamara, announced public comments would be received at the beginning of the meeting and the solicitor, Mr. Holland, reviewed the parameters for the public comment period. Mr. Dave Shimmel expressed his gratitude to the board and recognized student, Autumn Hall; Mr. Paul Rinker shared information regarding school construction and student performance; Mrs. Dora Pioli described her experiences with the school district; and Mr. Ron Snell asked about requirements for employee training.

Public Comment

## TREASURER'S REPORT AND PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation for the approval of treasurer's reports for the General Fund and Cafeteria Fund for the month ending June 30, 2015; as well as approval of payment of invoices for the General Fund and Cafeteria Fund for the period ending June 30, 2015. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports and Payment of Invoices

#### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of a maternity leave of absence for Julie Ritter, librarian, Montoursville Area High School, from October 9, 2015 to January 3, 2016. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approve maternity leave for J. Ritter

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of the transfer of **April Gavitt**, Family and Consumer Science, from Montoursville Area High School to C. E. McCall Middle School, effective for the 2015-2016 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, except Mrs. Kaplan voting no, the motion carried.

Approve transfer of A. Gavitt

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of appointments to the support staff for the 2015-2016 school year of **Jodi O'Connell**, cafeteria worker, Loyalsock Valley Elementary School, 3.25 hours per day, \$8.15 per hour, pending receipt of clearances; **Patricia Shaffer**, cafeteria worker, Lyter Elementary School, 3.50 hours per day, \$8.15 per hour, pending receipt of clearances; **James McCourt**, building security, C.E. McCall Middle School, 4.0 hours per day, \$11.00 per hour; and **Luiza Reynolds**, aide, C.E. McCall Middle School, 5.0 hours per day, \$10.40 per hour. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mr. Ruffing to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Appointments to the support staff of J. O'Connell, P. Shaffer, J. McCourt, and L. Reynolds

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of an increase of hours for **Tracey Martinez**, Title I aide, Loyalsock Valley Elementary School from 5.0 hours per day to 5.5 hours per day effective for the 2015-2016 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Schans and seconded by Mr. Ulmer to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approve increase of hours for T. Martinez

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of appointments to the coaching staff for the 2015-2016 school year of **Michael Dietrick**, volunteer football coach, pending receipt of clearances and **Blake Berresford**, volunteer football coach, pending receipt of clearances. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mr. Ruffing to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Appointments to the coaching staff of M. Dietrick, B. Berresford

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of a waiver of tuition for the 2015-2016 school year for **Tristan Yochum**, grade 12, who attended Montoursville Area School District since fifth grade. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approve a waiver of tuition for T. Yochum

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. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, except Mr. Hagemeyer and Mrs. Kaplan voting no, the motion carried.

Approve student participation

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of an agreement between **PA Treatment & Healing** (PATH) and Montoursville Area School District for the 2015-2016 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Schans to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approve agreement with PATH

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of an agreement between **The Meadows Psychiatric Center** and Montoursville Area School District for the 2015-2016 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approve agreement with The Meadows

Mrs. Kaplan inquired whether a meeting had been set to award bids related to the Renovations and Alterations of Montoursville Area High School. Following deliberation, a motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to schedule a special meeting to be held on July 28, 2015 at 7:30 pm in the high school auditorium for the purpose of accepting bids for the renovations and alterations to Montoursville Area School District. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Establish special board meeting

A motion was made by Mrs. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to halt all building plans, construction, acceptance of bids, or any action that will bind a new board to the high school rebuilding project until the new board is seated after the November 2015 election. Mr. Hagemeyer and Mrs. Kaplan voted yes, all other board members present voted no, the motion was denied.

Denial of halting school rebuilding project

## REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation for the approval of a lease agreement with **County of Lycoming** for use of space on the Long Ridge radio tower site for the placement of district-owned two-way radio equipment. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approval of County of Lycoming lease agreement

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation for the approval of a proposal from **AstroTurf Inc.** for the addition of a block "M" logo in the center of the Montoursville Memorial Stadium AstroTurf GameDay Grass field in the amount of \$10,101.75 to be funded by a donation from C&I Boiler Repair; as well as approval to accept the donation of \$10,101.75 from **C&I Boiler Repair**. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mr. Ulmer to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, except Mr. Hagemeyer and Mrs. Kaplan voting no, the motion carried.

Approval of donation and logo for turf field

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation from the supplemental agenda for approval to open bank accounts at **Muncy Bank and Trust** for the Montoursville Area High School Student Activities, C.E. McCall Middle School Student Activities, and the Montoursville Memorial Gardens Perpetual Care Fund with the previously authorized bank signers to be effective immediately and subsequently close the same accounts at **Santander Bank** within 180 days. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approval of bank accounts with Muncy Bank and Trust

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation from the supplemental agenda for the approval of the appointment of **Kurtis J. Kunze** as Acting School Board Secretary from July 20, 2015 to August 3, 2015. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approval of Kurtis Kunze as acting board secretary

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation from the supplemental agenda for the approval of authorizing the expenditure of up to \$19,400 to repair the damaged lintel in the Montoursville Area High School boys' locker room. A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approval of expenditure for repairs

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

 $\underline{\text{Buildings \& Grounds}}$  – Dr. Bowers requested permission to pursue advertising and interviewing candidates for the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds position as previously outlined for the Board in an impact statement.

Committee reports

A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mr. Ulmer to pursue advertising and interviewing candidates for the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds position. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approve pursuit of candidates

Co-Curricular – No Report
Finance – No Report
LCTC Representative – No Report
Intermediate Unit Representative – No Report
Student Representatives – No Report

#### **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;
- relevant information on federally funded programs; and
- reports from the building principals.

## **ADJOUNRMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to adjourn the meeting. All members present voted yes, the meeting ended at 9:25 p.m.

Thomas P. McNamara

President

Informational Items

Adjournment

Robert E. Saul Secretary

## DATE: 7/14/2015

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