

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

April 12, 2016  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Montoursville Area School District Board of School Directors was held on April 12, 2016 in the Commons of C.E. McCall Middle School, 600 Willow Street, Montoursville, PA 17754. The president, Ronald E. Snell, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Directors Present: Mr. Hagemeyer, Mrs. Johns, Mr. Konkle, Mr. Logue, Mrs. Marriott, Mr. McCleary, Mr. Ruffing, Mr. Snell and the solicitor, Mr. Landon

Roll Call

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

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**

A motion was made by Mrs. Johns and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2016 school board meeting, the March 22, 2016 work session meeting, and the March 30, 2016 special meeting. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

**PRIOR PRESENTATION**

Faith United Methodist Church Director of Student Ministries **Jared Hetherington**, representing the Montoursville Ministerium, addressed the Board of School Directors and offered his blessings to the District.

Prior Presentation

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The president, Mr. Snell, announced public comments related to items listed on the agenda would be received by the Board.

Public Comment

**Ms. Cindy Wentzler** commented on the appointment of a Region 2 school director. **Ms. Caroline LeCrone** and **Mr. Joseph LeCrone** commented on the qualifications of Ms. Mathers. **Ms. Catherine Burns**, commented on the appointment of a Region 2 school director. **Ms. Melissa Stutzman**, addressed the board regarding community involvement and serving on the school board. **Mrs. Rhonda Green**, commented on Ms. Karen Wright. **Mr. Carl Wentzler**, commented on school board member qualifications and social media. **Ms. Angela Schans**, addressed the board about the candidates for Region 2 school director seat. **Mr. Donald Karschner**, commented on the appointment of the Region 2 school director. **Ms. Sere' Altebrando**, commented the individuals who applied for the Region 2 school director seat. **Ms. Christy Sherwood**, addressed the board regarding individuals who applied for the Region 2 school director seat. **Ms. Sue Snyder**, addressed the board regarding comments made by her at the prior meeting. **Ms. Pamela Nelson**, commented on the candidates for Region 2 school director.

**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 March 31, 2016; as well as approval of the payment of invoices for the General Fund, Cafeteria Fund, and Capital Project Fund for the period ending March 31, 2016. Following questions about the items presented, a motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mrs. Johns to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Presentation of Treasurer's Reports and Invoices

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation from the regular and supplemental agendas for the approval of:

- the elimination of the Assistant Business Manager and Business Office Administrative Assistant positions and the creation of an Accounting Specialist and Business Office Specialist positions;
- job descriptions for the Accounting Specialist and a Business Office Specialist positions;
- a maternity leave of absence for **Kelly Kimble**, elementary, Lyter Elementary School, from May 31, 2016 until the end of the 2015-2016 school year;
- the resignation of **Russell Gombosi**, head swim coach, Montoursville Area High School, effective immediately;
- the addition to the substitute teacher list for the 2015-2016 school year of **Brandi Dillon**, Technology Education PK-12, St. Petersburg College; and
- additions to the substitute support staff list for the 2015-2016 school year of **Stephanie Pickering**, teacher aide and building security, pending receipt of clearances; **Matthew Hepburn**, substitute night custodian, pending receipt of clearances; and **Gary Evans**, event security, pending receipt of clearances.
- the appointments of **Jessica Reich**, Business Office Specialist, at a salary of \$40,000 pro rata, effective April 25, 2016, pending receipt of clearances and **Andrew Seese**, Accounting Specialist, at a salary of \$40,000 pro rata, effective April 25, 2016, pending receipt of clearances.

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

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of:

- sending approximately 29 Montoursville Area School District students to the Extended School Year Program run by **BLaST Intermediate Unit #17**, which would run for five weeks, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM, June 20, 2016 to July 21, 2016 at an approximate cost of \$59,860.00;
- a summer school program at the Montoursville Area High School for summer 2016, pursuant to Board Policy #124, which would run from June 10, 2016 to July 22, 2016 and consist of Applied Algebra I and II, Civics, American History, English 9 and 10, and enrichment classes CSS and World History; and
- summer school fees of \$200 for enrichment courses offered for six weeks, and \$100 for remedial courses, offered for three weeks.

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

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of revised policy No 137, Home Education Programs, for first reading. A motion was made by Mr. Snell 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 student participation in festivals and tournaments as listed under agenda item VI-B-5(b). A motion was made by Mrs. Marriott and seconded by Mr. Konkle to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

Approval of:

Elimination  
and creation of  
positions

Job  
descriptions

Maternity  
leave

Coaching staff  
resignation

Substitute  
teacher

Additions for  
the substitute  
support staff  
list

Appointment  
of J. Reich and  
A. Seese

Approval of:

Extended  
school year  
program

High school  
summer  
school  
program

Summer  
school fees

Approve first  
reading of  
school board  
policy

Approve  
student  
participation

Dr. Bowers presented a recommendation for the approval of second reading of the proposed district calendar for the 2016-2017 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. McCleary to approve the recommendation. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

• Approve school calendar

Dr. Bowers indicated the board should consider engaging a firm to conduct a Superintendent search. A motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to enter into an agreement with the **Pennsylvania School Boards Association** (PSBA) to conduct a superintendent search. Following deliberation of the matter the president, Mr. Snell, called for a roll call vote. Mr. Hagemeyer, No; Mrs. Johns, No; Mr. Konkle, Yes; Mr. Logue, Yes; Mrs. Marriott, Yes; Mr. McCleary, No; Mr. Ruffing, Yes; and Mr. Snell, No. The motion to enter into an agreement with PSBA failed.

Failed motion to engage PSBA for search

Following additional deliberation regarding the matter, a motion was made by Mr. Konkle and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to enter into an agreement with the **Pennsylvania School Boards Association** (PSBA) to conduct a superintendent search. The president, Mr. Snell, called for a roll call vote. Mr. Hagemeyer, No; Mrs. Johns, Yes; Mr. Konkle, Yes; Mr. Logue, Yes; Mrs. Marriott, Yes; Mr. McCleary, No; Mr. Ruffing, Yes; and Mr. Snell, Yes. The motion to enter into an agreement with PSBA to conduct a superintendent search carried.

Approve agreement with PSBA to conduct search

#### REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Saul presented a recommendation for the approval of:

Approval of:

- a one-year extension of the agreement dated May 8, 2007 with the **Borough of Montoursville** to provide a school resource officer for the 2016-2017 fiscal year;
- a resolution approving authorized bank account signers for Montoursville Area School District bank accounts;
- publishing an advertisement for bids related to Asbestos Abatement in the Montoursville Area High School for three consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation, and authorize the release of bid documents related to Asbestos Abatement in the Montoursville Area High School;
- an agreement with **BLaST Intermediate Unit #17** to provide on-call technology services during the 2016-2017 fiscal year; and
- an agreement with **BLaST Intermediate Unit #17** for participation in the BLaST Intermediate Unit #17 Regional Wide-Area-Network from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2026.

School resource officer

Bank account signers

Asbestos abatement bid

Technology services and wide-area-network agreements

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. Saul presented for the boards consideration:

- a request from J.C. Keefer, **Montoursville Football**, for use of the school district facilities to conduct a youth football clinic on July 29, 2016;
- a request from Vic Gorini, **Montoursville Girls Soccer**, for use of district facilities to conduct a youth soccer camp fundraiser in July 2016;
- a request from Garry Pentz, **Montoursville Area High School Band**, for use of district facilities to conduct a holiday craft show on December 1 and December 2, 2017;
- a request from Jim Goodwin, **1973-74 Boys Basketball Team**, for use of the Montoursville Area High School facilities to conduct a reunion dinner and shoot-around on June 1, 2016; and

Approve use of school facilities

(Report of the Business Manager continued)

- a request from **James A. Brague** for use of the Memorial Stadium running track to practice track and field events as desired throughout 2016.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mrs. Marriott to approve the use of facility requests. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

**Approve use  
of school  
facilities  
continued**

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Buildings & Grounds** – Mr. Logue provided an update regarding the additions and renovations to Montoursville Area High School. Mr. Castner also provided an update regarding the high school project.

**Committee  
Reports**

Mr. Scott Cousin discussed potential cost saving measures for the Additions and Renovations to the Montoursville Area High School, which included the elimination of return air ducts and using the ceiling plenum for return air, as well as the elimination of terrazzo flooring in favor of using quartz tile flooring.

A motion was made by Mr. Snell and seconded by Mrs. Johns to approve a change order in the credit amount of \$19,000 to the **Farfield Company** for the elimination of return air ductwork. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

**Approve  
change order**

A motion was made by Mr. Snell and seconded by Mr. McCleary to approve the submission of PlanCon Part I to the **Pennsylvania Department of Education** with the credit amount of \$418,860 for replacement of terrazzo flooring with quartz tile flooring. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

**Approve PDE  
PlanCon Part I  
submission**

A motion was made by Mr. Snell and seconded by Mrs. Johns to approve a change order in the credit amount of \$418,860 to **Lobar Inc.** for replacement of terrazzo flooring with quartz tile flooring contingent upon Pennsylvania Department of Education approval of PlanCon Part I. All members present voted yes, the motion carried.

**Approve  
change order**

Co-Curricular – No Report

Finance – No Report

LCTC Representative – Mr. Hagemeyer provided an update.

Intermediate Unit Representative – No report

Student Representatives – No report

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Dr. Bowers reviewed –

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

**Informational  
Items**

### INTERVIEWS FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR

The school board interviewed Ms. Dottie Mathers and Ms. Karen Wright, the two individuals who submitted interest in filling the Region 2 school director seat vacated by the resignation of Mr. Allen Kaplan.

**School  
director  
interviews**

A motion was made by Mrs. Marriott and seconded by Mr. McCleary to extend the meeting for one (1) thirty-minute period, until 9:30 pm.

**Extend  
meeting**

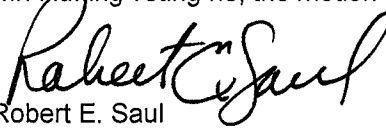
Following the interviews, a motion was made by Mrs. Johns and seconded by Mr. McCleary to appoint Ms. Karen Wright to the vacant Region 2 school director seat. The president, Mr. Snell called for a roll call vote. Mr. Hagemeyer, Yes; Mrs. Johns, Yes; Mr. Konkle, No; Mr. Logue, Yes; Mrs. Marriott, No; Mr. McCleary, Yes; Mr. Ruffing, No; and Mr. Snell, Yes. Mrs. Wright was appointed to the vacant Region 2 school director seat.

**Appointment  
of K. Wright to  
vacant Region  
2 board seat**

A motion was made by Mr. Snell and seconded by Mrs. Johns to adjourn the meeting. All members present voted yes, except Mr. Ruffing voting no, the motion carried. The meeting ended at 9:28 pm.

**Adjournment**

  
Ronald E. Snell  
President

  
Robert E. Saul  
Secretary

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DATE: 4/12/2016

SCHOOL BOARD ATTENDANCE RECORD

	NAME	ADDRESS
1	Donald W. Kerschner	2769 Kehler Hill Rd
2	Catherine Burns	219 White Church Rd Muncy PA
3	Rhonda Greene	2983 Reeds Rd Montoursville PA 17754
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5	Karen Wright	3079 Kehler Hill Road
6	Monty J. Baker	Eldred Twp
7	Wesley J. Baker	Eldred Township
8	CARL R. WENZLER	1479 RT. 864 MONTOURSVILLE, PA.
9	Bonnie Starisky	1112 Elm St., Montoursville, PA
10	Sandra Platt	420 Elm St. Mtsv., PA
11	Steve Walsh	426 Elm St. Mtsv.
12	Steve Bell	Proctor
13	Wendy Durant	206 Contair Pkwy.
14	Shelly Kerschner	1391 Cemetery Rd., Montoursville
15	Dale Ulmer	1060 Eagle Rd
16	Leanne Whitland	4161 Lycoming Mall Dr
17	Pamela Tognoli	437 Cherry St. Boro
18	Maureen Rogers	418 MONTOUR ST BORO.
19	Debbie Messersmith	409 Fairfield Church Rd Montoursville
20	William Messersmith	Lycoming Mall Dr
21	Holly Mum	Jordan Ave
22	John Mum	1103 Good Shepherd RD.
23	John Mum	318 MALL RD.
24	Steven Parks	1326 Charming Pkwy Rd
25	Bill Chapman	2686 Brushy Ridge Rd
26	Joshua Young	603 Broad St.
27	Ernest Sellers	River Valley Road, Trout Run
28	James Hetherington	1200 N. 1st Ave. Montoursville, PA
29	Kristen Conklin	15 Cedarwood Lane
30	Sere' Altobrando	416 Cypress St.
31	Andrew Seese	710 Old Cement Rd
32	Kristy Seese	710 Old Cement Rd.
33	Robin Spain	170 Pinecrest Dr., Wmst
34	Quentin Hill	
35	Dave Shimmel	1201 Spruce
36	Hannah Shimmel	"
37	Pamela Melko	225 Bennett St Mtsv
38	Conrad Deves	97 Briar Rose Lane
39	Missy Stutman	90 Scher Dr. Mtsv.
40	Cindy Wentler	90 Quaker State Rd Mtsv
41	Bob & Melba Volansky	315 Cypress St. Mtsv.
42	Michael Keaton	71 Cedarwood St
43	Janet Bagwell	101 N Montour St.
44	Kim B...	520 Broad St Montoursville
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361	Carrie Pauling	312 Tule St. Mtsvle.
362	Stephen W. Bensen	442 Cherry St
363	Dottie Mathews	577 Coating Lane
364	Dan Mathews	
365	Joe Alexander Leasure	203 N. Montour St.
366	Carinn Monrey	916 Elm St.
367	Mary Bales	995 Main Rd
368	Philly Dunn	308 Willow St
369	Bill Baggett	101 N. Montour St.
370	Xi Gurn	1111 Franklin St.
371	Cecil Bruden	18 Juniper St.
372	Shurmer	340 N. Washington St Mtsvle
373	Marg Strassner	Upper Fairfield
374	James Strassner	
375	Lewson Masley	1125 Walnut St
376	Susan M. Quillen	367 Quail Ln. Eldred Twp.
377	Tammie Walker	1612 Quaker State Rd. Mtsv.
378	Bryan J. Marlett	227 C. Hauler St.
379	Jessica Reich	130 Dartmouth
380	Robert Christopherson	
381	Jim McRae	
382	Tim Belton	
383	Karen Avery	
384	Dave Myers	332 RADIO CLUB RD
385	Mike Hepburn	216 Barker Rd Mont.
386	Judy DeLeon	431 Cherry St. Monton
387	Mark Bower	Warrensburg
388	Maryanne Manotti	159 Herr Ln
389	Jason Cotti	915 Spence Street
390	Michael Cunniff	Wetmore St
391	James Brangine	436 Cherry St. Monton
392	Bonda Albert	1324 Colvert Rd
393	GLORIA SHURER	65 SCOTT LN
394	Kathleen Macrahan	889 Yeagle Rd Mont
395	Jami Cordell	1020 Arthur Rd.
396	Jason Erlandson	332 N Montour St
397	Daniel Ayer	1101 Weaver St
398	Jon Klotz	1860 Lick Run Rd.
399	Sue Gee	410 N. Loyalsock Ave
400	Debra Snyder	243 Meadowview Dr.
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46	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
47	Anne Strein	320 Chestnut St
48	Tim Strein	
49	Cur Miller	617 Benner
50	Elizabeth Rodriguez	1220 Fairview Drive
51	She Snyder	Elchred Twp
52	Scott Plaff	24 Woodland Ct, Mav
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