

MONTOURSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

High School

Call to Order - Board President

Roll Call - Board Secretary

Executive Session Announced for Personnel

Pledge to the Flag

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

7:17 PM

MEMBER

☒ Daniel L. Albert
☐ Todd A. Badger
☒ Susan Beery (Dr.)
☒ Joseph B. LeCrone (Dr.)
☒ Dottie M. Mathers, Vice President (Dr.)
☒ David Shimmel, President

MEMBER

☒ Ronald E. Snell
☒ Dale Ulmer
☒ David J. Young
_____*Richard Galtman, Solicitor
_____*Christina Bason, Superintendent
☒*Brandy N. Smith, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary
_____*Jessica Reich, Assistant Business Mgr./Temp.Bd.Sec.
_____(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

☒ Albert, Ronda - Assistant Middle School Principal
☒ Blaise, Tyler - Elementary School Principal
☒ Feerrar, Darrin - Elementary School Principal 7:42
☒ Gnoffo, Joseph - Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
☒ Hanner, Timothy - Supervisor of Special Education
_____*Johnson, Matthew – High School Principal
_____*King, Christopher - Assistant High School Principal
☒ Myers, Curtis - Middle School Principal
☒ Peipher, Sebastian – Technical Director
☒ Taormina, Daniel – Assistant Superintendent
☒ Residents ____ Media ____ Students

Presentations

None

Add Agenda Item P-8

Motion: Young Second: LeCrone
Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
No: None
Absent: Badger
Result: **Motion Carried**

Approval of minutes for the following meetings:

- Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 9, 2023
- Work Session, Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. Snell would like it clarified on May 23, 2023, that he did not inquire about armed security. He inquired about the need for unarmed security now that we have armed security.

Dr. Mathers would like a typo revised under the guest teacher list for the May 23, 2023, work session. The notes have been corrected to say Mr. Snell inquired about the difference between Social Studies and Psychology.

Motion: Second: (No motion made.)
Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
No: None
Absent: Badger
Result: **Motion Carried**

Prior Presentations

Darrin Feerrar, Federal Programs Director, 2023-2024 Federal Programs Stakeholders Report and Discussion.

Public comment

Jack Callahan inquired about girls' volleyball; four kids are interested in joining the team. Jack also inquired about girls' wrestling. He would like someone to talk to Crabtree about a message board to let the community know what is happening. Mr. Callahan would like to know what is going to be done to recognize the track state champs. He would like a copy of who won what awards.

Brenda Oberheim commented the policy committee did a great job.

Business Manager's Report

A. General Fund and Cafeteria Fund Treasurer's Report

Motion: Ulmer Second: LeCrone
Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
No: None
Absent: Badger
Result: **Motion Carried**

B. Budgetary Transfers – None.

C. Presentation of Bills (Roll Call)

Motion: Ulmer Second: LeCrone
Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
No: None
Absent: Badger
Result: **Motion Carried**

Mr. Snell inquired where the money is coming from for check # 65076 to Pittsburgh Stage.

Mr. Taormina answered The Foundation.

D. Business-

The audit will begin at the end of July.

Currently shopping for insurance, the original rate came in very high.

Lunch prices will not be increased for the 23-24 school year.

The Nutrition Group contract is set to end the first 5-year contract. Food service went to bid, two companies toured the High School Kitchen, The Nutrition Group was the only company to place a bid.

Mrs. Smith also commented on the Local and State budget.

Mr. Snell inquired about excess revenue.

Mr. Snell asked that the Valley be remembered when the funds come in.

Mrs. Smith clarified the audit, bid, and sales figures for Food Service.

Mr. Ulmer commented on positive changes in the cafeteria.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Hanner congratulated Jill Beck on her retirement and thanked her for 22 years of service.

22 identified special needs, gifted, and 504 service agreement students graduated this year. Mr. Hanner announced the 7th annual paraprofessional virtual conference being held on August 10th.

Mrs. Albert congratulated April Gavitt on her retirement and thanked her for her dedication until the last day of school and for advocating for her replacement.

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Mr. Myers thanked Mrs. Albert for an amazing year at McCall. He also shared the 22-23 school year was a year of giving at McCall. Student activities were successful. He concluded by thanking parents, teachers, and staff for their generosity.

Mr. Blaise shared all the exciting end-of-year activities including a BMX bike assembly. Mr. Blaise is looking forward to the next school year.

Mr. Feerrar was pleased that after all the hard academic work the students were able to enjoy fun celebrations. He thanked the students, families, faculty, and staff for a great school year. Mr. Feerrar concluded with a Kindergarten update.

Mr. Taormina reflected on the school year and thanked the Admin. team for helping him transition to his new position.

Agenda Items

- **General**

G-1 Approval of no increase to the 2023-2024 school lunch prices as required under the "Equity I School Lunch Pricing" provisions (section 205) of the Hunger-Free Kids Act.

<u>Rates</u>	<u>Lunch Prices</u>
Elementary Schools	\$2.60
Middle School	\$2.75
High School	\$2.75

G-2 Approval to renew the contract between Montoursville Area School District and The Nutrition Group, July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. (Attachment)

G-3 Approval of an agreement between Montoursville Area School District and Nittany Learning Services. This is a 2-year contract effective 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years. (Attachment)

G-4 Approval of an agreement between Montoursville Area School District and New Story. (Attachment)

G-5 Approval to offer a summer KinderCamp at both Lyter and Loyalsock Valley Elementary Schools. All costs for KinderCamp will be covered by Faith United Methodist Church. Dates will be July 24 – 27 for Lyter and July 31 – Aug 3 for Loyalsock Valley.

G-6 Approval of a letter of engagement presented by Larson, Kellett & Associates, P.C. that summarized the significant terms and conditions of the annual financial audit for the year ending June 30, 2023. (This is the fifth year of a five-year agreement approved on August 4, 2018.) (Attachment)

G-7 Approval of the appointment of Vice President Dottie Mathers and School Board Secretary Brandy Smith as voting delegates for the 2023-2024 PSBA Delegate Assembly Meeting.

G-8 Approval of the nomination and election of Dale Ulmer as Treasurer for the 2023-2024 school year.

G-9 Approval of a proposed agreement between Montoursville Area School District and BoardDocs. (Attachment)

G-10 Approval of an agreement between Montoursville Area School District and BLaST Intermediate Unit #17 for the 2023-2024 school year for Technology Services. (The rates are the same as last year) (Attachment)

G-11 Approval of an agreement between Montoursville Area School District and BLaST Intermediate Unit #17 for DaRTS Software. (Attachment)

G-12 Approval of Use of Facilities from Alison Stroop, YCDI Spring Dance Recital, Montoursville Area High School Auditorium, May 31, 2024, 3:30 PM to 7:30 PM, and June 1, 2024, 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM. (Attachment)

Mr. Ulmer asked for clarification on the group and the cost of the rental.

G-13 Approval of Use of Facilities from Ryan Miller, MYFC Football, Montoursville Area High School Football Field, August 27 to October 28, 2023, 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM. (Attachment)

G-14 Approval of Use of Facilities from Alison Stroop, YCDI Christmas Recital, Montoursville Area High School Auditorium, December 9, 2023, 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM and December 10, 2023, 11:30 AM to 5:00 PM. (Attachment)

G-15 Approval to purchase Amplify Science for the purpose of a pilot in grades 5 and 7. (Attachment)

Motion: Le Crone Second: Beery

Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young

No: None

Absent: Badger

Result: **Motion Carried**

Dr. Mathers inquired about G-9.

Mr. Snell inquired about G-8.

Mrs. Smith and Mr. Shimmel satisfied the question.

- **Personnel**

P-1 Approval of the following leave of absence from a member of the Professional Staff:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Leave Dates</u>
101612	August 21, 2023, to October 31, 2023

P-2 Approval of the following additions to the Support Staff:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Replacement for:</u>
Lisa Brown	Custodian	\$15.54/hour	July 1, 2023	William Keyte
Michelle O'Malley	Paraprofessional	\$13.00/hour	July 1, 2023	Rebecca Chow
Wendy Fogleman	Paraprofessional	\$13.00/hour	July 1, 2023	Christina Boughton

P-3 Approval of the following additions to the School Security Guard, effective July 1, 2023:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Replacement for:</u>
Douglass Hoffman	Part-Time Security Personnel	\$32.00/hour on an as-needed basis	New Position
Michael Orwig	Part-Time Security Personnel	\$32.00/hour on an as-needed basis	New Position

Mr. Snell asked Mr. Taormina how many part-time security positions there are.

Mr. Taormina replied, one part-time security person.

Mr. Young commented on the new hires.

P-4 Approval of the following addition to the Coaching Staff for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Replacement for:</u>
Ethan Showers	Strength & Conditioning	Coach	\$2,600	Caleb McCombie

P-6 Approval of Custodian and Maintenance Employee Handbook. (Attachment)

P-7 Approval of Technology Department and District Office Staff Employee Handbook. (Attachment)

P-8 Approval of the following addition to the Professional Staff:

Employee	Certification	Rate of Pay	Effective	Replacement for:
Jenny Krepshaw	Elementary School Counseling	Master's Step 14 \$80,296	July 1, 2023	Alice Weiler

P-1 to P-8 minus secretary in p-2

Motion: Ulmer Second: LeCrone
 Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
 No: None
 Absent: Badger
 Result: **Motion Carried**

P-2 Approval of the following additions to the Support Staff:

Shauna Knapp	Secretary	\$14.50/hour	July 1, 2023	Gina Uvari
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Motion: LeCrone Second: Ulmer
 Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Ulmer, Young
 No: None
 Absent: Badger
 Abstain: Snell
 Result: **Motion Carried**

- **Transportation**

T-1 Approval of the Promiseland Busing Rate in the amounts of \$2,554.86 and \$2,502.70 for May 2023. (Attachment)

T-2 Approval for James Campbell to provide student transportation for inter-district trips at a cost of \$120.00 per round trip. Field trips and extracurricular transportation will be calculated at a rate of \$3.60 per mile with a minimum of \$225 per trip. Trips lasting longer than four hours will incur an additional hourly rate of \$32.00 per hour. The contract will be in effect from August 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024.

T-3 Approval for Koser Busing to provide transportation at a cost of \$410.00 per day for the Montoursville Area High School students enrolled in the Health Science Course to travel to the onsite learning labs at Geisinger Medical Center once a week during the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Mathers Second: LeCrone
 Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
 No: None
 Absent: Badger
 Result: **Motion Carried**

- **Budget and Finance**

BF-1 Approval of the final General Fund Budget in the amount of \$33,510,052 for the fiscal year 2023-2024 including salary and work schedules as proposed. (Attachment)

- Real Estate Tax Millage
- Earned Income Tax
- Real Estate Transfer Tax

Motion: Ulmer Second: LeCrone
 Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young
 No: None
 Absent: Badger
 Result: **Motion Carried**

BF-2 Approval of the 2023 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution. (Attachment)

Motion: Ulmer Second: LeCrone

Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young

No: None

Absent: Badger

Result: **Motion Carried**

BF-3 Approval of the following financial institutions to be used as depositories for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Muncy Bank and Trust Company
- FNB Bank
- Pennsylvania School District Liquid Assets Fund (PSDLAF)
- RBC Capital Markets

Motion: Ulmer Second: LeCrone

Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young

No: None

Absent: Badger

Result: **Motion Carried**

BF-4 Approval of the attached Bank Signatories for the school district accounts as listed for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. (Attachment)

Motion: Le Crone Second: Mathers

Yes: Albert, Beery, LeCrone, Mathers, Shimmel, Snell, Ulmer, Young

No: None

Absent: Badger

Result: **Motion Carried**

Other Reports

A. Committee Reports

- PSBA- None
- Policy Committee - Happy with the meeting before this meeting.
- IU Rep.- Meet next Wednesday.
- LCTC Rep.- Meet Thursday- nothing on the agenda on the proposed building project.
- Memorial Gardens – None
- Budget – None
- Buildings and Ground – Pile of rocks at the middle school
- Montoursville Foundation – EITC is going through the process of approval for new programs. The last of the Black Box Theater money is being spent.
- Extra-Curricular Activities - None

Mr. Snell requested a policy committee meeting on July 11, 2023, at 6 pm for policy 109.

Public Comment

Jack Callahan asked for clarification on the Summer Track hours.

Mr. Shimmel stated Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm.

An Executive session will be held after the regular Board Meeting.

Dr. LeCrone will be resigning from the Board on June 22, 2023.

Mr. Shimmel made the Board aware they have 30 days to advertise the position.

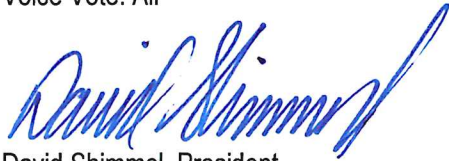
The Board discussed the term and to contact voter services.

The Board thanked Dr. LeCrone for his service and expressed how much he will be missed.

Mr. Snell would like the solicitor to be asked what we can legally do to someone that comes to a Board meeting and disrespects the American flag in our Board meeting.
Mr. Shimmel confirmed the request was heard.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR MEETING 8:15 PM

Motion: Snell Second: Beery
Voice Vote: All



David Shimmel, President



Brandy N. Smith, Board Secretary