

The regular public meeting of the Mountain View School District Board of Education was held this date in the board room at the elementary school. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 P.M., by president, Mr. James Zick.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

P- Mr. James W. Zick, President
P- Mrs. Ellen B. Aherne, 1st V.P.
P- Mrs. Dava Rinehart-Cowan, 2nd V.P.
A- Mrs. Gina Yarrish, Treasurer
P- Dr. Todd L. Adams

P- Mr. Kevin M. Griffiths
A- Mr. Mark Phillips
P- Mrs. Sondra E. Stine
A- Mr. Jay Wescott
P- Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary
(Non-Member)

ADMINISTRATION

P- Dr. Andrew Chichura, Superintendent
P- Mr. James Mirabelli, Business Manager
A- Mrs. Laurie Cobb, Assistant Business Manager
P- Mrs. Susan Pipitone, Director of Special Services

P- Mr. Andrew Doster, Jr. /Sr. High School Principal
P- Mr. Robert Presley - Elementary School Principal
P- Mrs. Karen Voigt, Director of Curriculum & Instruction/Federal Programs

REVIEW MINUTES: Reviewed was the October 17, 2011, public meeting minutes.

FIRST HEARING OF VISITORS

None

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Kevin Griffiths

Committee Members: Mark Phillips, Todd Adams

REVIEW OCTOBER DISBURSEMENTS: Reviewed were the October 2011, General Fund Bill List, Debt Service Fund Bill List, Capital Reserve Fund Bill List, Cafeteria Fund Bill List, and the payment of employee payroll, transportation contracts, fringe benefit payments, and fund transfers in the total amount of **\$1,876,375.61.**

REVIEW LIST OF BILLS: Reviewed were the preliminary list of bills for the November 14, 2011, General Fund Bill List and Cafeteria Fund Bill List in the amount of **\$150,397.19.**

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan questioned check #5852 to Flaghouse for a wheelchair. Mrs. Pipitone said the wheelchair was a mistake and is being returned.

Mrs. Aherne questioned check #5825 to Andres for salt. Mr. Taylor said this was for the bid recently awarded. She also questioned check #5878 to Mountain View Cafeteria for Pre-K meals. Mr. Presley explained this is part of the Pre-K Grant.

REVIEW FUND BALANCE DESIGNATION: Mr. Mirabelli reviewed the fund balance designation.

Mr. Griffiths suggested the money assigned for PSERS retirement of \$1,500,000.00 be put in a separate account so the interest earned is added to the balance. This will be checked into.

REVIEW BOND ISSUE STATUS FOR FINAL ACTION ON 11-21-2011: Mr. Mirabelli reviewed the information received regarding the refinancing of the Bond Issue. If the market remains stable for the coming week we should see a considerable savings.

REVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC STUDENT ACTIVITIES FINANCIAL REPORTS: Reviewed were the student activities financial reports for the Mountain View Elementary School, the Mountain View High School, the Mountain View High School Scholarship Fund, and the Mountain View Athletic Department, for the quarter ending September 30, 2011, and to file for audit.

Reports will be presented at the November 21, 2011 meeting for review.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Sondra Stine
Committee Members: Todd Adams, Jay Wescott

REVIEW SUBSTITUTE LISTS: Reviewed in executive session were the substitute lists **pending receipt of all documentation:**

REVIEW VOLUNTEER(S): Reviewed in executive session were volunteers at the elementary and an athletic volunteer for the 2011-2012 school year.

REVIEW REQUEST FOR MEDICAL SABBATICAL: Reviewed in executive session was the request for medical sabbatical with a retroactive start date.

REVIEW AFTER SCHOOL TUTORS FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL: Reviewed in executive session.

REVIEW STATUS FOR CLERICAL VACANCY: Reviewed in executive session.

REVIEW UPDATE FOR IDEA 2004 FOR TRANSITION AND NEED FOR BOARD APPOINTED TRANSITION COORDINATOR:

Dr. Chichura explained the need for the Board to appoint a Transition Coordinator. When asked what was expected of the Transition Coordinator Mrs. Pipitone said she is looking for someone to develop, implement and coordinated the entire program. We currently have one student that has the transition piece written into his IEP and it is not being implemented. However there are several other students that need that piece as well.

Dr. Chichura noted that Dr. Curtin from PDE did an onsite evaluation as a follow up to her visit in December. She is expected to return 2 or 3 more times.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Ellen Aherne
Committee Members: Dava Rinehart-Cowan, Kevin Griffiths

REVIEW OCTOBER 17, 2011 SECOND READING – REVISION #907 SCHOOL VISITORS-- TO BE APPROVED AT NEXT VOTING MEETING: Second reading of revised policy #907 School Visitors.

REVIEW OCTOBER 17, 2011 SECOND READING - #008 ORGANIZATION CHART-- TO BE APPROVED AT NEXT VOTING MEETING: Second reading of the #008 Organization Chart.

REVIEW OCTOBER 17, 2011 SECOND REVIEW --TO BE APPROVED AT NEXT VOTING MEETING: Second review/reading of the following policies #113 Special Education, #113.1 Discipline of Students, #113.2 Behavior Support, #113.3 Screening and Evaluations for Students with Disabilities, #113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information, and #718 Service Animals in Schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

No Report

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Mr. Doster said the Boys' and Girls' Soccer Teams were both District II Champions. Report Cards will be available on Thursday for parent conferences. Report cards not picked up will be sent home Friday.

Mr. Presley said report cards would be sent home on Wednesday prior to Thursday's conferences. He will be doing a test call shortly on the One Call Now system.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS UPDATE

Mrs. Voigt will present PSSA data at the November 21st meeting. She is also working on two grants, Striving Readers Grant and 21st Community Learning Grant. She reported the Scholastic Team did very well and will be appearing on TV 4 times. They placed 3rd overall. They are also forming an Odyssey of the Mind Team at the high school.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Todd Adams
Committee Members: Jay Wescott, Ellen Aherne

REVIEW CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE FOR TITLE II; i3 ASSET SCIENCE; AND READING RECOVERY: Reviewed were the Conference attendance requests for:

- a. **Mary Ann Tranovich**, on Thursday, December 15, 2011, to attend Experiment with Plants, Mountain View Elementary School with cost estimated at \$0.00, (i3 Science Grant)

REVIEW CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: Reviewed were the Conference attendance requests for:

- a. **Brion Stone**, on Friday, November 18, 2011, to attend CPI Training, NEIU #19, Archbald, PA, with cost estimated at \$32.64 mileage, \$85.00 substitute, (MA) (District Car is Scheduled)
- b. **Matthew Georgetti**, on Wednesday, November 16, 2011, to attend the Fall Technology Conference, Wilkes University, Wilkes Barre, PA, with cost estimated at \$30.60 mileage,
- c. **Corinne Ross**, on Thursday, November 17, 2011, to attend the FBLA Regional Planning Meeting, Wyalusing High School, Wyalusing, PA, with cost estimated at \$0.00,

REVIEW FIELD TRIP ATTENDANCE: Reviewed were the Field Trip attendance requests for:

- a. **Pamela Ealo, Kristen Hogan-Smith, (14 Students)**, on Thursday, December 8, 2011, to visit Tobyhanna Army Depot Operation Santa Clause, Tobyhanna, PA, with cost estimated at \$239.28 bus, \$85.00 substitute,
- b. **Charleene Martens, Karen Voigt, (6 Students)**, on Saturday, February 25, 2012, to attend the Scholarship Challenge, Waverly, NY, with cost estimated at \$375.00 registration, (District Van Scheduled)
- c. **Diane Supancik, Melissa Berish, Debbie Andzulis, (Autistic Students)**, on various tentative dates and times (12/5/11, 1/5/12, 2/3/12, 3/5/12, 4/3/12, 5/7/12 – 8:45 A.M.-11:30 A.M. and 1/23/12, 2/27/12, 3/30/12, 4/23/12, 5/29/12 – 11:30 A.M.-2:30 P.M.) to attend Community Field Trips to Montrose and Great Bend to visit Grocery Stores, Bank, and Post Office, with cost estimated at \$0.00 (District van where possible will schedule trips around availability of van)
- d. **Donna Porter, Kate Kurosky, (9th Grade Students)**, on Friday, December 16, 2011, to tour CTC Programs, Elk Lake School District, Dimock, PA, with cost estimated a \$180 bus,
- e. **Kelly Richmond, Diane Supancik, Donna Porter, Debbie Anzulis, Melissa Berish, Karen Bolcavage, (Students)**, on Wednesday, November 16, 2011, to attend Feed-a-Friend, Montrose Tre-hab Building, with cost estimated at \$117.67 bus,
- f. **Charlene Olcese, (Band Students)**, on Sunday, November 20, 2011, to attend the PMEA District 9 District Band Acceptance Auditions, Wyoming Valley West High School, with cost estimated at \$103.00 mileage, (District Van is Scheduled)
- g. **Charlene Olcese, (2 Students)**, on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, to attend the taping of the Student of the Week, WVIA Studios, with cost estimated at \$61.38 mileage, \$42.50 substitute, (District Car is Scheduled)
- h. **Charlene Olcese, (Chorus Students)**, Wednesday, November 16, 2011, to attend the Susquehanna County Chorus Festival, Forest City Regional High School, Forest City, PA, with cost estimated at \$77.48 bus, \$465.00 registration, \$85.00 substitute,

REVIEW HOME STUDIES STUDENT(S): Reviewed were the home studies students.

<u>Student Number</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Estimated Ending Date</u>
a. #23066	10/21/11	2011-2012 year
b. #23057	11/09/11	4-6 weeks

DISCUSS 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER GRANT:

DISCUSS AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM AT THE HIGH SCHOOL: Mrs. Pipitone explained that Medical Access funds can be used for tutoring. She would like to set up tutoring two days a week. There is no transportation provided.

DISCUSS MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2012:

DISCUSS REVIEW “STRIVING READERS” GRANT:

Mrs. Pipitone said Kelly Richmond applied for a \$500.00 grant through Exxon and received \$1,000.00. She plans to use this money for a gardening program. There is a possibility that Home Depot will send a crew to help sent up the garden.

BUILDING AND SITE COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Dava Rinehart-Cowan
Committee Members: Gina Yarrish, Kevin Griffiths

ROBERT TAYLOR'S MONTHLY REPORT REVIEW: Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan reviewed Mr. Taylor's report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Jay Wescott
Committee Members: Mark Phillips, Dava Rinehart-Cowan

REVIEW BUS CONTRACT RESIGNATION: Reviewed in executive session

REVIEW CAR/VAN SUBSTITUTE DRIVER: Reviewed in executive session

REVIEW BUS CONTRACT REVISION: Mr. Mirabelli explained the revision was to correct the mileage.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: James Zick
Committee Member: Ellen Aherne, Gina Yarrish, Sondra Stine, and Dava Rinehart-Cowan as Alternate

NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan said she gave a letter to the Board she received from Clean Energy Company of PA about doing a free analysis to change to natural gas.

SECOND HEARING OF VISITORS

Mr. Roy Twining, Clifford Township, asked where we are with the Strategic Plan. Mrs. Voigt said she is still pulling together a committee and hopes to meet before Christmas.

Vicky Mason, Kingsley, is concerned about the amount of time her son has in music and art. Mr. Doster asked her to call him Tuesday and he would check into it.

Dr. Adams noted how nice the concert on November 9th was. Mrs. Rinehart-Cowan agreed. She also commented on how well the school play was.

Mr. Stoddard asked if there could be a discussion meeting on December 12th since there are 3 new Board members. This will be placed on the agenda to authorize advertising.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Announcement by the Board President of executive sessions held and/or scheduled prior to the next meeting.

HELD

Monday, October 17, 2011, 6:30 P.M. to 7:10 P.M. – Personnel

SCHEDULED

Monday, October 17, 2011 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, November 14, 2011 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting
Monday, November 21, 2011 – 6:30 P.M. following public meeting

Monday, December 19, 2011 – 6:30 P.M. and following public meeting

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 P.M.