

Mohonasen Central School District

Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education

Monday, October 23, 2023

Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School

Call to Order

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Abbott, at 6:33 PM. Mr. Abbott requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: *Wade Abbott, Danielle Ciampino, Ericka Montagino, Julie Power, Melissa Laudano, Pat Ryan, and Chad McFarland*

Board Members Absent: *None*

Administrators Present: *Shannon Shine, Laurel Logan-King and Chris Ruberti*

Others in Attendance: *Liesha Sherman, Kim Gagnon, Randy Jerreld, Deana Bizzarro, Dave Rickard, Jamie Dilbone, Dan McConnelee, Mike Sherman, and three members of the community.*

Communications - Superintendent

Mr. Ruberti gave the Board an update on the non-instructional operations of the District. He presented on behalf of the Supervisors who were all in attendance. Mr. Ruberti gave an overview of the way that the departments work toward the overarching District goals and then spoke about each department individually. He commended the group on their service to our staff and students and BOE members also thanked them for the jobs they do.

Mr. Ruberti updated the Board on the Capital Project. He gave a brief overview of the overall timeline for the four phases of the capital project and indicated that more detailed information would be coming in the future.

Public Privilege of the Floor

One member of the community, Mr. Godleski, addressed the Board regarding the Capital Project and teacher contract negotiations.

Communications - Board of Education

Mr. McFarland commended Mrs. Ciampino who spent eight hours on the NYSSBA Annual Business Meeting voting on the resolutions previously discussed by the BOE.

Mr. Abbott congratulated Pinewood and Bradt on their Cardboard Challenge. He said there were many notable entries including a car wash, a Mars rover, and an international space station.

Mrs. Power explained that starting in 2024 New York State would be making changes to math and science standards for teachers. She requested an update of the District's plans to incorporate those changes and the number of teachers certified in computer science.

Old Business

Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 8420 Instruction in Certain Subjects

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 8420 Instruction in Certain Subjects

MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve the second reading of policy 8420.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

New Business - Instructional

Approval of Recommendations of the Committees on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education

Request for Approval of Recommendations of the Committees on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education

MOTION made by Mrs. Ciampino, seconded by Mrs. Montagino that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Preschool Special Education for meetings held on 5/31/2023, 09/21/2023, 09/27/2023, 09/28/2023, 10/03/2023, 10/04/2023, 10/05/2023, 10/06/2023, 10/10/2023, 10/11/2023, 10/12/2023, 10/16/2023, 10/17/2023, 10/18/2023.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

New Business - Business/Personnel

Approval of Mohonasen Central School District Teachers' Association Collective Bargaining Agreement

Request for Approval of Mohonasen Central School District Teachers' Association Collective Bargaining Agreement

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the Board of Education approve the Mohonasen Central School District Teachers' Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Approval of First Reading of Board Policy - 3440 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the District

Request for Approval of First Reading of Board Policy - 3440 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the District

MOTION made by Mrs. Power, seconded by Ms. Laudano, that the Board of Education approve the first reading of Board Policy - 3440 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the District.

After some discussion, the motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Acceptance of a Donation of a Musical Instrument from Brittany Fountain

Request for Acceptance of a Donation of a Musical Instrument from Brittany Fountain

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education accepts a donation of a musical instrument from Brittany Fountain

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Approval of Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the Year 2023, Pursuant to Sect. 554, Real Property Tax Law

Request Approval of Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the Year 2023, Pursuant to Sect. 554, Real Property Tax Law

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve an application for corrected tax roll for the Year 2023, Pursuant to Sect. 554, Real Property Tax Law.

After some discussion, the motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Approved Minutes

MOTION made by Mrs. Ciampino, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of October 10, 2023.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Bids

*Approval of
Transportation Contracts
with the Rejha Group for
School Year 2023-24*

Request for Approval of Transportation Contracts with the Rejha Group for School Year 2023-24

MOTION made by Mrs. Power, seconded by Ms. Laudano, that the Board of Education approve the transportation contracts with the Rejha Group for School Year 2023-24.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Financial Reports

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve the September 2023 Financial Reports.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Personnel

MOTION was made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations. The motion was passed unanimously with seven members present and voting.

Appointments

Aisha Jennings
Assignment: HOA
Location: Draper Middle School
Effective Date: October 10, 2023
Salary: \$25,870.00

Andrea Nellis
Assignment: Substitute Monitor
Location: Pinewood
Effective Date: October 16, 2023
Salary: \$15.50 per hour

Jacquelyn Andriano
Assignment: Transportation Dispatcher
Location: Transportation
Effective Date: October 30, 2023
Salary: \$40,717

Bill Brown
Assignment: Substitute Bus Aide
Location: Transportation
Effective Date: October 20, 2023
Salary: \$15.00

Peter Countryman
Assignment: Motor Vehicle Operator
Location: High School Kitchen
Effective Date: October 18, 2023
Salary: \$15.00 per hour

Svitlana Mausler
 Assignment: Substitute Cafeteria Aide
 Location: Bradt
 Effective Date: October 23, 2023
 Salary: \$15.00 per hour

Anna Maria Perez
 Assignment: Food Service Helper
 Location: Draper Middle
 Effective Date: October 30, 2023
 Salary: \$15.00 per hour

2023-2024 Draper PM School Tutoring

Name:	Assignment
Renee Gandrow	PM School Tutor

2023-2024 Student Teacher

Name	Bldg.	Assignment	Dates
Caroline Lydon	Pinewood	School Counseling	1/24/24 – 5/24
Jonah Dworkin	Draper	Special Education	10/23/23 – 12/13/23
Marissa Corsaro	Pinewood	Special Education	9/5/23 – 10/20/23
Kelly Coster	Pinewood	Special Education	10/23/23 – 12/13/23
Isabella Olori	Pinewood	Special Education	10/23/23 – 12/13/23

2023 Fall Coaches

Name	Sport	Step	Notes
Jodi Scalise	Unified Bocce	1	

Resignations

Lenore Aldi
 Appointment: Teaching Assistant
 Effective Date:
 Close of business October 13, 2023

Vincent Martell
 Appointment: Teaching Assistant
 Effective Date: Close of business October 13, 2023

Barbara Leonardo
 Appointment: Bus Aide
 Effective Date: October 13, 2023

Karen Baumgartner
Appointment: Food Service Helper
Effective Date: October 27, 2023

Carmela Fain
Appointment: Bus Aide
Effective Date: October 27, 2023

Joseph Fain
Appointment: Bus Driver
Effective Date: October 27, 2023

Executive Session

MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Ms. Laudano that an executive session be convened at 7:37 PM for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's contract.

The Motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting

Mr. Abbott excused himself from the executive session at 8:07 PM. MOTION made by Mrs. Power, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the executive session be adjourned at 8:34 PM.

The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Adjournment

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 8:34 PM.

The motion passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Christopher Ruberti

Clerk - Board of Education

Assistant Superintendent for Business