

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, January 22, 2024
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen Main Campus*

Call to Order

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Abbott, at 6:32 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, Melissa Laudano, Chad McFarland, Ericka Montagino, Julie Power and Pat Ryan*

Board Members Absent: *None*

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

Others in Attendance: *Liesha Sherman, Nikki Oulette, Todd Lewis and one member of the community*

Communications - Superintendent

Mr. Shine declared he had no new communications to share.

Public Privilege of the Floor

A member of the community addressed the Board on a variety of concerns. The following people spoke during Public Privilege of the Floor: Karen Lynn

Communications - Board Of Education

Mrs. Montagino stated that she would like to continue to advocate for the school budget to remain under the tax levy.

Mr. Abbott, Mrs. Ciampino and Mr. McFarland attended the Seal of Civic Readiness Fair. They were impressed with the topics the students presented on.

Mr. Abbott noted that the State budget process is underway, and the Board should consider advocating for funding. He added that they may wish to convey their thanks to the District's elected representatives for the projected funding. Other Board members indicated they would be interested in advocating for universal lunch programs, the Governor's agenda on reading, and reexamining the foundation aid formula.

Old Business

Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 1510 Regular Board Meetings And Rules (Quorum And Parliamentary Procedure)

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 1510 Regular Board Meetings And Rules (Quorum And Parliamentary Procedure)

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of policy 1510.

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

Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 2110 Orienting And Training Board Members

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 2110 Orienting And Training Board Members

MOTION made by Mrs. Power, seconded by Ms. Laudano, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of policy 2110.

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

Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 3110 Media/Municipal Governments/Senior Citizens

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 3110 Media/Municipal Governments/Senior Citizens

MOTION made by Mrs. Ciampino, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of policy 3110.

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

Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 5130 Budget Adoption

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 5130 Budget Adoption

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Montagino, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of policy 5130.

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

Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 7440 Student Voter Registration And Pre-Registration

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy - 7440 Student Voter Registration And Pre-Registration

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of policy 7440.

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

Approval of Second Reading and Deletion of Board Policies

Request for Approval of Second Reading and Deletion of Board Policies

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and deletion of Board policies.

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

New Business - Instructional

Approval of Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education

Request for Approval and Arrangement for the Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements, Committee on Pre- School Special Education and Section 504 Committee

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, 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 12/20/2023, 12/27/2023, 01/02/2024, 01/03/2024, 01/04/2024, 01/10/2024, 01/11/2024, 01/12/2024, 01/17/2024.

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

Approval for Mohonasen/Draper/Pinewood Winter Color Guard and Indoor Percussion to Participate in Various Competitions

Request Approval for Mohonasen/Draper/Pinewood Winter Color Guard and Indoor Percussion to Participate in Various Competitions

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve of the Winter Color Guard and Indoor Percussion to participate in various competitions.

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

Approval for a Member of the Girls' Varsity Wrestling Team to Participate in an Out of Area Trip

Request Approval for a Member of the Girls' Varsity Wrestling Team to Participate in an Out of Area Trip

MOTION made by Mrs. Ciampino, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve of the Girls' Varsity Wrestling Team to participate in an out of area trip.

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

New Business - Business/ Personnel

Approval of First Reading and Deletion of Board Policies

Request for Approval of First Reading and Deletion of Board Policies

MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mrs. Montagino, that the Board of Education approve the first reading and deletion of Board policies.

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

Approved Minutes

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of January 8, 2024. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Financial Reports

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Ms. Laudano, that the Board of Education approve the November and December 2023 Financial Reports. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Personnel

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

Retirements

Rosemarie Dorado
 Assignment: 6th Grade Teacher
 Expiration Date: Close of Business July 1, 2024

Appointments

Michael Noland
 Appointment: Teaching Assistant
 Location: Pinewood Intermediate School
 Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
 Date of Commencement: January 22, 2024
 Salary: Step 6

Stephen Leader
 Appointment: Driver Education Teacher
 Duration: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
 Rate: Based on enrollment

Kelly Collier
 Appointment: Cafeteria Aide
 Location: Bradt
 Effective Date: January 19, 2024
 Salary: \$15.00 per hour

Anthony DiSorbo
 Appointment: Auto Mechanic
 Location: Transportation
 Effective Date: January 22, 2024
 Salary: \$45,307

2023 – 2024 Curriculum Work - \$195.77

| Name | # Days |
|-----------------|---------------|
| MaryAnn Nickloy | 3 |
| Casey Coffey | 3 |
| Renee Gandrow | 3 |

2023 – 2024 Curriculum Work - \$195.77

| Name | # Days |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Kim Whipple | .5 |
| Cassandra Palkovic | .5 |

Winter Coaches 2023-2024

| Name | Sport | Coaching Step |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Jodi Scalise | Unified Bowling | Step 3 |
| Diane Blinn | Unified Bowling | \$1,000 |

An agreement has been made to pay these instructors 60% of the total for this course and we receive 40%. A claim form will be submitted after the classes are completed

Elise Netoskie
Couch to 5 K Training Program

Tara Connors (Bash Parties)
Cupcake/cake Decorating

Jack Hochmuth
Boating Safety

Resignations

Jennifer Jeffs
Appointment: Social Worker
Effective Date: February 1, 2024

Heather McDonough
Appointment: Information Processing 1
Effective Date: January 23, 2024

Carol Crea
Appointment: Cafeteria Aide
Effective Date: January 19, 2024

Executive Session

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano seconded by Mrs. Montagino, that an executive session be convened at 7:06 PM for the purpose of discussing a specific legal matter.

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

Mr. McFarland recused himself at 7:16 PM.

Adjournment

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the executive session be adjourned at 8:38 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 8:38 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Christopher Ruberti

Clerk - Board of Education

Assistant Superintendent for Business