

The November Regular meeting of the Moshannon Valley Board of Education was held on November 16, 2020, at the Collaboration Center in the Moshannon Valley High School. President, Cassandra Kitko, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Albert Adams, Cassandra Kitko, Ruth Saupp, Larry Saupp, John Bacher, Stacey Williams, Don Wonderling, Nathan Dotts (7:05pm)

Absent: Kris Bacher

Solicitor: David Consigleo

Student Representatives:

ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE

Present: Dr. John W. Zesiger, Superintendent, Tracie Tomasko, Elementary Principal, Kris Albright, High School Principal, Darin Ricciotti, Assistant District Principal (absent), Wendy Payne, Special Ed Supervisor, Jeff Sherkel, Maintenance Supervisor, Danielle Detwiler, Nutrition Food Service Manager (absent), Elsie Harchak, Business Manager/Board Secretary

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Tracie Tomasko, Elementary Principal - The Elementary honored Veterans on Wednesday, November 11th by creating cards of gratitude and honor and sending to the VA home and hospital in Hollidaysburg.

Kindness Week was held Tuesday, November 10th through World Kindness Day on Friday, November 13th. Students participated in a variety of meaningful activities throughout the week including: kindness and empathy-related Reading activities, participating in community outreach projects and contributing to a 'Kindness Rocks' Rock Garden that will be displayed outside of Moshannon Valley Elementary School.

Kindness Challenge Days Included:

What if we practice positivity? (Wear a Bright Color)

What if we serve others? Veterans Day! (Wear Red, White and Blue)

What if we don't judge others by how they look? (Wear Funky Glasses or Hair)

What if we stand up for one another? (Wear School Spirit Gear)

Reminders of Remote Procedures, Clever, and Email Log-ins have been sent to families again in the event the district, elementary, or individual classrooms move to remote learning. Instructors continue to prepare students for use of technology through classroom lessons during Face to Face instruction.

Kris Albright, High School Principal

- Winter Sports Planning
 - After receiving guidance from PIAA on Winter Sports, myself, Dr. Zesiger and Mr. Webb met to discuss additional school protocols. Mr. Webb will be meeting with all Winter Sports coaches Tuesday, Nov. 17th at 5 pm to review beginning of season/Covid-19 procedures. First official PIAA practice date is Friday, Oct. 20th.

- ASVABs, a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success, was administered to all 11th grade (and a few 12th grade) students on Friday, Nov. 13th. Students review their scores later in the year and prepare a written reflection, which serves as a career artifact.

- Clearfield County Career & Technology Center
 - Despite the closure notification, students were provided virtual classes and assignments today by their program instructors. Some students completed these at home, while others stayed in the Collaboration Center.
 - Enrollment applications for 10th grade students are DUE to Mrs. Kitko/MVHS Guidance Office, by Wednesday, Nov. 25th.
 - Sending school principals (MV, P-O, WB, Clearfield, Curwensville) are scheduled to meet on Wednesday, Nov. 18th to discuss items related to the closure and up-coming enrollment period

Darin Ricciotti, Assistant Principal - Students, teachers, and custodial staff have done an excellent job adhering to the COVID-19 protocols. I am very proud of the continued effort to keep our school safe, clean, and open. Thank you!!

The Academic Decathlon team will compete virtually with other schools this Wednesday from the Collaboration Center in real-time. There are currently sixteen students signed up for the competition.

Wendy Payne, Special Education Supervisor - Due to COVID and concerns with our Special Education students traveling to other districts, we regretfully cancelled our Bocce season this year.

We are continuing to search for a school psychologist. At the present time, I have been speaking to two staffing agencies, as well as the IU10. Hopefully, we can secure a psychologist soon.

Jeff Sherkel, Maintenance Supervisor - Construction started for the new elementary gym addition. Asphalt and topsoil have been removed in the construction area. Digging will start this week for the footers. Weather pending the concrete floor is scheduled to be poured by the end of December as well as the relocation of the generator. Work will continue through January and March as weather permits.

* Timber Cut - The removal of timber from behind the schools is scheduled to be complete by Friday November 20th.

Elsie Harchak, Business Manager (for Danielle Detwiler) – Nutrition Food Service Manager - The student at both schools had their holiday dinners on Thursday November 12. The café served a total of 461 reimbursable lunches and 35 adult meals!

Meal distribution at the elementary school is going very well. The ladies have a great system down for packing and delivering and the teachers have been very helpful with having the students place their orders.

High school students have adapted to our new way of serving as well. Moving forward we are hoping to keep one line for our main hot choice and one line for pizza and meals left over from the previous day.

We have a plan in place should we have to go completely virtual. It will look a lot like last spring when we shut down, however Danielle will maintain a full staff and they will work out of the High School kitchen. District staff will all continue to work, with Nutrition staff filling in when needed. We will operate with 6 staff plus Danielle preparing and packing lunches for distribution. On Monday, families will receive a 3 day bundle of meals and on Thursday, a 4 day bundle. We believe that by bundling distribution, we will have more participation as opposed to doing a daily meal pickup.

Business Office - The resolution not to raise taxes above the 21-22 index of 4.4%, which is 4 mils. is on the agenda for approval. We still have the ability to raise RE taxes below 4 mils

Our Annual Financial Report has been filed with PDE we reported the following for 19-20:

General Fund

Revenues \$15,522,612

Expenditures \$15,062,101

Transfer to Capital Reserve \$810,000 (50,000 & 760,000)

Ending Total Fund Balance \$7,782,987

Cafeteria

Revenue \$465,109

Expenditures \$469,334

Loss \$4,225 (\$4579 depreciation expense)

Capital Reserve

Revenue \$831,177 (\$50,000 and \$760,000 transfer)

Expenditures \$ 307,227

Ending Fund Balance \$2,091,073

Our annual bond disclosures will be submitted on line in December on the EMMA site where we report our latest financial statements, tax collection info, and update our demographics for public review for investors of public bonds

We are currently working on another ESSER School Health and Safety related grant from PCCD for \$25,128

Dr. John W. Zesiger, Superintendent -KTH: Project has started and have a tentative construction schedule – work now through December 30 to get excavation and prep for concrete completed.

PDE-DOH Meeting: with the County now listed in the substantial spread numbers there is a weekly PDE/DOH meeting. Updates are Thursday’s and we will continue to monitor. Right now there are no confirmed student or staff cases at MV and county rates show less than 2% of those infected are under the age of 18. We will continue to monitor and the staff is prepared to change direction with little advanced notice

Business Manager Position:

- o December 2 final meet
- o Negotiate contract
- o January 18 Board Approval [perhaps special meeting]

Maintenance Truck: We thought we had a plan in place, but were incorrect in the method, so we have requested permission to advertise for bids for a plow truck – Mr. Sherkel and Mr. Saupp will work to compile the specs for the advertisement and we will get it out as soon as possible.

Safety & Security: Received word that our State Police Risk and Vulnerability Report was mailed to us today. I will be reviewing the document in the coming days, discussing with the Chair, Mr. Adams, and we will schedule a committee meeting at the Chairman’s request.

School Calendar: Working on 2021-2022 calendar will be coordinating with CTC and other sending schools and will be looking to approve in January

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

MOTIONS LIST:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

CONSENT

Information Item:

- Prom 2021 will be held on May 8, 2021, not May 15, 2021, which was previously approved by the Board of Directors.

MINUTES

Motion by Ruth Saupp seconded by Don Wonderling to approve minutes as presented, subject to audit:

Review and Board approval of the minutes as presented subject to audit.

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ALL IN FAVOR: AYE

MOTION CARRIED

PERSONNEL

None

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Motion by Albert Admas seconded by Nathan Dotts to approve extra-curricular motions 1-6:

1. Transfer Korinn Clarkson from Assistant Coach Junior High Girls' Basketball to Head Coach Junior High Girls' Basketball with salary pursuant to the current MVEA Collective Bargaining Agreement.
2. Appoint Samantha Herto as Assistant Coach Junior High Girls' Basketball with salary pursuant to the current MVEA Collective Bargaining Agreement.
3. Extend an offer of employment to Mya Walstrom as Athletic Worker (wrestling scorekeeper) with salary pursuant to the current MVEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and pending receipt of new hire paperwork.
4. Resignation of Tina Lewis as Assistant Coach Junior High Softball.
5. Resignation of Michael Simone as Weightlifting Advisor.
6. Permission to advertise for Assistant Coach Junior High Softball and Weightlifting Advisor.

ALL IN FAVOR: AYE

MOTIONS CARRIED

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Motion by Nathan Dotts seconded by Don Wonderling to approve policies and procedures motions 1-8:

1. Second reading of Policy 103, Programs, "Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*
2. Second reading of Policy 104, Programs, "Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Staff." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*
3. First reading of Policy 113.1, Programs, "Discipline of Students with Disabilities." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*
4. First reading of Policy 113.2, Programs, "Behavior Support." *See Policies for Approval*

Folder.

5. First reading of Policy 113.4, Programs, "Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*
6. First reading of Policy 123.2, Programs, "Sudden Cardiac Arrest." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*
7. First reading of Policy 247, Programs, "Hazing." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*
8. First reading of Policy 317.1, Employees, "Educator Misconduct." *See Policies for Approval Folder.*

ALL IN FAVOR: AYE

MOTIONS CARRIED

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Motion by Larry Saupp seconded by Albert Adams to approve Building and Grounds motion 1-1:

1. Permission to advertise for bids to purchase a plow truck.

ALL IN FAVOR: AYE

MOTION CARRIED

FISCAL

Motion by Stacey Williams seconded by Nathan Dotts approve fiscal motions 1-4:

1. The following financial reports:
 - a. General Funds Balance Sheets, Summary Revenue and Expenditure Report, Tax Comparison Chart
 - b. Athletic Association Report and Student Activity Account Report
 - c. Cafeteria Report and Bills
 - d. General Bills, Special Grant/Federal Projects Bills and Renovation/Construction Bills
 - e. Interfund Transfers, General Fund Budget Transfers and Budget Amendments
 - f. Investment Report
 - g. Bids
2. 2020-2021 Tuition Agreement with New Story, LLC for Special Education Services ranging from \$260-\$453 per day, based on need plus related services - Nursing, Occupation Therapy, Speech Therapy, Behavior Consultation, Individual Counseling, Group Counseling, Crisis Intervention.
3. Resolution not to increase 2021-2022 real estate taxes above the index of 4.4% which equates to 4 mils.
4. Permission to pay December invoices in December and include with the January 2021 financials.

ALL IN FAVOR: AYE

MOTIONS CARRIED

Information Items:

- Current 20-21 Right to Know Request log.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 PM by Albert Adams seconded by Nathan Dotts.

Elsie Harchak, Board Secretary