

Mountainside Board of Education

Meeting Highlights

March 15th and 28th, 2017



This newsletter provides a monthly summary of discussions and actions taken at the Mountainside Board of Education meetings.

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Mountainside School District Board of Education

James W. Ruban, Jr. (President), Christopher Minks (Vice President)
Dante Gioia, Cathy Jakositz, Kate Motz, Jeane Parker, Carmine Venes

Administrative Team

Nancy Lubarsky, Ed.D., Chief School Administrator
Eric Larson, Business Administrator
Joy L. Blom, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Kimberly Richards, Principal - Deerfield School
Christina Orozco, Supervisor of Special Services

Action Items	Action Taken																				
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	<p>BOE approved minutes on March 28th:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2017 Minutes of the 1st Executive Session of February 28, 2017 Minutes of the 2nd Executive Session of February 28, 2017 Minutes of the 3rd Executive Session of February 28, 2017 Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 15, 2017 Minutes of the Executive Session of March 15, 2017 																				
<u>CSA's Report</u>	<p>Chief School Administrator on March 15th:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gave an overview of the proposed 2017-2018 budget. <p>On March 28th:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognized the Teachers/Educational Service Professionals of the Year and Support Staff Members of the Year; Announced that Twitter would be piloted for the district. 																				
<u>Administration</u>	<p>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved on March 28th:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Beechwood and Deerfield Schools February 2017 safety and security drill reports. 																				
<u>Budget and Finance</u>	<p>BOE approved on March 15th:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The tentative budget for 2017-2018: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>GENERAL FUND</th> <th>SPECIAL REVENUES</th> <th>DEBT SERVICE</th> <th>TOTAL</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2017-18 Total Expenditures</td> <td>\$17,274,366</td> <td>\$142,332</td> <td>\$1,711,821</td> <td>\$19,128,519</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Less: Anticipated Revenues</td> <td>\$1,555,970</td> <td>\$142,332</td> <td>\$474,620</td> <td>\$2,172,922</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Taxes to Be Raised</td> <td>\$15,718,396</td> <td>0</td> <td>\$1,237,201</td> <td>\$16,955,597</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>On March 28th:</p> <p>As certified by the Board Secretary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payment of the bill list; Reports of the Board Secretary for February 2017. 		GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL	2017-18 Total Expenditures	\$17,274,366	\$142,332	\$1,711,821	\$19,128,519	Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$1,555,970	\$142,332	\$474,620	\$2,172,922	Taxes to Be Raised	\$15,718,396	0	\$1,237,201	\$16,955,597
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<u>Personnel</u>	<p><i>As recommended by the CSA, BOE approved on March 28th:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michelle Cruz, Elena Bentey, and Janelle Lauterbach to serve as mentors; Adjustment of mentor fee for Adrienne Ridley; Kristin Trentham for homebound instruction; Addition of Sagar Desai to the Substitute Teacher List; Resignation of Kristie Crilley, 6th Grade Social Studies Teacher. 																		
<u>Curriculum</u>	<p><i>As recommended by the CSA, BOE approved on March 28th:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8th grade students to GLHS for 8th Grade Orientation on April 18th. 																		
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<u>Old Business</u>	No items this month.																		
<u>New Business</u>	<p>The Board discussed tentative plan for administrative restructuring.</p> <p>The Board approved reinstating Tuesday, May 30th, as a regular school day because of the additional snow day in March.</p>																		
<u>Committee Reports</u>	<p><i>On March 28th:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Ruban reported that the Board is looking at additional projects to fulfill the referendum scope of work; Mrs. Motz reported that the Mountainside Library is getting new technology that automates the search process. 																		
<u>Public Participation</u>	Community members asked questions about the tentative administrative restructuring and curriculum.																		

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