

Mountainside Board of Education

Meeting Highlights

January 29, 2019



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, Dana Guidici Pietro, Jordan Hyman,
Candice Schiano, Carmine Venes

Administrative Team

Nancy Lubarsky, Ed.D., Chief School Administrator
Steven DiGeronimo, Interim Business Administrator
Kimberly Richards, Principal - Deerfield School
Christina Orozco, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Instruction

Action Items	Action Taken
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	<p>BOE approved minutes for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 18, 2018 Regular and Executive Session. January 3, 2019 (Reorganization) Regular and Executive Session.
<u>CSA's Report</u>	<p>Chief School Administrator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Lubarsky introduced the new Class II Officer; Dr. Lubarsky acknowledged a Union County STEM grant; Dr. Lubarsky presented Board members with certificates of appreciation for School Board Recognition Month; Dr. Lubarsky presented a history and proposal of the administrative structure
<u>Berkeley Heights Liaison Report</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Gioia reported that the band won an award. There were presentations discussing technology, the library & media centers, and the superintendent search.
<u>Administration</u>	<p>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEMI waiver; HIB report; Memorandum Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials; Statement of Assurance Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff for 2018-19; Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist Statement of Assurance for 2018-19; Safety and security drills for December 2018.
<u>Budget and Finance</u>	<p>BOE approved:</p> <p>As certified by the Board Secretary:</p> <p>Budget transfers for the month of December; Payment of the Bill List; Reports of the Board Secretary for December 2018</p> <p>As recommended by the CSA, the BOE approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shared Services Agreement between Mountainside BOE and the Borough of Mountainside for 2018-19; Acceptance of \$1000 Union County STEM Scholars grant; Golden Arrow for sports trips transportation; Preschool Program per pupil yearly tuition rate for 2019-20 as \$7,500 for 5 full day sessions; School district travel; A settlement agreement.

<u>Personnel</u>	<p><i>As recommended by the CSA, BOE approved:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retirement of Dr. Nancy Lubarsky; Resignation of Edward Aponte; Resignation of Brittney Steitz; Maternity leave for Amanda Baker; Extended maternity leave for Dayna Carroll; Extended appointment of Ramona Dunning (Leave Replacement); Jody Rhee for home instruction; the addition of Margaret Weakley and Anthony Filiaci to the 2018-19 substitute list; tuition reimbursement for Suzanne Jenks; notification to take classes from Adrienne Ridley. 															
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<u>Old Business</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> none 															
<u>New Business</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board discussed the possibility of adding an Executive Session Board Meeting in March to discuss personnel. Mr. Ruban outlined the process the district will undertake to fill the Superintendent position upon Dr. Lubarsky's retirement. 															
<u>Committee Reports</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Hyman reported on new library programs Dr. Guidici Pietro attended a Union County Ed. Services Commission meeting 															
<u>Public Participation</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A letter was read on behalf of the MEA on the tragic accident of Ms. Crilly A community member commented on curriculum A community member commented on the response to Ms. Crilly's accident, curriculum, grounds conditions and the new administrative structure. 															

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