

Mountainside School District

Beechwood School - 1497 Woodacres Drive, Mountainside, NJ 07092
Deerfield School - 302 Central Avenue, Mountainside, NJ 07092

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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Mr. Dante Gioia _____
Dr. Dana Guidiciopietro _____
Mr. Jordan Hyman _____
Mr. Christopher Minks _____
Mr. James Ruban, Jr. _____
Mrs. Candice Schiano _____
Mr. Carmine Venes _____

III. Executive Session - Resolution (Attachment #1)

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC:

Gioia _____ Guidiciopietro _____ Hyman _____ Ruban _____
Minks _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

❖ Legal/Personnel

IV. Close Executive Session and Reconvene Public Session

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC:

Gioia _____ Guidiciopietro _____ Hyman _____ Ruban _____
Minks _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

V. Flag Salute

VI. Approval of Minutes

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC:

Gioia _____ Guidiciopietro _____ Hyman _____ Ruban _____
Minks _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2019
- ❖ Minutes of the Executive Session of October 22, 2019

VII. Correspondence

- Letters from MSBL (Attachment #1A)

VIII. Public Participation - Agenda Items Only

In accordance with Board Policy 0167, Public Participation in Board Meetings, in the event it appears the public comment portion of the meeting may exceed 30 minutes, the presiding officer may limit each statement made by a participant to three (3) minutes' duration.

IX. President's Report

X. Superintendent's Report

- ❖ Recognition of the Patriot's Pen Essay Contest winners
- ❖ Presentation by Mrs. Richards - "Spotlight on Deerfield"
- ❖ PTO Parent Education Night

XI. Berkeley Heights Liaison Report

XII. Administration

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC:

Gioia _____ Guidici Pietro _____ Hyman _____ Ruban _____

Minks _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the School Safety and Security Plan Annual Review Statement of Assurance (Attachment #2).
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2019-2020 Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist for Beechwood and Deerfield Schools (Attachment #3).
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of Morris Psychological Group, 2019 testing fee schedule attached, as a resource for neuropsychological evaluations. (Attachment #4)
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of the Child Development Center - St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson. The cost for a neurodevelopmental evaluation is \$450.00, by Dr. Joseph Holahan, Dr. Nancy Holahan, or Dr. Aparna Mallik.

5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Beechwood and Deerfield Schools October 2019 safety and security drill reports (Attachment #5).

XIII. Budget and Finance

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC:

Gioia _____ Guidici Pietro _____ Hyman _____ Ruban _____

Minks _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the list of budget transfers for the month of October 2019 (Attachment #6).
2. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the payment of the bill list dated October 24 2019, through November 20, 2019 (Attachment #7).
3. **WHEREAS**, the Board has received the preliminary Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of October 2019 and the preliminary Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for the month of October 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary, Steve DiGeronimo, certifies that subject to the approval of budget transfers appended to these minutes, payment of the claims set forth in the accompanying bill list will not result in the over expenditure of any budget line item appropriation, as modified to date set forth in the level of detail contained in the Reports of the Board Secretary for October 2019:

RESOLVED THAT, the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of October 2019 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for October 2019 as submitted and certified (Attachment #8).

4. Motion to approve the agreed upon stipend payment schedule between the Mountainside Board of Education and the Mountainside Education Association from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, as identified V10.3.19. (Attachment #9)
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 3 year agreement between the Mountainside Board of Education and Waste Management of NJ, Inc., effective November 1, 2019 through October 31, 2022, in the amount of \$18,500.40 (Attachment #10).
6. **WHEREAS**, the Deerfield parking lot needed additional repair to improve drainage issues,

WHEREAS, D&L Paving has entered negotiations with Solutions Architecture and the Mountainside Board of Education to an agreed upon amount for these repairs,

WHEREAS, the total contract job cost will be \$33,000 for said repairs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountainside Board of Education approves a payment to D&L Paving of \$10,400.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these payments are reflective of good faith negotiations between the above mentioned parties, and is the total Board responsibility.

7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept student accident insurance policies from Bollinger Specialty Group through Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, effective November 20, 2019 to November 20, 2020, with an annual premium of \$3,957. Policy is on file in the Board office.
8. **WHEREAS**, the Mountainside Board of Education approved Budget and Finance resolution #4 at the July 23, 2019 meeting authorizing the Business Administrator to proceed with all necessary adjustments and transfers to close the books for the 2018-2019 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the district was informed during the month of September 2019 by the New Jersey Department of Education of the award of Extraordinary Aid and Non-Public School Transportation Aid, for the 2018-2019 school year, in the amounts of \$112,843 and \$20,590 respectively;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3, the district may, by Board resolution, adjust these revenues from the year end excess surplus calculation, and appropriate said funds in the subsequent fiscal year without commissioner approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountainside Board of Education, accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator and approve the adjustment of excess Extraordinary Aid of -\$20,345 and Non-Public Transportation Aid of +\$20,590 for the 2018-2019 fiscal year excess surplus calculation.

9. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the cooperative agreement between the Mountainside Board of Education and Berkeley Heights for a middle school wrestling program. (Attachment #11)
10. **WHEREAS** the Mountainside School District needs transportation for its athletic program,

WHEREAS multiple companies were contacted,

RESOLVE to award a contract to Golden Arrow Transportation for use as transportation for all 19/20 basketball season sports trips at a rate of \$330 for the first 3 hours and \$120/hr. additional overtime.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this concludes the transportation needs for winter sports only (Attachment #12).

11. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, special education placements and services as per (Attachment #13).
12. Move to approve in accordance with MBOE policy 6471, School District Travel, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the travel and related expenses itemized in (Attachment #14). This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent, and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member's current responsibilities and the district's Professional Development Plan.

13. Move to approve Dr. L. Hanes and Associates as a contracted service provider to provide supplemental home instruction services for Mountainside students on an as needed basis at a rate of \$60.00 per hour.

XIV. Personnel

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

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1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following updated stipend list for the 19-20 school year. (Attachment #15).
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind personnel item #14 from October 22, 2019 Board of Education meeting, and reinstate Amy Piexoto's schedule of 4.25 hours per day as follows:
Mon/Thurs/Fri =10:00 - 2:15, Tues/Wed=10:45 - 3:00, effective November 11, 2019.
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the revised Maternity Disability Leave for Janelle Lauterbach, Grade 1 Teacher, to begin approximately November 21, 2019, through and including February 25, 2020. She will be permitted to utilize any accumulated sick days. It is also recommended that Ms. Lauterbach be granted an unpaid Family Leave from February 26, 2020, until April 10, 2020 in accordance with FMLA and NJFMLA. Ms. Lauterbach anticipates returning to work on April 13, 2020. (Attachment #16).
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the revised dates of Judith Wargaski, to the position of 1st Grade Teacher (Leave Replacement), at the rate of \$185 per diem, now effective from November 18, 2019 until approximately April 14, 2020.
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Ann Victor as a "student observer" under the supervision of Stacy Potkulski and Christopher Paserchia, contracted physical therapy services from Next Step Pediatric Therapy.
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Barbi Higinbotham for homebound instruction for student #5029655983, not to exceed 10 hours per week, at a rate of \$40.85/hour, from November 4, 2019.
7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of Tara Rene to the 2019-2020 Substitute Teacher List, pending paperwork. (Attachment #17)
8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of Avril Grant to the 2019-2020 Substitute Teacher List, pending paperwork. (Attachment #18)

XV. Curriculum

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

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Move to approve upon the recommendation of Superintendent, the following field trips for the 2019-2020 school year:

Date	Destination	Grade	Teacher in Charge	Estimated Cost
1/2/20	DF for Teddy Bear Making w/8 th gr.	K	Ms. Trentham Ms. Lima	Bus: \$325.00 - Paid by BOE
3/13/20	Union Cty. College Teen Arts Festival	6-8	Ms. Tiscia	\$300 registration fee \$850 bus – paid by BOE
3/16/20	DF for Teddy Bear Making w/8 th gr.	K	Ms. Ianniello	Buses: \$325.00 - Paid by BOE
3/25/20	Broadway Show & Olive Garden	8	Mr. Rosenblum	\$2,850 – paid by MEF \$13,479.45 paid by students \$2,300 – bus - paid by students
4/20/20	DF for Teddy Bear Making w/8 th gr.	K	Ms. Hunter	Buses: \$325.00 - Paid by BOE
4/21/20	Kidz Village	P	Ms. Primmer	Admission: \$349.72 - Paid by PTO Bus: \$425.00 - Paid by PTO
4/30/20	Jenkinson's Aquarium	K	Ms. Ianniello	Admission: \$570.00 - Paid by PTO Buses: \$1140.00 - Paid by PTO Chaperones pay at the door.
4/22/20	Liberty Science Center	2	Mrs. Bakker	IMAX Admission: \$373.00 - Paid by MEF Gen. Admission: \$1090.50 – Paid by PTO Buses: \$1020.00 - Paid by PTO Chaperones pay at the door.
5/12/20 Rain date: 5/13/20	Turtle Back Zoo	1	Ms. Groth	Admission: \$950.00 - Paid by PTO Buses: \$950.00 - Paid by PTO Chaperones pay at the door.
5/13/20	Trailside Nature & Science	5	Mrs. Kinney	Admission: \$420 – paid by PTO Buses: \$960 – paid by PTO
6/5/20	K Father's Day Breakfast/Teddy Bear Day at DF	K	Ms. Lima	Buses: \$325.00 - Paid by BOE

XVI. Policy

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

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1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following policies for first reading:

9210	Parent Organizations	Revised
9400	Media Relations	Revised

2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following policies for second reading and adoption:

8630	Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility	Revised/Mandated
8670	Transportation of Special Needs Students	Revised/Mandated

XVII. Old Business

XVIII. New Business

XIX. Committee Reports

XX. Public Participation

XXI. Executive Session - Resolution (Attachment #19)

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC:

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XXII. Adjournment

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

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