

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	_____
Mrs. Cathy Jakositz	_____
Mr. Christopher Minks	_____
Mrs. Kate Motz	_____
Mrs. Jeane Parker	_____
Mr. James Ruban, Jr.	_____
Mr. Carmine Venes	_____

III. Executive Session – Resolution (Attachment #1)

Moved: _____	Seconded: _____		
RC) Gioia _____	Jakositz _____	Minks _____	Motz _____
Parker _____	Ruban _____	Venes _____	

❖ Legal/Personnel

IV. Flag Salute

V. Approval of Minutes

Moved: _____	Seconded: _____		
RC) Gioia _____	Jakositz _____	Minks _____	Motz _____
Parker _____	Ruban _____	Venes _____	

- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2016
- ❖ Minutes of the Executive Session of March 22, 2016

VI. Correspondence

VII. Public Participation

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.

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WHEREAS, the Board Secretary, Eric Larson, 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 February 2016:

RESOLVED THAT, the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of March 2016 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for March 2016 as submitted and certified (Attachment #8).

4. **WHEREAS**, the Mountainside Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on March 16, 2016 to be submitted to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools on April 5, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was advertised in the legal section of the Westfield Leader on April 21, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Board of Education has approved the following adjustments to the tentative budget:

Revenue		Appropriations	
G.F. Budgeted Fund Balance	(\$7,580)	Communications	(\$7,580)

WHEREAS, the total amount of the budget for General Fund Expenses shall be \$16,883,082, of which \$15,410,193 shall be raised by tax levy; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the budget for Special Revenue Fund Expense shall be \$150,434; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the budget for Debt Service Expense shall be \$1,716,934 of which \$1,258,365 shall be raised by tax levy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mountainside Board of Education hereby adopts the 2016-2017 School Year budget and,

BE IT RESOLVED that there should be raised for the General Funds tax levy \$15,410,193 for the ensuing School Year 2016-2017 and,

BE IT RESOLVED that there should be raised for Debt Service tax levy, \$1,258,365, for the ensuing School Year 2016-2017.

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current

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responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Chief School Administrator and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500 per authorized staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1st through June 30th); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education out of district travel and reimbursement forms; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education out of district travel and reimbursement forms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), to a maximum expenditure of \$20,000 for all staff and Board members.

5. **WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2, a board of education must establish a maximum dollar limit for professional services and public relations, as defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.3©14.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountainside Board of Education hereby establishes the following maximums for the General Fund 2016 – 2017 year as follows:

- Architecture/Engineering \$ 5,000
- Legal \$ 45,000
- Audit \$ 24,850
- Physician \$ 2,250

For a total amount of \$77,100.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator track and record these costs to insure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

6. **RESOLVED**, that the Mountainside Board of Education set the annual fee for Subscription Bussing for FY 2016-2017 at \$450.00.

7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, to contract with

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Assistive Tek, to provide 2 possible assistive technology evaluations in the amount of \$900 (\$450 per evaluation) for the balance of the 2015-2016 school year.

8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, special education placements and services as per (Attachment #9).
9. Move to approve in accordance with MBOE policy 6471, School District Travel, and upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the travel and related expenses itemized in (Attachment #10). 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.

XIII. Personnel

Moved: _____	Seconded: _____		
RC) Gioia _____	Jakositz _____	Minks _____	Motz _____
Parker _____	Ruban _____	Venes _____	

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the certificated tenured personnel list for the 2016-2017 school year (Attachment #11).
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the certificated non-tenured personnel list for the 2016-2017 school year (Attachment #12).
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the non-certificated personnel list for the 2016-2017 school year (Attachment #13).
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the non-affiliated personnel list for the 2016-2017 school year (Attachment #14).
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the appointment of Jennifer Griffith, as 2nd Grade Teacher, at a salary of \$52,709, BA1 effective September 1, 2016, until June 30, 2017, subject to adjustments, if any, negotiated with the Mountainside Education Association (Attachment #15).
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the appointment of Lori Topel, as 3rd Grade Teacher, at a salary of \$60,070, MA5, effective September 1, 2016, until June 30, 2017, subject to adjustments, if any, negotiated with the Mountainside Education Association (Attachment #16).
7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the retirement of Claire Sennett, 5th Grade Teacher, effective October 1, 2016, and to thank her for 23 years of service to the Mountainside School District (Attachment #17).
8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the retirement of Kathleen MacDonald, Deerfield School Nurse, effective July 1, 2016, and to thank her for

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5/5-5/6/2016	Washington DC	8	Young	Cost of Trip: \$38,782 \$9,000 paid by BOE
6/1/2016	Deerfield – Third Grade Orientation	2	Bakker	Cost of Bussing: \$235.61 Paid by BOE

XV. Policy

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
 RC) Gioia _____ Jakositz _____ Minks _____ Motz _____
 Parker _____ Ruban _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the following policies for second reading and adoption:

0167	Public Participation in Board Meetings	Revised Recommended
0168	Recording Board Meetings	Revised Recommended
2422	Health and Physical Education	Revised Recommended
2425	Physical Education	Abolished
2431	Athletic Competition	Revised Mandated

2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the following policies for first reading:

7461	Green Initiatives	New Suggested
7461.1	Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Green Purchasing Policy	New Suggested
7471	Idle Free School Zones	New Suggested

XVI. Old Business

XVII. New Business

XVIII. Committee Reports

- Building and Grounds Committee – Referendum Update

XIX. Public Participation

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