

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

III. Executive Session - Resolution (Attachment #1)

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Gioia _____ Guidiciopietro _____ Hyman _____
Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

❖ Legal/Personnel

IV. Close Executive Session and Reconvene Public Session

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Gioia _____ Guidiciopietro _____ Hyman _____
Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

V. Flag Salute

VI. Approval of Minutes

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Gioia _____ Guidiciopietro _____ Hyman _____
Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 23, 2020
- ❖ Minutes of the Executive Session of June 23, 2020

VII. Correspondence

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

- ❖ 8th Grade Graduation
- ❖ HIB Grades Report
- ❖ Reopening plan

XI. Berkeley Heights Liaison Report

XII. Budget and Finance

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
 RC: Dillon _____ Gioia _____ Guidicipietro _____ Hyman _____
 Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the list of budget transfers for the month of June 2020 (Attachment #2).
2. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the payment of the bill list dated July1, 2020, through July 29, 2020 (Attachment #3).
3. **WHEREAS**, the Board has received the Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of June 2020 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for the month of June 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary, Raymond Slamb, 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 June 2020:

RESOLVED THAT, the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of June 2020 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for June 2020 as submitted and certified (Attachment #4).

4. **WHEREAS**, this resolution was inadvertently omitted from the agenda of the June 23, 2020 meeting; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:21-2, N.J.S.A.18A:7G-31 and N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year-end; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permits a board of education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into its Capital, Maintenance and Tuition Reserve accounts at year-end; and

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Board of Education has determined that any excess surplus above the combination of the allowable 2% of adjusted expenditures at the conclusion of the 2019-20 fiscal year and all funds awarded by the New Jersey Department of Education for the 2019-20 Extraordinary Aid and/or Non-Public Transportation Aid is available for such transfer;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board authorize the Business Administrator to make this transfer of all funds in excess of the allowable 2% of adjusted expenditures at the conclusion of the 2019-20 fiscal year and any and all funds awarded by the New Jersey Department of Education for 2019-20 Extraordinary Aid and/or Non-Public Transportation Aid consistent with all applicable laws and regulations in the amount not to exceed \$1,150,000 as follows; Tuition Reserve not to exceed \$500,000, Capital Reserve not to exceed \$350,000, Maintenance Reserve not to exceed \$150,000, and Emergency Reserve not to exceed \$150,000 be made as of June 30, 2019, nunc pro tunc.

5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the revised tax payment schedule for the 2020-2021 school year from the Borough of Mountainside to the Mountainside Board of Education as follows and to authorize the School Business Administrator to submit said schedule to the Borough of Mountainside:

2020-2021	General Fund	Debt Service	Total
July	\$1,398,241.70	\$237,358.00	\$1,635,599.70
August	\$1,398,241.66	\$747,950.00	\$2,146,191.66
September	\$1,398,241.66	\$	\$1,398,241.66
October	\$1,398,241.66	\$	\$1,398,241.66
November	\$1,398,241.66	\$	\$1,398,241.66

December	\$1,398,241.66	\$	\$1,398,241.66
January	\$1,398,241.50	\$53,291.00	\$1,451,532.50
February	\$1,398,241.50	\$177,317.00	\$1,575,558.50
March	\$1,398,241.50	\$	\$1,398,241.50
April	\$1,398,241.50	\$	\$1,398,241.50
May	\$1,398,241.50	\$	\$1,398,241.50
June	\$1,398,241.50	\$	\$1,398,241.50
Total:	\$16,778,899.00	\$1,215,916.00	\$17,994,815.00

Note: Payments will be approved by Council on the third Tuesday of the month payable on or about the 20th of each month.

6. **WHEREAS**, the State Treasurer, in consultation with the Governor and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (b) has increased the bid threshold amount for school districts which do not have a Qualified Purchasing Agent , from \$29,000 to \$32,000, effective July 1, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Board of Education would like to take advantage of the maximum statutory bid threshold amount of \$32,000 for school districts who do not have a qualified purchasing agent;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mountainside Board of Education, establishes and sets the bid threshold amount of \$32,000 for the Board of Education, and further authorizes Raymond Slamb to award contracts, in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), for those purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate the newly established bid threshold amount.

7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the proposal submitted by Solutions Architecture to update the district long-range facilities plan in the amount of \$5,000. (Attachment #5)
8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the **revised** Agreement for Participation in Coordinated Transportation Services between Union Educational Services Commission (UCESC) and the Mountainside School District from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. (Attachment #6)

9. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a parent transportation contract, in the amount of \$5,128.42, pursuant to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A: 39.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 6A: 27-9.9, between the Mountainside Board of Education and the parent/legal guardians of student I.D. #9155768730 for 2020-2021 Regular School Year.
10. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the hiring of JAG Consulting, LLC for technology services effective July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 at a rate of \$32.00 per hour, not to exceed \$15,000 (Attachment #7).
11. **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Mountainside Board of Education adopts the revised 403(b) Plan Document effective July 28, 2020. (Attachment #8)
12. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the list of Independent Contractors/Physicians/Agencies for the 20-21 school year, if needed. (Attachment #9)
13. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the PTO donation in the amount of \$13,500 to be used as follows: \$11,000 for Long Range Technology and \$2,500 for Capital Improvement projects. (Attachment #10)
14. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and pursuant to the authority granted by N.J.S.A. 18A: 44-4(B), the Mountainside Board of Education hereby establishes the following revised per pupil yearly tuition rate of \$3,750, for non-disabled pupils enrolled in its preschool program for the 2020-2021 school year as a result of reduced program hours.
15. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, special education placements and services as per (Attachment #11).

16. **Approval of Plan to Address Reduction in State Aid for 2020-2021 School Year**

Whereas N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(b) and (c) authorize district boards of educations to transfer/increase the amount of unassigned general fund surplus budgeted in the original budget certified for taxes at any time during the budget year; and,

Whereas the appropriation of resources necessary to offset the reduction to 2020-21 state aid has been granted by the Interim Commissioner of Education; and,

Whereas districts may designate any portion of unassigned general fund surplus for this purpose,

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the allocation of \$85,535 of general fund surplus to offset the reduction in State Aid for 2020-21 in its entirety.

XIII. Personnel

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Gioia _____ Guidici Pietro _____ Hyman _____

Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the request for tuition reimbursement from Suzanne Jenks, taken at College of Saint Elizabeth for Spring 2019 sessions for six (6) graduate credits in the amount of \$3,900.00, as per tuition reimbursement allowed under Professional Growth, section D of her administrative contract. (Attachment #12).
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of Amy Peixoto, paraprofessional, effective June 17, 2020, and to thank her for her service to the Mountainside School District. (Attachment #13)
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of Judy Wargaski, to the position of 1st Grade Teacher, at a salary of \$53,218, Step 1 BA, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. (Attachment #14)
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of Gabrielle Sabony, to the position of 4th Grade (Leave Replacement), at the per diem rate of \$150 for the first 20 days of the assignment, and \$185 per diem for the balance of the assignment, effective approximately September 16, 2020, until February 16, 2021, upon successful criminal background check (Attachment #15).
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of Miriam Grubin-Cappel, to the position of School Social Worker (Leave Replacement), at the per diem rate of \$150 for the first 20 days of the assignment, and \$190 per diem for the balance of the assignment, effective approximately September 1, 2020, until January 12, 2021, upon successful criminal background check (Attachment #16).

XIV. Policy

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
 RC: Dillon _____ Gioia _____ Guidicipietro _____ Hyman _____
 Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

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

1642	Earned Sick Leave Law	New/Mandated
1648	Restart and Recovery Plan	New/Mandated
1649	Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act	New/Mandated

XV. Old Business

XVI. New Business

XVII. Committee Reports

XVIII. Public Participation

XIX. Adjournment

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
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