

<p style="text-align: center;">MOUNTAINSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BEECHWOOD SCHOOL - 1497 WOODACRES DRIVE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092 DEERFIELD SCHOOL - 302 CENTRAL AVENUE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092</p>
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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

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

III. Executive Session - Resolution (Attachment #1)

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

❖ Legal/Personnel

IV. Close Executive Session and Reconvene Public Session

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

V. Flag Salute

VI. Approval of Minutes

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

- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 2021
- ❖ Minutes of the Executive Session of November 16, 2021

VII. Correspondence

VIII. Public Participation - Agenda Items Only

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IX. President's Report

X. Superintendent's Report

- ❖ Recognize Teachers, Educational Service Professionals, & Support Staff of the Year
- ❖ ARP Grant Overview
- ❖ District Updates
- ❖ Related Arts Showcase

XI. Business Administrator's Report

- ❖ Bond Refunding Update

XII. Berkeley Heights Liaison Report

XIII. Administration

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

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Beechwood and Deerfield Schools November 2021 safety and security drill reports. (Attachment #2)
2. Move to accept the Superintendent's recommendations on the HIB incident summary dated December 8, 2021.

XIV. Budget and Finance

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

1. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the list of budget transfers for the month of November 2021. (Attachment #3)
2. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the payment of the bill list dated November 18, 2021, through December 22, 2021. (Attachment #4)

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3. **WHEREAS**, the Board has received the Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of November 2021 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for the month of November 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Interim Board Secretary, Michael Falkowski, 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 November 2021:

RESOLVED THAT, the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of November 2021 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for November 2021 as submitted and certified. (Attachment #5)

4. **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Mountainside Board of Education grants approval for the Superintendent to make an application for and accept subsequent receipt of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Grants for fiscal year 2021 - September 2024 as follows:
- ESSER: \$555,178
 - Accelerated Learning Coaching and Educator Support Grant: \$81,166
 - Evidence-Based Summer Learning and Enrichment Activities Grant: \$40,000
 - Evidence-Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day Activities Grant: \$40,000
 - NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant: \$45,000
5. Move to approve in accordance with MBOE policy 6471, School District Travel, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the travel, professional development requests, and related expenses itemized in (Attachment #6). 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. All reimbursements shall be made in accordance with state guidelines 18A:11-12.
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, special education placements and services as per (Attachment #7).
7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept a \$22,000 grant donation from the Watts Foundation, to be used as follows: \$12,000 Deerfield sign upgrade, \$5,000 alternative outdoor learning/work spaces, and \$5,000 for Kindergarten Chromebooks. (Attachment #7A)

XV. Personnel

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

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to recognize the following staff members for their dedication to the students, families, and staff of the Mountainside

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School District. Their support, professionalism, and commitment is recognized and appreciated on a daily basis:

Beechwood School	
Stephanie DeBaun, Kindergarten Teacher	Teacher of the Year
Dawn Blazinski, Librarian	Educational Services Professional of the Year
Lisa Arroyo, Paraprofessional	Support Staff of the Year
Deerfield School	
Nina Woo, Spanish Teacher	Teacher of the Year
Sharon Bradley, Librarian	Educational Services Professional of the Year
Julie Goerlich, Special Services Secretary	Support Staff of the Year

2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of **Kristin DalCortivo**, Guidance Counselor, effective January 22, 2022, and thank her for her service to the Mountainside School District. (Attachment #8)
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Maternity Disability Leave for **Kelcie Sweetwood**, Paraprofessional, effective February 14, 2022, until April 8, 2022. She will be permitted to utilize any accumulated sick days. It is also recommended that Ms. Sweetwood be granted unpaid Family Leave from April 19, 2022, until June 21, 2022 in accordance with FMLA and NJFLA. Ms. Sweetwood anticipates returning to work at the start of the 22/23 school year. (Attachment #9)
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Maternity Disability Leave for **Jessica Botkin**, 4th Grade Teacher, effective March 11, 2022, until May 5, 2022. She will be permitted to utilize any accumulated sick days. It is also recommended that Mrs. Botkin be granted unpaid Family Leave from May 6, 2022, until October 7, 2022 in accordance with FMLA and NJFLA. Mrs. Botkin anticipates returning to work on October 10, 2022. (Attachment #10)
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of **Heather Goldbeck** to the 2021-2022 Substitute Teacher List, pending paperwork. (Attachment #11)
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of **Jennifer Malgeri** to the 2021-2022 Substitute Teacher List, pending paperwork and successful criminal background check. (Attachment #12)
7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Desiree Ganz**, to provide supplemental instruction for student #9074404763, 2 hours/week at a rate of \$43.29, effective October 2021 and for the remainder of the 2021/2022 school year.
8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2021-2022 School Year Stipend Positions, contingent upon student enrollment for those student activities

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subsidized in accordance with Board Policy 2436, Activity Participation Fee Program. (Attachment #13)

9. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following list of teachers to provide before/after school instruction for students through the use of ARP Comprehensive Beyond the School Day Activities Grant funds, at the rate of \$43.29/hour.

Ellie Barkin-Baron	Deborah Posner	April Starling
Jayne Hartnett	Rosemarie Sardina	
Barbi Higinbotham	Laurie Naftilin	

10. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of **Brittany Baldwin**, to the position of School Guidance Counselor at Deerfield School, at a salary of \$57,718, MA Step 1, prorated for the 2021-2022 school year. The position begins January 24, 2022, pending successful criminal history and paperwork. (Attachment #14)

XVI. Policy

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

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

P 0131	Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations	Revised
P 5751	Sexual Harassment of Students	Revised/Mandated

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

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

P 2422	Comprehensive Health and Physical Education	Revised/Mandated
P 8550	Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Services Bill	Revised/Mandated
P 8600	Student Transportation	Revised/Mandated

XVII. Old Business

XVIII. New Business

XIX. Committee Reports

XX. Public Participation

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XXI. Executive Session

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Ruban _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

XXII. Adjournment

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