

MINUTES
MONMOUTH BEACH BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

President L. Decker called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M. and announced that adequate notice of this meeting was given in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act PL 1975 by the following means: copies posted in Borough Hall, Monmouth Beach School Website and advertised in the Asbury Park Press.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT - Mrs. Kay, Mrs. Dolan (call in), Mr. Dudick, Mr. L. Decker, Mrs. Andrews, Mr. Vecchio, Dr. Sasso, Mr. B. Decker

ABSENT - Mr. Marowitz

ALSO PRESENT – Ms. Alfone, Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION

There were no presentations.

CORRESPONDENCE/DISCUSSION

There were no correspondence or discussion items.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. L. Decker, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item.

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the minutes of:

July 17, 2020 (Special)

July 28, 2020

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Comments from the Superintendent –

Update on Return to School

- Still on target for a full on-site return September 8, 2020.
- First two days early release (September 8, 2020 and September 9, 2020 – no lunch).
- Clarifications –
 - We have not modified our plans. Working with individual families to find alternative solutions to having students eat lunch on site.
 - We are not at the current time offering a consolidated instructional schedule or a formal early release but are working with parents who may decide to remove their children from on-site instruction before lunch.
 - Class placements are being made with many factors in mind: special class programming and health-related concerns. Placements are at administrative discretion and are done to serve the best interests of each individual student and family situation.
 - If you have a concern with either of these areas, please feel free to reach out so we work together for finding solutions.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

Update on Return to School (continued)

- Lunches:
 - We have been able to spread out our indoor lunch as much as possible using some of our other larger spaces such as tech room and music room. Also trying to keep some groups in own classroom when possible. We have limited coverage, so we are using all people we have to supervise lunch and spread students out as far as possible. Encouraging groups to eat outdoors in warmer months, but have to plan for cold or inclement weather.
- Created an articulated cleaning and sanitizing schedule for restrooms and classrooms when changing is absolutely necessary.
 - Limiting the mixing of cohorts.
 - Limiting changing of rooms.
 - Believe we have minimized it to the maximum extent possible.
- Board of Education has approved a second daily nurse for as long as we are in a public health emergency.
- Will be sending home in the next parent update (this weekend) dates/times for a virtual parent/student orientation for those that will be fully virtual and a date and time for a new student orientation. Both to be held late next week.
- Custodial staff, Robert, Joe and Rosadelia and secretarial staff, Mrs. Ficera and Mrs. Costello are working extremely hard in getting the building ready and managing the behind the scenes work. Teachers have also been working to get classrooms set up for the start of the year. So publicly thank everyone for their hard work.
- Staff will be back in the building starting next week (September 2, 3 and 4).
 - Health and Safety Training
 - Benchmark Assessment Training
 - Advanced Smartboard Training
 - Blended Learning professional Development
 - Google Classroom set up
 - Swivl Training
 - Planning/Collaboration time to discuss learning loss from last year's virtual experience.
- Updated Daily Health Check Form on the website.
- Updated COVID testing information from BOH on the website.
- Thank you to the PTO for providing lunch to our staff for the first day; Mrs. Azzolini for facilitating an individual order process so we kept within the health and safety parameters.
- Thank you to Caroline Quatrocchi and the PTO for purchasing T-shirts and Gaiters for all staff and students.
- Finally, thank you to the Board of Education for supporting the reopening plan and for being fully immersed in the process from the start.

Class Placements

- Student schedules will be available in *Realtime* on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 3:00 P.M.
- Parents will be prompted to complete all necessary return to school forms in *Realtime* before accessing students' schedules.
- Issues with logging in can be directed to Mr. Zweemer.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

Chromebooks

- We have all of our new Chromebooks on site. Sixth – eighth grade students will be getting brand new 14 inch screens which they will be carrying back and forth to school each day.
- Students will temporarily have sleeves for protecting the device; folios are on back order.
- If we are required to go virtual or classes are virtual at any point, we will deploy Chromebooks to be sent home. All students are assigned a particular Chromebook for use at home if needed.
- Friday, September 4, 2020 from 9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. is when all virtual option students can pick up their Chromebooks.

Sustainable Jersey Recognition

- Our Green Team worked hard over the last year in helping our school and community move to a more eco-friendly existence. They have recently reaped the rewards of their efforts by being awarded Bronze Certification. We will formally recognize this team's work at our September Board meeting, but wanted to offer a congratulations to the group and let the community know about their success and the opportunity to formally recognize them next month.

Motion was made by Mr. L. Decker, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item.

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

A. Fire Drills – N/A
Security Drill – N/A

B. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following resolution

RESOLUTION FOR REOPENING OF SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the plan to reopen schools for the 2020-2021 school year includes, to the extent possible and within the confines as dictated by the District's buildings and facilities, the health, safety, and "Leadership and Planning" measures identified as "Anticipated Minimum Standards" (minimum standards) in the Department of Education's *The Road Back, Restart and Recovery Plan for Education*; and

WHEREAS, the District's plan, to the extent possible will implement those minimum standards as outlined in the District's reopening plan; and

WHEREAS, the District's plan, to the extent possible, will adhere to the directives of the Governor and the Department of Education of the State of New Jersey regarding the reopening of schools for 2020-2021; and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board has considered the above and, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the submission of the District's plan for reopening schools for the 2020-2021 school year to the Department of Education.

PTO PRESENTATION – Melanie Andrews

Mrs. Andrews stated that as an act of gratitude, the PTO will be giving each student a T-shirt and a gaiter for the first day of school.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION - None

In compliance with Open Public Meetings Act PL 1975, Chapter 10:4-12 subsection b, - A public body may exclude the public only from that portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment evaluation of the performance of promotion or discipline of any specific prospective public officer or employees or current public offer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting. As per Board Bylaws, 0167, public participation in Board Meetings, such remarks are to be limited to five minutes duration. The Board of Education, though affording the opportunity for members of the public to comment will not engage and/or make remarks concerning matters of student confidentiality and/or matters of personnel wherein employees of the District have not been given notice of the Board's intent to discuss their terms and conditions of employment. Members of the public are reminded that though they are afforded the opportunity to address the Board, they are not given license to violate the laws of slander. Comments made by members of the public that are not in keeping with the orderly conduct of a public meeting will be asked to yield the floor and if they fail to do so may be subject to charges under New Jersey statues associated with disruption of a public meeting.

FINANCE

Chair: Ken Marowitz
Joseph Vecchio, Karen Dolan, Vincent Sasso

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (A).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following financial report
- August 2020 Bill List in the amount of \$125,545.11.
 - Payroll Gross total for July 2020 in the amount of \$57,960.53.
 - Report of Board Secretary – June – Draft Report
 - Fund 10 - \$1,556,422.70
 - Fund 20 - \$0.00
 - Fund 40 - \$10,672
 - Monthly transfer report for June 2020.
 - Pursuant to NJAC 6:120-2.13(d), I certify as of June 30 no budgetary line item account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6:20-22.13 (ad). I hereby certify that all of the above information is correct.
 - Board Certification:
Pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.3 (e), we certify that as of June 2020, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-22.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

FINANCE (continued)

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (B).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the Shared Services Agreement for a Regional Director of Curriculum and Instructions between MBBOE and Shore Regional Board from September 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 at a cost of \$15,500.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (C).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- C. **BE IT RESOLVED** to retroactively approve summer speech evaluation and report for Student # 1417 to Kristen Hicks, MS, CCC-SLP, in the amount of \$405.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (D).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- D. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following regular tuition contracts with Monmouth Beach School in the amount of \$6,500.00 per student for the 2020-2021 school year: AS, BS (10% Sibling Discount) and, SD.

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (E).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- E. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following pre-school tuition contracts with Monmouth Beach School in the amount of \$6,500.00 per student for the 2020-2021 school year: VA, LD, SF, AG, JK, TM.

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (F).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- F. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the contract with ABC Pediatric Therapy from September 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 for a minimum of one hour per week at a rate of \$85.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (G).

Ayes (7), Nays (0), Abstain (1) Mr. L. Decker, Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- G. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve a second nurse on a per diem basis at a substitute nurse's rate of \$150.00 per day for the 2020-2021 school year.

FINANCE (continued)

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (H).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- H. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the contract with Smartboard Training for a single 6 hour professional development session on training for newest Smartboard technology on September 4 at a cost of \$1,890.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Vecchio, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (I).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- I. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the subscription for SimpleK12 for personalized professional development relevant to the Google environment, virtual instruction, and blended learning funded through Title II at a cost of \$5,460.00.

PERSONNEL

Chair: Barbara Kay
Boyd Decker, Chris Dudick, Melanie Andrews

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (A).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the hiring of Karina Gervolino as an Elementary School Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year, at Step 3 + MA (\$59,100.00) of the Contracted MBTA Salary Guide.

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (B).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the hiring of Michele La Valle as a Preschool Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year, at Step 1 BA + 30 (\$57,550.00) of the Contracted MBTA Salary Guide. Emergent Hire previously approved by the County Superintendent.

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (C).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- C. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve Maria DiSpigna as a long term leave replacement teacher from September 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020 at the approved MBBOE Long Term Sub Rate.

PERSONNEL (continued)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (D).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- D. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve Ali Garbolino as a long term leave replacement teacher from September 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020 at the approved MBBOE Long Term Sub Rate.

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (E).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- E. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following hourly rates of pay for the Instructional Aides for the 2020-2021 school year:

Diane Bettinger	\$20.50 per hour
Michele Leite	\$18.50 per hour
Olivia Dunzelman	\$16.50 per hour
Dawn Van Brunt	\$16.50 per hour
Julie Kiamie	\$16.50 per hour
Mary Alyce Turner	\$18.50 per hour

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (F).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- F. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following extracurricular teacher assignments for the 2020-2021 school years. Stipenda amounts are per MBTA contracted Extracurricular Guide and will only be paid out upon completion of stipend tasks:

8 th Grade Advisors – Alison McMahon & Erin Deininger	Student Council Advisor – Doreen Silakowski
NJ Honor Society Advisor – Denise Sullivan	Play Advisor – Emily Rossi
Band/Chorus Advisor – Emily Rossi	Yearbook Advisors – Kory Poznak & Jaclyn Murray
Girls’ Cross Country Coach – Dorothy Mahoney	Boys Cross Country Coach – Michael Kammerer
ScIP – Dina LoPiccolo, Kory Poznak, Alexandria Maxcy, Nicole DePalma, Meghan Vaccarelli	IR&S Panel – Amanda Owens, Nicole DePalma, Denise Sullivan, Christine Priest, Lori Gallo

PERSONNEL (continued)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (G).

Ayes (7), Nays (0), Abstain (1) Mr. L. Decker, Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

G. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following substitutes for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Diane Bettinger, Sheree Carnevale, Carole Costell, Carol Kus, Lauren Decker, Kathy Denker, Deborah Doppelt, Olivia Dunzelman, Madeline Ebinger, Charles Eibeler, John Goode, Nicole Husar, Julie Kiamie, Michele Leite, Nicole Madalone, Susan McDonald, Alberto Morello, Ally Thomas, Jill Trimble, Mary Alyce Turner, Jacqueline Van Wagner, Laura West

Motion was made by Mrs. Kay, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (H).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

H. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve Denise Sullivan as a Teacher of Spanish at 0.30 and Guidance Counselor at 0.70 for the 2020-2021 school year.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Chair: Chris Dudick
Melanie Andrews, Chris Dudick, Boyd Decker

Motion was made by Mr. Dudick, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (A).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following curricula for the 2020-2021 school year:

- Algebra I – Grade 8
- Mathematics Grades 6, 7, 8
- Pre-Algebra-Grade 7
- Spanish – Grades 6, 7, 8

Motion was made by Mr. Dudick, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (B).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve Rianne Bowlby and Danielle Ciaglia to attend Wilson Foundations Level 3 (Grade 3) on August 27, 2020 at a cost of \$350.00 each.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (continued)

Motion was made by Mr. Dudick, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (C).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- C. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following student placement from Monmouth University for the fall semester:

Name	Hrs.	Course	Grade	Subject	School	Teacher	Grade
Collins, Carolyn	40	ED-362	K-6	K-6 classroom where Social Studies is taught	MBS	Jason Vastano	5
Dalm, Erica	70	EDS-534, EDS-552	K-6	Inclusion or Special Education Classroom	MBS	Meghan Vaccarelli	K
Ewanis, Gregory	75	ED-319	6-8	Health & Physical Education	MBS	Michael Kammerer	K-8

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Chair: Vincent Sasso
Ken Marowitz, Karen Dolan, Joe Vecchio

POLICY

Chair: Melanie Andrews

Motion was made by Mrs. Andrews, seconded by Mr. B. Decker and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (A).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the second read of the following policies:
- 1649 – Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act (FFCRA)
Policy (M) (NEW)
 - 2270 - Religion in Schools -Policy
 - 2431.1 – Heat Participation Policy for Student-Athlete Safety - Policy (M)
 - 2622 – Student Assessment - Policy (M)
 - 5111 – Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students - Policy & Regulation (M)
 - 5200 - Attendance - Policy & Regulation (M)
 - 5320 – Immunization - Policy & Regulation
 - 5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote – Policy & Regulation (M)
 - 5610 – Suspension - Policy & Regulation (M)
 - 5620 - Expulsion – Policy (M)
 - 8320 - Personnel Records – Policy & Regulation (M)

POLICY (continued)

Motion was made by Mrs. Andrews, seconded by Mr. B. Decker and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following item (B).

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

- B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the first read of the following policy:
1648 – Restart & Recovery Plan

GENERAL ITEMS

After Board discussion it was decided to change the September Board meeting to September 24, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. The Buildings and Grounds/Finance Committee will meet on September 17, 2020 at 7:15 A.M. and the Curriculum Committee will meet on September 16, 2020 at 7:15 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:32 P.M.

There being no further discussion, motion was made by Mr. L. Decker, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by voice vote that the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:32 P.M.

Ayes (8), Nays (0), Absent (1) Mr. Marowitz

Mission Statement

Our mission is to create lifelong leaders and contributors who will successfully meet the challenges of the 21st century. The goal of the school is to teach behaviors which help create and maintain a positive learning environment, to use teaching techniques which recognize that students have different learning styles and multiple intelligences, and to teach students to become independent thinkers and learners. Our students will all achieve the NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards as they strive to maintain a "tradition of excellence." Quality education for all students is a constant objective.