

Minutes
September 21, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

President Dolan called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. Dolan, Dr. Sasso, Mr. Dudick, Mr. Marowitz, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Kay, Mr. Decker, Mr. Vecchio, Mrs. King

ALSO PRESENT – Ms. Alfone, Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION

Amanda Mergner presented to the Board the Link It System. She provided various data points with respect to Math and ELA for all grade levels. Ms. Mergner and Mrs. Alfone both agreed that this information is helpful in ensuring that the proper curriculum is in place for all students. One of the outcomes of the scores is to provide small group instruction to help elevate our math scores.

CORRESPONDENCE/DISCUSSION

There were no correspondence or discussion items.

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the minutes of August 24, 2021.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Opening of school was successful
 - Schedule moving along smoothly
 - Thank you to the PTO and BOE for staff lunches
 - Thank you to the PTO for the balloons and signage
- E-Gaming Room is up and running
 - Monitors will be installed in the near future
 - First E-Gaming competitions next week
 -

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

- Back to School Night Thursday, September 23
 - In person event
 - Will live stream general session to homerooms
- LinkIt Benchmarks A and Start Strong Assessments this month
 - Start Strong Grades 4-8 ELA/Math; 6-Science
 - September 28, 29, 30
- Art Gifted and Talented letters went out this week
 - Program starts September 28 for Middle School Students
 - Pulled out for 30-45 one time per week
 - Projects: Wall murals, mosaic, advanced pottery
- Academic Gifted and Talented letters will be sent out next week with program start date of October 1.
- October 6 Walk/Bike to School Day
- Health and Wellness Council formed: Subcommittee of Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools
 - Made up of parents/students
 - Programs one time per month for students
 - Vegetable of the Month-September Jersey Tomatoes
- Environmental Subcommittee of Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools
 - Storm Drain Art
 - Rain Garden Project with Environmental Commission

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

A. Harassment Intimidation and Bullying

BE IT RESOLVED to affirm the HIB Form as presented by Mrs. Jessica Alfone.

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following security drills:

Fire Drill – August 30, 2021 at 12:20 p.m.

Security Drill - Tabletop - August 30, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

C. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Monmouth Beach Board of Education and Monmouth Beach Police Department for the 2021-2022 school year.

Mrs. Dolan thanked the members of the PTO for their help with the opening day of school, which was a great success.

PTO PRESENTATION - Caroline Quattrochi - None

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 statutes associated with disruption of a public meeting.

FINANCE

Chair: Ken Marowitz
Vincent Sasso, Joseph Vecchio, Boyd Decker

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following financial reports;

- August - September 2021 Bill List in the amount of \$311,731.83
- Payroll Gross total for August 2021 in the amount of \$59,945.60

Report of Board Secretary - July - Report

Fund 10 - \$ 1,715,200.31

Fund 20 - \$ 839.42

Fund 40 - \$ 0.00

Capital Reserve \$ 242,265.22

Maintenance Res \$ 355,215.91

Emergency Reserve \$ 10,206.36

- Monthly transfer reports for June and July, 2021. (**Attachment 1**)
- Pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.13(d), I certify as of July 30, 2021 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.

FINANCE (continued)

- **Board Certification:**
Pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.3 (e), we certify that as of July 31, 2021, 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.

Motion was made by Mr. Marowitz, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (B).
Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the filing of the IDEA Grant application in the amount of \$66,192.00 for the basic grant and \$980.00 for preschool.

Motion was made by Mr. Marowitz, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (C).
Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- C. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the filing of the ESEA Grant application in the amount of \$3,698.00 for Title II A funds and \$10,000.00 for Title IV funds.

Motion was made by Mr. Marowitz, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (D).
Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- D. **BE IT RESOLVED** to amend the Monmouth Beach School District's financial award amount from \$211,091.00 to \$386,239.00 from the ESSER III - America Rescue Plan.

Motion was made by Mr. Marowitz, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (E).
Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- E. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the contract for Learning A-Z for two licenses for three years at a cost of \$1,296.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Marowitz, seconded by Mrs. Andrews and carried by roll call vote that the Board approve the following item (F).
Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- F. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the additional allotment for the CARES Emergency Relief Grant in the amount of \$1,253 for a total of \$24,190.

Mrs. Dolan thanked Ms. Gillick for her many years of services to the students of Monmouth Beach. She stated that she has seen firsthand the manner in which Ms. Gillick treats students and not just her own daughter, but all of the children of Monmouth Beach. On behalf of the Board Mrs. Dolan wished her the best of luck on her retirement.

PERSONNEL

Chair: Barbara Kay
Melanie Andrews, Chris Dudick, Aleksandra King

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 (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve Karina Gervolino to enroll in the following course: Curriculum Planning Accommodation & Modifications for Students with Disabilities at Georgian Court College for the Fall 2021 semester, and subsequent tuition reimbursement upon completion of such course per the MBTA contract guidelines.

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- B. **BE IT RESOLVED** to accept, with regret, the retirement of Susan Gillick, School Nurse, effective November 1, 2021.

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- C. **BE IT RESOLVED** to amend the following stipend positions previously approved at the August 24, 2021 meeting for the 2021-2022 school year:

- Amend Approved Stipend for Yearbook Advisor from Kory Poznak to Co-Advisors, Kory Poznak and Jaclyn Murray.
- Amend Approved Field Hockey Stipend for Nicole DepPalma from a stipend position to the following: Nicole DePalma will be paid the contracted per diem hourly rate (based on 200 days) based on their negotiated contractual salary for facilitation of a club level program not to exceed 20 hours total.

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- D. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve Marie Meriton as a volunteer for the Monmouth Beach School for the 2021-2022 year.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Chair: Chris Dudick
Barbara Kay, Melanie Andrews, Aleksandra King

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following workshops:
- Doreen Silakowski, Jason Vastano, Dorothy Mahoney, and Jaclyn Murray to attend the 2021 NJ Science Convention on October 19, 2021 and October 20, 2021 at a cost of \$180.00 per person.
 - Doreen Silakowski and Dorothy Mahoney to attend the ANJEE Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education - Autumn Outdoor Conference on September 24, 2021 at a cost of \$65.00.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS - No report

Chair: Vincent Sasso
Ken Marowitz, Boyd Decker, Joseph Vecchio

POLICY

Chair: Melanie Andrews

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

- A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the first read of the following policy:

P2422	Comprehensive Health and PE(R)
P2476	Surrogate Parents and Resource Family Parents ®
P5111	Eligibility of Resident/Non-Resident Students ®
P5116	Education of Homeless Children(R)
P7432	Eye Protection(R)
P8420	Emergency Crisis Situation(R)
P8540	School Nutrition Program(R)
P8600	Student Transportation(R)
P6115.01	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs(N)
P6115.02	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Mandatory Disclosures(N)
P6115.03	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Conflicts of Interest(N)
P6311	Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants(R)
P1648.11	The Road Forward-Health and Safety(N)
P5111.5	Preschool Program Enrollment Procedures (R)

GENERAL ITEMS

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

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

A. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the following Cross Country Schedule for the 2021-2022 school year

Monmouth Beach School Cross Country Schedule 2021		
Date	Vs.	Home or Away
9/20//2021	Union Beach	Home
9/27/2021	Ranney	Home
9/29 or 9/30/2021	Rumson	Away
10/5/2021	Keansburg	Away
10/14/2021	Knollwood	Home
10/19/2021	Little Silver	Home
10/21/2021	Henry Hudson	Away
10/25/2021	RBC	Away
10/27/2021	Meet of Champions	Away

GENERAL ITEMS

B. The October Board meeting will be held on October 26, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. The Curriculum and Instruction/Personnel Committee will meet on October 20, 2021 at 7:15 A.M. and the Buildings and Grounds/Finance Committee will meet on October 21, 2021 at 8:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:54 P.M.

There being no further discussion, motion was made by Mrs. Dolan, seconded by Mr. Vecchio and carried by voice vote that the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:54 P.M.

Ayes (9), Nays (0), Absent (0)

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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.