

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – August 21, 2013

The Regular School Board Meeting of the Mid Valley School District was held on Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at 7:30 P.M. in the Mid Valley Secondary Center – Board Room. Pledge of allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
 Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
 Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to place the following item(s) on the agenda for consideration/action by the Board of School Directors:

1. SRO for Elementary Center

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
 Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
 Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

RECOGNIZE VISITORS & ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

The Secretary submits the minutes of the regular school board meeting of June 26, 2013.

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Mr. Frank Galli to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting of June 26, 2013, as submitted.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
 Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
 Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Mr. Frank Galli to approve the School Resource Officer for the Elementary Center 2013-2014 school year.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
 Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
 Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

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Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to place the individuals listed on (Attachment A) on the applicable substitute personnel lists. Applicants who have not provided the required clearances are deemed to be provisional for the period allowed by law; a provisional appointment will convert automatically to permanent provided the aforesaid reports are supplied during the provisional period, otherwise the appointment will become null and void.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to accept the resignation notices submitted by the staff members listed below:

Mr. Sean Sholtes	Athletic Director	Resignation	August 21, 2013
Mr. Joseph Caputo	Business Manager	Resignation	September 4, 2013

**All Members of the Board recognized Mr. Caputo's work. Thanked him for his service.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Mr. Martin Walsh to make the following extra-curricular appointment for the upcoming 2013-14 school year; compensation to be made as per the CBA.

Leo Club Advisor	Ms. Claudia Kausmeyer
Head Summer Weight Training Coach	Mr. Ross Donato
Assistant Summer Weight Training Coach	Mr. Bob Doughton
Assistant Summer Weight Training Coach	Mr. Dave Rebar
7 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Ms. Michele Sakulich
8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Mrs. Kim Yencho
Athletic Director/Equipment Manager	Mr. Tom Nowakowski

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to make the following salary step adjustments to Mrs. Katie Mayer's salary; Increase from Step 3 to Step 4.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

The following teachers have been employed by the Mid Valley School District as temporary professional employees for a period of three school years. Their performance has been evaluated as satisfactory over the required period of time. In accord with 1108 of the Pennsylvania Public School Code, the aforesaid staff members are entitled to tenure and a contract as a Professional Employee.

Ms. Heather Zator	Teacher – Elementary
Mrs. Jessica Eboli	Teacher – Elementary
Mr. Mark Snyder	Teacher – Social Studies
Mrs. Rebecca Petrini	Teacher – Spanish
Mrs. Sarah Davis	Teacher – Librarian
Mrs. Megan O'Rourke	Teacher – Special Education
Mrs. Claudia Kausmeyer	Teacher – Special Education

Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to grant tenure and professional employee contracts to the above listed staff members.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones, Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh, Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to authorize the personnel actions listed below and the terms associated with same. Any applicant who has not provided the required clearances is deemed to be provisional allowed by law; a provisional appointment will convert automatically to permanent provided the aforesaid reports are supplied during the provisional period, otherwise the appointment will become null and void.

Action #1:	Permanent Appointment
Appointee:	Ms. Rachael Laboranti
Position:	Social Studies (7-12)
Status:	Full-Time Temporary Professional Employee w/Contract
Salary:	CBA Step M2 (\$42,100)
Effective Date:	Start of 13-14 SY

Action #2:	Temporary Appointment
Appointee:	Mr. John Kelly
Position:	Math Teacher (7-12)
Status:	Long Term Substitute
Salary:	CBA Step B1 (\$40,100)
Effective Date:	Start of 13-14 SY

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones, Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh, Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

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Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to approve the following curricular and operational resources for use during the upcoming 2013-2014 school year:

1. 2013-14 elementary and secondary textbooks (Attachment D)
2. 2013-14 elementary and secondary handbooks (Attachment E)

ALL IN FAVOR:

Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Martin Walsh seconded by Mr. Frank Galli to ratify the special education settlement agreement executed by the parent(s) of student #00011 pertaining to educational services in accord with settlement agreement adopted July 26, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR:

Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Double Ms. Rovinsky Twirlettes – Spring Recital	MVSC Auditorium	May 14 & 15, 2014
Volunteer Hose Co. of Throop – MCI	Stadium Complex & Field House	Sept 13 & 14, 2013

Motion by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to approve the facilities' utilization requests, as presented above.

ALL IN FAVOR:

Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Ms. Donna Dixon to approve the following school district maintenance project requests:

1. Approve Payment to Keystone Fence Northeast for EC Playground Area \$8,500.00
2. Approve Payment for R.J. Walker for Group Size Urinals for Stadium Complex Male Lav \$7,200.00

TOTAL: \$15,700.00

ALL IN FAVOR:

Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Frank Galli to authorize the start of work and the release of funds to make improvements to the district's baseball field, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Peter Kolcharno seconded by Ms. Donna Dixon to extend the engagement of the professional legal services of Atty. William W. Warren, Jr., of the firm Saul Ewing, as special counsel to the Mid Valley School District pertaining to the District's elementary building/renovation project as a cost not to exceed an additional \$25,000.00. This motion modifies the June 26th, 2013 motion and increases the not to exceed limit from \$80,000.00 to \$105,000.00.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Ms. Cathy Jones, Ms. Donna Dixon,
Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh

ALL OPPOSED: Mr. John Bukowski, Mr. Richard Chownec, Mr. Paul Macknosky,
Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Frank Galli seconded by Mr. Martin Walsh to approve the following project related action:

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| 1. Approve Payment of Invoice #2200191 for Professional Services Ending May 31, 2013 | \$10,146.08 |
| 2. Approve Payment of Invoice #2200192 for Professional Services Ending May 31, 2013 (claims) | \$ 6,991.00 |
| 3. Approve Payment of Invoice #2203112 for Professional Services Ending June 30, 2013 | \$13,288.35 |
| 4. Approve Payment of Invoice #2203113 for Professional Services Ending June 30, 2013 (claims) | \$ 5,728.90 |

TOTAL:	\$36,154.33
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ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky

ALL OPPOSED: Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Martin Walsh seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to approve the following legal services invoice:

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| 1. Approve Payment of Invoice #12440768 for Professional Services Rendered | \$1,599.50 |
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ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

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Motion by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to adopt (Attachment B) which updates the 2013-14 approved drivers' list for contracted student transportation services. The credential of each driver listed thereon have been reviewed and found to be in proper order.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

The Secretary submits the list of bills.

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to approve the list of bills payable for July and August 2013, as submitted, and to spread a copy of same on the minutes.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec to accept the Treasurer's report as posted, and to spread a copy of same on the minutes.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Motion by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Richard Chowanec that the list of checks received be approved as posted and placed in the proper accounts.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Activity Report – As Posted

Athletic Director's Report – As Posted

Cafeteria Report – As Posted

Superintendent's Report – See Attachment C

Board Members' Reports

ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Tanner - Thanked Mr. Caputo for his service.
B. Doughton- Why was Part Time Maintenance Director advertised?
K. Maloney- Thanked Mr. Caputo for his service.
C. Patrick - Questioning Olyphant rotation and terms. Needs to make a call and get with Voter's Registration.
L. Walsh - Thanked Mr. Caputo & Mr. Sholtes for service. Also liked choice for new AD.
T. Grisetti - Questioned Superintendent's sick and vacation days.....inquiring of it's a state Law or contract issue. Questioning MVSD scores.

Motion by Mr. Richard Chowanec seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to adjourn.

ALL IN FAVOR: Mr. Gerald Luchansky, Mr. John Bukowksi, Ms. Cathy Jones,
Ms. Donna Dixon, Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Martin Walsh,
Mr. Richard Chowanec, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Mr. Frank Galli

Ms. Donna Dixon, Secretary