

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – August 17, 2016**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

The Regular School Board Meeting of the Mid Valley School District was held on Wednesday, August 17, 2016, at 6:00 PM in the Mid Valley Secondary Center.

ROLL CALL:       PRESENT:       Mr. Rick Barone, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Ms. Donna Dixon,  
Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Daniel Lane, Mr. Gerald Luchansky,  
Mrs. Joanne Pesota (via phone), Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner, Mr. Steven Vituszynski

\*RECOGNIZE VISITORS & ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting of June 22, 2016 and the special school board meeting of June 30, 2016 as submitted. **9-0**

*· Mr. Gerald Luchansky commented that they board meeting minutes will be posted regularly on the website.*

**I.     PRESENTATIONS**

None

**II.    PERSONNEL**

**A.     Staffing**

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Gerald Luchansky to authorize the personnel actions listed below and the terms associated with same. 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. **9-0**

➡ Action #1:	Appointment
Appointee:	Mr. Matthew DeVivo
Position:	Substitute Teacher - ESY
Effective Date	July 1, 2016

**B.     Volunteers**

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to place the individuals listed below on the applicable volunteer list. Contingent upon receipt of all clearances. **9-0**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Danielle Teranella	Volunteer Girls Basketball Staff
Julianna Rinaldi	Volunteer Girls Soccer Staff
David Rebar Sr.	Volunteer Football Staff

C. Resignations

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to accept the resignations submitted by the staff members listed below. **9-0**

<u>Staff Members</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Saleena Bartlett	Crossing Guard	June 10, 2016
Cecelia Gilgallon	Crossing Guard	June 10, 2016

D. Athletic Event Staffing

MOTION by Mr. Peter Kolcharno seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to approve the Event Staff list for the 2016-2017 school year as presented and to attach a copy to the minutes. **9-0**

III. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTIONA. School Psychologist Renewal

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Steven Vituszynski to renew the contractual agreement with Margaret Hawk, School Psychologist of the Mid Valley School District for the 2016-2017 school year. **9-0**

B. Alternative Education Services

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mrs. Daniel Lane to approve the Alternative Education for disruptive youth agreement for services with PA Treatment & Healing for the 16-17 sy. **9-0**

C. Center for Independent Living

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to approve the agreement with the Center for Independent Living. **9-0**

*· Mr. Paul Macknosky asked Mr. Sheehan to explain the Life Skills Student Transition Program.*

D. Student Settlement Agreement

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to accept the settlement agreement for ST#01/16-17. **9-0**

E. Textbooks & Handbooks – 2016-2017 SY

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the elementary and secondary textbooks list and the elementary and secondary staff and student handbooks for the 2016-2017 school year. **9-0**

F. Field Trip Requests

<u>Requested By &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Period</u>
MV Marching Band/Spartan Steel – Mr. Chuck Wilson Bloomsburg Fair – Invited to Perform	September 26, 2016 7:30 am – 7:00 pm
Senior Class Trip to Florida	May 31, 2017 – June 4, 2017

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the Field Trip request(s), as presented above. **9-0**

G. Agreement – Transition Partial Hospitalization Program

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to approve the contractual agreement with Wilkes-Barre Behavioral Hospital Company, LLC, Transition Partial Hospitalization Program for the 16-17 sy. **9-0**

IV. BUILDING & GROUNDSA. Facilities' Utilization Request(s)

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to approve the facilities' utilization request(s), as presented below. **9-0**

<u>Requested By &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Facilities</u>	<u>Period</u>
American Red Cross – Tiffany Brown American Red Cross Blood Drive	MS Gymnasium	October 27, 2016 7:30 am – 2:30 pm
MVSC PTSA – Sue Piorkowski – Craft Fair	HS Gymnasium & Cafeteria	November 20, 2016 7:00 am – 5:00 pm

B. PASBO Follow-Up Study

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded Mr. Daniel Lane to enter into an agreement with PASBO for a follow-up study for custodial/maintenance operations of the District. **9-0**

*· Mr. Paul Macknosky explained the reason for the follow-up study is to assist with the implementation of the operations study conducted.*

V. BOARD BUSINESS & POLICYA. Policies – First Reading

MOTION by Mr. Daniel Lane seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to adopt the following Policies – First Reading. **9-0**

<u>Policy#</u>	<u>Policies</u>
103	Non Discrimination
247	Hazing
248	Harassment
601	Fiscal Objectives
602	Budget Planning

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603	Budget Preparation
604	Budget Adoption
605	Tax Levy
607	Tuition Income
608	Bank Accounts
609	Investment of Funds
610	Purchases Subject to Bid Quotation
611	Purchases Budgeted
612	Purchases Not Budgeted
613	Cooperative Purchasing
614	Payroll Authorization
615	Payroll Deduction
616	Payment of Bills
617	Petty Cash
618	Student Activity Funds
619	District Audit
620	Fund Balances
621	Local Taxpayer Bill of Rights
622	GASB Statement
624	Taxable Fringe Benefits

### B. Policies – Second Reading – Federal Programs

MOTION by Mr. Daniel Lane seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to adopt the following Policies – Second Reading. **9-0**

<u>Policy#</u>	<u>Policies</u>
338	Sabbatical Leave
338.1	Professional Leave
707	Facility Use
915	Booster Organizations

### C. Drivers' Lists 2016-2017 SY - Contracted Student Transportation Services

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the Drivers' List as submitted for the 2016-2017 school year. **9-0**

### D. Van Transportation

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to enter into an agreement with the NEIU #19 to provide student van transportation for the 16-17 school year. **9-0**

### E. PSBA Officer Election

MOTION by Mr. Daniel Lane seconded by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner to authorize the Board Secretary to cast its majority vote for the 2016 PSBA Officer as decided. **9-0**

F. Purchase of an Ad

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to authorize the Board of School Directors to purchase an ad for the Northeast Hall of Fame in the amount of \$100.00. **9-0**

*· Mr. Rick Barone mentioned the ad purchase was to honor Mr. Kevin Borelli whom is a former student.*

VI. BUSINESS AFFAIRSA. Agreement with Financial Solutions, LLC

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to enter into an agreement with Financial Solutions, LLC, as per attached. **9-0**

B. Exit of Varsity Club

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the exit plan for the Varsity Club. **9-0**

C. Litigation Settlement

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Steven Vituszynski to accept the Recommendation of School Claims Services, the District's Insurance carrier and in accordance with the Provisions of the District's policy of insurance and applicable coverage provisions, to consent to settle litigation filed by Runco/Parry, Docket No.3:14-CV-01261 and 2012-CV-05551 in the amount of \$200,000.00. **7-2** \*Mr. Peter Kolcharno and Ms. Donna Dixon voted nay.

*· Mr. Peter Kolcharno stated his no vote was based on the fact that he firmly believes zero effort was put into the lawsuit and the Board should seek a second opinion and direction.*

*· Ms. Donna Dixon explained it was in her opinion the lawsuit was never solidly looked at.*

*· Mr. Daniel Lane stated the School District's deductible had already been met for Attorney fees.*

*· Mr. Gerald Luchansky said he does not agree with the settlement however he does not want to expose the district any further.*

*· Mr. Paul Macknosky stated the District was only liable for \$15,000 and the insurance company guided the decision here and basically insisted we follow this course of action. They are no longer our carrier so this is their last endeavor with us on this particular matter.*

D. Authorize Payment of Bills

The Secretary submits the list of bills.

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the list of bills payable June 23, 2016 through August 17, 2016, as submitted, and to attach a copy of the same in the minutes. **9-0**

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### E. Reports

#### 1.) Treasurer's Report

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to accept the Treasurer's report as posted, and to attach a copy of same in the minutes. **9-0**

#### 2.) List of Checks Received

The Treasurer presents the list of checks received, as posted.

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno that the list of checks received be approved as posted and placed in the proper accounts. **9-0**

#### 3.) Activity Report

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky that the Activity Fund report be approved as posted, and to attach a copy of same in the minutes. **9-0**

#### 4.) Cafeteria Report

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky that the Cafeteria report is approved as posted, and to attach a copy of same in the minutes. **9-0**

### VII. INFORMATIONAL



### VIII. MEETINGS HELD

- ▶ Work Session – Monday, August 15, 2016 @ 6 PM
- ▶ Executive Session – Monday, August 15, 2016 @ 7 PM
- ▶ Executive Session – Wednesday, August 17, 2016 @ 6:30 PM

### IX. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- ▶ Work Session – Wednesday, September 14, 2016 @ 6PM
- ▶ Regular School Board Meeting – Wednesday, September 21, 2016 @ 7 PM- District Board Room

### X. UPCOMING EVENTS

- ▶ Friday, August 26, 2016 – Orientation for New Staff
- ▶ Monday, August 29, 2016 – First day for Teacher's/Staff
- ▶ Tuesday, August 30, 2016 – First Student Day
- ▶ Monday, September 5, 2016 – School Closed for Labor Day
- ▶ Tuesday, September 30, 2016 – Act 80 In-Service – Early Dismissal for Students

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

None

ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Adjournment

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to adjourn. 9-0

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Ms. Donna Dixon, Secretary