

**Regular School Board Meeting – November 16, 2016**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Regular School Board Meeting of the Mid Valley School District was held on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:05 PM at the Career Technology Center, Scranton.

ROLL CALL:       PRESENT:       Mr. Rick Barone, Mr. Paul Macknosky, Ms. Donna Dixon,  
Mr. Peter Kolcharno, Mr. Daniel Lane, Mr. Gerald Luchansky,  
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. Peter Kolcharno to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting of October 19, 2016 as submitted. **9-0**

**I.     PRESENTATIONS**

- ▶ FSL-Bond Refinance and ESCO financing  
\*Henry Salusti with RBC – Brian Costalanski discussed upcoming resolution for Bond refinancing and the current state of the market.

**II.    PERSONNEL**

A.     Staffing

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mrs. Joanne Pesota 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**

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| ➤ Action #1:   | Appointment                     |
| Appointee:     | Brian Doherty                   |
| Position:      | Maintenance Staff               |
| Status:        | Full-Time                       |
| Salary:        | \$12.00/hr                      |
| Effective Date | November 17, 2016 or soon after |

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| ➤ Action #2: | Appointment       |
| Appointee:   | John Taylor       |
| Position:    | Maintenance Staff |
| Status:      | Part-Time         |
| Salary:      | \$12.00/hr        |

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➔ Action #3: Appointment  
Appointee: Krystle Novak  
Position: JV Basketball Cheerleading Coach  
Salary: \$1087.00  
Effective Date: 16-17 sy

B. Volunteers

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky 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>                 |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Mariano Blackwell | Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach |

C. Sick Leave Request

MOTION by Mrs. Joanne Pesota seconded by Mr. Gerald Luchansky to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to review the request from employee, SS#02/16-17 for Sick Leave and to approve same, subject to the Superintendent's determination that the applicable provisions of the law governing aid leave have been satisfied. **9-0**

III. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

A. Field Trip Requests

| <u>Requested By &amp; Purpose</u>   | <u>Period</u>                         |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| MV HS Chorus – Linda Orseck – St. Peter's Cathedral – Concert Participation                           | November 20, 2016                     |
| National Honor Society – Michelle Higgins – NEIU Academic Challenge                                   | November 21, 2016<br>8:00am – 1:00pm  |
| FBLA – Robin Runco – FBLA Regional Leadership Conference  | December 13, 2016<br>9:00am – 2:15pm  |
| Life Skills & Autistic Support – Cawley/Capman/Lidle – Tobyhanna Army Depot<br>Operation Santa Clause | December 14, 2016<br>8:30am – 1:15pm  |
| Life Skills – Cawley/Capman – CTC of Lackawanna County – Groom Techniques                             | December 15, 2016<br>10:45am – 2:00pm |

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to approve the Field Trip request(s), as presented above. **9-0**

B. Student Settlement Agreement

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Steven Vituszynski to accept the settlement agreement for ST#03/16-17. **9-0**

**IV. BUILDING & GROUNDS**

A. Facilities' Utilization Request(s)

| <u>Requested By &amp; Purpose</u>                                     | <u>Facilities</u>             | <u>Period</u>                      |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Girls Soccer Booster Club – Claudia Kausmeyer Fundraiser              | HS Cafeteria                  | October 29, 2016; 2-9pm            |
| HS/JR Student Council – Michelle Higgins Distribution of Food Baskets | HS Auditorium                 | November 18-22, 2016               |
| SADD Club – Sherry Zielinski Movie Night Fundraiser                   | HS Auditorium<br>HS Cafeteria | January 28, 2017<br>5:30pm-10:00pm |

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to approve the facilities' utilization request(s), as presented above. **9-0**

**V. BOARD BUSINESS & POLICY**

A. Policies – First Reading

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

| <u>Policy#</u> | <u>Policies</u>                                  |
|----------------|--|
| 901            | Public Relations Objectives                      |
| 902            | Publications Program                             |
| 903            | Public Participation in Board Meetings           |
| 904            | Public Attendance at School Events               |
| 905            | Citizen Advisory Committees                      |
| 906            | Public Complaints                                |
| 907            | School Visitors                                  |
| 908            | Relations with Parents and Guardians             |
| 909            | Municipal Government Relations                   |
| 910            | Community Engagement                             |
| 911            | News Media Relations                             |
| 912            | Relations with Educational Institutions          |
| 913            | Non-school Organizations, Groups and Individuals |
| 914            | Relations with Intermediate Unit                 |
| 916            | School Volunteers                                |
| 917            | Parental and Family Involvement                  |
| 918            | Title I Parental Involvement                     |
| 919            | District-School Report Cards                     |

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B. Policies – Second Reading

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to adopt the following Policies – Second Reading. **9-0**

| <u>Policy#</u> | <u>Policies</u>  |
|----------------|--|
| 007            | Policy Manual Access                                       |
| 800            | Records Management   |
| 801            | Public Records   |
| 802            | School Organization  |
| 803            | School Calendar  |
| 804            | School Day   |
| 805            | Emergency Preparedness                                     |
| 806            | Child Abuse  |
| 807            | Opening Exercises/Flag Displays                            |
| 808.1          | Free/Reduced-Price Meals and Free Milk                     |
| 810.1          | Drug/Alcohol Testing – Covered Drivers                     |
| 810.2          | Transportation – Video/Audio Recording                     |
| 810            | Transportation   |
| 811            | Bonding  |
| 812            | Property Insurance   |
| 813            | Other Insurance  |
| 814            | Copyright Material   |
| 815            | Acceptable Use of Internet, Computer and Network Resources |
| 818            | Contracted Services  |
| 819            | Crisis Management Plan                                     |
| 822            | Automated External Defibrillator (AED)                     |
| 824            | Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries          |
| 827            | Conflict of Interest                                       |
| 828            | Fraud  |
| 830            | Breach of Computerized Personal Information                |

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

MOTION by Mrs. Mary Ruth Tanner seconded by Mr. Daniel Lane to approve the Drivers’ List as submitted for the 2016-2017 school year. **9-0**

VI. **BUSINESS AFFAIRS**

A. Bond Refinance

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mrs. Joanne Pesota authorizing the adoption by the Board of School Directors of Mid Valley School District of a Resolution authorizing certain actions to be taken and approving the execution of documentation in connection with the issuance of one or more series of general obligation bonds and the incurrence of the debt associated therewith for the purposes of funding a project consisting of the following: (1) currently refunding the School District’s outstanding General Obligation Notes, Series B of 2009; (2) currently refunding the School District’s outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series C of 2009; and (3) paying the costs and expenses of issuance of the Bonds, all as more fully described in the complete text of the Resolution. **ROLL CALL: 9-0**

B. Authorize Payment of Bills

The Secretary submits the list of bills.

MOTION by Mr. Peter Kolcharno seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky to approve the list of bills payable October 20, 2016 through November 16, 2016, as submitted, and to attach a copy of the same in the minutes. **9-0**

C. Reports

1.) Treasurer's Report

MOTION by Mr. Gerald Luchansky seconded by Mr. Paul Macknosky 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. Steven Vituszynski 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 the same in the minutes. **9-0**

4.) Cafeteria Report

MOTION by Mrs. Joanne Pesota seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to approve the Cafeteria report as posted, and to attach a copy of the same in the minutes. **9-0**

**VII. INFORMATIONAL**

**VIII. MEETINGS HELD**

- ▶ Executive Session – Wednesday, November 9, 2016 @ 5:30 PM
- ▶ Work Session – Wednesday, November 9, 2016 @ 6 PM
- ▶ Executive Session – Wednesday, November 16, 2016 @ 5:15 PM

**IX. SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

- ▶ Wednesday, December 7, 2016 – Reorganization/Special School Board Meeting @ 6PM

**X. UPCOMING EVENTS**

- ▶ Sunday, November 20 – PTSA Craft Fair – MVSC Cafeteria & Gymnasium
- ▶ Monday, November 21 – Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4pm – 7pm
- ▶ Tuesday, November 22 – Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 1:30pm-3:30pm
- ▶ Wednesday, November 23 – Early Dismissal – Students & Staff
- ▶ Thursday – Monday, November 24-28 – School Closed – Thanksgiving Vacation

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- ▶ Wednesday, November 30– Elementary PTA Meeting
- ▶ Tuesday & Thursday – December 13 & 15 – Elementary Students – Kids Go Shopping
- ▶ Wednesday – December 21– Elementary Holiday Concert
- ▶ Thursday – December 22– Holiday Social – Grades K-6 and PTA Holiday Social Meeting
- ▶ Friday – Monday– December 23 – January 2 – Winter Holiday – School Closed

**XI. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

- Gerald Hetman – Community Relations Coordinator of Lackawanna County discussed upcoming events in the county.
- Mr. Paul Macknosky acknowledge Mrs. Michelle Higgins in the Science Department for great results with student achievement and growth data.
- Mr. Rick Barone thanked Dr. Thomas Baileys and staff at the Career Technology Center for hosting the Mid Valley School District.

**Adjournment**

MOTION by Mr. Paul Macknosky seconded by Mr. Peter Kolcharno to adjourn. **9-0**

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Ms. Donna Dixon, Secretary