

**Regular Meeting
Agenda May 14, 2024**

MOUNTAINSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BEECHWOOD SCHOOL - 1497 WOODACRES DRIVE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092
DEERFIELD SCHOOL - 302 CENTRAL AVENUE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092

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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Mr. Bill Dillon	_____
Mr. Michael Goodwin	_____
Dr. Dana Guidici Pietro	_____
Mr. Jordan Hyman	_____
Mrs. Vivian Pupo	_____
Mrs. Candice Schiano	_____
Mr. Carmine Venes	_____

III. Executive Session - Resolution (Attachment #1)

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

❖ Legal/Personnel

IV. Close Executive Session and Reconvene Public Session

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

V. Flag Salute

VI. Approval of Minutes

VII.

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

- ❖ Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 29, 2024
- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 30, 2024
- ❖ Minutes of the 1st Executive Session of April 30, 2024
- ❖ Minutes of the 2nd Executive Session of April 30, 2024

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VIII. Correspondence

IX. Public Participation - Agenda Items Only

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X. President's Report

XI. Superintendent's Report

- ❖ Noetic Math Recognition
- ❖ Beechwood Year in Review Presentation by Mrs. Vierschilling
- ❖ HIB Grades Report
- ❖ District Updates

XII. Business Administrator's Report

XIII. Berkeley Heights Liaison Report

XIV. Administration

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2024-2025 holidays for administrators and secretaries. (Attachment #2)
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2024-2025 holidays for the Supervisor of Maintenance and Custodial Services, and custodians. (Attachment #3)
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lead Testing Program Statement of Assurance for 2023-2024 (Attachment #4)
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve job description as attached. (Attachment #5)
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Beechwood and Deerfield Schools April 2024 safety and security drill reports. (Attachment #6)

XV. Budget and Finance

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
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1. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the list of budget transfers for the month of April 2024. (Attachment #7)
2. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the payment of the bill list dated May 1 2024, through May 15, 2024. (Attachment #8)
3. **WHEREAS**, the Board has received the Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of April 2024 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for the month of April 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Interim Board Secretary, Dana Sullivan, certifies that subject to the approval of budget transfers appended to these minutes, payment of the claims set forth in the accompanying bill list will not result in the over expenditure of any budget line item appropriation, as modified to date set forth in the level of detail contained in the Reports of the Board Secretary for April 2024:

RESOLVED THAT, the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of April 2024 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for April 2024 as submitted and certified. (Attachment #9)

4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a transfer from under budgeted revenue from interest earned on investments in the amount of \$120,000. This transfer will increase the 2023-24 budget to be used for the increased costs in transportation provided to students attending out of district placements. The Mountainside Board of Education certifies that this transfer is necessary to achieve the thoroughness standards for the current school year. The transfer will result in increasing the following accounts in the 2023-24 budget:

Interest on Investments	10-1510-000-000	\$120,000
Transp Svc - Cont - H/S SE	11-000-270-514-000-001	\$120,000
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, an agreement with IMAC Agency as the district's State Health Benefits Program Consultants from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$30,000. (Attachment #10)
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, an agreement with Next Step Pediatric Therapy for physical therapy services and evaluations at a rate of \$97/hour, not to exceed \$27,160.00 for ESY 2024 and the 2024-2025 school year. (Attachment #11)
7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Mountainside School District, upon the recommendation of Dana Sullivan, Interim Business Administrator, hereby award and approve the extension of the contract with Maschio's Food Service for the 2024-2025 school year with a FSMC fixed price fee of \$10,712.05 with a guarantee return of \$1,000, total cost of contract is \$285,275.21. Approved student lunch prices for Elementary and Middle School is \$3.65.
8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Student Transportation Contract Renewal with Durham School Service for the 2024-2025 school year. (Attachment #12)

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9. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Student Transportation Contract Renewal with Durham School Service for the 2024-2025 school year for Union County Vo-Tech. (Attachment #13)
10. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a parent transportation contract, in the amount of \$3,000, pursuant to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A: 39.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 6A: 27-9.9, between the Mountainside Board of Education and the parent/legal guardians of **Student #6489264549** for 2024 ESY.
11. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to contract with Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP for Policy Alert and Support System (PASS) and annual district online maintenance fee in the amount of \$4,965.00 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. (Attachment #14)
12. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to contract with Global Compliance Network, Inc. (GCN) for staff tutorials in the amount of \$1,680.00 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. (Attachment #15)
13. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, special education placements and services as per (Attachment #16).
14. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to authorize Federal Grant Amendments as follows:
 - a. Submission of an amended application for the 2022 American Rescue Plan (ARP ESSER III) grant. Budget accounts are reflected in Amendment I.
 - b. Submission of an amended application for the 2024 Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) grant. Budget accounts including carryover are reflected in Amendment II.
15. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, an agreement with Tri-County Behavioral Care to provide In-District Counseling Services to students and families referred by school district personnel for the 2024-25 school year, 1 day per week in the amount of \$30,000. Services to be funded with ARP grant funds. (Attachment #16A)

XVI. Personnel

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
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1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the **certificated tenured personnel** list for the 2024-2025 school year. (Attachment #17)
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the **certificated non-tenured personnel** list for the 2024-2025 school year. (Attachment #18)

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3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the **affiliated secretaries and custodians** list for the 2024-2025 school year. (Attachment #19)
4. Move to accept upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of **Nicole Mansfield**, 4th Grade Teacher, effective June 30, 2024, and thank her for her time in the district. (Attachment #20)
5. Move to accept upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of **Christine Lopez**, LDT-C, effective June 30, 2024. (Attachment #20A)
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the voluntary transfer of **Jean Van Vliet**, 2nd grade teacher at Beechwood, to 3rd grade teacher at Deerfield, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.
7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of **Jessica Sharpe**, to the position of Middle School Math Teacher, at a salary of \$60,837, BA Step 7, for the 2024-2025 school year. (Attachment #21)
8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the request to extend a leave of absence for **Kristin Eckert**, Kindergarten Teacher, through the 24/25 school year, with a Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between the Mountainside Education Association (MEA) and the Mountainside Board of Education (BOE). This leave is without pay or health benefits, and does not qualify for FMLA. Anticipated return date is September of 2025. (Attachment #22)
9. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the voluntary transfer of **Antonio Negron**, Deerfield Maintenance Custodian, to Beechwood, effective July 1, 2024.

XVII. Curriculum

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
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1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to amend the bus fee for a field trip on 5/16/24, as previously approved on 2/20/24, from \$350 to \$695.

XVIII. Policy

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
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1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following policies/regulations for the second reading and adoption:

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P 2411	Guidance Counseling	Revised/Mandated
P 2423	Bilingual Education	Revised/Mandated
P 2431.4 R 2431.4	Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries	Revised/Mandated

XIX. Old Business

XX. New Business

XXI. Committee Report

XXII. Public Participation

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XXII. Executive Session

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XXIII. Adjournment

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

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