# Mountainside School District

Beechwood School, 1497 Woodacres Drive, Mountainside, NJ 07092 Deerfield School, 302 Central Avenue, Mountainside, NJ 07092

#### I. Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the Mountainside Board of Education of the Borough of Mountainside in the County of Union, New Jersey was called to order by Mr. James Ruban, Jr., at 7:03 p.m. in the Beechwood School Susan O. Collier Media Center, 1497 Woodacres Drive, Mountainside, New Jersey.

#### II. Roll Call

At roll call, the following members were present:

Mr. Dante Gioia

Mrs. Cathy Jakositz

Mrs. Kate Motz

Mr. James Ruban, Jr.

Mr. Carmine Venes

Also present were Dr. Nancy Lubarsky, Chief School Administrator. Mr. Eric Larson, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, was absent.

Mr. Christopher Minks and Mrs. Jeane Parker arrived after roll call.

# **III.** <u>Executive Session</u> – The following resolution was approved by roll call vote:

Moved: Gioia Seconded: Jakositz

RC) Gioia – Yes Jakositz – Yes Minks – Absent

Motz – Yes Parker – Absent Ruban – Yes Venes – Yes

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 (R.S. 10:4-13), permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or portion of a meeting of this public body in circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board must consider matter(s) involving the following:

#### 1. Legal/Personnel

The disclosure of which could constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy; now

**WHEREAS**, the discussion of individual items to be considered by the Board in closed session may be made public once the need for confidentiality no longer exists, but the Board cannot state at the present time when that will be.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board adjourn to executive session at 7:05 p.m. to discuss the above mentioned matter to the exclusion of all others. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening. If an action results, it will be taken following reentry into regular session.

The public meeting was reconvened at 8:05 p.m.

# IV. Flag Salute

#### V. Approval of Minutes

Moved: Minks Seconded: Jakositz

RC) Gioia – Yes Jakositz – Yes Minks – Yes

Motz – Yes Parker – Yes Ruban – Abstain for 6/27; Yes for 7/10

Venes – Yes for 6/27; Abstain for 7/10

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 27, 2017
- ❖ Minutes of the 1st Executive Session of June 27, 2017
- ❖ Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Session of June 27, 2017
- ❖ Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Session of June 27, 2017
- Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 10, 2017
- Minutes of the Executive Session of July 10, 2017

# VI. Correspondence - None

## VII. <u>Public Participation</u> - None

#### VIII. President's Report - None

# IX. Chief School Administrator's Report

Dr. Lubarsky and Mrs. Richards presented the follow up presentation on the Science Curriculum.

#### X. Berkeley Heights Liaison Report - None

#### **XI.** Administration - None

#### XII. Budget and Finance

The following motions were approved by roll call vote: **Budget & Finance: #1-5** 

Moved: Jakositz Seconded: Gioia

RC) Gioia – Yes Jakositz – Yes Minks – Yes

Motz – Yes Parker – Yes Ruban – Absent Venes – Yes

- 1. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the list of budget transfers for the month of June 2017 (Attachment #2).
- 2. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the payment of the bill list dated July 1, 2017, through July 31, 2017 (Attachment #3).
- 3. **WHEREAS**, the Board has received the preliminary Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of June 2017 and the preliminary Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for the month of June 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board Secretary, Eric Larson, 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 June 2017:

**RESOLVED THAT,** the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of June 2017 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for June 2017 as submitted and certified (Attachment #4).

- 4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, Christina Orozco, as a signer on checks for the Beechwood School Student Activity Fund.
- 5. Move to approve in accordance with MBOE policy 6471, School District Travel, and upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the travel and related expenses itemized in (Attachment #5). This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent, and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member's current responsibilities and the district's Professional Development Plan.

## XIII. Personnel

The following motions were approved by roll call vote: **Personnel: #1-8** 

Moved: Gioia Seconded: Jakositz

RC) Gioia – Yes Jakositz – Yes Minks – Yes

Motz – Yes Parker – Yes Ruban – Absent Venes – Yes

- 1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the resignation of Christopher Eckert, Physical Education Teacher, and to thank him for his service to the Mountainside School District (Attachment #6).
- 2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the resignation of Samantha New, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher, and to thank her for her service to the Mountainside School District (Attachment #7).
- 3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the appointment of Teri Schrul, Paraprofessional, to work in the Extended School Year Program, effective July 17, 2017 through August 1, 2017, for 3 hours per day, for a total of 10 days at a rate of \$24.55 per hour.
- 4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Substitute List for the 2017-2018 school year (Attachment #8).
- 5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the reappointment of Carol Rolband, ELS/Spanish Consultant, for the 2017-2018 school year at a rate of \$64.37 per hour for up to 6 hours per week.
- 6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the request for tuition reimbursement from Kim Hain, PEAK Teacher, for classes taken at Kean

University for the 2017 Summer I session for three (3) graduate credits in the amount of \$1,920.00 (Attachment #9).

- 7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the notification to take classes from Kim Hain, PEAK Teacher, for classes to be taken at Kean University for the Fall 2017 session for 3 credits in the amount of \$1,959.00 (Attachment #10).
- 8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the appointment of Rachel Halek, to the position of 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher, at a salary of \$56,203, Step 1 MA, effective September 1, 2017 until June 30, 2018 (Attachment #10A).

# XIV. Curriculum

The following motions were approved by roll call vote: Curriculum: #1

Moved: Minks Seconded: Jakositz

RC) Gioia – Yes Jakositz – Yes Minks – Yes

Motz – Yes Parker – Yes Ruban – Absent Venes – Yes

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the new K-8 Science Curriculum.

## XV. Policy

The following motions were approved by roll call vote: Policy: #1

Moved: Jakositz Seconded: Gioia

RC) Gioia – Yes Jakositz – Yes Minks – Yes

Motz – Yes Parker – Yes Ruban – Absent Venes – Yes

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the following policies for first reading:

3160	Physical Examination	Revised
		Mandated
4160	Physical Examination	Revised
		Mandated
7446	School Security Program	New
		Recommended
8350	Records Retention	New
		Recommended

#### XVI. Old Business

• August Board Meeting – no action was taken at this time.

#### XVII. New Business - None

## **XVIII.** Committee Reports

Building and Grounds Committee – Mr. Gioia gave a referendum update.

#### **XIX.** Public Participation – None

# **XX.** Executive Session – Resolution (Attachment #31)

Moved: Jakositz Seconded: Gioia

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**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board adjourn to executive session at 9:10 p.m. to discuss the above mentioned matter to the exclusion of all others. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening.

No action was taken. The Board did not return to Public Session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. James Ruban, Jr. President, Board of Education