

Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, May 12, 2025
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School*

Budget Hearing/Meet the Candidates

A Budget Hearing and Meet the Candidates forum was held at 6:00 PM prior to the Board meeting.

Call to Order

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Montagino, at 7:06 PM. Mrs. Montagino requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: *Ericka Montagino, Danielle Ciampino, Ted Perretta, Chad McFarland, Nick Giardono, Melissa Laudano and Pat Ryan*

Board Members Absent: *None*

Administrators Present: *Shannon Shine, Laurel Logan-King and Chris Ruberti*

Others in Attendance: *Jason Thompson, Leslie Smith, Carol Eckl, Katie Lossi, Deb Kavanaugh, Tom O'Connor, Steve Karandy, Craig Chandler, Lyndsay Lutz, Sarah Christy, Bernadette Callender, Amy Nikles, Leisha Sherman, Mike Salamone, Matt Ronca, Kelsie Conroy, Nyah Allen, Anthony Tremblay, Laila Phinizy, Emily Warlik and Quinn Farrell, eight students and fifteen members of the community.*

Communications - Superintendent

Student representatives Nyah Allen, Anthony Tremblay, Laila Phinizy, Emily Warlik and Quinn Farrell gave the Board their monthly building updates. At the High School a unity rally was held where all the extracurricular groups got together to experience each others activities; Draper students who were nominated by their teachers for their achievements were rewarded with a recognition breakfast and Mrs. McGuire was named Professional of the Month; at Pinewood the newly formed Sewing Club began by sewing bookmarks and will begin on a group quilt project; Bradt School recognized Mrs. DiCocco for her long standing commitment to education.

Public Privilege Of The Floor

No one wished to address the Board of Education.

Communications - Board of Education

Mrs. Montagino thanked the candidates for participating in the Meet the Candidates night and applauded their community involvement. She also thanked the National Honor Society Junior who assisted with the Senior Citizen Prom.

Old Business

The Board continued to discuss potential meeting dates for 2025-2026. Mrs. Montagino said the Board were in agreement on having the annual meeting on July 1, 2026 and on the rest of the dates.

New Business - Instructional

Approval and Arrangement for the Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements, Committee on Pre- School Special Education and Section 504 Committee

Request made by Mrs. Montagino to approve all items on the New Business-Instructional consent agenda.

Mrs. Montagino told the Board they would be striking item #3 from the agenda. It was no longer applicable.

MOTION made by Mrs. Ciampino, seconded by Ms. Laudano, that the Board of Education approve New Business - Instructional on consent agenda.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Approval for the Track and Field Team to Participate in an Out of Area Trip some discussion

New Business - Business/Personnel

Approval to Appoint Permanent Chairman, Assistant Clerks and Voting Machine Inspectors

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MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mr. Giardano, that the Board of Education approve New Business - Business/Personnel on consent agenda.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Appointment of Paid Inspectors

Approval of Disposal and/or Sale of District Property

Approved Minutes

MOTION made by Mr. Ted Perretta, seconded by Mr. Laudano, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of April 23, 2025.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Personnel

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations.

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Retirements

Lee Marie Towns
Appointment: Bus Driver
Effective Date: May 28, 2025

Randolph Jerreld
Appointment: Transportation Supervisor
Effective Date: July 31, 2025

Appointments

Alyssa Fronckowiak
Appointment: Probationary
Location: Bradt Elementary School
Position: SPED Teacher
Tenure Area: Education of children with handicapping conditions
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025
Expiration Date: September 2, 2029
Certification Status: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) Initial Certificate
Students with Disabilities pending
Salary: Step 4 plus graduate credits

Jody Rossetti
Appointment: Probationary
Location: Pinewood Intermediate School
Position: Elementary Teacher
Tenure Area: Elementary Pre K-6
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025
Expiration Date: September 2, 2029
Certification Status: Pre K, Kindergarten and grades 1-6 Permanent Certificate
Salary: Step 8 plus graduate credits

Lisa Burgin
Appointment: Probationary
Location: Bradt Elementary School
Position: Elementary Teacher
Tenure Area: Elementary Pre K-6
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025
Expiration Date: September 2, 2028
Certification Status: Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 2), Professional Certificate, Literacy (Birth-Grade 6), Professional Certificate
Salary: Step 18 plus graduate credits

Annalise Romagnoli

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Bradt Elementary School

Position: Elementary Teacher

Tenure Area: Elementary Pre K-6

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025

Expiration Date: September 2, 2029

Certification Status: Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 2), Initial Certificate, Students with Disabilities (Birth – Grade 2), Initial Certificate, Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) Initial Certificate

Salary: Step 4 plus graduate credits

Cassandra Keogl

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Draper Middle School

Position: Spanish Teacher

Tenure Area: Foreign Language Academic areas

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025

Expiration Date: September 2, 2028

Certification Status: Spanish 7-12 Professional

Salary: Step 15 plus graduate credits

Tara Millhouse

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Draper Middle School

Position: School Counselor

Tenure Area: School Counselor

Date of Commencement: July 1, 2025

Expiration Date: September 2, 2027

Certification Status: School Counselor, Permanent

Salary: Step 15 plus graduate credits

Gabrielle Guardino

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Draper Middle School

Position: English Language Arts Teacher

Tenure Area: English Academic Areas

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025

Expiration Date: September 2, 2028

Certification Status: English Language Arts 7-12 Professional Certificate

Salary: Step 8 plus graduate credits

Matthew Kellish

Appointment: Probationary

Location: High School

Position: Special Education Teacher

Tenure Area: Education of children with handicapping condition-general special education

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2025

Expiration Date: September 2, 2029

Certification Status: Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 Generalist Professional Certificate

Salary: Step 8 plus graduate credits

Brittani Sheward

Appointment: Teaching Assistant

Location: Bradt Elementary School

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)

Date of Commencement: September 2, 2025

Salary: Step 8

Lindsay Falkenberg

Appointment: Account Clerk

Location: Business Office

Date of Commencement: May 5, 2025

Salary: \$33,499

Lee Marie Towns

Appointment: P/T Bus Driver

Location: Transportation

Date of Commencement: June 3, 2025

Salary: \$23.18 per hour

Joseph Gage

Appointment: Substitute Monitor

Location: Districtwide

Date of Commencement: April 30, 2025

Salary: \$17.50 per hour

Artie D. Ganesh

Appointment: Bus Aide

Location: Transportation

Date of Commencement: May 5, 2025

Salary: \$15.50

2025 ESY Student Support Services July 7, 2025 to August 15, 2025

Name	Assignment	Program	Step
Brynn Murphy	Teacher	All Programs	1

2025 ESY Student Support Services Teacher Assistants/Aide- July 7-August 15, 2025

Name	Assignment	Programs	Step
Jamie Star	Teaching Assistant	All Programs	11

2025-2026 Student Teacher/Intern

Name	Bldg.	Teacher/Counselor	Dates
Taylor Renkawitz	Bradt	Amber Newman	9/2-25 – 10/17/25
Emma Tedisco	Draper	Rebecca Sokolowski	10/20/25-12/12/25
Jasmine Sardos	High School	Jen Spore	9/2/25-12/12/25
Brooke Marino	High School	Jeff Laudenschlager	9/2/25-11/15/25

2024 – 2025 Regents Review Instructional Rate

Name	Class
Danielle King	Algebra 1
Rob Higgins	AP Calculus
Jason Mutford	Algebra 1
Danielle Hunt	Algebra 2
Molly Brem	Chemistry
Sarah Bach	Biology
Corey Baumann	Biology
Meredith McLeod	Biology

2025 Summer Kindergarten Screening (Summer Curriculum Rate) July 23, 2025

Name	# Days
Justyna Guidarelli	1
Lori Burke	1
Betsy Vachon	1

2025 Summer Kindergarten Screening (Summer Curriculum Rate) August 13, 2025

Name	# Days
Justyna Guidarelli	1
Betsy Vachon	1
Heidi Fowler	1

2024 - 2025 Curriculum Work -

Name	Days
Chloe Bellcourt	6

2025 (Bradt) Summer Curriculum Work - July 1 - August 31, 2025

Name	# Days
Amber Newman	8
Amy Varano	9
Andrea Pigliavento	7
Brittany Willsie	3
Chloe Bellcourt	8
Elizabeth Ciccone	8
Elizabeth Rocco	1
Kaitlyn Cowee	2
Laurie Dennis	2
Maria Savallo	2
Melissa Goard	6
Paige Greene	7
Savannah Crouch	3
Sharon Berschwinger	7
Terry Bancheri	4

2025 (Pinewood) Summer Curriculum Work - Day July 1 - August 31, 2025

Name	# Days
Amanda Gauvin	2
Danielle Tyler	9
Amanda Gauvin	7
Lorena Hurst	5
Melissa Williams	3
Kelly Mullens	5
Kaity Gaug	2

2025 (Draper) Summer Curriculum Work - Day July 1 - August 31, 2025

Name	# Days
William VanWie	4
Tecia Pitterson	4
Melyssa Burega	4
Rachel Geracitano	4
Ester Vrooman	4
Lauren Berezowski	1
Paola Cummings	1
Melissa Goncerz	1
Angie Santabarbara	1
Kyra Grimsley	1

Josh Whipple	4
Cassandra Palkovic	4

2025 (High School) Summer Curriculum Work Day July 1 – August 31, 2025

Name	# Days
Mal Martin	6
Erika Pangburn	5
Cory Gregg	4
Jeff Hayes	4
Jeff Laudenschlager	4
Jen Spore	7
Rebecca Bartlett	4
Tara Halliday	4
Autumn Wallace	4
Rebecca Bartlett	4
Brianna Tiernan	2
Mal Martin	2

2025 (K-12 SEL) Summer Curriculum Work - Day July 1 – August 31, 2025

Name	# Days
Cloe Shan	2
Abigail Fast	1
Mike Salamone	3
Nicole Gabriel	3
Kim Kondenar	3

Resignations

Taylor Wood

Appointment: SPED Teacher

Effective Date: Close of business August 30, 2025

Justina Fikert

Appointment: SPED Teacher

Effective Date: Close of business August 31, 2025

Lindsay Falkenberg

Appointment: Mail Clerk

Effective Date: Close of business May 4, 2025

Larry Brassard

Appointment: Senior Computer Technician

Effective Date: Close of business May 16, 2025

Adjournment

MOTION made by Ms. Laudano, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 7:22 PM.

The motion passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Christopher Ruberti

Clerk - Board of Education

Assistant Superintendent for Business