



# Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education  
Monday, November 20, 2017  
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School*

## **Call to Order**

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Gaglioti, at 6:00 PM. Mrs. Gaglioti requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** *Deborah Escobar, Lisa Gaglioti, Stacy MacTurk, Robert Piccirillo, and Pamela Young*

**Board Members Absent:** *Chad McFarland and Patrick Ryan*  
*Patrick Ryan arrived at 6:45 pm.*

**Administrators Present:** *Dr. Kathleen Spring, Lisa Cutting and Chris Ruberti*

**Administrators Absent:**

## **Executive Session**

MOTION made by Mrs. Escobar, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that an Executive Session be convened for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

MOTION made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Executive Session be adjourned at 7:00 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

## **Return to Public Session**

The public session was called to order by the President, Mrs. Gaglioti, at 7:04 PM. Mrs. Gaglioti requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** *Deborah Escobar, Lisa Gaglioti, Stacy MacTurk, Robert Piccirillo, Patrick Ryan, and Pamela Young*

**Board Members Absent:** *Chad McFarland*

**Administrators Present:** *Dr. Kathleen Spring, Lisa Cutting, Chris Ruberti, and Jason Friesen*

**Administrators Absent:**

**Others in Attendance:** *1 district resident*

## **Communications - Superintendent**

None at this time.

## **Communications - Board of Education**

There was a discussion regarding some of the materials that are in the hallway in the swim area due to the construction process. Mr. Ruberti explained that some of the materials are also due to inventory clean-out and should be auctioned off soon.

Mrs. Gaglioti mentioned that the school play was a success.

## **Public Privilege of the Floor**

Mr. Rich Leet, of McKinley Avenue, addressed the Board with a residency issue regarding a letter he received last Friday. He gave some details regarding the situation and the children that are living at his residence. Mr. Ruberti responded to Mr. Leet explaining how the process works prior to residency letters being sent

out. Mr. Ruberti also said he will review this case more thoroughly and schedule a meeting with Mr. Leet and the children’s mother to discuss the residency situation further.

**New Business -  
Instructional  
Special Education  
Recommendations and  
Student Placements**

**Request for Approval and Arrangement of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements and Committee on Pre-School Special Education**

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education for meetings held on March 3, September 29, October 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 17, 19, November 13 and 15, , 2017. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

*Approval of AP Biology & Anatomy & Physiology Classes to go to Liberty Science Center and Times Union April 20, 2018*

**Request Approval for AP Biology and Anatomy & Physiology classes to Participate in a Field Trip to the Liberty Science Center and Times Square on Friday, April 20, 2018**

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that the Board of Education approve the request for AP Biology and Anatomy & Physiology class students to participate in a field trip to the Liberty Science Center in New Jersey and Ripley’s Believe it or Not in Times Square, New York on Friday, April 20, 2018. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

**New Business -  
Business/Personnel  
Approval to Enter into  
an Agreement with  
Four Winds**

**Request for Approval to Enter into a Renewal Agreement with Four Winds Saratoga for Tutorial Services**

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education authorize the renewal of a tutorial services agreement with Four Winds Saratoga for the 2017-18 school year. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

*Approval of Uncollected Tax Report*

**Request for Acceptance of Uncollected Tax Report**

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that the Board of Education accept the Uncollected Tax Report as follows:

	Rotterdam	\$1,000,108.04
	Guilderland	\$60,373.86
	Colonie	\$62,995.70

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

**Approved Minutes**

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. MacTurk, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of November 6, 2017. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

**Approved Financial Reports**

**Request to Approve Financial Reports**

MOTION made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that the Board of Education approve the following Financial Reports:

**Warrant #4 - October 16, 2017**

General Fund	Warrant Schedule #444	\$	274,400.92
School Lunch Fund	Warrant Schedule #2	\$	67,951.74
Federal Fund	Warrant Schedule #104	\$	14,811.19

Capital Fund	Warrant Schedule #63	\$	9,542.00
Trust & Agency	Warrant Schedule #202	\$	1,874,858.85
TOTAL		\$	2,241,564.70
TOTAL – Warrant #4		\$	2,241,564.70

**Warrant #4P – November 1, 2017**

General Fund	Warrant Schedule #446	\$	576,061.59
Federal Fund	Warrant Schedule #105	\$	11,666.31
Capital Fund	Warrant Schedule #64	\$	149,625.45
Trust & Agency	Warrant Schedule #203	\$	1,232,650.88
TOTAL		\$	1,970,004.23
TOTAL – Warrant #4		\$	1,970,004.23

**Warrant #5 – November 15, 2017**

General Fund	Warrant Schedule #447	\$	258,184.78
School Lunch Fund	Warrant Schedule #3	\$	30,292.89
Federal Fund	Warrant Schedule #106	\$	30,292.89
Capital Fund	Warrant Schedule #65	\$	15,462.00
Trust & Agency	Warrant Schedule #204	\$	1,865,024.22
TOTAL		\$	2,199,256.78
TOTAL – Warrant #4		\$	2,199,256.78

The Board agreed to start receiving these reports electronically.

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

**Approved Personnel Recommendations**

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Mrs. MacTurk, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations:

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

**Appointments**

Jacqueline Sparacino

Appointment:

Long-Term Substitute

Assignment:

Elementary Education

Date of Commencement:

November 13, 2017

Expiration Date:

Close of business June 22, 2018 *(amended from the November 6, 2017 agenda)*

Certification Status:

Early Childhood Education B-Gr. 2, Initial;  
English Language Arts 7-12, Initial

Salary:

Step 1 plus graduate credits, pro-rated

Heather McDonough

Appointment:

Long-Term Substitute

Assignment:

School Counselor

Date of Commencement:

November 1, 2017

Expiration Date:

Close of business February 14, 2018 *(amended from the November 6, 2017 agenda)*

Certification Status:

School Counselor, Initial

Salary:

Step 1 plus graduate credits, pro-rated

**Appointments (Cont.)** Jennifer Heffernan  
Assignment: Substitute Typist  
Effective Date: November 27, 2017  
Salary: \$13.40/hour

**Winter Coaches 2017-2018**

Position	Coach	Step
Girls JV Basketball	Robert Shields	Step 1
Girls' Varsity Basketball Assistant	Matt Hogan	Step 1

Extracurricular Advisors - 2017-18 - Mohonasen High School	
Extracurricular Club/Organization	Advisor/Co-Advisor
Mock Trial	Katie Bartone - Stipend \$1,090
Olympics of the visual Arts for Fashion	Christina Matthieu - Stipend \$1,090
National Honor Society	Colleen Guse (November-June) Danielle Hunt (September-June)

Extracurricular Advisors - 2017-18 - Draper Middle School	
Extracurricular Club/Activity	Advisor/Co-Advisor
Peers for Peace	Maria Pacheco (September-November) Kyra Grimsley (November-June) Angie Santabarbara (November-June)
Library Book Club	Julie tootell (September-December) Mary Frances Manno (January-June)

**Resignations**

Steevi DiBernardo  
Assignment: Special Education  
Effective Date: Close of business November 10, 2017

Linda DeNisio  
Assignment: P/T Food Service Helper  
Effective Date: October 30, 2017

Jennifer Guy  
Assignment: 12 Month School Nurse  
Effective Date: Close of business December 1, 2017

**Leaves of Absence**

Laurie Dennis  
Appointment: Elementary Education  
Effective Dates: December 4, 2017 - March 13, 2018 (Family Medical Leave)  
 March 14, 2018 - June 30, 2018 (Unpaid Leave of Absence)

Reason: Family Medical Leave / Unpaid Leave of Absence

**Leaves of Absence (Cont.)** Brenda Riehlman

**Appointment:** Guidance Counselor  
**Effective Dates:** January 4, 2018 – February 14, 2018  
**Reason:** Family Medical Leave

**Removal from Service** Charles Wyche

**Assignment:** P/T Bus Driver  
**Effective Date:** Close of business November 2, 2017

**Executive Session**

Motion made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that an executive session be convened at 7:26 PM for the purpose of discussion of contract negotiations. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

MOTION made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that the executive session be adjourned at 7:45 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

**Adjournment**

MOTION made by Mrs. Escobar, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 7:45 PM. The motion passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

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Christopher J. Ruberti, District Clerk