



# Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education  
Monday, March 5, 2018  
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School*

## **Call to Order**

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Gaglioti, at 5:30 PM. Mrs. Gaglioti requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Roll Call**

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

**Board Members Absent:** *Deborah Escobar*

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

**Others in Attendance:**

## **Executive Session**

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that an Executive Session be convened for the purpose of a portfolio review. 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 6:30 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 6:32 PM. Mrs. Gaglioti requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Roll Call**

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

**Board Members Absent:** *Deborah Escobar*

**Administrators Present:** *Dr. Kathleen Spring, Chris Ruberti, Lisa Cutting, Lisa Carnibucci, Karla Empie, Kevin Warren, William Whitty, Daniella De Luca, Richard Arket, Kristy Goergen, Jason Thompson, Thomas O'Connor, Leslie Smith, William Vacca, Makensie Bullinger, Kathryn McTiernan, Jason Friesen, Deborah Kavanaugh and Michele Whitley*

**Others in Attendance:** *Randy Jerreld, David Rickard, Joseph Mayo, (District Supervisors), Emily Bascom and Noelle Levasseur (Student Representatives), approximately 10 faculty members, and 2 district residents*

## **Communications – Superintendent**

Dr. Spring started the meeting with the two student representatives and turned the meeting over to them.

## **Student Representatives**

Student Representatives, Noelle Levasseur and Emily Bascom gave a power point presentation on events and activities within Bradt, Pinewood, Draper and the High School. They also congratulated some of the many achievements in each of the buildings, as well as some sporting events. They announced some events and performances that will be coming up through the month of March.

**Special Education Program Overview - Karla Empie**

Dr. Spring then introduced Karla Empie and 3 of the school’s psychologists (Marta Hewitt, Michele Gaffney, and Betty Young) who then reported part one of a two-part presentation on the understanding the basics of Special Education. They reported on students’ success teams, response to intervention, and the referral process. They also discussed the number of students that currently have IEP’s and are considered to have a disability. They answered many questions and will return to the next Board meeting to do the second part of this presentation.

**Budget Report - Christopher Ruberti**

Mr. Ruberti introduced some of his staff that were present at the meeting, Mr. Joseph Mayo, Director of Facilities, Mr. David Rickard, Head Mechanic, and Mr. Randy Jerreld, Director of Transportation and explained briefly what their job responsibilities were in the district.

Mr. Ruberti began the presentation by reviewing the Tax Levy Limit Calculation discussed at the previous meeting. He went over two different scenarios with the Board so that they could make a decision about how much Debt Service money they would use to off-set capital expenses. Mr. Ruberti then gave an overview of the 2018-2019 Budget. He reported on where things stand currently with the budget, including increases and decreases in expenses and revenues. He said that at this time the District is facing a \$900,000 budget gap. He reported on the working budget for General Support, Operations & Maintenance and Transportation. Mr. Ruberti also discussed Employee Benefits and the significant increase the District will be seeing in health insurance costs in 2018-19. He also gave an overview of BOCES costs, BOCES Aid and the projections for next year. He discussed the proposed bus purchases and explained the contingent budget rules. He reported that there are three at-large seats open for 3-year terms and petitions are available in the District Office. He mentioned the adoption of the budget proposal will be on April 16<sup>th</sup> and the Annual Budget vote will be on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Communications - Board of Education**

Mrs. MacTurk reported that the Odyssey of the Mind competition was held on Saturday. All teams did a fantastic job and one of Pinewood’s teams will be moving on to the state competition at Binghamton University this weekend.

**Public Privilege of the Floor**

Ms. Kimberly Kondenar, Kimberly Hitchcock, and Nancy Felberbaum (music teachers), reported on many musical events happening from elementary level through the high school. She reported on Marching band events, music productions, workshops, plays, and many more programs and events to be held. Ms. Kondenar also thanked the Board of Education for supporting the music department for the additional staff that was added, and for the equipment they have received this year.

Ms. Makensie Bullinger (Science Administrator) and Ms. Lori Giattino (Special Education Teacher) reported on the “Get Up and Go” event that will be held by the Mohonasen Advisory Board on March 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30. It is a career readiness event for Mohonasen students and other area school districts to help students create resumes.

**Old Business**  
*Approval of Second Reading of Board Policies*

**Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policies**  
MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that the Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies:

3120	School District Standards and guidelines for Web Page Publishing
5321	Use of District Credit Card
5640	Smoking/Tobacco Use

	5660	School Food Service Program (Lunch and Breakfast)
	5741	Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers & Other Safety Sensitive Employees
	6110	Code of Ethics for Board Members and All District Personnel
	6215	Probation and Tenure
	6410	Staff Use of Computerized Information Resources
	7222	Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
	7240	Students Records: Access and Challenge
	7313	Suspension of Students
	7320	Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances
	7330	Searches and Interrogations of Students
	7420	Sports and the Athletic Program
	7513	Administration of Medication
	7520	Accidents and Medical Emergencies
	7521	Students with Life-threatening Health conditions
	7530	Child Abuse & Maltreatment
	7550	Dignity for All Students
	7553	Hazing of Students
	7670	Due Process Complaints: Selection and Board Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officers

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

**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 PreSchool Special Education**

MOTION made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for meetings held on January 18, 29, 30, February 1, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 26, 2018. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

*Approval of Orchestra field trip to Lake George Water Park on April 20, 2018*

**Request Approval for Orchestra and Select Orchestra Field Trip to Lake George Water Park on Friday, April 20, 2018**

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Board of Education approve the request for an Orchestra and Select Orchestra field trip to Lake George Water Park on Friday, April 20, 2018. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

**New Business - Business/Personnel**

*Approval of Application for Corrected Tax Roll*

**Request Approval of Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the Year 2017, Pursuant to Sect. 550, Real Property Tax Law**

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve the Application for Corrected Tax Roll Pursuant to below mentioned error Sect. 550(2)(b), RPTL from the following property tax owners in the stated amounts:

	Owner/S/B/L	Amt. of Taxes Billed	Corrected Tax/Reason	Amount of Refund
	Delores DeCarlo, Applicant 71.8-1-7	\$2,393.46	\$1,914.46 Correct Amount (Clerical Error)	\$479

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

*Approval of Tax Refund*

**Request Approval of Tax Refund – Stipulations of Settlement**

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education authorize the following payment:  
\$421.54 to Nicole Tommasone, 2846 Wellington Avenue, Rotterdam, New York 12306

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

**Approved Minutes**

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of February 26, 2018.

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**

Anthony Peconie

Assignment

HS/MS Summer School Assistant Principal - 2018

Salary:

\$4,000

Christine Nofri

Assignment:

HS/MS Summer School Principal - 2018

Effective Dates:

February 1, 2018 – June 22, 2018

Salary:

4% of contract salary, pro-rated

Melissa Narusky

Appointment:

Probationary

Tenure Area:

Music

Date of Commencement:

September 1, 2017

Expiration Date:

August 31, 2021

Certification Status:

Step 1 plus graduate credits, pro-rated

Salary:

Step 1 plus graduate credits, pro-rated

Kristy Hood

Appointment:

Long-Term Substitute

Assignment:

Elementary Education

Date of Commencement:

January 16, 2018

Expiration Date:

Close of business April 10, 2018 (*amended from the January 22, 2018 agenda*)

Certification Status:

Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and Gr. 1-6,  
Permanent

Salary:

Step 3 plus graduate credits, pro-rated

**Appointments (Cont.)** Jennifer Gribben  
Assignment: Additional Class (Science)  
Effective Dates: February 26 – April 6, 2018  
Salary: 12% of contract salary, pro-rated

Jenna Niles  
Assignment: Additional Class (Science)  
Effective Date: February 26 – April 6, 2018  
Salary: 12% of contract salary, pro-rated

Katie Bartone  
Assignment: Additional Class (Science)  
Effective Date: February 26 – April 6, 2018  
Salary: 16% of contract salary, pro-rated

Adam Barr  
Assignment: Additional Class (Science)  
Effective Date: February 26 – April 6, 2018  
Salary: 8% of contract salary, pro-rated

**Resignations** Kevin Collins  
Assignment: Cleaner  
Effective Date: Close of business February 27, 2018

**Executive Session** Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Ms. Young, that an executive session be convened at 8:35 PM for the purpose of discussion of superintendent contract. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.  
MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Ms. Young, that the executive session be adjourned at 9:45 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

**Adjournment** MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 9:45 PM. The motion passed unanimously, six members present and voting.