



Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, June 4, 2018
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School*

The Board meeting was preceded by a Retiree/Tenure Recognition reception at 5:30 PM in the High School Art wing

Call to Order

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Gaglioti, at 6:40 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, 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, Jason Friesen, Deborah Kavanaugh and Michele Whitley*

Others in Attendance: *Emily Bascom and Noelle Levasseur (Student Representatives), Ravena Busjit, Emma Drake, and Youssef Jalwaj-Soubai (3 Student Representatives for 2018-2019), Karen Nerney (Communications Specialist), approximately 18 faculty members, 4 community members and 7 students.*

Student Representatives

Noelle Levasseur and Emily Bascom started off by thanking the Board for the opportunity of being student representatives. They reported on their plans after graduation. Emily will be attending the University of Washington at Seattle and will be studying computer science. Noelle will be attending Binghamton University and will be studying pediatric nursing. They introduced the new student representatives for the 2018-2019 school year: Ravena Busjit, Emma Drake and Youssef Jalwaj-Soubai. They then gave reports about the events that will be happening throughout the schools during the month of June. Mrs. Gaglioti thanked them for their time as Student Representatives and wished them good luck in college.

Communications – Superintendent

At this time, Dr. Spring introduced Maureen Geagan, a Foreign Language Teacher, and Lori Giattino, a Special Education Teacher, representing the Mohonasen Teachers' Association, who expressed their thanks to the members of the Board of Education and Administration for their hard work and dedication. To show their appreciation, they passed out small gifts. Dr. Spring was also recognized on behalf of the Mohonasen Teachers' Association for the leadership throughout the years and her support and dedication. She was then presented with a gift to recognize her for her retirement.

Mr. Malachi Martin – Full Circle

Dr. Spring then introduced Malachi Martin, a Social Studies teacher in the High School to give a presentation on Full Circle. He explained about this new initiative that will be started in the high school. This program is meant to have positive role models help other students who may be lacking role models in their lives. They have started this program with 12 students. He then introduced two students, Dan Reedy and Cole Wright who then spoke about the program and what it has meant to them and where they hope it will go in the future.

Ms. Diane Blinn – Peers for Peace

Ms. Diane Blinn, a Social Worker in the High School, then reported on Peers for Peace and No Place for Hate with some of her students, Sarah Siegel, Alyssa Belcastro, and Antonio Spadaro; and staff members, Mr. Stranahan and Mrs. Sparlin.

Ms. Blinn presented a banner showing a No Place for Hate Gold Star Award that was given Mohonasen as part of a No Place for Hate recognition ceremony. She explained that it is a nationwide program sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League to help all students come together. Ms. Blinn showed a video showing some highlights and then called one of her students, Sarah Siegel to explain her part in this group.

Mrs. Sparlin and Mr. Stranahan also spoke of what No Place for Hate and Peers for Peace means to them personally, as well as academically.

Alyssa Belcastro, President of Peers for Peace, talked about how this has helped her interact with people and has been the best thing for her.

Antonio Spadaro also agreed that Peers for Peace has led him to connect with other students and effected his life and how he wants to help others.

Ms. Blinn noted that the Schenectady County Human Rights Commission gave two scholarships and both of them went to Mohonasen students, Antonio Spadaro and Taryn Williams.

Guidance Programs – Deborah Kavanaugh

Mrs. Kavanaugh started her presentation by introducing the Guidance staff members from Bradt, Pinewood, Draper and the High School. She talked about the new mental health regulations that will be implemented July 1, 2018 and how they will be provided at different levels of the schools. She also reported on new regulations for school counselors that will take effective in 2019. Counselors from each building then reported on their role from each building and how the standards are implemented to have students ready for achievement. Mrs. Kavanaugh wrapped up the presentations with the K-12 Program reviews and said they will present annual program outcomes to the Board of Education.

Mr. Piccirillo thanked them for a well-done presentation and asked the team some questions.

Communications – Board of Education

Mrs. Gaglioti congratulated those who were honored at the retiree and tenured reception.

Public Privilege of the Floor

Maureen Conway, a Math teacher who resides at Van Dyke Road in Delmar, along with Emily Bascom (Student Representative), shared a presentation from a math competition where 12 Mohonasen computer science students attended at Siena College's 31st Annual Computer Science Contest. There were 42 teams from around the area. Ms. Conway and Ms. Bascom explained details about the competition and even though they did not win, it was an exciting time for all students. They then gave a quick demonstration with one of the robots.

Ms. Sparlin, a Music teacher who resides in Schenectady, wanted to give mention that there were two student music pieces performed at the Spring concert by the symphonic orchestra. Also, she thanked the Board for the investment in the sound department and mentioned that sound was one of the things that was highly acknowledged with their recent award nominations.

**New Business -
Instructional**

*Special Education
Recommendations and
Student Placements*

*Approval of Unified
Basketball team to attend
Basketball Hall of Fame
(Revised date)*

**New Business -
Business/Personnel**

*Approval of Health and
Welfare with Albany City
School District*

*Approval of Lease
Agreement with the Boys
& Girls Club of
Schenectady*

*Approval of First Reading
of Board Policies*

Request for Approval and Arrangement of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements and Committee on PreSchool Special Education

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Mrs. MacTurk, 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 March 31, April 16, 30, May 2, 4, 7, 11, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 29, 2018. After a brief discussion, the motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request Approval for the Unified Basketball team to attend the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass. On Saturday, June 9, 2018 (REVISED DATE)

MOTION made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that the Board of Education approve the request for the Unified Basketball team students to participate in a field trip on Saturday, June 9, 2018 to the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request Approval of Health and Welfare Contract with the City School district of Albany

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve a health and welfare contract with the City School District of Albany, for a total amount of \$5,400.71 for the 2017-18 school year.
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request Approval of Lease Agreement with the Boys and Girls Club of Schenectady

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Boys and Girls Club of Schenectady for the use of four buses, at a reimbursement amount of \$23,000 for the period June 25, 2018 through August 10, 2018.
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request for Approval of First Reading of Board Policies

MOTION made with Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that the Board of Education approve a first reading of the following policies:

5660	Meal Charging & Prohibition Against Meal Shaming
5661	Wellness
6212	Certification and Qualifications
6550	Leaves of Absence
7242	Military Recruiters Access to Students & Institutions
7512	Student Physicals
7513	Medication and Personal Care Items
8240	Instructional Programs; Driver Education
7132	Education of Students in Temporary Housing

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

Approved Minutes

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of May 21, 2018.
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Approved Personnel Recommendations

MOTION made by Mr. Piccirillo, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations:
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Retirements

Carol Post
Assignment: School Nurse (10-Month)
Effective Date: Close of business June 23, 2018

Appointments

Matthew Brennan
Appointment: Probationary
Tenure Area: Technology
Date of September 1, 2018
Commencement:
Expiration Date: Close of business August 31, 2022
Certification Status: Pending Final NYS Certification
Salary: Step 3 plus graduate credits

James McCrum
Assignment: Director of School Safety and Security, Permanent
Effective Date: May 15, 2018

Joseph Mayo
Assignment: Director of Facilities III
Effective Date: January 1, 2018
Salary: \$10,000/stipend for project management & purchasing (pro-rated)

Christine Goodwill
Appointment: 10-Month School Nurse
Effective Date: September 1, 2018
Salary: Step 11

Karena West
Assignment: Cleaner
Effective Date: May 29, 2018
Salary: \$25,417

Marina Lanaro
Assignment: Swim Club Coach
Effective Dates: May 21, 2018 – June 30, 2018
Salary: \$480/Season
Effective Dates: July 1, 2018 – August 3, 2018
Salary: \$720/Season

Bryttni Walter

Assignment: Swim Club Coach
Effective Dates: May 21, 2018 – June 30, 2018
Salary: \$600/Season
Effective Dates: July 1, 2018 – August 3, 2018
Salary: \$900/Season

Lydia Ware

Assignment: Swim Club Coach
Effective Dates: May 21, 2018 – June 30, 2018
Salary: \$400/Season
Effective Dates: July 1, 2018 – August 3, 2018
Salary: \$600/Season

Noah Dilbone

Assignment: Substitute Cleaner
Effective Date: May 25, 2018
Salary: \$10.50/Hour

Fall Coaches - 2018

Position	Coach	Step
Varsity Football Head	Joseph Emma	Step 7
Varsity Football Assistant	Jim Huggins	Step 7
Varsity Football Assistant	Thomas Geddes	Step 6
Varsity Football Assistant	Niall Howard	Step 4
J.V. Football Head	James Reid	Step 7
J.V. Football Assistant	Justin Chaires	Step 4
J.V. Football Assistant	Brandon Guthrie	Step 7
Modified Football Head	Josh Whipple	Step 7
Modified Football Assistant	Matt Rider	Step 7
Modified Football Assistant	Greg Massaroni	Step 6
Girls Cross Country - Varsity	Bill Sherman	Step 7
Boys Cross Country - Varsity	Jeff Hayes	Step 5
Girls Cross Country – Modified	Patrick Petty	Step 7
Boys Cross Country – Modified	Fred Saccocio	Step 7
Girls Varsity Swimming	Kate Streeter	Step 7
Girls Varsity Assistant (Diving)	OPEN	
Boys Varsity Golf	Bill Mottola	Step 4
Varsity Cheerleading	Jessica Couball	Step 5
J.V. Cheerleading	Rochelle Obie	Step 3
Girls Varsity Tennis	Maria Pacheco	Step 7
Boys' Varsity Soccer	Robert Stranahan	Step 4
Boys' Varsity Soccer Assistant	OPEN	
Boys' J.V. Soccer	Sam Capagnano	Step 4
Boys' Modified Soccer	Shannon Grier	Step 3
Girls' Varsity Soccer	Clint Demyer	Step 4
Girls' Varsity Soccer Assistant	Savannah Mason	Step 3
Girls' J.V. Soccer	Frank DiMeo	Step 4

Fall Coaches - 2018

Position	Coach	Step
Girls' Modified Soccer	Katie Bartone	Step 7
Girls Varsity Volleyball	Chris Abel	Step 7
Girls J.V. Volleyball	Emily Felter	Step 5
Girls Modified Volleyball	Jordan Cotton	Step 4
Strength and Conditioning	Raymond Kearney	Step 3

Summer Work – Guidance Counselors (10 Days Each)

Counselor	Building
Kyra Grimsley	Draper Middle School
Angie Santabarbara	Draper Middle School
Deborah Wood	Draper Middle School

2017-2018 Intramurals

Name	Building
Jim Huggins	High School

Resignations

Makensie Bullinger

Assignment: Academic Administrator for Science & Technology
Effective Date: Close of business June 22, 2018

Michele Whitley

Assignment: K-12 Administrator for APPR
Effective Date: June 30, 2018

Michelle Budka

Assignment: P/T Bus Driver
Effective Date: Close of business June 15, 2018

Julian Williams

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Effective Date: Close of business May 25, 2018

Karena West

Assignment: Substitute Cleaner
Effective Date: Close of business May 24, 2018

Removal from Service

Amy DiPietro,

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

Victoria Robbins

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

Michele Garrow

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper (Café Aide)
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

***Removal from Service
(Cont.)***

Maria Lanaro

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper (Café Aide)
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

Patricia Ulenski

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper (Café Aide)
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

Zoe Williams

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper (Café Aide)
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

Mark Hitchcock

Assignment: Substitute Monitor
Effective Date: June 4, 2018

Executive Session

Motion made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. Piccirillo, that an executive session be convened at 8:21 PM for the purpose of discussion of contract negotiations. 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 8:50 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 8:50 PM. The motion passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Christopher J. Ruberti, District Clerk