



Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, November 8, 2021
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School*

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Board Members Present: *Wade Abbott, Chad McFarland, Lisa Gaglioti (virtually), Stacy MacTurk, Deborah Escobar, Ericka Montagino, and Julie Power*

Board Members Absent: *None*

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

Others in Attendance: *Jeff Honeywell of Honeywell LLC*

Executive Session

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that an Executive Session be convened for the purpose of consulting with District legal counsel regarding student displays of the Battle Flag of the Republic (aka Confederate Flag). The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Executive Session be adjourned at 6:30. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Return to Public Session

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Abbott, at 6:33 PM. Mr. Abbott requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: *Wade Abbott, Lisa Gaglioti (virtually), Stacy MacTurk, Deborah Escobar, Ericka Montagino, and Julie Power*

Board Members Absent: *None*

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

Others-in-Attendance: *Christina Patterson, Craig Chandler, Danielle De Luca, Tom O'Connor, Rick Arket, Alyssa Zito, Jason Thompson, Matthew Hubbell, Dave Bertram, Katie Lossi, Leslie Smith, Jeanette Greklek, Stephanie D'Annibale, Dawn Aulita, Rebecca Shea, Bill Sherman and two members of the community In-attendance virtually – Bill Vacca, and six members of the community.*

Communications - Superintendent

Mr. Shine welcomed the newly appointed student representatives – Zionna Perez-Tucker, Benedetto Fusco and Olivia Tedford who updated the Board on activities taking place at each of the schools. At the high school the students are looking forward to a semi-formal dance on November 20th and the Academic Awards ceremony. Draper Middle School held a “Make a Difference” day where they gave back to the community and raked yards for elderly people. One Hundred students at Pinewood participated in the annual Cardboard Challenge and at Bradt, morning programs have resumed

and students took part in a STEAM night with the help of high school National Honor Society members.

Mr. Ruberti introduced District supervisors Mike Sherman, Kim Gagnon, Tracey Freemantle, Randy Jerreld, Dave Rickard and Jamie Dilbone. Mr. Ruberti then reviewed the accomplishments and goals of the Non-Instructional Department of the District. He discussed some common themes, including supply chain shortages, as well as individual department goals. Multiple BOE members gave their appreciation to the group for the hard work of them and their departments.

Mr. Shine explained that there are some changes that were suggested for Policy #1510 regarding public privilege of the floor that the Board would need to discuss. The Board would have the option to restrict the amount of time the speaker would have, limit the time allotted during a meeting for public comments, and allow the speaker to only speak about agenda items for that particular meeting. The consensus of the Board is that they would not like to restrict the public comment period. They discussed several other variables of public privilege of the floor including adding an informational paragraph about the public comment portion of the meeting. It was decided to continue this discussion at a later date.

Communications - Board of Education

Mr. McFarland expressed his disapproval of the National School Board Association's October 4th letter to the Attorney General that addressed threats against Board of Education members. He said that parents are valued participants in Board meetings and their involvement is welcomed. He was glad to see that NSBA ended up apologizing for the letter.

Mr. Abbott said it was brought to his attention that the Town of Rotterdam will be discussing allowing marijuana dispensaries. Mr. Abbott asked the Board if they should write a letter to the Town stating their opinion on the matter. After some discussion, it was decided that the Members would take some time to gather additional information on the matter before discussing it again. The issue will be placed under "old business" on the next agenda.

Mrs. Power asked about if there was any data yet on meeting literacy goals. Mr. Shine responded that a meeting was taking place the next day and that information would be coming soon.

Board members discussed the importance of consistency when recognizing the achievements of our student-athletes, specifically as it pertains to having their names on the electronic sign located at Curry Road. The athletes discussed were Amanda Jurgelon, Loren Cuomo and Rachel Miller.

Mr. MacFarland asked some questions about the current availability of bathrooms at Draper based on recent vandalism issues and Mr. Arket confirmed that they were all now opened consistently. Mr. MacFarland then had some questions about the upcoming semi-formal which Mr. Shine indicated he would look into and get back to him.

Public Privilege of the Floor

Mr. Bill Sherman reported that the cross-country team had a great season and many of the athletes found the time to volunteer and the team totaled 199 hours of community service through participating in 3 different projects. Mr. Sherman also asked the Board if they would be willing to voice their support for a unified cross-country team. The Board agreed that they would be in support of this program.

Old Business

Mr. Ruberti updated the Board on transportation issues including the ongoing driver shortage. He reported that three drivers have recently resigned. At a recent transportation meeting he, Mr. Shine and Mrs. Logan-King attended the drivers told them that their biggest concern was compensation. He noted that the contract does not allow for deviation from the set amounts. Mrs. Gaglioti suggested the idea of a full-time human resources positions that could assist Mr. Jerreld with hiring drivers, running advertisements, and other office duties.

New Business - Instructional

Approval of Recommendations of the Committees on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education

Request for Approval of Recommendations of the Committees on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education
MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Preschool Special Education for meetings held on 10/6/21, 10/13/21, 10/14/21, 10/15/21, 10/18/21, 10/20/21, 10/22/21, 10/25/21, 10/26/21, 10/27, 21, 10/28/21, 10/29/21, 11/02/21, 11/03/21, 11/4/21.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

New Business - Business/Personnel

Acceptance of Monetary Donations from Saratoga National

Request for Acceptance of Monetary Donations from Saratoga National
MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of a monetary donation from Saratoga National.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Acceptance of a Donation from an Anonymous Family

Request for Acceptance of Monetary Donations from an Anonymous Family
MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of a monetary donation from an anonymous family.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Approval of Classroom Rental and Ancillary Service Agreements with Capital Region BOCES for 2021-22

Request for Approval of Classroom Rental and Ancillary Service Agreements with Capital Region BOCES for 2021-22
MOTION made by Mrs. Escobar, seconded by Mrs. Montagino, that the Board of Education approve the Classroom Rental and Ancillary Service Agreements with Capital Region BOCES for 2021-22.
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Mohonasen Teachers' Association and the Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District

Request for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Mohonasen Teachers' Association and the Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Mohonasen Teachers' Association and the Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District.

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

Acceptance of a Donation to MohonCARES in Honor of Robert Hadsell, class of 1960

Request for Acceptance of a Donation to MohonCARES in Honor of Robert Hadsell, class of 1960

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of donation to MohonCARES in honor of Robert Hadsell, class of 1960.

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

Acceptance of a Donation to MohonCARES from Jorge and Deborah Escobar

Request for Acceptance of a Donation to MohonCARES from Jorge and Deborah Escobar

MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of donation to MohonCARES from Jorge and Deborah Escobar.

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

Approval of the Establishment of the Firefighter Roy Oyangen Memorial Scholarship

Request for Approval of the Establishment of the Firefighter Roy Oyangen Memorial Scholarship

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that the Board of Education approve the establishment of the Firefighter Roy Oyangen Memorial Scholarship.

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

Amendments to the CASHIC Trust Agreement

Request Amendments to the CASHIC Trust Agreement

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Board of Education approve the amendments to the CASHIC Trust Agreement.

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

Approved Minutes

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mr. McFarland that the Board of Education approve the minutes of October 18, 2021.

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

Approved Personnel Recommendations

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Power, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations.

The motion was passed, seven members present and voting.

Retirements

Lorene Gallo

Assignment: Computer Technician

Effective Date: November 29, 2021

Sandra Bielecki

Assignment: Food Service Helper

Effective Date: November 23, 2021

Appointments

Alexandria Lupo
Appointment: Part-Time
Tenure Area: School Social Worker (.4)
Date of Commencement: November 29, 2021
Certification Status: School Social Worker, Permanent Certificate
Step/Salary: Step 5 plus Graduate Credits

Daniel Schissler
Assignment: Cleaner
Effective Date: October 25, 2021
Salary: \$27,513

Patricia Paparella
Assignment: Health Office Assistant (10 month)
Effective Date: October 26, 2021
Salary: \$23,788

Jennifer Schweizer
Assignment: Substitute Bus Aide
Effective Date: October 27, 2021
Salary: \$12.60/hour

Rachel Evers-Willey
Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Effective Date: October 25, 2021
Salary: \$12.60/hour

Katrina Mills
Appointment: Food Service Helper
Date of Commencement: November 1, 2021
Salary: \$12.75/hour

Joel Fuschino
Assignment: Substitute Courier
Effective Date: November 4, 2021
Salary: \$12.60/hour

Sandra Bielecki
Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Effective Date: November 29, 2021
Salary: \$12.60/hour

Jaclyn Kruzinski
Assignment: Substitute Monitor
Effective Date: October 22, 2021
Salary: \$14.25/hour

**Extracurricular Advisors – 2021-22 – Mohonasen High School
(amended from 9/13/21)**

Extracurricular Club/Activity	Advisor/Co-Advisor
Masterminds co-advisor	Rebecca Shea

2021-2022 – Instructional Leaders

Name	Position	Stipend
Sharon Berschwinger	Reading	\$2454
Heidi Depiero	Literacy	\$2454

Mohon Masque 2021-2022

Name	Position	Stipend
Kathy Derochie	Director	\$2,000
Nicole Gabriel	Director	\$2,000
Freddy Ramirez	Choreographer	\$500
Dan Hoke	Lights/Sound	\$500
Ted Vickery	Lights/Sound	\$500
Bryan Shults	Lights/Sound	\$500

2021-2022 Draper Quarantine Tutoring (\$50.00/Hour)

Name:	Assignment
Linda Breen	Tutor

2021-2022 Academic after School Tutor (\$50.00/Hour)

Name:	Assignment
Linda Breen	Tutor
Maureen Geagan	Tutor
Fred Saccocio	Tutor
Lydia Albano	Tutor

2021-2022 High School Quarantine Tutoring (\$50.00/Hour)

Name:	Assignment
Stephanie Bruhn	Tutor
Debbie Capullo	Tutor
Marvin Veeder	Tutor

**2021-2022 Draper Quarantine Tutoring (TA Certified
\$50.00/Uncertified \$45.00/Hour)**

Name	Assignment
Lisa Hecht	Tutor
Maria Frisone	Tutor
Morgan Redmond	Tutor

2021 (Pinewood) Curriculum Work \$188.55/Day

Name	# Days
Kaitlin Gaug	1

Winter 2021 Coach Appointments (amended from 10/18/2021 meeting)

Sport	Name	Step	Notes
Co-Ed Modified Swimming	Marc Vachon	7	<i>Longevity \$555</i>
Varsity Wrestling Assistant	Sean Daley	7	<i>Longevity \$555</i>
Modified Wrestling	Jim Huggins	7	<i>Longevity \$555</i>
Modified Wrestling Assistant	Doug Jones	7	<i>Longevity \$1,621</i>

Winter 2021 Coach Appointments

Sport	Name	Step
Girls JV Basketball	Krista Carroll	1
Varsity/JV Wrestling	Josh Cuomo	None
Indoor Track Assistant	Tara Halliday	7 (.5)
Boys Modified Basketball Assistant	Eric Armstrong	None
Boys Varsity Dive Assistant	Caroline Pecor	None
JV Wrestling Head Coach	Nicholas Baker	3

Resignations

Valerie Halburian
 Assignment: Food Service Helper
 Effective Date: October 29, 2021

Radine LaBar-Thomas
 Assignment: Bus Driver
 Effective Date: November 12, 2021

Christine LaBar-VanBuren
 12303
 Assignment: Bus Driver
 Effective Date: November 12, 2021

Nicole Hanna
 Assignment: Bus Driver
 Effective Date: November 12, 2021

Adjournment

MOTION made by Mrs. Power, seconded by Mrs. MacTurk, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 9:30 PM.
 The motion passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Executive Session

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that an Executive Session be convened at 9:32 PM.

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

MOTION made by Mrs. MacTurk, seconded by Mrs. Escobar, that an Executive Session be adjourned at 10:29 PM.

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

Christopher Ruberti

Clerk - Board of Education

Assistant Superintendent for Business