

Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, August 12, 2026
Farnsworth Technology Center/Mohonasen High School*

Call to Order

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Ryan, at 6:13 PM. Mr. Ryan requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: *Danielle Ciampino, Chad McFarland, Nick Giardono, Heather Lanaro, Ericka Montagino and Pat Ryan*

Board Members Absent: *Ted Perretta*

Administrators Present: *Shannon Shine and Chris Ruberti*

Others in Attendance: *none*

Communications - Superintendent

Mr. Shine updated the Board on ongoing policy updates. He expects to have another round of policies to approve at the September 8th meeting.

Policy Committee Discussion

Capital Project Update - Mr. Ruberti

Mr. Ruberti gave the Board an update on ongoing construction projects and indicated that most projects are on schedule for the start of school, with Bradt and Pinewood fully operational and major Draper improvements—including gym renovations, and instructional spaces—ready or nearing completion. At the High School, the main office, security office, vestibule, cafeteria, mechanical systems, and ceilings are expected to be ready by early September, while the library was delayed due to asbestos remediation and roofing work. Athletics and turf-field improvements are also nearing completion, with the bathroom building, press box, cameras, bleachers, lighting, parking, fencing, and other items targeted for late August or early September. Finally, Warrior Way will receive a drainage-pipe replacement, followed by roadway replacement once the drainage issue is resolved.

Public Privilege Of The Floor

No one wished to address the Board of Education.

Communications - Board of Education

Mr. Ryan inquired about the NYSSBA Convention registration deadline. Mrs. Barry responded that it was in October and would provide the details in an email to the Board.

Old Business *Discussion on Presentations*

The Board agreed on the planned schedule of presentations for the 2026-2027 meetings.

**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*

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

Motion made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Lanaro, that the Board approve the Committee on Special Education recommendations and student placements, Committee on Pre-School Special Education and Section 504 Committee.

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

**New Business -
Business/Personnel**

*Acceptance of District
Wide School Safety
Plan*

**Request made by Mr. Ryan to approve all items on the New
Business-Business/Personnel consent agenda.**

MOTION made by Mrs. Ciampino, seconded by Mrs. Lanaro, that the Board of Education approve New Business - Instructional 1-18 on a consent agenda. After some discussion the motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

*Acceptance of the
District-Wide Code of
Conduct - Policy 7370*

*Approval of Resolution
Authorizing
Participation in
Cooperative Bidding for
Health-Safety-Risk
Management Goods
and Services in School
Years 2026-27*

*Approval of
Preliminary Services
Agreements with
Capital Region BOCES
for 2026-2027*

*Approval of Classroom
Rental and Ancillary
Service Agreements
with Capital Region
BOCES for 2026-27*

*Agreement with
Parsons Child and
Family Center's Neil
Hellman School for the
2026-2027 School Year*

*Memorandum of
Agreement with
Mohonasen Teachers'
Association and the
Rotterdam-Mohonasen
Central School District -
Retiree Health
Insurance Guidelines*

*Approval of Agreement
with Capital Area
School Development
Association (CASDA)*

*Approval for
Continuation of
Mohonasen-Guilderlan
d-Scotia-Glenville-Schal
mont-Voorheesville Ice
Hockey Team for the
2026-27 School Year*

*Approval of Contract
with Children's
Neuropsychological
Services for the
2026-2027 School Year*

*Approval of
Memorandum of
Agreement with
Mohonasen
Administrator
Association and the
Rotterdam-Mohonasen
Central School District*

*Approval of Substitute
Rates Not Covered by
Substitute Teachers
Contract (amended
from the July 1, 2026
meeting)*

*Approval of an
Agreement Related to
the Resignation of a
Security Monitor*

*Approval of Resolution
to Authorize
Expenditures for School
Buses*

*Approval of Agreement
with Foundations
Behavioral Health for
the 2026-2027 School
Year*

*Approval of Agreement
with Crossroads Center
for Children for the
2026-2027 School Year*

*Approval of Contract
with Chelsea Place
Psychological Services
for the 2026-2027
School Year*

*Approval of Resolution
to Authorize
Expenditures for
School Buses*

Approved Minutes

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Ciampino, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of July 1, 2026.
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Financial Reports

*Approval of Financial
Reports May and June
2026*

MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mrs. Montagino, that the Board of Education accepted the May 2026 and June 2026 Financial Reports.
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Personnel

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mr. Giardono, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations.
Mrs. Montagino abstained from section A of the personnel recommendations.
The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Appointments

Michael Guardino (amended from the April 29, 2026 meeting)

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Mohonasen High School

Position: Math Teacher

Tenure Area: Mathematics Academic areas

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2026

Expiration Date: September 2, 2030

Certification Status: Mathematics 7-12 Supplementary Certificate, ELA initial

Certificate

Salary: Step 2 plus graduate credits

Rebekah Zimmerman

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Position: Speech and Language Pathologist

Tenure Area: Speech - remedial

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2026

Expiration Date: September 2, 2029

Certification Status: Speech and Language Disabilities Initial Certificate

Salary: Step 1 plus graduate credits

Alanna Hull

Appointment: Probationary

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Position: Elementary Teacher

Tenure Area: Elementary Pre-K - 6

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2026

Expiration Date: September 2, 2030

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

Salary: Step 2 plus graduate credits

Sara Toukatly

Appointment: Long Term Substitute

Location: Bradt Elementary School

Assignment: Special Education

Date of Commencement: September 1, 2026

Expiration Date: June 30, 2027

Salary: Step 1 plus Graduate Credits

Emma Tedisco

Appointment: Long Term Substitute

Location: Draper Middle School

Assignment: Reading

Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026

Expiration Date: June 30, 2027

Salary: Step 1 plus Graduate Credits

Caitlin Pusz

Appointment: Long Term Substitute

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Assignment: Reading

Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026

Expiration Date: June 30, 2027

Salary: Step 1 plus Graduate Credits

Lorena Hurst

Appointment: Teacher on Special Assignment (Instructional Coach)

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Effective date: September 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Andrea Pigliavento

Appointment: Teacher on Special Assignment (Instructional Coach)

Location: Bradt Elementary School

Effective date: September 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Meredith McCleod

Assignment: .1 Additional Class

Location: High School

Effective Date September 2, 2026-June 30, 2027

Salary: 6% of contract salary

Greg Massaroni
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026-June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Katie Bartone
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026-June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Rochelle Obie
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026-June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Mike York
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026-June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Christina Mathieu
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026-June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

John Winters
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Amy Frost
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Jeff Abrey
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Brian Galati
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: High School
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Melissa Goncerz
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Sara Bach
Assignment: .3 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 18% of contract salary

Dan Hoke
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Justin Kimball
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Stephen Leader
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Daniel Lemon
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Nicole Schaap
Assignment: .1 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 6% of contract salary

Jason Varga
Assignment: .2 Additional Class
Location: Draper
Effective Date September 2, 2026- June 30, 2027
Salary: 12% of contract salary

Coryn Onofri
Appointment: Teaching Assistant
Location: Draper Middle School
Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
Salary: Step 20

Ethan Bartlett
Appointment: Teaching Assistant
Location: High School
Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
Salary: Step 2

Caroline Hall
Appointment: Teaching Assistant
Location: Bradt Elementary School
Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
Salary: Step 5

Hailey Irish
Appointment: Teaching Assistant
Location: Pinewood Intermediate School
Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
Salary: Step 3

Aidan Corrigan
Appointment: Teaching Assistant
Location: Pinewood Intermediate School
Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
Salary: Step 2

Olivia Dandridge

Appointment: Summer Teaching Assistant

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)

Date of Commencement: July 27, 2026 – August 14, 2026

Salary: Step 1

Olivia Dandridge

Appointment: Teaching Assistant

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)

Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026

Salary: Step 1

Toni Galluzzo

Assignment: Substitute Teaching Assistant

Location: Districtwide

Effective Date: September 1, 2026

Salary: \$19.00/hr

Lynn Nuzback

Appointment: Teaching Assistant

Location: High School

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)

Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026

Salary: Step 16

Constance Wiexzynski

Appointment: Teaching Assistant

Location: Pinewood Intermediate School

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)

Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026

Salary: Step 2

Johntaisia Young

Assignment: Health Office Assistant (10 month)

Location: Bradt Elementary School

Effective Date: September 2, 2026

Salary: \$33,096.

Rachael Pistana
Appointment: Bus Driver
Location: Transportation
Effective Date: July 1, 2026
Salary: \$29.42 per hour

Linda Cianfarani
Appointment: Bus Driver
Location: Transportation
Effective Date: August 24, 2026
Salary: \$29.46 per hour

Andrew Sukhoo
Appointment: Substitute Bus Driver
Location: Transportation
Effective Date: August 24, 2026
Salary: \$28.00 per hour

Shaula A. Rickmyre (*amended from July 1, 2026 meeting*)
Appointment: Substitute Bus Aide
Location: Transportation
Date of Commencement: July 6, 2026
Salary: \$16.50 per hour

Thomas A. Ferri
Appointment: Substitute Bus Aide
Location: Transportation
Date of Commencement: August 24, 2026
Salary: \$16.50 per hour

Michael DiGioia
Appointment: Substitute Bus Aide
Location: Transportation
Date of Commencement: August 24, 2026
Salary: \$16.50 per hour

Sandra Palma
Appointment: Substitute Cafeteria Aide
Location: Bradt Elementary School
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2026
Salary: \$16.50 per hour

Wayman Walker
Appointment: Full-time Monitor
Location: Districtwide
Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
Salary: \$27,500

Thomas Reid
 Appointment: Full-time Monitor
 Location: Districtwide
 Date of Commencement: September 2, 2026
 Salary: \$27,500

Rose McGill (*amended from the June 8, 2026 meeting*)
 Assignment: Full time Monitor
 Location: Districtwide
 Effective Date: September 1, 2026
 Salary: \$27,500

2026 (Bradt) Summer Curriculum Work - Days July 1 – August 31, 2026

Name	# Days
Chloe Bellcourt	2
Maria Andrew	1
Andrea Pigliavento	1
Miranda Nagell	1
Megan Mansfield	1
Dina Baker	1
Sara Toukatley	1

2026 (Pinewood) Summer Curriculum Work - Days July 1 – August 31, 2026

Name	# Days
Kelly Mullen	2
McKenzie Ryan	2
Lauren Neale	4
Leisha Sherman	2
Melissa Williams	6
Jody Rossetti	4
Danielle Tyler	3
Emily Burns	3
Alanna Hull	2
Ashley Davis	2
Bryannah Green	1

2026 (Draper) Summer Curriculum Work - Days July 1 – August 31, 2026

Name	# Days
Rachel Geracitano	4
Sara Bach	2
Dan Lemon	2
Ashley Samborin	2
Melissa Goncerz	.5

Gabrielle Guardino	1
Ester Vrooman	1
Tecia Pitterson	1
Jen Palleschi	2
Kim Trestick	2
Kyra Grimsley	1
Angie Santabarbara	1
Tara Millhouse	.5
Paola Cummings	.5
Linda Beeler	2.5

2026-2027 – Instructional Leaders

Name	Position	Stipend
Maureen Geagan	World Language	\$2,697

2026 Summer Kindergarten Screening (Summer Curriculum Rate)

Name	# Days
Casandra Mastracy	2
Andrea Pigliavento	1
Elizabeth Vachon	1
Olivia Marl	1
Heidi Fowler	1

2026-2027 Student Teacher/Intern

Name	Bldg.	Teacher/Counselor	Dates
Alondra Amezcua	High School	Peg Sutton	9/14/26-6/1/27
Kobina Harris	Pinewood	Liz Haynesworth	9/1/26-6/1/27
Audrey DelMonico	Pinewood	Christine Altomer	9/1/26-3/2/27

Driver Education Spring 2026 A2330.150-00-0000

Name	Assignment	Hours
John Winters	Driver Education	6 hours
Michael York	Driver Education	6 hours

Driver Education Summer 2026 A2330.150-00-0000

Name	Assignment	Amount
Stephen Leader	Driver Education	\$9,600
Michael York	Driver Education	\$1,200

2026 ESY Student Support Services July 6, 2026 to August 14, 2026

Name	Assignment	Program	Step
Melissa Quinlivan	Teacher Assistant	All Programs	1
Maria Frisone	Teacher Assistant Sub	All Programs	1
Dina Baker	Teacher Assistant Sub	All Programs	1
Erika Riddick	Teacher Assistant Sub	All Programs	1
Marianne Amato	Teacher Assistant Sub	All Programs	1
Brian Atwell	Teacher Assistant Sub	All Programs	1

2026 Expedition Academy July 6, 2026 - July 30, 2026 3 hrs. per day (Monday-Thurs)

Name	Assignment	Step
Kyra Grimsley	Teacher	5
Brittney Laudenschlager	Teacher	4
Angie Santabarbara	Teacher	5
Diane Blinn	Teacher	1
Tara Millhouse	Teacher	2
Valerie Talbot	Sub Teacher	1

2026 Student Support Services Summer Work - July 6 - August 14, 2026

Name	Assignment	Hours	Step
Cassandra Mastracy	CPSE/CSE/ Evals/mtgs	Up to 130 hrs	6
Kristina Clarke	CPSE/CSE/ Evals/mtgs	Up to 70 hrs	1
Elizabeth Vachon	CPSE/CSE/ Evals/mtgs	Up to 15 hrs	1

2026 Student Support Services Summer Work - July 6 - August 14, 2026

Name	Assignment	Hours	Step
Cassandra Mastracy	CPSE/CSE/ Evals/mtgs	Up to 130 hrs	6

2026 Summer Work - July 6 - August 14, 2026

Name	Assignment	Hours	Step
Brenda Riehlman	Summer Program	20	1
Jen Hidalgo	Summer Program	20	1
Cassandra Mastracy	Summer Program	20	6

2026 Summer Monitors (rates per contract)

Name	Building
Mel Fazio	Bradt Elementary School/Pinewood Intermediate School
Sarah McGrath	Bradt Elementary School/Pinewood Intermediate School
Tobey Traynham	Draper Middle School
Jessica Ramirez	Draper Middle School
Rebecca Muller	Mohonasen High School/CAT
Rebecca Ludena	Substitute
Thomas Reid	Substitute
Joe Angerami	Substitute
Tony Brown	Substitute
Andrea Nellis	Substitute
Keeley Kennedy-Anderson	Substitute

TA Mentor 2026-2027

Name	Assignment	Building
Nancy Benson	Mentor	Bradt
Mike Noland	Mentor	Pinewood
Erica McDormand	Mentor	Draper
Mary Gradoni	Mentor	High School

2026 Summer Enrichment – Courses held contingent upon minimum enrollment \$35. hr

Class	Instructor	Hours/day	Dates
Mohon Masque Jr.	Gabrielle Guardino	3hrs/day	7/6/26-7/10/26
Mohon Masque Jr.	Abigail Fast	3hrs/day	7/6/26-7/10/26
Mohon Masque Jr.	Tanya Phelps	3hrs/day	7/6/26-7/10/26
Solar System Studies	Melissa Williams	3hrs/day	8/3/26-8/7/26
Laser Engraving and 3D Printing	Jeff Abrey	3hrs/day	7/13/26-7/17/26 7/20/26-7/24/26 8/3/26-8/7/26
Orchestra Camp	Dan Hoke	6hrs/day	7/27/26-7/31/26
Orchestra Camp	Cloe Shan	6hrs/day	7/27/26-7/31/26
Brick-tastic Builders	Erin Degnan	3hrs/day	8/3/26-8/7/26

2026-2027 – Dean of Students – High School

Name	Assignment	Stipend
Greg Massaroni	Dean of Students	\$4,200.
Autumn Wallace	Dean of Students	\$4,200.
Rob Buehler	Dean of Students	\$4,200.
Stephanie Bruhn	Dean of Students	\$4,200.

Mentor 2026-2027 (stipend per MTA contract)

Name	Assignment	Building
Laura Eggleston	Mentor	Bradt
Lauren Neale	Mentor	Pinewood
Priscilla Perry	Mentor	High School

2026 Summer Food Distribution and Anchor Room

Name	Days/Hours
Diane Blinn	10 days (60 hours)
Autumn Wallace	10 days (60 hours)
Briana Tiernan	5 days (30 hours)
Rob Higgins	3 days

2026-2027 Head Security Monitor

Name	Stipend
Rebecca Muller	\$6,000

2026-2027 PM School Coordinator High School (\$12,500./year)

Name:	Position
Mal Martin	PM School Administrator

Coaches Fall 2026

Name	Sport	Step	Longevity
McKenzie Ryan	Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach	1	
Hailey Deguire	JV Volleyball Coach	2	
Jodi Scalise	Unified Bocce	6	

Coaches Fall 2026 (amended from the June 22, 2026 meeting)

Name	Sport	Step/Amount	Longevity
Greg Herzog	Boys' Varsity Soccer Coach	5	
John Gallo	Summer Conditioning	\$393.00	
James Reid	Summer Conditioning	\$393.00	

Resignations

Sarah Urbanski

Appointment: Special Education Teacher

Effective Dates: November 25, 2026-June 30, 2027

Reason: Unpaid Leave of Absence

Cristie Davis

Appointment: Elementary Teacher

Effective Date: Close of business June 29, 2026

Joanne Foster
Appointment: Teacher Assistant
Effective Date: Close of business June 30, 2026

Hailey Irish
Appointment: Teacher Assistant
Effective Date: Close of business July 24, 2026

Katy Diaz
Appointment: Teacher Assistant
Effective Date: Close of business June 26, 2026

Kristen Dietz
Appointment: Reading Teacher
Effective Date: Close of business July 13, 2026

Patricia Baker
Appointment: Teacher Assistant
Effective Date: Close of business October 10, 2026

Lynn Nuzback
Appointment: Cafeteria Aide
Effective Date: Close of business June 30, 2026

Wayman Walker
Appointment: Substitute Monitor
Effective Date: June 30, 2026

Thomas Reid
Appointment: Substitute Monitor
Effective Date: June 30, 2026

Mark DeNicola (*Rescinded from the June 22, 2026 meeting*)
Appointment: School Monitor
Original Date: Close of business June 22, 2026
Revised Date: Close of business November 15, 2026

Adjournment

MOTION made by Mrs. Montagino, seconded by Mrs. Lanaro, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 7:04 PM.
The motion passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Christopher Ruberti

Clerk - Board of Education

Assistant Superintendent for Business