

July 15, 2015

MINUTES
MOUNT ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
July 15, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

PRESENT: Sheila Studint, President
John Longtine, Vice President
Rachel Byrne
Liz Cangiano
Al Decena
Karl Svenningsen
Al Roldan

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jane Jameson, Superintendent of Schools
Robin C. Tedesco, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

The President called the meeting to order at 7:13 P.M. in the Mount Arlington Public School, in the media center, declared a quorum present and read the following notices.

The Mount Arlington Board of Education is meeting for action and discussion about business before the Board today.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the public's right to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of public bodies at which business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with this Act, the Board of Education has sent notice of today's meetings and copies of the Agenda to the:

Roxbury Register
Daily Record
Star Ledger
Municipal Clerk
Board Members

Notice of today's meeting and copies of the Agenda have been posted in the following places:

Mount Arlington School
Edith M. Decker School
Mount Arlington Public Schools Website: www.mtarlingtonk8.org

All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBIC SESSION:

None

MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Svenningsen and seconded by Mr. Decena, to approve minutes of the June 17, 2015 Regular & Closed meeting and June 22, 2015 Special meeting.

Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent *2 Abstain

*Mr. Decena abstained from June 17, 2015 minutes.

*Mr. Svenningsen abstained from June 22, 2015 minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS- None

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- Mrs. Tedesco discussed the motions before the Board as shown on the agenda.

BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS BY COMMITTEE

FINANCE:

Motions 071515-B-1 through 071515-B-19 were moved by Mr. Decena and seconded by Mrs. Byrne.

071515-B-1 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the check register of payments dated from June 18, 2015 through June 30, 2015, in the amount of \$333,618.82.

071515-B-2 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the list of line item transfers for the month of June 2015.

071515-B-3 RESOLVED, that the report of the Secretary and the related statement of cash balances for the month of June 2015 be approved by the Mount Arlington Board of Education and ordered filed, and further that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the certification of the Board Secretary for the month of June 2015 that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which, in total, exceed the line appropriation of the adopted 2014-2015 budget, as revised, in accordance with N.J.S.A.18A:17-9 and further certifies that no major account or fund has been expended in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A:17-8 or N.J.S.A.18A:19.

071515-B-4 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approves travel and costs as related in this resolution which are educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and are related to and within the scope of the employee's current responsibilities and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district. The reimbursements listed in this resolution are in compliance with State travel reimbursement guidelines a established by the Department of the Treasury and Board of Education policy in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et. seq.

Name	Seminar/Conference	Date	Est. Expense	Mileage Expense
E. Cosenza	Get TECH-cited	7/22/15 & 7/23/15	\$230.00	\$8.79
M. Malakuskie	Get TECH-cited	7/22/15 & 7/23/15	\$230.00	\$5.52

071515-B-5 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve a summer camp program as follows:

Student ID	Attending	Date	# of days	Tuition	Aide Support
10992	Celebrate the Children DCCF	7/8/15-8/7/15	23	\$4,950.00	\$2,250.00

071515-B-6 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education amend motion 061715-B-26 as follows:

Student ID	School	Date	# of days	Tuition	Aide Support
10172	Roxbury 6-8 LLD	6/29/15-7/23/15	16	\$2,132.80	\$1,909.00

071515-B-7 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve a summer extended year (ESY) program as follows:

Student ID	School	Date	# of days	Tuition	Aide Support
1420	Roxbury High School-VISTA	6/29/15-7/23/15	30	\$6,333.40	N/A

071515-B-8 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the following special education tuition contracts for the 2015-2016 school year.

Student ID	School	Dates	Cost	Aide Support
10050	Celebrate the Children	9/3/15-6/30/16	\$69,431.00 for 180 days	\$27,000.00
10535	Celebrate the Children	9/3/15-6/30/15	\$69,431.00 for 180 days	\$27,000.00
10203	Roxbury High School- LLD	9/3/15-6/30/16	\$19,195.00 for 180 days	
1420	Roxbury High School-VISTA	9/3/15-6/30/15	\$57,000.00	

071515-B-9 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education contract with Applied Behavior Consulting (ABC), LLC to provide the following services as follows:

Dates	Cost per Session	Number of Sessions
9/1/15-6/30/16	\$135.00 per hour	4 hours per week

071515-B-10 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education enter into an agreement with Educational Services Commission of Morris County to provide a Health & Environmental Safety Services Program for the 2015-2016 school year, at a cost of \$3,950.00.

071515-B-11 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the District's participation for the 2015-2016 school year in the NCLB Title III Consortium administered by the Lincoln Park Borough School District.

071515-B-12 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approves the following substitute teacher daily rate of pay effective September 1, 2015.

Days 1 to day 20	\$80.00
Over 20 days in the same year	\$90.00

071515-B-13 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approves the substitute custodian hourly rate of \$13.00 effective July 1, 2015.

071515-B-14 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the 2015-2016 renewed bus routes and their associated costs provided by the Educational Services Commission of Morris County in the amount of \$218,900.07.

Route No.	2014-2015 Contract Cost	Renewal Increase %	2015-2016 Renewal Cost	Renewal
MA-01	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-02	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-03	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-04	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-05	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-06	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-07	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-08	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-09	\$17,046.31	1.34%	\$17,274.73	14
MA-12	\$20,862.93	1.34%	\$21,142.49	10
MA-13	\$20,862.93	1.34%	\$21,142.49	10
MA-14	\$20,862.93	1.34%	\$21,142.49	10

071515-B-15 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education gratefully accepts Slam Dunk the Junk Grant in the amount of \$500.00 from the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority. The funds will be used specifically for outdoor recycling or trash receptacles or indoor recycling receptacles.

071515-B-16 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve payment of the 2015-2016 Annual Membership Dues to the New Jersey Association of School Administrators in the amount of \$1,550.00.

071515-B-17 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Robin C. Tedesco, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary possesses a qualified purchasing agent (QPA) certificate;

WHEREAS, the Governor, in consultation with the State Treasurer and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (b), on July 1 , 2015 has increased the bid threshold amount for school districts with purchasing agents who possess qualified purchasing agent certificates, from \$36,000 to \$40,000;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mount Arlington Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.4, establishes and sets the bid threshold amount of \$40,000 for the board of education, and further authorizes Robin C. Tedesco to award contracts, in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), for those purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate of the newly established bid threshold amount.

071515-B-18 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approves that all district employees who become eligible for medical benefits are to be offered participation in the New Jersey State Health Program NJ Direct 15 Plan, the district's base plan as of the 2015-2016 school year.

071515-B-19 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education accept the approval by the NJ Department of Education of the IDEA-Basic and IDEA-Preschool FY2015-2016 Grant Application. The amounts for each are as follows:

IDEA-Basic	\$105,969
IDEA-Preschool	\$ 3,977

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mrs. Jameson reviewed the motions before the Board as shown on the agenda.

PERSONNEL:

Motions 071515-S-1 and 071515-S-2, and 071515-S-4 and 071515-S-5 were moved by Mr. Longtine seconded by Mrs. Studint.

071515-S-1 RESOLVED to accept (with regret) the resignation of Michelle Rehse, teacher for the 2015-2016 school year effective July 1, 2015.

071515-S-2 RESOLVED to add Jodi Ciampa, teacher and James Lovenberg, custodian to our list of substitutes for the 2015-2016 school year. (Note: Approvals are based upon receipt of State approved background check, certification, and physical clearance where applicable).

071515-S-4 RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Amy Garay, as a full time Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year, effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 at an annual salary of \$54,365 based upon 2015-2016 teacher salary guide (A-1) at BA Step 3 (Appointment is based upon receipt of State approved background check as required by law).

071515-S-5 RESOLVED to revise motion 062215-S-1 (Attachment: A) to increase FTE time and salary for Nicole Malakuskie as follows:

Last	First	FTE	Level 1516	Step1516	1516
Malakuskie	Nicole	up to 0.8	BA+30	11	up to \$53,696

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

Curriculum/Policy

Motion 071515-S-3 was moved by Mrs. Cangiano seconded by Mr. Decena.

071515-S-3 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the submission of the New Jersey Department of Education District Mentoring Plan Statement of Assurance for the 2015-2016 school year to the County Office as submitted electronically on June 27, 2015.

- ↓ Staff attendance for June, 2015 was 97%
- ↓ Student attendance for June, 2015 was as follows:
Decker 96.6% MAPS 94.9%

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance- Mr. Decena reported that the June 2015 reports are in order.
- B. Personnel- Mrs. Studint reported that the personnel committee reviewed staffing issues for the 2015-2016 school year.
- C. Buildings & Grounds- Mr. Longtine gave an update on the progress of the new district phone system installation.
- D. Curriculum/Policy- None
- E. Negotiations- Mrs. Studint reported that the District's teacher contract has been settled as well as Mrs. Jameson's contract.
- F. Town Council- None
- G. PTA- None

Delegate to Roxbury BOE- None
 Delegate to NJ School Boards- No report

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Delegate to MC School Boards- No Report
Delegate to ESC of Morris County- No report

OLD BUSINESS:

No comment

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Studint and Mr. Decena filed their nominating petitions with the Morris County Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

It was moved by Mrs. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Svenningsen that the Mount Arlington Board of Education move to Closed Session at 7:38 PM, to discuss certain legal matters, with no action expected to follow.

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A.10:4-1 et seq.) expressly provide that a public body may move into Closed Session and exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses any of the nine areas set forth in N.J.S.A.10:4-12b; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Arlington Board of Education has determined it necessary to move to Closed Session to discuss legal matters, which are included in the aforesaid exceptions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mount Arlington Board of Education that it does hereby move into Closed Session pursuant to N.J.S.A.10:4-12b to discuss the aforesaid matters with no related action to follow, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid discussions shall be made public either at the Public Meeting following said Closed Session or at such time as any litigated or personnel matters are concluded; or upon conclusion of any negotiations or related discussions; or as otherwise specified; and

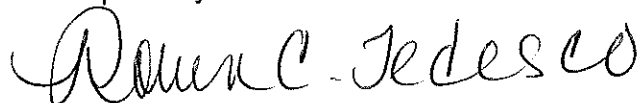
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect pursuant to law.

It was motioned by Mr. Svenningsen and seconded by Mrs. Byrne that the meeting return to open session at 7:45 P.M., with all in attendance in favor and none opposed.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mrs. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Decena that the public meeting be adjourned. Unanimously carried at 7:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin C. Tedesco
Board Secretary