

August 16, 2017

MINUTES
MOUNT ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
August 16, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

PRESENT: Sheila Studint, President
John Longtine, Vice President
Rachel Byrne
Liz Cangiano
Al Decena
Al Roldan (Arrived at 7:12 PM)

ABSENT: Karl Svenningsen

ALSO PRESENT: Monica A. Rowland, Superintendent of Schools
Tonya Flowers, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

The President called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 meeting 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 Mrs. Cangiano and seconded by Mr. Decena, to approve minutes of the July 26, 2017 regular and closed session meeting.

Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 2 Absent

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS- None

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

BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS BY COMMITTEE

FINANCE:

Motions 081617-B-1 through 081617-B-11 and 081617-B-13 were moved by Mr. Decena and seconded by Mrs. Studint.

081617-B-1 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the check register of payments dated from July 1, 2017 through August 16, 2017, in the amount of \$910,827.16 as presented to the Board.

081617-B-2 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the list of line item transfers for the month of June 2017.

081617-B-3 RESOLVED, that the report of the Secretary and the related statement of cash balances for the month of June 2017 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 2017 that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which, in total, exceed the line appropriation of the adopted 2016-2017 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.

081617-B-4 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve travel and related costs, as follows which are educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and are related to and within the scope of the employees' 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 as 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
T. Flowers	NJASBO-Workshop Analyzing & Constructing Salary Guides	8/1/17	\$100.00	\$14.63
B. Caggiano	NJASBO-Workshop Analyzing & Constructing Salary Guides	8/1/17	\$100.00	\$42.72
J. Crawford	PowerSave	9/12/17	-0-	\$13.74

081617-B-5 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve an increase in Special Education Categorical aid in the amount of \$11,141.00 to be deferred and appropriated in the 18-19 budget as state aid revenue.

081617-B-6 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education contract with the Morris County Vocational School District to provide Educational Services for the following students for the 2017-2018 school year.

	Grade	Contract	Dates	Cost (per student, annual)
10400	9	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
10276	10	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
102116	10	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
10255	10	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
10262	10	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
10165	11	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
090115	11	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed
10093	12	Tuition	9/6/17-6/22/18	\$9,200.00 Full time Regular Ed

081617-B-7 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve payment to Willis of New Jersey, Inc. for Business Public Official Bond, for the period of 6/30/17 to 6/30/18 in the amount of \$1,444.00.

081617-B-8 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve payment to Burton Agency, for the renewal policy, for Treasurer of School Moneys, for the period of 6/30/17 to 6/30/18 in the amount of \$720.00

081617-B-9 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the following special education tuition contract for the school year 17/18:

Student ID	Attending	Date	Tuition	Aide Support
10656	Roxbury- Nixon Tides	9/7/17-6/30/18	\$38,536.00	27,990.00

081617-B-10 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the contract with Bayada Nurses, Inc. to provide substitute nursing services, as needed, for the 2017-2018 school year at an hourly rate of \$60.00 for registered nursing services.

081617-B-11 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve a Joint Transportation agreement between Roxbury Board of Education and the Mount Arlington Board of Education for the 2017-2018 school year, in the amount of \$249,000.00 plus a 4% administrative fee, (12 public routes, RHS late routes included).

081617-B-12 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education amend motion 072017-B-10 that was tabled at the July 26, 2017 board meeting and approve the 2017-2018 new bus routes and their associated costs provided by the Educational Services Commission of Morris County in the amount of \$358,000.00 as stated in the bid opening on August 15, 2017.

081617-B-13 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the delayed opening schedule from 90 minutes to 2 hours to coincide with Roxbury School District's delayed opening schedule.

Motions 081617-B-1 through 081617-B-11 and 081617-B-13

Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Absent 1 Abstain

Motion 081617-B-12

Roll Call: 0 Yes 5 No 1 Absent 1 Abstain

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Ms. Rowland reviewed the motions before the Board as shown on the agenda.

PERSONNEL:

Motions 081617-S-1 through 081617-S-4 and 081617-S- 9 and 081617-S-10 were moved by Mrs. Cangiano seconded by Mrs. Byrne.

081617-S-1 RESOLVED to approve the following faculty advisors for the 2017-2018 school year with stipends being paid according to the rates listed on Schedule B of the approved 2015-2018 Mount Arlington Education Association Contract:

AM (EMD) Monitor	Kate Scarmozzino
PM (EMD) Monitor	Lauren Alexander
Eighth Grade Advisors	Andrea D'Arco/Susan Longo (shared stipend)
Teachers In Charge	Christina Buckley/MAPS and Lauren Alexander/Decker
Athletic Coordinator	Andrea Danysh
Boys' Basketball Advisor	Christopher Merker
Girls' Basketball Advisor	John Obermiller
Girls' Assistant Basketball	Kara Kelly
Boys' Soccer Advisor	Paul Gonzalez
Asst.Boys' Soccer Advisor	Kara Kelly
Girls' Soccer Advisor	Tanya Occhiuzzo
Asst. Girls' Soccer Advisor	Megan Hahn
Girls' Softball Advisor	John Obermiller
Asst. Girls' Softball Advisor	Paul Gonzalez
Cheerleading Advisor	Tanya Occhiuzzo
Intramural Baseball	Christopher Merker
Yearbook Advisor	Kaitlyn Cascio

Before School Band Michael Aberback
 Before School Choir Emilie Radkovich

081617-S-2 RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Sheri Distasi, teacher at MA Level Step 9, effective September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (Note: Approval is based upon receipt of State approved background check and certification).

081617-S-3 RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, the individual as listed below be approved as an Anti-Bullying Specialist for the Mount Arlington School District for the 2017-2018 school year.

The School Anti-Bullying Specialist shall:

1. Chair the School Safety Team as provided in N.J.S.A. 18A:37-21;
2. Lead the investigation of incidents of harassment, intimidation, or bullying in the school; and
3. Act as the primary school official responsible for preventing, identifying, and addressing incidents of harassment, intimidation, or bullying in the school.

Name	School
Mrs. Jennifer Ochoa	Edith M. Decker School
Mrs. Jennifer Ochoa	Mount Arlington School

081617-S-4 RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, the individual as listed below be approved as an Anti-Bullying Coordinator for the Mount Arlington School District for the 2017-2018 school year.

The District Anti-Bullying Coordinator shall:

1. Be responsible for coordinating and strengthening the school district’s policies to prevent identify, and address harassment, intimidation, or bullying of pupils;
2. Collaborate with School Anti-Bullying Specialist(s) in the district, the Board of Education, and the Superintendent to prevent, identify, and respond to harassment, intimidation, or bullying of pupils in the district;
3. Provide data, in collaboration with the Superintendent, to the Department of Education regarding harassment, intimidation, or bullying of pupils;
4. Execute such other duties related to school harassment, intimidation, or bullying as requested by the Superintendent; and
5. Meet at least twice a school year with the school Anti-Bullying Specialist(s) to discuss and strengthen procedures and policies to prevent, identify, and address harassment, intimidation, and bullying in the district.

Name	District
Mrs. Christina Buckley	Mount Arlington School District

081617-S-9 RESOLVED to amend the total hours for Nicole Malakuskie in motion 062017-S-21 to a total of up to 20 hours.

081617-S-10 RESOLVED to approve maternity leave for Denise Kaltreider to commence on November 27, 2017 through March 11, 2018.

Roll Call: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent

Curriculum/Policy

Motion 081617-S-5 through 081617-S-8 moved by Mr. Roland seconded by Mr. Decena.

081617-S-5 RESOLVED to approve the Mount Arlington Emergency and Crisis Management Plan as on file in the Superintendent's and Principal's Offices.

081617-S-6 RESOLVED to approve the Mount Arlington School District's 2017-2018 School Nursing Plan and Standing Orders, as on file in Mount Arlington School and Edith M. Decker School nurses' offices and the Superintendent's office. (Please note these orders were signed by the school physician).

081617-S-7 RESOLVED that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve all current curricula for the 2017-2018 school year.

081617-S-8 RESOLVED, to approve the following Parent/Teacher Conference days/evenings for the 2017-2018 school year:
Monday, November 13th – Day Conferences – Early Dismissal for Students
Tuesday, November 14th – Evening Conferences – Early Dismissal for Students and Staff
Wednesday, November 15th - Day Conferences - Early Dismissal for Students
Thursday, November 16th - Evening Conferences - Early Dismissal for Students and Staff

❖ Fire/Emergency Drills (conducted with the Mount Arlington Police Department) for the Month of July, 2017 were as follows:

- MAPS and Decker Fire Drills
- MAPS and Decker Reverse Evacuation Drills

Roll Call: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance- No report
- B. Personnel- No report
- C. Buildings & Grounds- No report
- D. Curriculum/Policy- No report
- E. Negotiations- No report
- F. Town Council- No report
- G. PTA- No report

Delegate to Roxbury BOE- Mrs. Byrne reported

Delegate to NJ School Boards- No report

Delegate to MC School Boards- No report

Delegate to ESC of Morris County- No report

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board of Education confirmed the Board Retreat on August 30, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Mount Arlington School. Reminder to the Board members October 23rd through October 26th is the NJSBA conference.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Studint advised the Board about the TransOptions' Annual Recognition Breakfast on September 28, 2017 at 8AM-10AM at the Meadow Wood Manor. Ms. Julie Crawford will be honored as Educator of the Year.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

It was moved by Mrs. Studint and seconded by Mrs. Byrne that the Mount Arlington Board of Education move to Closed Session at 8:00 PM, to discuss certain personnel and legal matters, regarding salary adjustment, transportation policy, and the PILOT district: with 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 personnel and 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 Mrs. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Decena that the meeting return to open session at 8:38 P.M., with all in attendance in favor and none opposed.

Roll Call: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent

August 16, 2017

ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Decena and seconded by Mr. Roldan that the public meeting be adjourned.
Unanimously carried at 8:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tonya Flowers
Board Secretary