

**MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2015
BOARD ROOM
MINUTES**

Board: President, Kathryn Chandless. Vice President, Matthew Bilker, Robert Sack, Leonard Altieri, Barbara Harvey, Matthew Catania, Atsuh J. Baker, Matthew DeNucci, Nicholas Reynolds

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire (Not in attendance)

Administration: Dr. Carol Cary, Dr. Connie Bompadre, Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Mr. Jim Orwig

Press: 0

Audience: 4

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Chandless called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Catania led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Bilker, Mr. Catania, Mrs. Chandless, Mr. DeNucci, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Sack

6 Board members present

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mrs. Chandless asked for a motion to accept the agenda, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

There were changes to the agenda as per the HR Agenda Addendum

Addition & Changes: Appointments
Professional
Classified appointments

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

NONE

6. WE ARE PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

NONE

7. COMMENDATIONS

NONE

8. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

NONE

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

NONE

10. SECRETARY'S MINUTES

NONE

11. OTHER REPORTS

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the Independent Provider Contract with Marvin Rosen, Ph. D. to provide Behavioral Health/Mental Health services to students in the Marple Newtown School District one (1) day per week, through the Office of Pupil Services.

Motion made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the Independent Provider Contract with Edward Freed, Ph. D. to provide Behavioral Health/Mental Health services to students in the Marple Newtown School District through the Office of Pupil Services.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. DeNucci

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the Letter of Agreement between Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems and Marple Newtown School District for intervention services, consultation/technical assistance, liaison, assessment and other appropriate agency services in support of the Student Assistance Program (SAP). This contract is in effect for one (1) year from September 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve Dr. Carol Cary, Superintendent, to attend the PASA New Superintendents' Academy Parts I, II and III in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on July 22 and July 23, 2015, September 15 and September 16, 2015, January 13 and January 14, 2016. The cost to the District is \$687.00 for registration. The estimated cost for lodging, mileage and meals is \$770.00.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

12. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

12.01 Committee Report – Leonard B. Altieri, III, Chairperson

12.02 Materials

In the absence of Mr. Altieri, Mrs. Chandless asked for the following motions.

Mrs. Chandless asked for a motion to approve and authorize an agreement with Pearson Education, Inc. in the amount of \$58,420.85 for a five-year purchase of K-5 enVision MATH consumable packets. The total cost for this agreement will be paid over two years as follows: \$29,210.43 due by September 30, 2015 and \$29,210.42 due by September 30, 2016. The term of this agreement will save the District approximately \$84,000.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

After a brief discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – Matthew J. Bilker, Chairperson

13.02 Resignations

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional resignations item(s) 1 and 2.

1) Marianna Gazzara - Spanish Teacher

Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 25, 2015
Reason: Personal

- 2) Kristen Jimenez – Gifted Education Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: August 28, 2015
Reason: Personal

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Catania

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified resignations item(s) 1 through 4.

- 1) William Lessig – Bus Driver
Transportation
Effective: June 29, 2015
Reason: Personal
- 2) Amy Fosco – Non-Instructional Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Effective: June 30, 2015
Reason: Personal
- 3) Rodney Simmons – Custodian (part-time)
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: July 10, 2015
Reason: Personal
- 4) Ann Gullburg – Food Service Worker II
DCIU
Effective: July 15, 2015
Reason: Personal

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. DeNucci

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.03 Leaves

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional leaves, item(s) 1.

- 1) Jennifer Gossman - School Psychologist
Russell Elementary School

Effective: October 5, 2015 through April 18, 2016
Reason: Child Rearing Leave

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.04 Return from Leave

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified return from leave item(s) 1.

- 1) Barbara Manton - Custodian
Marple Newtown High School
Return Date: July 20, 2015
Returning from: Medical Leave Without Pay

Motion made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.05 Position Creation

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the creation of (3) Part Time Bus Drivers, in accordance with current MNNIEA agreement, effective for the 2015-2016 school year.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.06 Appointments

AMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following administrative appointment, item 1.

- 1) Christian Jaspersen – Assistant Principal
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$94,000.00 (pro-rated)
Effective: August 1, 2015
Reason: Replacing Dennis Reardon (reassigned to Russell Principal position)

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional appointments, item(s) 1 through 4 as amended.

- 1) Sophia Raptis - Elementary Teacher
Russell Elementary School
Salary: \$42,646.00 - BA-Step 1
Effective: September 1, 2015
Reason: Replacing Lindsay Kiefer (resignation)

- 2) Ashley Nuss – LTS Elementary Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$42,646.00
Effective: September 1, 2015 through and including June 22, 2016
Reason: Replacing Geraldine Goebel (Medical Leave without pay)

- 3) Kathryn Eierman – Mid-Level Science Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$42,646.00 - BA-Step 1
Effective: September 1, 2015
Reason: Replacing Kelly Dougherty (Reassigned to Culbertson Elementary)

- 4) Melissa Santangelo – LTS Math Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$42,646.00 (pro-rated) BA-Step 1
Effective: September 1, 2015 through and including January 20, 2016
Reason: Replacing Emily Speer (Child Rearing Leave)

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. DeNucci

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified appointments, item(s) 1 through 15.

- 1) Violette DeSantis – Office Assistant
Loomis Elementary School
Salary: \$11,930.00
Effective: September 8, 2015
Replacing: Diane Kiewel (Resignation)

- 2) Carla Vastine – Title I Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Salary: \$15.10 per hour
Effective: September 8, 2015
Replacing: Andrea Zebert (Retirement)
- 3) Stephanie Byers – LTS Classroom Assistant
Worrall Elementary School
Salary: \$10,786.00 (pro-rated)
Effective: September 8, 2015 through and including
December 4, 2015
Replacing: Katherine Panczer (Personal Leave Without Pay)
- 4) Miranda Cekani – Custodian (Full-Time)
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$15.49 per hour
Effective: September 8, 2015
Replacing: Issac Fuller (Resignation)
- 5) Ashely Dreyer – Custodian (Part-Time)
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$15.49 per hour
Effective: September 8, 2015
Replacing: Rodney Simmons (Resignation)
- 6) Bruce Megonegal – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: August 26, 2015
Replacing: Jacob Reiger (Resignation)
- 7) Donna Cariola – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: July 22, 2015
Replacing: SheriLynn Jernegan (Resignation)
- 8) Robert Uff – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: July 22, 2015
Replacing: William Lessig (Resignation)
- 9) Patrice McCall – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: July 22, 2015
Replacing: William Meehan (Retirement)
- 10) Lisa Baker – Bus Driver
Transportation

Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: July 22, 2015
Replacing: John Keller (Retirement)

11) Bruce Garner – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: August 26, 2015
Replacing: Jill Pittenger (Reassignment)

12) Charles Jackson – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: July 22, 2015
Replacing: Catherine Abrams (Retirement)

13) Thomas Rankin – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: August 26, 2015
Reason: New position

14) Marianne Gorman – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: August 26, 2015
Reason: New position

15) Stephen DiCecco – Bus Driver
Transportation
Salary: \$23.97 per hour
Effective: August 26, 2015
Reason: New position

Motion made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Sack

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.07 Salary Adjustments

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the 2015-2016 ACT 93 salary changes effective July 1, 2015.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.08 ACA Track Consulting Services

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the agreement (pending Solicitor review) between Marple Newtown School District and ACA Track for automated PPACA Compliance and ITS Reporting. The one year proposed contract is in the estimated amount of \$12,000.00.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.09 Supplementary Contract

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following supplemental resignation, item(s) 1.

- 1) Kristen Bond – JV Girls' Volleyball
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: July 2, 2015
Reason: Personal

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following supplemental appointments, item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) Judy Cacciola – 2nd Asst Cheerleading
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$2430.00 (The amount of the contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated contract)
Effective: 2015-2016 School Year
Reason: Replaces Kelsey Mislanovich
- 2) Brendan Bradley - 7th Grade Assistant, Boys' Soccer
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$2,170.00 (The amount of the contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated contract)
Effective: 2015-2016 School Year
Reason: Replaces Justin Manno
- 3) Margaret Brennan - 7th Grade Assistant, Girls' Soccer
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$1,870.00 (The amount of the contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated contract)
Effective: 2015-2016 School Year
Reason: Replaces Justin Manno

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

13.10 Other

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the third addendum to the employment contract between the Board of School Directors of the Marple Newtown School District and Joseph Driscoll, Business Administrator, effective July 1, 2015.

Motion made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

14. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

14.01 Committee Report – A. J. Baker, Chairperson

In the absence of Mr. Baker, Mrs. Chandless asked for the following motions.

14.02 Bills for Payment

Mrs. Chandless asked for a motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$2,434,163.36.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion was passed 6 – 0

14.03 Transfers and Monthly Reports

Mrs. Chandless asked for a motion to approve monthly financial reports for May 2015. Treasurer's Report for June 2015, and Budget Transfers for June 2015.

Informational item monthly financial reports for June 2015.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 6 – 0

15. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

NONE

16. DELAWARE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT

NONE

17. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

NONE

18. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

NONE

19. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

NONE

20. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

NONE

21. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business for the Board, Mrs. Chandless adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM

Respectfully submitted

**Joseph Driscoll
Board Secretary**