

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting

Marple Newtown High School – Auditorium

AGENDA

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

____ Alberti ____ Bilker ____ Chandless ____ Dezzi ____ Harvey
____ McKenzie ____ Reynolds ____ Siano ____ Tomasco

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: To accept the agenda, as presented.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

6. WE ARE PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

7. COMMENDATIONS

8. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

10. SECRETARY'S MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the May 25, 2021 Regular Meeting.

11. OTHER REPORTS

MOTION: To approve the agreement between the Delaware County Intermediate Unit and the Marple Newtown School District to provide Hearing and Language Services for Student No. 881852 and Student No. 882420 during Extended School Year, Summer 2021 at a cost not to exceed \$1,664.40.

MOTION: To approve the agreement between the Delaware County Intermediate Unit and the Marple Newtown School District to provide Vision Services for Student No. 884449 during Extended School Year, Summer 2021 at a cost not to exceed \$411.25.

MOTION: To approve the Agreement between the school district and Maria Togli, Ed. D., a certified school psychologist, to provide psychological/mental health/behavioral services to school students attending district and out of district schools. This is not a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the agreement with Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems for the 2021-2022 school year. This agreement is for intervention services, consultation/technical assistance, liaison, assessment and other appropriate agency services in support of the Student Assistance Program (SAP). This is not a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the Trust Agreement between the District and parents/guardians for Student No. 881115. This is a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 803838 to attend Approved Private School for Extended School Year Summer 2021. This is not a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 804035 to attend Approved Private School for Extended School Year Summer 2021. This is not a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 803897 to attend Approved Private School for Extended School Year Summer 2021. This is not a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 804444 to attend Approved Private School for Extended School Year Summer 2021. This is not a new agreement.

- MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 881337 to attend Private School for the 2021-2022 School Year. This is not a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the proposed Agreement with EDU Healthcare, a staffing agency the District uses to fill various positions for students attending ESY. This is a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 600001 to attend Private School for the 2021-2022 School Year. This is a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the Agreement with Pediatric Services of America, LLC, a staffing agency used to fill various positions such as nurses or PCAs for students placed out of district. This is not a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the Agreement with Epic Health Services (PA), a staffing agency used to fill various positions such as nurse or PCSs for students placed out of district. This is not a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the Agreement with Pennhurst Group, LLC, a staffing agency used to fill various positions such as nurses or PCAs for students placed out of district. This is not a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for the following students to attend Approved Private School for Extended School Year Summer 2021. This is not a new agreement.
- Student No. 803834
Student No. 880070
Student No. 870063
Student No. 870001
Student No. 881002
Student No. 880353
Student No. 600033
Student No. 804286
- MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 881384 to attend Approved Private School for Extended School Year Summer 2021. This is not a new agreement.
- MOTION: To approve the Independent Provider Contract with Julie Migatz, Certified School Psychologist, to provide therapeutic support services for Behavioral Health Services at Marple Newtown High School and Paxton Hollow Middle School. This is a new contract.
- MOTION: To approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 883819 to attend Private School for the 2021-2022 school year. This is not a new agreement.

MOTION: To approve the agreement between the Marple Newtown School District and Jeffrey Bomze, MD, to provide medically related services, including ACCESS submissions and prescription overview, to students attending District schools from July 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021. This is a renewal contract with Dr. Bomze.

MOTION: To approve the Settlement Agreement and Release In Lieu of Fape between the District and the parents of Student No. 881014 for the 2021-2022 school year. This is not a new agreement.

12. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

12.01 Committee Report – Nicholas V. Siano, Chairperson

12.02 PSBA Policy Review and Update Service Contract

MOTION: To approve the contract between the Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) and Marple Newtown School District for the policy review and update service at a cost of \$6,800.00.

12.03 Emergency Instructional Time Template

MOTION: To approve the Emergency Instructional Time Template for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented, for submission to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE).

12.04 Flexible Instructional Day Plan

MOTION: To approve the Flexible Instructional Day Plan, as presented.

12.05 Marple Newtown School District Health and Safety Plan

MOTION: To approve the Marple Newtown School District Health and Safety Plan effective June 23, 2021 through the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

12.06 Administrative Trip

MOTION: To approve Gina Ross, Director of Pupil Services, to attend the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) Conference virtually from June 23 to June 25, 2021. The cost of the conference is \$149.00. The total cost to the District is \$149.00.

12.07 Trips

MOTION: To approve Chris Gicking, Athletic Director/Football Coach, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School Football Team to Camp at Lebanon Valley College in Annville, Pennsylvania from July 17 to July 20, 2021. The cost of transportation is \$400.00. The cost of the camp is \$375.00 per student, paid by the students. The total cost to the District is \$400.00.

MOTION: To approve Jake Olimpi, teacher/Band Director, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School Marching Band to Camp Canadensis in Canadensis, Pennsylvania from August 26 to August 30, 2021. The students will learn the field show drill, visuals and music. The cost of transportation is \$750.00. The cost of the camp is \$350.00 per student paid by the students. The total cost to the District is \$750.00.

MOTION: To approve Chris Gicking, Athletic Director/Football Coach, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School Football Team to travel to Carey Stadium in Ocean City, New Jersey, on August 27, 2021 to participate in the 1st Annual Battle at the Beach. The cost of transportation is \$590.00. The total cost to the District is \$590.00.

MOTION: To approve Kimberly Foster, Cheerleading Coach, to accompany the high school cheerleaders to travel to Cheer Camp at Chestnut Lake in Beach Lake, Pennsylvania from August 22 to August 25, 2021. The cost of transportation is \$30.00 per student athlete, paid by the students. The cost of the camp is \$300.00 per student athlete, paid by the students. There is no cost to the District.

12.08 Club

MOTION: To approve the GSA (Gender and Sexuality Alliance), also known as Gay Straight Alliance Club at Paxon Hollow Middle School. The purpose of this club is to create a safe, welcoming and accepting school environment for all youth, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation. The club advisor is Samantha Grimes-Scott.

12.09 Donations

MOTION: To accept the Loomis PTO donation of \$720.00 to purchase three (3) additional Blue Ribbon light-post banners (including all hardware) to add to the display in the Loomis bus loop. The banners will be hung by the Operations Department.

MOTION: To accept the Marple Newtown High School Class of 1969 donation of an Autumn Blaze Maple tree at a cost of \$500.00. The tree will be planted by our grounds crew in the Fall on the high school grounds at a place to be determined. They will also be placing a personalized plaque at the base of the tree, Marple Newtown Class of 1969.

MOTION: To accept a \$5,000.00 donation from Rafferty Subaru to Loomis Elementary School through the Adopt-A-Classroom program.

12.10 Dual Enrollment

MOTION: To approve 2021-2022 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for dual enrollment between Marple Newtown School District and Delaware County Community College.

12.11 Instructional Technology

MOTION: To approve a one-year contract with Edmentum, as presented, and subject to the review and approval of final language by the Solicitor. This instructional technological resource will be used for our cyber school program and for all students who choose to attend school virtually for 2021-2022 school year. The cost of this contract will not exceed \$150,000 and will be funded via the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) funds.

13. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – John P. McKenzie, Chairperson

13.02 Retirements

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the following professional retirement(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Rachel McCarron – Family and Consumer Science Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 22, 2021
Reason: Retirement

CLASSIFIED

MOTION: To approve the following classified retirement(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Mindy Zaleta – Food Service Worker II
Food Services Department/Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 9, 2021
Reason: Retirement
- 2) Susan Wienckowski – Principal's Secretary
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: September 3, 2021
Reason: Retirement

13.03 Terminations

CLASSIFIED

MOTION: To approve the following classified termination(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Jamie Heppler – Summer Maintenance Assistant
Operations Department
Effective: May 26, 2021
Reason: Failed to complete necessary employment procedures
- 2) Charles Miller – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Effective: June 16, 2021
Reason: Deceased

13.04 Resignations

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the following professional resignation(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Nicole Strickler – Special Education Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: June 22, 2021
Reason: Resignation

CLASSIFIED

MOTION: To approve the following classified resignation(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Brittany Oliva – Food Service Worker I
Food Services Department/Worrall Elementary School
Effective: May 17, 2021
Reason: Resignation
- 2) Peter Balzano – Security Personnel
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 17, 2021
Reason: Resignation

13.05 Leaves

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the following professional leave(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Emily Lovitz – Gifted Support Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: August 30, 2021 through and including October 10, 2021
Reason: FMLA: August 30, 2021 through and including October 10, 2021
- 2) Kelly Giano – Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: October 11, 2021 through and including January 7, 2022
Reason: Medical: October 11, 2021 through and including November 19, 2021
FMLA: October 11, 2021 through and including January 7, 2022

13.06 Return From Leave

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the following professional return from leave(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Jean Dingle– Science Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Return Date: July 1, 2021
Returning from: Sabbatical for Restoration of Health

CLASSIFIED

MOTION: To approve the following classified return from leave(s) item(s) 2.

- 1) Vera Kostyukov – Custodian (part-time)
Operations Department/Culbertson Elementary School
Return date: July 1, 2021
Returning from: Uncompensated medical leave
- 2) Donald Beese – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Return date: July 6, 2021
Returning from: Uncompensated medical leave

13.07 Position Reduction/Abolishment

Act 93 Confidential Employees

MOTION: To approve the abolishment of the following confidential employee positions effective June 30, 2021:

One (1) Benefits Analyst (Human Resources Department)
One (1) Coordinator of Food Services (Food Services Department)

13.08 Position Creation

ADMINISTRATIVE

MOTION: To approve the creation of one (1) Administrator of Employee Programs and Compliance Position as presented, in accordance with the current MNAA Agreement, effective July 1, 2021.

MOTION: To approve the creation of one (1) Administrator of Federal Accounts and Grants Position as presented, in accordance with the current MNAA Agreement, effective July 1, 2021.

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the creation of one (1) Special Education Teaching position, in accordance with the current MNEA Agreement, effective for the 2021-2022 school year. Initial assignment for this new position will be at Paxon Hollow Middle School.

13.09 Appointments

ADMINISTRATIVE

MOTION: To approve the following administrative reappointment(s), item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Jennifer Canavan - Administrator of Employee Programs and Compliance
Human Resources Department
Salary: \$73,000.00
Effective: July 1, 2021
Replacing: Reassigned to new position (MNSD Board approved 6/22/2021)
- 2) Teresa Ferry - Administrator of Federal Accounts and Grants
Human Resources Department
Salary: \$60,000.00
Effective: July 1, 2021
Replacing: Reassigned to new position (MNSD Board approved 6/22/2021)

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the following professional appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 11.

- 1) Monica DiStefano – Special Education Teacher (Autistic Support program)
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$46,194.00 (BA; Step-2)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Nicole Strickler (Resignation)
- 2) Shannan Grant – Special Education Teacher (Autistic Support program)
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$48,902.00 (BA+24; Step-1)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Alyssa Galligan's assignment; Brittany Sanford's position (Resignation)
- 3) Megan Hoffman – School Nurse (0.5 position)
Pupil Services Department
Salary: \$23,055.00 (BA; Step-1 prorated at 0.5)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Mary Clement (Resignation)
- 4) Marina LaVecchio – Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Salary: \$46,194.00 (BA; Step-2)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Angela Matt (Retirement)
- 5) Sharren Juliano – Spanish Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$53,369.00 (MA; Step-1)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Thomas DiMeo (Retirement)
- 6) Samantha D'Amora – Speech & Language Therapist
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$61,422.00 (MA+20; Step-4)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Julie Long (Resignation)
- 7) Kristen DeNucci – Special Education Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$78,170.00 (MA+40; Step-10)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Cecile Matthews (Retirement)

- 8) Christine Moran – LTS Special Education Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Salary: \$53,369.00 (MA; Step-1 prorated)
Effective: August 30, 2021 through and including November 24, 2021
Replacing: Brittany Milia (FMLA/CRL)
- 9) Pamela Sola – LTS Special Education Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$46,109.00 (BA Step-1; prorated)
Effective: August 30, 2021 through and including February 1, 2022
Replacing: Rachel Gardner (FMLA/CRL)
- 10) Shaun Rabbit – Social Studies Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$53,369.00 (MA; Step-1)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Michelle McAlea (Resignation)
- 11) Rylee Power – Health and Physical Education Teacher (0.5)
Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$23,055.00 (BA Step-1; prorated @ 0.5)
Effective: August 30, 2021
Replacing: Robin Cohen (Reassigned)

CLASSIFIED

MOTION: To approve the following classified appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 6.

- 1) Yvonne Wilson - Bus Aide
Transportation Department
Salary: \$17.41 per hour
Effective: June 1, 2021
Replacing: New position (MNSD Board approved 10/27/2020)
- 2) Donald Vogelgesang – Summer Maintenance Assistant
Operations Department
Salary: \$10.00 per hour
Effective: May 26, 2021 through September 3, 2021
Reason: Additional summer maintenance assistance
- 3) Richard Small - Maintenance Worker
Operations Department
Salary: \$30.70 per hour
Effective: July 1, 2021
Replacing: New Position (MNSD Board approved 5/25/2021)

- 4) Marcus Weathers - Special Education Assistant
Pupil Services Department/Marple Newtown High School
Salary: \$15,746.00
Effective: September 8, 2021
Replacing: Julie Fruncillo (Resignation)
- 5) Liam Ferry – Classified Substitute
Operations Department
Salary: TDB by assignment
Effective: June 23, 2021
Reason: As Needed
- 6) Robert Gorman – Classified Substitute
Operations Department
Salary: TDB by assignment
Effective: June 23, 2021
Reason: As Needed

13.10 Transfers

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the professional transfers, effective for the 2021-2022 school year, item(s) 1 through 4:

Name	From	Assignment	To	Assignment
1. Ashley Cooper	PHMS	Emotional Support Teacher	Culbertson	Autistic Support Teacher
2. Alyssa Galligan	Culbertson	Autistic Support Teacher	Culbertson	Learning Support Teacher
3. Karen Pantle	PHMS	General Science Teacher	PHMS	Family & Con. Sci. Teacher
4. Danielle Gornish	PHMS	English Teacher	PHMS	Learning Support Teacher

13.11 Extended School Year (ESY) 2021

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following professional personnel for the 2021 ESY Program as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

CLASSIFIED

MOTION: To approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following classified personnel for the 2021 ESY Program as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

13.12 Summer Learning Program 2021

PROFESSIONAL

MOTION: To approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following professional personnel for the 2021 Summer Learning Program as attached. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

13.13 Tuition Reimbursement

MOTION: To approve the attached tuition reimbursement, in accordance with the MNEA, MNAA and MNESPA negotiated agreements.

13.14 Supplementary Contracts

MOTION: To approve the appointment of personnel to supplemental contracts for the 2021-2022 school year as attached. The amount of each contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated agreement.

13.15 Act 93 Confidential Employees Agreement

MOTION: To approve the Marple Newtown Act 93 Confidential Employees Agreement, as presented, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

13.16 Marple Newtown Administrative Agreement

MOTION: To approve the Marple Newtown Administrative Agreement, as presented, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

14. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

14.01 Committee Report – Kathryn V. Chandless, Chairperson

14.02 Bills for Payment

MOTION: To approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,454,560.73, Capital Reserve Fund bills in the amount of \$9,987.50, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$680,496.15. Note: There are no Capital Fund bills this month.

14.03 Monthly Reports

MOTION: To approve the monthly financial report for April 2021, Treasurer's Report for April 2021, and Budget Transfers for June 2021.

Informational item monthly financial report for May 2021.

MOTION: To authorize the Business Administrator, to release checks for payment during the months of July and August, as needed.

14.04 2021-2022 Final Budget Adoption

MOTION: To adopt the 2021-2022 General Fund Budget for the Marple Newtown School District in the amount of \$96,450,000.00.

MOTION: To adopt the 2021 Annual Tax Levy Resolution, as presented.

MOTION: To approve the 2021 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution, as presented.

14.05 Tax Assessment Appeal

MOTION: To authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on folio 30-00-01635-53 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

2021 \$1,500,000 assessment/\$1,500,000 fair market value

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$288,600 below the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$3,085 to our District for tax year 2021.

MOTION: To authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on folio 30-00-02456-06 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

2021 \$850,000 assessment/\$850,000 fair market value

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$140,180 below the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$1,498 to our District for the tax year 2021.

14.06 Designation of Depositories

MOTION: To approve the following Financial Institutions for the 2021-2022 fiscal year as required by School Code:

TD Bank
Pennsylvania Local Investment Government Trust (PLGIT)
Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)

14.07 Fund Balance

MOTION: To commit and/or assign a portion of the audited general fund balance as of June 30, 2021, towards future state retirement system (PSERS) costs, food service, capital purchases and improvements, capital reserve and future real estate tax reductions or other unforeseen needs.

15. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

15.01 Committee Report – Nicholas J. Reynolds, Sr., Chairperson

There are no Facilities and Transportation Committee items for this agenda.

16. DELAWARE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT

17. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

18. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

19. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

20. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

21. ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Tuesday	August 3, 2021	Budget and Finance	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	August 3, 2021	Facilities and Transportation	Following the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting
Tuesday	August 3, 2021	Curriculum, Instruction and Technology	Following the Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting
Tuesday	August 3, 2021	Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	August 24, 2021	Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: All Committee Meetings and Regular Board Meetings are held in the Board Room at the Marple Newtown School District Administration Building.

The Human Resources Committee meets at the Marple Newtown School District Administration Building in Rooms 205-206.