

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Marple Newtown School District Board Room
Minutes

Board: Mrs. Tracy Alberti, Mr. Matthew Bilker, President, Mr. David Dezzi, Mrs. Barbara Harvey, Vice President, Mr. Anthony Maalouf, Mr. John McKenzie, Mr. Nicholas Reynolds, Mr. Nicholas Siano, Mrs. Desiree Tomasco

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Joel DiBartolomeo, Mr. Joe Driscoll, Mr. Jim Orwig, Dr. Gina Ross

Press: 0

Audience: 8

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Bilker called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM and advised that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Legal matters.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Dezzi led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. PRESENT

Mr. Bilker, Mr. Dezzi, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Maalouf, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Siano, Mrs. Tomasco

7 members present

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Billker asked for a motion to accept the agenda, as presented.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

There was none

6. WE ARE PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

Dr. Kane reported the following:

This past Saturday, the Tiger Marching Band performed their 2022 program “A Star’s End” for the final time. Congratulations to all members for their 3rd place finish in the Yankee Open Division of the Cavalcade of Bands State Championships!

Newtown Township Supervisors, MNSD administrators officially unveiled a community mural at Drexel Lodge Park with the team of elementary art teachers and students responsible for its creation. Andrea Mogck (Worrall Elementary), Kimberly Trigone (Loomis Elementary), Jill Bialy (Culbertson Elementary), and Liza Spratt (Russell Elementary) spent the last two years transposing fourth and fifth graders' art work onto the mural...by hand! Most of the students who participated are now 6th and 7th graders at Paxon Hollow Middle School. This district-wide mural project provided a wonderful opportunity for the students and their teachers to showcase how talented and artistic they are.

7. **COMMENDATIONS**

PSBA Honor Roll for Eight Years of Service

I am pleased to honor Mr. Matt Bilker and Mr. Nick Reynolds this evening.

On behalf of the Pennsylvania School Board Association, it is my pleasure to honor two of our School Board Directors for their eight years of service. As the first school boards association in the United States, PSBA has a rich history, with more than 125 years of service.

The consummate school directors are described as ethical, principled individuals with a deep desire to serve. They believe in the value of our public schools and local control of public education for the benefit of all students.

Today, school districts are expected to offer more services, along with world class instruction, with limited resources. These expectations provide a tremendous challenge for School Directors – unpaid volunteers who dedicate their time to the schools and communities they serve.

Congratulation Mr. Bilker and Mr. Reynolds.

Bell Presentation to Matt DeNucci

- Sworn in as a School Board Director on December 2, 2013
- Served on the Board from December 2013 through April 2020
- Served on Budget and Finance and Facilities and Transportation
- Served as Legal Oversight
- School Liaison to Culbertson Elementary
- Worked with four Superintendents
- Oversight on multiple capital projects to include Loomis, Culbertson, and athletic fields

Several Board members thanked Mr. DeNucci for his contribution and time to the school community.

8. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT**

Mr. D'Angelo and Ms. Brennan gave the following report:

- MN Powderpuff Football game is taking place on November 17th
- Most indoor sports for the 2022-2023 season begin on November 18th
- The annual Turkey Bowl will be held on November 23rd

- Class of 2025 is holding 2 fundraisers ~ every Monday in November Roz and Rocco's is donating 15% of their proceeds to their class and Casa Pizza cookie dough fundraiser orders are due November 22nd
- Deadline for ordering yearbooks is November 24th
- MNHS PAC (Performing Arts Center) is presenting Clue on stage December 8th, 9th, and 10th. Tickets will be sold for \$10.00
- Marple is partnering with Loomis Elementary for their 15th annual Pajamas and New Book drive until November 22nd
- Parent Teacher conferences begin next week
- The annual Kan Jam tournament will take place on November 23rd
- On November 23rd Mini-THON is raising money for pediatric cancer at a fundraiser at MOD pizza. Registration for this year Mini-THON has opened. The event will be on March 3rd.
- Student Council is raising money to purchase Holiday gifts for families within the district community through adopt-a-child
- High Q-Team started practice last week. The regular season starts in December
- The Band traveled to Hershey to perform for the championships. They placed 3rd out of 5 schools in their division

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Kane gave the following report:

The MNHS art students and teachers were honored at a Superintendent's Art Recognition Event. The students' beautiful artwork is on display in the Board Room.

The MNHS winter sports has begun. Many fall sports teams have held their end of season banquets.

MNHS will hold a Pep Rally on Friday for mini-thon.

PHMS has begun the food drive for the annual Turkey Trot.

PHMS students have been practicing for their upcoming annual Talent Show on Wednesday, November 23rd.

Worrall School honored veterans with a video where each grade contributed by singing patriotic songs.

Worrall School is also hosting their book fair this week.

The 2nd graders at Russell School performed a musical presentation of patriotic songs honoring veterans who were in attendance.

The students at Culbertson Elementary School have been collecting candy for local homeless families. Over the years the Culbertson students have collected over 200 pounds of candy. This year the students are looking to beat the 240 pounds that were collected last year. The 5th Grade Ambassadors have done a tremendous job assisting with the bagging and labeling of bags. The weighing will take place tomorrow afternoon. Thank you to the students, staff and families for their generous contributions.

Loomis School is preparing for their annual Tiger Trot (elementary version of a turkey trot) where the students will learn about a healthy heart, breathing techniques, and how to track their pulse.

Loomis has also begun their 15th Annual Pajama Drive! Students donate new pajamas and books to local children in need. Students learn why pajamas are so important for a good night's sleep; why it is important to help others, and how our donated pajamas benefit the recipients.

Fire Prevention Safety: Loomis, Russell, and Worrall participated in a fire prevention poster contest sponsored by Broomall Fire Company. One winner from each school will get a ride on a Broomall fire truck. A former Loomis student and MNHS graduate is the liaison.

10. SECRETARY'S MINUTES

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2022 Regular Meeting.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

11. OTHER REPORTS

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the Agreement Addendum with ProCare Therapy for the 2022-2023 school year. This is not a new contract.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the Service Proposal for AAC Coaching services to be provided by the Delaware County Intermediate Unit for the Speech and Language Therapists during the 2022-2023 school year.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a 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. 600029 during Extended School Year, Summer 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$266.17. This is not a new agreement.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 880704.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

	Read Transcript	Vote
Mr. Maalouf	Yes	Yes
Mrs. Tomasco	Yes	Yes
Mr. Siano	Yes	Abstain
Mrs. Harvey	Yes	Yes
Mr. Bilker	Yes	Yes
Mr. McKenzie	Yes	Yes
Mr. Dezzi	Yes	Yes

With no further discussion motion passed by Roll Call vote 6 – 0 – 1
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 884001.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

	Read Transcript	Vote
Mr. Dezzi	Yes	Yes
Mr. McKenzie	Yes	Yes
Mr. Bilker	Yes	Yes
Mrs. Harvey	Yes	Yes
Mr. Siano	Yes	Abstain
Mrs. Tomasco	Yes	Yes
Mr. Maalouf	Yes	No

With no further discussion motion passed by Roll Call vote 5 – 1 – 1
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 885019

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

	Read Transcript	Vote
Mr. Maalouf	Yes	Yes
Mrs. Tomasco	Yes	Yes
Mr. Siano	Yes	Abstain
Mrs. Harvey	Yes	Yes
Mr. Bilker	Yes	Yes
Mr. McKenzie	Yes	Yes
Mr. Dezzi	Yes	Yes

With no further discussion motion passed by Roll Call vote 6 – 0 – 1
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

Mrs. Tomasco asked for a motion to approve the proposed Adjudication of Student No. 880370.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Dezzi

	Read Transcript	Vote
Mr. Dezzi	Yes	Yes

Mr. McKenzie	Yes	Yes
Mr. Bilker	Yes	Yes
Mrs. Harvey	Yes	Yes
Mr. Siano	Yes	Abstain
Mrs. Tomasco	Yes	Yes
Mr. Maalouf	Yes	No

With no further discussion motion passed by Roll Call vote 5 – 1 – 1
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr., Reynolds

12. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

12.01 Committee Report – Nicholas V. Siano, Chairperson
Mr. Siano asked that the following trips be approved:

12.02 High School Club Trips

Motion to approve Dr. Killough to accompany the High School Model UN Club to travel to Hershey Lodge in Hershey, Pennsylvania from January 6 to January 8, 2023. The cost of transportation is \$90.00 per student, paid by the students. The cost of the activity is \$295.00 per student, paid by the students. There is no cost to the District.

Motion to approve Michael Snow to accompany the High School Ski and Outdoor Club to travel to Killington Mountain in Killington, Vermont from January 6 to January 8, 2023. The cost of transportation is \$150.00 per student, paid by the students. The cost of the activity is \$550.00 per student, paid by the students. There is no cost to the District.

Motion to approve Michael Snow to accompany the High School Ski and Outdoor Club to travel to Elk Mountain in Uniondale, Pennsylvania on January 28, 2023. The cost of transportation is \$25.00 per student paid, by the students. The cost of the activity is \$90.00 per student, paid by the students. There is no cost to the District.

Motion to approve Michael Snow to accompany the High School Ski and Outdoor Club to travel to Bear Creek in Macungie, Pennsylvania on February 10, 2023. The cost of transportation is \$25.00 per student, paid by the students. The cost of the activity is \$50.00 per student, paid by the students. There is no cost to the District.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

12.03 Athletic Trip

Mr. Siano asked for a motion to approve the High School Varsity Cheer Team to travel to Hershey, Pennsylvania from January 26 to January 28, 2023 to compete in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championship. The cost of transportation is \$543.28. The cost of registration and lodging is \$1,125.00. The total cost to the District is \$1668.28.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

12.04 Book Disposal

Mr. Siano asked for a motion to approve the disposal of books, as presented, from the Loomis Library that are outdated and in very poor condition even after multiple repairs, and have not been circulated for more than five years.

Motion was made by Mrs. Tomasco, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

12.05 Elevator Door Decal

Mr. Siano asked for a motion to approve the donation of elevator door decals to promote public service announcements for wellness and the side effects of vaping to be displayed on the elevator at Marple Newtown High School.

Motion was made by Mr. McKenzie, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0
Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

13. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – John P. McKenzie, Chairperson

Mr. McKenzie asked for the following motions be approved 13.02 through 13.09

13.02 Position Creation – temporary position

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the creation of one (1) LTS Teaching position, in accordance with the current MNEA Agreement, effective November 28, 2022 through June 21, 2023. This temporary teaching position will assist in providing day-to-day and/or long-term substitute assignments.

13.03 Retirement(s)

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified retirement(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) John Refsynder – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Effective: August 29, 2022
Reason: Retirement

13.04 Resignation(s)

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional resignation(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Scott Leahan – School Psychologist

Loomis Elementary School
Effective: December 22, 2022
Reason: Resignation

- 2) Liza Atillasoy – English Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: November 11, 2022
Reason: Resignation

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified resignation(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Arkell Wise – Special Education Assistant
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: November 2, 2022
Reason: Resignation
- 2) Melissa Giello – Special Education Assistant
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: November 2, 2022
Reason: Resignation

13.05 Leave(s)

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional leave(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Nina DerHagopian – Special Education Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: December 5, 2022 through and including January 27, 2023
Reason: CRL: December 5, 2022 through and including
January 27, 2023
- 2) Catherine Green – Speech and Language Therapist
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: October 21, 2022 through and including
January 2, 2023
Reason: Medical: October 21, 2022 through and including
January 2, 2023
FMLA: October 21, 2022 through and including
January 2, 2023

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified leave(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Barbara Manton - Custodian
Operations Department/Marple Newtown High School
Effective: September 28, 2022 through and including
December 16, 2022
Reason: FMLA: September 28, 2022 through and including
December 16, 2022

13.06 Appointment(s)

Act 93 CONFIDENTIAL

Motion to approve the following confidential employee appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1.

- 1) Shannon Seonia - Administrative Assistant
Teaching and Learning Department
Salary: \$42,000.00 (prorated)
Effective: December 12, 2022
Replacing: Donna Reynolds (Retirement)

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the following professional appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 5.

- 1) Laine Iacovella - LTS Special Education Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$49,500.00 (BA; Step-1: prorated)
Effective: December 7, 2022 through February 3, 2023
Replacing: Nina DerHagopian (FMLA)
- 2) Susan Mackie – Homebound Instructor
Pupil Services Department
Salary: \$31.00 per hour
Effective: November 1, 2022
Reason: As needed
- 3) Ellen Logan – Substitute Nurse
Pupil Services Department
Salary: \$20.00 per hour
Effective: November 16, 2022
Reason: As needed
- 4) Alison Bishkoff – LTS Teacher
District-wide assignment
Salary: \$49,500.00 (BA; Step-1: prorated)
Effective: November 28, 2022 through June 21, 2023
Replacing: Teacher on assignment providing day-to-day and/or long-term substitute assignments.
- 5) Jennifer McKenzie - English Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$58,906.00 (MA; Step-3: prorated)
Effective: Start date contingent upon release from present employer
Replacing: Liza Atillasoy (Resignation)

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the following classified appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 10.

- 1) Michele Knowles – Classified Substitute
Food Services Department
Salary: TDB by assignment
Effective: October 26, 2022
Reason: As Needed
- 2) Carla Kleinschmidt - Principal's Secretary
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$28,667.00 (prorated)
Effective: January 3, 2023
Replacing: Deborah Johnson (Retirement)
- 3) Elizabeth Pro - Special Education Assistant
Pupil Services Department/Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$19,000.00 (prorated)
Effective: November 7, 2022
Replacing: Lisa Spencer (Resignation)
- 4) Louren Thomas-Francis - Bus Driver in Training
Transportation Department
Salary: \$18.38 per hour
Effective: November 29, 2022
Replacing: John Refsnyder (Retirement)
- 5) Dawn Pratt - Bus Driver in Training
Transportation Department
Salary: \$18.38 per hour
Effective: November 29, 2022
Replacing: James Myers (Termination)
- 6) Dawson Hillier- Bus Driver in Training
Transportation Department
Salary: \$18.38 per hour
Effective: November 29, 2022
Replacing: Kathleen Sondermann (Resignation)
- 7) Susan Geddes – LTS Secretary
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$26,671.00 (prorated)
Effective: November 9, 2022 through and including January 27, 2023
Replacing: Dawn Patton (Uncompensated Leave)
- 8) Drew McCone - Special Education Assistant
Pupil Services Department/Russell Elementary School
Salary: \$19,000.00 (prorated)
Effective: November 14, 2022
Replacing: Lauren Tedesco (Resignation)
- 9) Dave Glielmi - Bus Driver in Training
Transportation Department

Salary: \$18.38 per hour
 Effective: November 29, 2022
 Replacing: Mark Mullica (Resignation)

10) Ronald Berman - Bus Driver in Training
 Transportation Department
 Salary: \$18.38 per hour
 Effective: November 29, 2022
 Replacing: Blaine Vogel (Retirement)

13.07 Transfer(s)

CLASSIFIED

Motion to approve the classified transfers, effective for the 2022-2023 school year, item(s) 1 and 2:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
1. Biju Thomas	MNHS	Special Educ. Asst.	Culbertson	Spec. Educ. Asst.

13.08 Elementary Tutoring Program 2022-2023

PROFESSIONAL

Motion to approve the appointment, pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, of the following professional personnel for the 2022-2023 Elementary Tutoring Program, as presented. The staff will be used on an as-needed basis as determined by student enrollment and program needs.

13.09 Supplementary Contracts

Motion to approve the appointment of personnel to activity contracts for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented. The amount of each contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated agreement. In the event of any unforeseen related school closure or cessation of the particular activities which are the subject of each contract, these activities contracts are subject to suspension or cancellation, with payments due thereunder prorated for services actually provided.

Motions were made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0
 Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

14. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

14.01 Committee Report – Tracy A. Alberti, Chairperson

In the absence of Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Bilker asked for the following motions be approved:

14.02 Bills for Payment

Motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,460,712.23, Capital Reserve Fund bills in the amount of \$200.00, Capital Fund bills in the amount of \$3,257.52, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$115,309.50.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

14.03 Monthly Reports

Motion to approve the monthly financial reports for September 2022, Budget Transfers, and Treasurer's Report for September 2022.

Informational item monthly financial report for October 2022.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

14.04 Tax Appeal

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on folio 25-00-04902-43 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

2021	\$3,400,000 assessment/\$3,400,000 fair market value
2022	\$3,400,000 assessment/\$3,400,000 fair market value
2023	\$2,766,400 assessment/\$3,800,000 fair market value

This proposed resolution for tax year 2021 results in a \$1,050,490 increase above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$11,520 to our District for tax year 2021.

This proposed resolution for tax year 2022 results in a \$1,050,490 increase above the 2022 assessment and yields a tax dollar increase of approximately \$11,853 to our District for tax year 2022.

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on folio 25-00-05300-00 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

2022	\$4,500,000 assessment/\$4,500,000 fair market value
2023	\$3,399,760 assessment/\$4,670,000 fair market value

This proposed resolution for tax year 2022 results in a \$2,565,840 increase above the initially appealed from 2022 assessment and therefore yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$28,952 to our District for tax year 2022.

Motion to authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on folio 25-00-05298-06 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

2022	\$4,600,000 assessment/\$4,600,000 fair market value
2023	\$3,479,840 assessment/\$4,780,000 fair market value

This proposed resolution for tax year 2022 results in a \$2,531,520 increase above the initially appealed from 2022 assessment and therefore yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$28,565 to our District for tax year 2022.

Motions were made by Mr. McKenzie, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

14.05 Preliminary Budget 2023-2024

Motion to adopt the resolution, pursuant to Section 311 of Act 1, limiting the increase in the rate of tax for the 2023-2024 fiscal year to no more than the index of 4.1%, as established by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the School District.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

15. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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

In the absence of Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Bilker asked for the following motion be approved

15.02 Fence Installation at Russell Elementary School

Motion to approve Miller Flooring Company for the 6 ft. high 260 ft. long safety fence installed at Russell elementary school in the amount of \$20,900.00.

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

With no further discussion motion passed 7 – 0

Absent: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Reynolds

16. DELAWARE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT

There was none

17. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Mr. Maalouf gave the following report:

The Delegate Assembly of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association met on November 5th and adopted a platform for the 2023-2024 school year. Our district is already implementing many of these proposed priorities, such as prioritizing student mental health, continuing to lobby the state for funding for different educational programs and thus, giving students' options and flexibility and maintain the state standards in various aspects of educational administration. The platform addresses a wide range of topics from standardized testing to something to transportation, nutrition and policies as they relate to Charter Schools. It can be viewed at psba.org/psba-2023-legislative-platform/

18. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Mr. Bilker advised the Board and audience that the re-organization meeting will start at 5:30 PM on December 5, 2022.

19. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Several community members would like to thank the Board for an outstanding job on the lower fields. They are beautiful. The one thing that they would like to have looked at is the orange banner that was placed on the fencing and hope that they would consider removing that banner.

20. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Maalouf commented that we have heard from 2 families on Third Avenue, 2 families on Fourth Avenue, and I personally have visited a family on Second Avenue. We are at the end of an incredible project with our lower fields, but it's important to recognize, as I do after meeting with these families, that this was not smooth for everybody. I applaud our administration and our contractor for reaching out to these families and hope for an amicable resolution.

On a brighter note, I would like to recognize the owner of Roz and Rocco's, herself a former MN student and Student Council President, the former Ms. Christine Nigro, class of 2001. Ironical that the individual presenting the student report is a Student Council President, young Mr. DeAngelo.

21. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business for the Board, Mr. Bilker adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph Driscoll
Board Secretary