

**MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2014
BOARD ROOM
MINUTES**

Board: President, Kathryn Chandless, Vice President, Nancy Galbraith, Robert Sack, Leonard Altieri, Barbara Harvey, James Lanzalotto, Atsuh J. Baker, Sherry-Lee McAuliffe, Matthew DeNucci

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire

Administration: Dr. Merle Horowitz, Cr. Constance Bompadre, Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Mr. Michael Dumin

Press: 0

Audience: 15

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Chandless called the meeting to order at 6:52 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Altieri led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Leonard Altieri, Mr. A. J. Baker, Mrs. Kathryn Chandless, Mr. Matthew DeNucci, Mrs. Nancy Galbraith, Mrs. Barbara Harvey, Mr. James Lanzalotto (by phone), Mrs. Sherry-Lee McAuliffe, Mr. Robert Sack

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

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

Mrs. McAuliffe had additions to the agenda (see 13.02 Appointments ~ Administrative and Professional)

With no further discussion the Agenda was approved as amended.

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

None

12. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

None

13. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – Sherry-Lee McAuliffe, Chairperson

13.02 APPOINTMENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to table the following motion item 1.

1. Christopher Brown – Supervisor of Transportation
Administration Building
Salary: \$70,000.00
Effective: To be determined
Reason: Retirement of Laurinda Sweeney

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Baker
With not further discussion motion was tabled 8 – 1

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following administrative appointment,
item 2

2. Danielle Gallagher-Thompson-Confidential Executive Secretary
Administration Building – Human Resources
Salary: \$40,000.00

Effective: May 14, 2014
Reason: Replaces Janet Rote

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri
With no further discussion motion passed 9 – 0

PROFESSIONAL

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the following professional appointment, item 1

1. Josephine J. Dizon, Ed.D. – Supervisor of Science
Administration Building – Curriculum
Salary: \$96,000.00
Effective: July 1, 2014
Reason: Replaces Suzanne Mecouch

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Galbraith
With no further discussion motion passed 9 - 0

13.03 ACTIVITY CONTRACTS

APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. McAuliffe asked for a motion to approve the appointment of personnel to activity contracts for the 2014-2015 school year as attached. The amount of each contract is in accordance with the MNEA negotiated agreement.

Motion was made by Mrs. Galbraith, seconded by Mrs. Chandless
With no further discussion motion passed 9 - 0

14. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

None

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

A brief discussion regarding the concern of parents with Election Day and the safety of the schools. It was discussed that the Board Solicitor stated that the Board cannot make the decision to excuse the absence of the student. The Board indicated that they have taken extra steps to secure the buildings on Election Day. The concern about the Loomis building and the students not be able to make Leo Leopards because of an unexcused absence is like punishing the students. Dr. Horowitz will contact the Principal at Loomis.

Activity contracts – Did that motion include a Cross Country Coach – No it did not, but if the position is vacant it will be posted.

20. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

21. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business for the Board, Mrs. Chandless adjourned the meeting at 7:17 PM

Respectfully submitted

Mr. Joseph Driscoll
Board Secretary