

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BOROUGH OF MORRISVILLE  
Morrisville, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
Work Session—Monday, December 7, 2015  
Large Group Instruction Room  
Morrisville Intermediate/Senior High School

**This meeting was recorded for televising**

The regular monthly agenda meeting of the Morrisville Board of School Directors was held in the LGI Room located in the Morrisville Intermediate/Senior High School, 550 West Palmer Street, Morrisville, Pennsylvania on December 7, 2015, immediately following the Re-organization Meeting, after due notice of the meeting had been given as required by law. Mr. Miller, President, called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The following members were present:*

Messrs. Dingle, Perry, Stoneburner, Miller and Ms. Kartal, Ms. Getty and Ms. Grau

*Members absent:* Messrs. Colon and Gilleo

*Quorum Present:*

Also attending this evening's meeting was Mr. Michael Kopakowski, Superintendent; Mr. Michael Braun, Business Administrator; Ms. Felicity Hanks, Esq.; media, MEA representatives and members of the community.

Mr. Miller stated that the following areas will be covered at next week's Business Meeting:

**Student Spotlight**

*John Hubiak – Athletic Director*

*Denise Sacco – Varsity Girls Basketball Aria 3B Scholarship Winner*

**Reports**

- Student Representatives to the Board
- Bucks County Technical High School

## **ITEMS OF GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1.** SUPERINTENDENT/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS
  - This week in our Schools (Reports from Superintendent and Administration)
  - Enrollment Report

## **PUBLIC SESSION #1 (Agenda Items Only)**

There were no speakers for Public Session #1.

***Mr. Miller stated that the following motions will be on the agenda at next week's Business Meeting for approval:***

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 2.** **Approval of Minutes**
  - 2.1.a** A ***MOTION*** is in order to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2015 regular monthly agenda meeting.
  - 2.1.b** A ***MOTION*** is in order to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2015 regular monthly agenda meeting.
  - 2.1.c** A ***MOTION*** is in order to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2015 regular monthly business meeting.

- 3.** **INFRASTRUCTURE**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### **Facilities Committee – Mr. Stoneburner**

Mr. Stoneburner stated that the next committee meeting will be held this Wednesday (12/9/15) in the LGI at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Stoneburner discussed the classroom being moved from the library to H Hall in preparation for the 3-5 grade cafeteria area. Mr. Miller asked that a phone blast be sent out inviting anyone interested in touring the 3-5 grade cafeteria area this Wednesday as part of the Facilities Committee meeting. Mr. Stoneburner also stated that a meeting has taken place with the Senior Center to discuss their potential use of Manor Park.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

None at this time.

**4. HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**INFORMATONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Human Resource Committee – Mr. Dingle**

Mr. Dingle stated that the HR Committee met on the first of this month and discussed the following:

- Continued negotiations with MESPA
- The next meeting will be held towards the end of December

***At next week’s Board meeting Mr. Dingle stated that the following motions will be on the agenda under the Human Resource Section:***

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**4.1 Approval, Act 93 Agreement**

***A MOTION*** is in order to approve the Act 93 Agreement effective July 1, 2015.

**4.2 Approval, FMLA**

***A MOTION*** is in order to approve FMLA for Megan Mason, per MEA Contract, effective \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_.

**4.3 Approval, Tuition Reimbursement**

***A MOTION*** is in order to approve tuition reimbursement as follows:

| Name           | Course                 | College          | Credits | Amount   |
|----------------|------------------------|------------------|---------|----------|
| Meredith Wiley | What Great Teachers Do | Pacific Lutheran | 3       | \$369.00 |

**4.4 Approval, Coaches**

***A MOTION*** is in order to approve the following Spring Coaches at the stipends listed per MEA Contract, pending receipt of all clearances:

| <b><i>Position</i></b>       | <b><i>Name</i></b> | <b><i>Stipend</i></b> |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Varsity Baseball Head Coach  | Steve Cavin        | \$3,200               |
| Varsity Baseball Asst. Coach | Matt Ransom        | \$2,100               |
| Varsity Softball Head Coach  | Kelly Mott         | \$3,200               |
| Varsity Softball Asst. Coach | Amanda Snyder      | \$2,100               |
| Middle-School Softball Coach | Julie Habel        | \$2,300               |
| Middle-School Baseball Coach | Mike Rush          | \$2,300               |

#### **4.5 Approval, Separation Agreement**

**A MOTION** is in order to approve the Separation Agreement with Employee X, Professional Employee.

#### **5. BUSINESS OPERATIONS/FINANCE COMMITTEE INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- **Finance Report (Informational Item)**  
Numbers to be provided in next week's Business Meeting Agenda

#### **Finance Committee – Mr. Dingle**

Mr. Dingle stated that no Finance Committee meeting has taken place yet this month. The next meeting will take place on December 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the LGI.

***At next week's Board meeting Mr. Dingle stated that the following motions will be on the agenda under the Business Operations/Finance Section:***

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

##### **5.1 Approval, 2016 Monthly Meetings for the Board of School Directors**

**A MOTION** is in order to approve the 2016 monthly meetings for the Board of School Directors.

##### **5.2 Approval, Agreement between the Morrisville School District and Portnoff Law Associates for Collection of Delinquent Real Estate Taxes**

**A MOTION** is in order to approve the Agreement for collection of delinquent real estate taxes on behalf of the Morrisville School District, with related resolutions.

##### **5.3 Approval, Amendment to License Agreement with Weidenhammer System Corporation**

**A MOTION** is in order to approve the Third Amendment to the License Agreement between the Morrisville School District and Weidenhammer System Corporation.

##### **5.4 Approval, Weidenhammer Maintenance Renewal**

**A MOTION** is in order to approve the renewal of the Weidenhammer Maintenance in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

- 5.5 Approval, Attendance at Bucks County Superintendent's Retreat**  
*A MOTION* is in order to approve Mike Kopakowski's attendance at the Annual Bucks County Superintendent's Retreat to be held in March 2016 in Hershey, PA at a cost not to exceed \$500.
- 5.6 Approval, Treasurer's Report**  
*A MOTION* is in order to approve the Treasurer's Report.
- 5.7 Approval, Investment Report**  
*A MOTION* is in order to approve the Investment Report.
- 5.8 Approval, Payment of Bills**  
*A MOTION* is in order to approve payments of bills as listed below, subject to final audit by the Business Administrator:  
(Numbers to be provided in next week's Business Meeting Agenda)

**6. EDUCATION COMMITTEE**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Education Committee – Mr. Miller**

Mr. Miller stated that the committee met last Thursday in the LGI at 7:00 p.m. and discussed the following:

- Participation in Lower Bucks County Reading Olympics
- Looking into the future of the District educationally on how we are going to be mapping out certain requirements and the possibility of a full day kindergarten
- The next meeting will be held on January 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the LGI

***At next week's Board meeting Mr. Miller stated that the following motion will be on the agenda under the Education Section:***

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 6.1 Approval, Participation in Lower Bucks County Reading Olympics**  
*A MOTION* is in order to approve the Morrisville High School's participation in the Lower Bucks County Reading Olympics at a cost not to exceed \$1,500 to cover books, transportation, and teachers' stipends.

Mr. Miller stated that, in the past, this program was covered under the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Because the current grant that we have does not allow Reading Olympics to be covered under the grant, the program is asking us to pay for their participation.

Mr. Kopakowski stated that Mr. Kelman would like to continue to be the Advisor for this program. He stated that this is a very worthwhile program and he hopes that the Board will vote to approve it.

**7. POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Policy Committee Report**

Mr. Miller stated that the PSBA continues to review the District's policies.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

None at this time.

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

None at this time.

## **PUBLIC SESSION #2**

**Ted Parker – 109 Grandview Avenue**

Mr. Parker congratulated everyone who returned as a member to the School Board and welcomed the two new members as well. As a previous Board member, he stated that he understands the tough decisions they have ahead of them and he knows collectively they will make the right decisions. Mr. Parker looks forward to working with the Board members as a member of the Borough Council.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kartal, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

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Damon Miller, President

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Wanda Kartal, Secretary