

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

**Board Meeting** – Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Large Group Instruction Room

Morrisville Middle/Senior High School

7:30 p.m.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BOROUGH OF MORRISVILLE

Morrisville, Pennsylvania

*This meeting was recorded for televising*

The regular monthly meeting of the Morrisville Board of School Directors was held in the LGI Room located in the Morrisville Middle/Senior High School, 550 West Palmer Street, Morrisville, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, August 23, 2017, after due notice of this meeting had been given as required by law.

- Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Dingle, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present on roll call:

In attendance: Messrs. Gilleo, Perry, Stoneburner, Dingle, and Ms. Getty, Ms. Grau and Ms. Kartal

Members absent: Messrs. Colon and Miller

*Quorum Present:*

Also attending this evening's meeting were Mr. Jason Harris, Substitute Superintendent; David Truelove, Esq., Solicitor; media, MEA representation, and members of the community.

Mr. Truelove stated that there was an Executive Session held prior to this evening's meeting at which time they discussed personnel and informational items.

Mr. Dingle stated that Mr. Colon and Mr. Miller had contacted him stating that they could not attend this evening's meeting.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

- **There is no Student Spotlight for the month of August**

## **ITEMS OF GENERAL INFORMATION**

### ***Student Representative to the Board – (Morrisville High School)***

Patrick Getty, Student Representative, gave a report which can be found in Attachment A to these minutes.

### ***Student Representative to the Board – (Bucks County Technical High School)***

There was no Student Representative from the Tech School in attendance this evening.

### **Bucks County Technical High School Report – Mr. Gilleo**

Mr. Gilleo stated that the next meeting will be held on Monday; therefore, there was nothing to report at this time.

### **Bucks County Intermediate Unit Report – Ms. Kartal**

Ms. Kartal stated that no meetings have been held; therefore, there was nothing to report at this time.

### **PSBA/Legislative Report – Ms. Kartal**

Ms. Kartal stated that no meetings have been held; therefore, there was nothing to report at this time.

## **1. SUPERINTENDENT'S/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS**

→ **This week in our Schools**

### **Mr. Harris – Substitute Superintendent**

Mr. Harris' report can be found in Attachment B to these minutes. He also discussed Cohort 8 and Cohort 9 and what they involve.

⇒ **Enrollment Report**

<b>District Enrollments as of August 16, 2017</b>			
<u>Student Population</u>			
Kindergarten	67	GRANDVIEW (K-2)	203
Grade 1	63	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (3-5)	<u>205</u>
Grade 2	78		<b>408</b>
Grade 3	69		
Grade 4	65	MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)	222
Grade 5	71	HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)	<u>231</u>
Grade 6	90		<b>453</b>
Grade 7	74		
Grade 8	62	TECHNICAL SCHOOL	45
Grade 9	64	HOME SCHOOLED	29
Grade 10	53	CHARTER SCHOOLS	46
Grade 11	60	Regular Ed	36
Grade 12	54	Special Ed	10
		OUT OF DISTRICT	59
		Regular Ed	9
		Special Ed	50
<b>TOTAL ENROLLMENT</b>			<b>1040</b>

**Routine Action Items**

*At the meeting of the Board of School Directors on September 22, 2010, the Board of School Directors approved a motion that Agenda meeting action items considered routine will be enacted under one motion unless removed for separate action upon Board request. The purpose of the consolidated motion is to expedite Governing Board action on all consent items, which are not held for discussion. Items that have been held for discussion by the Governing Board will be enacted upon at the time the item is discussed.*

***PUBLIC SESSION #1 (Only items on the agenda to be discussed)***

There were no speakers for Public Session #1.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

*Motions 2.1 through 7.1 were moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Mr. Gilleo, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.*

### **2. Approval of Minutes**

**2.1** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2017 Agenda Meeting.

### **3. INFRASTRUCTURE**

#### **INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **3.1 Approval, Joint Purchasing Programs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and authorize participation in and accept the current and subsequent bids and awards of the joint purchasing programs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018; BCIU Cooperative Purchasing Group, CoStars, Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN), PEPPM (Technology Purchasing), and US Communities.

### **4. HUMAN RESOURCES**

#### **INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **4.1 Approval, Resignations**

##### **4.1.a**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and accept the resignation of Karen Crossen, School Secretary, effective 9/1/17.

##### **4.1.b**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and accept the resignation of Megan Preedy, Science Teacher, effective 8/1/17.

##### **4.1.c**

*The Board approved a motion* to rescind the approval and appointment on July 26, 2017 of Melanie Johnnidis as a Paraprofessional effective 8/30/17.

**4.2 Approval, Appointments**

**4.2.a**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of Karla Taylor as School Secretary (replacing Karen Crossen), effective 8/28/17, at a hourly salary of \$17.08, per MESPA Contract.

**4.2.b**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of Christine Altomari as a Science Teacher (replacing Megan Preedy), effective 8/28/17, at a yearly salary of \$46,471, per MEA Contract.

**4.2.c**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of JoAnn Pica as a Paraprofessional (replacing Maria Woolston), effective 8/30/17, at an hourly rate of \$14.93, per MESPA Contract.

**4.3 Approval, Stipend Revision for Extra Curricular Position**

*The Board approved a motion* to revise the stipend for the following individual to the Extra Curricular Position for the 17-18 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Beth Coleman	Newspaper Advisor (Elementary)	\$1,300

**4.4 Approval, Appointment – Extra Curricular Positions**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of the following individuals to the Extra Curricular Positions for the 17-18 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Erica Norris	Band Director (Elementary)	\$1,100
Erica Norris	Band Director (Secondary)	\$3,200
Donald Osborne	Asst. Varsity Football Coach	\$1,400
Tanya Argueta	Varsity Basketball Coach (Girls)	\$3,700

**4.5 Approval, Student Teachers/Practicum Student**

**4.5.a**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve Allison Kollmer as a Student Teacher for Summer Branche during the 2017-18 school year, at no cost to the District.

**4.5.b**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve Sarah Goodyear as a Student Teacher for Laura Dyer during the 2017-18 school year, at no cost to the District.

**4.5.c**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve Lucas Thompson as a Practicum Student with Gina Leary during the 2017-18 school year, at no cost to the District.

**4.6 Approval, Tuition Reimbursement**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve tuition reimbursement as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Shirley Mallino	Math Works	Lourdes Ohio	3	\$425
	Learners Edge			
Nellie Plummer	Online CPE	BCIU	2	\$300
	Credited Course			

**4.7 Approval, Sick Days for Act 93 Employees**

**4.7.a**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the following adjustment to prior accrued sick days from 2012 as follows:

*Dave May (34 days)*

*Cliff Yuen (40.5 days)*

*Joe Myat (60 days)*

*Karen McQuillan (41 days)*

These days will be rolled into their current accrued account for sick days.

**4.7.b**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve payment to Joe Myat for an additional 3.5 accrued sick days from 2012 for a total amount of \$525.00 into his TSA Account.

**4.8 Approval, In-District Employment**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the in-district employment for students in the Life Skills Program.

**4.9 Approval, New Teacher Mentors**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the following mentors to the new teachers at the stipend listed below, per MEA contract:

<u>New Teacher/Position</u>	<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Debra Phelan – Kindergarten	Lauren Cunningham	\$750
Denise McDevitt – Emot. Support	Kim Connell	\$750
Lindsey McCormack – Spanish	Elizabeth Glaum-Lathbury	\$750
Heather Sherlock – Guidance	Gina Leary	\$750
Makenna Altomare – Humanities	Gloria Bramble	\$750
Kristy Jackowicz – Health & PE	Dave Vaccaro	\$750
Erica Norris – Music	Mike Scott	\$750
Christine Altomari - Science	John Eriksson	\$750

**4.10 Approval, Ratification of Extra Days at Per Diem Rate**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and ratify Michelle Argenti to work up to 5 days during the summer at the per diem rate per MEA Contract.

**4.11 Approval, Ratification of Extra Days at Hourly Rate**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and ratify Alan Benjamin to work up to 22 hours during the summer at his hourly rate per MESPA Contract to assist with the Library maintenance.

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

• **Finance Report (Informational Item)**

**Expenditures (June 2017)**

Budget 2016-17	Y-T-D Encumbrances	Y-T-D Expended	Available Balance
19,276,833	354,668	19,924,567	-1,002,403

**Expenditures (July 2017)**

Budget 2016-17	Y-T-D Encumbrances	Y-T-D Expended	Available Balance
20,382,185	10,472,617	307,596	9,601,971

**Revenues (June 2017)**

Budget 2016-17	Y-T-D Amount	Balance
19,276,833	20,199,202	-922,369

**Revenues (July 2017)**

Budget 2016-17	Y-T-D Amount	Balance
20,781,785	587,341	20,194,444

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**5.1 Approval, Disposal of Excess Items**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve for the disposal of excess items, as presented.

**5.2 Approval, 2017-18 PA Pre-K Counts Partnership Agreement between Morrisville School District and Lower Bucks Family YMCA – Morrisville Branch**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the 2017-18 PA Pre-K Counts Partnership Agreement between Morrisville School District and Lower Bucks Family YMCA – Morrisville Branch in the amount of \$472,500.00.

**5.3 Approval, 2017-18 Pre-K Counts Coordinator**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve Patricia Müller as the Pre-K Counts Coordinator for the 2017-18 school year in the amount of \$16,000.00, per the Pre-K Counts Agreement.

**5.4 Approval, Treasurer’s Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the months of July and August 2017.

**5.5 Approval, Investment Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Investment Report for the months of July and August 2017.

**5.6 Approval, Payment of Bills**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve payment of bills as listed below, subject to final audit by the Business Administrator:

**JULY 2017**

Miscellaneous (6/30, 7/11, 7/19, 7/24, 7/27/17)	\$185,776.79
Athletic	-0-
Pharmacy	-0-
Legal (7/25/17)	\$ 12,814.67
Cafeteria	-0-
Capital (6/30/17)	\$ 64,672.11
General Fund	-0-
TOTAL	<u>\$263,263.57</u>

**AUGUST 2017**

Miscellaneous (8/3, 8/9, 8/11, 8/16/17)	\$406,984.99
Athletic	-0-
Pharmacy	-0-
Legal (8/10/17)	\$ 14,354.40
Cafeteria	-0-
Capital	-0-
General Fund (8/23/17)	<u>\$549,084.34</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$970,423.73</u>

**5.7 Approval, Appointment of Morrisville School District Management Trustee to the Bucks and Montgomery County Schools Health Care Consortium**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of Jason Harris to serve as the Morrisville School District Management Trustee to the Bucks and Montgomery County Schools Health Care Consortium for the time period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

**5.8 Approval, Amendment to Agreement with the Bucks County IU (Ombudsman Alternative School)**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve an amendment to the agreement with the Bucks County IU (Ombudsman Alternative School) as follows:  
*2017-18 School Year - From 3 slots to 4 slots @ \$10,561 per slot (Total \$42,244)*

**5.9 Approval, Settlement Agreement**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Settlement Agreement regarding Student X for an out of district placement at ATG Academy for the 2017-18 school year, at an annual cost not to exceed \$39,000.



**5.10 Approval, Settlement Agreement**

*The Board approved a motion* to not accept the recommendation to expel Student Y, subject to the conditions that he disenroll from the Morrisville School District prior to the commencement of 2017-18 school year, and that no attempt to re-enroll him will occur on or prior to May 9, 2018. Should any attempt to re-enroll the student occur on or before May 9, 2018, the student would be deemed expelled through May 9, 2018, and that student and his parents agree to waive all claims against the district, whether known or unknown, from the beginning of time to the execution of an Agreement, setting forth these terms.

**5.11 Approval, Transfer of Funds**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve transfer remaining funds in the Class of 2017 account equally, subject to final reconciliation, to the classes below:

*Sophomore Class of 2018*

*Junior Class of 2019*

*Senior Class of 2020*

**5.12 Approval, Title I Agreement with Bucks County IU #22 (Non-Public Schools)**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Title I and Title IV Agreement with Bucks County IU #22 for non-public services in the amount of \$8,023.00 (Title I), and \$1,910.23 (Title IV).

**5.13 Approval, Grants for 2017-18**

**5.13.a Title I**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Title I Grant for 2017-18 in the amount of \$182,668.00.

**5.13.b Title II**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Title II Grant for 2017-18 in the amount of \$38,114.00.

**5.13.c Title IV**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Title IV Grant for 2017-18 in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**5.14 Approval, Cohort 9 Grant**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Cohort 9 Grant, effective 10/1/17 through 9/30/20 (three year Grant) in the amount of \$399,600.00 per year.

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



Grades K-2 (Grandview)	September 7, 2017	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Grades 3-5 (Intermediate)	September 12, 2017	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Grades 6-12 (High School)	September 26, 2017	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 6.1 Approval, 2017-18 Revised Student Handbooks (Grades K-5 and Grades 6-12)**  
*The Board approved a motion* to approve the 2017-18 revised Student Handbooks (Grades K-5 and Grades 6-12).

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

- 7.1 Approval, Second Reading of Policy**  
*The Board approved a motion* to approve the second reading of the following policy:
- Policy #916, School Volunteers

***Future Meetings and Items of Interest***

Wednesday, September 20, 2017.....Monthly Agenda Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, September 27, 2017.....Monthly Business Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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and Channel 28 on your Local Cable*

**8.**      **OLD BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**9.**      **NEW BUSINESS**

*Motions 9.1.a and 9.1.b were moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Ms. Grau, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.*

**9.1**      **Approval, Reinstatement from Child Rearing Leave of Absence**

**9.1.a**    *The Board approved a motion* to approve the reinstatement of Megan Mason from Child Rearing Leave of Absence, effective August 29, 2017, per MEA Contract.

**9.1.b**    *The Board approved a motion* to approve the reinstatement of Elizabeth Glaum-Lathbury from Child Rearing Leave of Absence, effective August 29, 2017, per MEA Contract.

**9.2**      **Approval, Resignation**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and accept the resignation of Vince Paravecchia, Paraprofessional, effective August 31, 2017.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Mr. Perry, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

**9.3**      **Approval, Appointment**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of Felicity Wright as a Paraprofessional (replacing Vince Paravecchia), at the hourly rate of \$14.93, effective August 30, 2017, per MESPA Contract.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Ms. Grau, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

**9.4 Approval, Ratification of Extra Days at Per Diem Rate**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve and ratify Nicole Culnan, Secondary Guidance Counselor, to work up to 2.5 additional days during the summer at her per diem rate, per MEA Contract.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Ms. Getty, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

**9.5 Approval, Contract with SDT**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve a contract with SDT for additional access door work, not to exceed \$15,000.00, to be paid out of Capital.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Mr. Gilleo, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

**9.6 Approval, Authorize Substitute Superintendent to hire temporary part-time payroll staffing**

*The Board approved a motion* authorizing the Substitute Superintendent to hire temporary part-time payroll staffing, per diem, through Mission I through September 30, 2017.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Ms. Grau, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

***PUBLIC SESSION #2***

There were no speakers for Public Session #2.

**10.    ADJOURNMENT**

*The Board approved a motion* to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Mr. Gilleo, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 7 ayes.

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Damon Miller, President

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Wanda Kartal, Secretary