

MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2023
Lecture Hall, Muhlenberg High School
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Call to Order

The Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District was called to order on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 7:51 PM by Board President, Mr. Garrett E. Hyneman.

Members Present

President – Mr. Garrett E. Hyneman
Vice President – Mr. Otto W. Voit, III
Treasurer - Mr. Richard E. Hoffmaster
Secretary – Mrs. Cindy L. Mengle
Assistant Secretary – Ms. Janet Howard
Member – Mrs. Kristyna Eagle
Member – Mr. J. Tony Lupia, Jr.
Member – Mr. Mark J. Nelson
Member – Mr. Miguel Vasquez
Solicitor – Mr. Brian F. Boland, Esq.
Recording Secretary – Mrs. Tara L. Flowers

Members Absent

Administration Present

Superintendent – Dr. Joseph E. Macharola
Assistant Superintendent – Dr. Alan S. Futrick
Business Manager- Shane M. Mathias, CPA
Assistant Business Manager - Mrs. Susan Hawkins
Director of Physical Plant – Mr. Ken Patterson
Director of Special Education – Dr. Shawn Rutt
Supervisor of Special Education - Ms. Nicole Huntbach
Supervisor of Special Education - Ms. Lori Morris
Licensed Behavior Specialist – Mr. Zachariah Milch
Director of Technology - Mr. Daniel Houck
Director of Human Resources - Dr. Jessica Heffner
Director of Federal Programs - Dr. Cathy Shappell
Director of Pupil Services - Mr. Michael Mish
Data Administrator – Mr. Kevin Vanino
Athletic Director – Dr. Tim Moyer
Community & Family Outreach Coord. & Distr. Interpreter – Ms. Elizabeth Laviena
High School Assistant Principal - Ms. Julianna Ciccarelli
Junior High School Principal – Mr. Steve Baylor
Junior High School Assistant Principal - Ms. Jennifer Doyle
Junior High School Assistant Principal - Mr. Daniel Kramer

C. E. Cole Intermediate Principal - Mr. Haniff Skeete
Elementary Principal - Mr. Kyle Crater
Elementary Assistant Principal - Ms. Ginny Hornberger
Social Worker - Ms. Lauren Heydt
Social Worker - Ms. Amanda Foulds
Social Worker - Ms. Liliana Moore
Social Worker - Ms. Emily Carmichael

Visitors

Diane Benson	Linda Roebuck
Jolyn Casper	Sarah Althouse
Inga Hobbs	Wendy Hromiak
Finn Hobbs	Avianna Hardy
Christie Brown	Yarais Cliff
Anthony Ramkissoo	Kim Nelson
Julia Ramkissoo	Max Quniter
FAye Heckman	Andrew Eaton
Emily Grube	Maylin Vasquez
Marc Wolfe	S. Wayne Hardy

Educational Presentations

A. Second Reading of Policies - Dr. Joseph E. Macharola

Policy 137. Home Education Programs

The policy language was revised to reflect the need for additional recordkeeping based on the new participation provisions for home education students, as well as including references to the new policies. Additional policy language was added to clarify existing School Code requirements for certifications submitted with the notarized affidavit, portfolio and written evaluation provisions, programs determined to be out of compliance and transfer letters.

Policy 137.1. Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students

The policy was updated for consistency with the new policy guides addressing participation in cocurricular activities/academic courses and career and technical education programs. Policy language on posting of information regarding extracurricular activities, eligibility criteria and dates and times of physical examinations or medical tests was updated for clarity, in accordance with School Code provisions.

Policy 137.2. Participation in Cocurricular Activities and Academic Courses by Home Education Students

This is a new policy guide addressing the updated requirements of Section 1327.1 pertaining to participation by home education students in district cocurricular activities and academic courses. The policy states that students attending home education programs shall be given an equal opportunity to compete for positions

and participate in district cocurricular activities and academic courses in accordance with board policy on the same basis as other students enrolled full-time in the district. It outlines the conditions for eligibility and participation, addresses transportation, and includes optional language to establish limits on participation in academic courses (up to one-quarter of the academic day for full-time district students) and prioritization for enrollment in designated activities and programs, in accordance with law. Districts should develop documentation to implement prioritization processes outlined in policy fairly and consistently.

Policy 137.3. Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by Home Education Students

This is a new policy guide addressing the updated requirements of Section 1327.1 pertaining to participation by home education students in career and technical education programs that are either at an area career and technology center in which the district participates, or district-operated career and technical education programs or centers. The policy states that students attending home education programs shall be given an equal opportunity to apply for participation in career and technical education programs in accordance with board policy on the same basis as other students enrolled full-time in the district. It outlines the conditions for eligibility and participation, addresses transportation, and includes optional language to establish prioritization procedures for enrollment in career and technical education programs with limited seat allocation provisions, in accordance with law. Districts should develop documentation to implement prioritization processes outlined in policy fairly and consistently.

Hearing of Visitors - Muhlenberg School District taxpayers and residents have an opportunity, at this time, to comment on matters of concern, official action, or deliberation which are or may be before the Muhlenberg School Board. The Board retains the option to accept all public comment at this time. Presentations should be limited to two minutes per person. In the event that the Board determines that there is not sufficient time for residents or taxpayers of the School District to comment, the Board may defer the comment period to the next regular meeting.

Committee Report

A. Berks County Intermediate Unit – Mr. Miguel Vazquez

There is no report at this time.

B. Reading-Muhlenberg CTC – Mrs. Cindy Mengle

There is no report at this time.

C. Berks County Tax Collection Committee – Mr. Shane M. Mathias, CPA

There is no report at this time.

D. PSBA Liaison – Mr. Otto W. Voit, III

There is no report at this time.

E. Muhlenberg Community Library – Ms. Janet Howard

Ms. Howard advised the board meeting is upcoming, however she wanted to share from April 1st to April 6th, Judge Dean Patton is going to be exhibiting some of his photography including Jim Dietrich Farm landscapes, WWII at the Reading Airport, race cars and more. She advised there will be a special meet and greet with Judge Patton on April 11th from 6PM to 7:30PM all at the community library. Ms. Howard also advised she will be sharing some upcoming food fundraisers at the next board meeting.

F. Educational Programs – Dr. Alan S. Futrick

Dr. Futrick spoke about the District's new Instagram page and the District's new Facebook page as they have been continually showcasing the positive things going on in Muhlenberg. Dr. Futrick introduced Ms. Emily Grube and Ms. Jenna Pavlovich who has been the staff working on these social media platforms as well as supervising the student interns. Dr. Futrick advised that 22,000 people have seen the social media pages, 16,000 people interacted with the posts on the pages. Dr. Futrick talked about this week being school social worker week and introduced the four social workers in Muhlenberg: Ms. Amanda Foulds, Ms. Liliana Moore, Ms. Lauren Heydt, and Ms. Emily Carmichael who has been an outstanding team of social workers. He spoke about the Pupil Services Department and how well this has been going; including a top-notch group headed by Mr. Mike Mish and Mr. Zach Milch. Dr. Futrick spoke about the literary event at MEC and COLE, it was the culmination of Read Across America and the books that they read. He wanted to thank Mr. Crater, Mr. Skeete and Dr. Shappell for their leadership in putting together the family literacy night as well as thanked the reading specialists Ms. Colleen Shillady, Ms. Kathryn Foltz, Ms. Kim Deibert as they did a very nice job. Dr. Futrick talked about the four high school students who got to participate in the Student Model Senate Program with State Senator Schwank as this is a program that the students will be able to go over the next few months to see the legislative side of education and politics; this is a great opportunity for the students. Dr. Futrick talked about the upcoming high school musical's opening night on Thursday, March 16th for the senior citizens to attend and see the show; following the 17th and 18th the show continues. Dr. Futrick thanked Mr. Tyler Sesiler, Mr. Bill Snelling, Mr. Marc Wolfe, and Mr. Nate Mohler, just off the top of his mind, that really pulled this musical together as it is an impressive production. Dr. Futrick spoke about the 11th grade high school students attending the College Fair, and the 9th grade students getting to attend Kutztown University, Alvernia University, and RACC; again trying to promote higher education with the District's students. Dr. Futrick spoke about a 3rd grade teacher, Ms. Crystal Chwatek, got to attend the Get Your Teach On conference in Las Vegas to represent Muhlenberg School District. Dr. Futrick talked about two students, Ms. Alaina Heffner and

Ms. Dalhendji Henly along with Dr. Smeltzer Schwab was invited to participate in the National Invention Convention in Michigan in June. He advised this is the second year that Muhlenberg has high school students get invited because of their inventions they came up with to participate in the event; he is very excited about these accomplishments and STEM learning for the District. Dr. Futrick also mentioned the Girls On the Run program just started back up for third grade students; another opportunity to get the students involved at the youngest ages. Dr. Futrick spoke about the spring sports starting up and discussed the importance of the students not just showing up to school, but being invested as activity buses have been set up by Mr. Vanino to take the students home after extracurricular activities; removing barriers in any way the District can.

Solicitor's Comments – Mr. Brian F. Boland, Esq.

There is no report at this time.

Superintendent's Comments - Dr. Joseph E. Macharola

Dr. Macharola thanked everyone for being present this evening, he thanked the administrators, teachers, secretaries, maintenance workers, physical plant and all of the District staff as the District is focused here for doing the right thing. He advised that the District does need help from Harrisburg as she spoke about Governor Shapiro's budget address as this District is growing and moving up quickly. One of the largest school districts now in Berks County and in his opinion the best. The reason for it is the District cares and cares about everybody in it; the District is not perfect and knows there are mistakes to fix, however the District cares and focuses on the growth of everyone here including the District's teachers. He spoke about the Governor taking a very robust position on funding public education; anyone knows the minute public education is not funded and doesn't make it the number one priority, they will sink the greatest country on this planet and that's the United States of America. He reiterated that everyone must invest in public education. He talked about the Governor looking right now at an 18 % increase for the Muhlenberg School District on the basic education funding, and a 16% increase on the Special Education funding; this means a lot. Dr. Macharola spoke about the District using the dollars effectively here; the District's dollars are put to use for professional use and most importantly for the children and young adults of Muhlenberg.

Board Business

Personnel

Resolution Nos. 141A –141N (141L pulled for separate vote)

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Eagle, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution Nos. 141A through 141N (Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Eagle requested 141L be pulled for separate vote)** in their entirety.

Yeas: Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit. The motion **carried** unanimously.

141A Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Muhlenberg Education Support Professionals Association and the Muhlenberg School District

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Muhlenberg School District and the Muhlenberg Education Support Professionals Association for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028, as attached. Be it further Resolved that the appropriate officers of the Board are authorized to execute same (Exhibit #118).

141B Professional Appointments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following professional appointments:

- a. Ms. Tamara Torres, Special Education Teacher (C. Aungst), Muhlenberg Elementary Center, pending release from current employer, at a salary of \$70,271 (B + 24, 6 Steps from the Top), prorated for days worked.
- b. Ms. Allysa Hirneisen, Long-Term Substitute (newly created), Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective March 9, 2023, at a salary of \$44,982 (B, 18 Steps from the Top), prorated for days worked.

141C Co-Curricular Appointments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following co-curricular appointments:

- a. Ms. Megan Dietrich, MHS Spring Musical Choreography, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$2,900 (year 2).
- b. Mr. Rick Dietrich, MHS Spring Musical Sound, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$1,450 (year 2).
- c. Mr. Nathan Mohler, MHS Spring Musical Instrumental Director, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$1,792 (year 3).
- d. Mr. William Snelling, MHS Spring Musical Vocal Director, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$2,017 (year 12).
- e. Ms. Katie DiStefano, MHS Spring Musical Makeup, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$1,584 (year 8).
- f. Ms. Linda Ebersole, MHS Spring Musical Accompanist, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$2,030 (year 2).
- g. Ms. Kristin Parsons, MHS Spring Musical Costumes, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$2,610 (year 2).

- h. Ms. Andrea Hart, MHS Spring Musical Director, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$5,675 (year 3).
- i. Mr. Marc Wolfe, MHS Spring Musical Business Manager, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$2,938 (year 9).
- j. Mr. Tyler Seisler, MHS Spring Musical Stage Manager, effective January 3, 2023, at a salary of \$2,900 (year 1).
- k. Mr. Westley Giddens, Sports Event Monitor, effective February 13, 2023, at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour.
- l. Mr. Jeremy Jablonski, Sports Event Monitor, effective February 13, 2023, at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour.
- m. Ms. Xiomara Toledo, Sports Event Monitor, effective February 13, 2023, at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour.
- n. Mr. Jason Heflin, MHS Swole Patrol-Power Lifting Club Advisor, effective February 1, 2023, at a salary of \$2,320 (year 1), prorated for days worked.
- o. Ms. Alexandria Previti, MJHS Crochet Club Advisor, effective February 1, 2023, at a salary of \$580 (year 1), prorated for days worked.
- p. Mr. Robert McGowan, MJHS Anime Club Advisor, effective February 1, 2023, at a salary of \$1,160 (year 1), prorated for days worked.
- q. Mr. Bradley Barskey, COLE Yearbook Advisor, effective August 29, 2022, at a salary of \$580.00 (year 1).
- r. Mr. Francisco Molina, MHS Varsity Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach, effective February 20, 2023.

141D Co-Curricular Activities

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the addition of the following club to Muhlenberg Junior High and Muhlenberg High School's co-curricular activities, as presented (Exhibit #119).

- a. Swole Patrol-Power Lifting Club
- b. Crochet Club
- c. Anime Club

141E Award Professional Employee Contract for Tenured Teacher

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District in accordance with Section 1121 of the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949 (as amended) and Act 66 of 1996, authorize awarding a Professional Employee Contract to the following teacher who have performed on a satisfactory basis for three years:

- a. Ms. Maria Avila, Muhlenberg Junior High School

141F New Teaching Position - Certified School Psychologist

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve a new position for a Certified School Psychologist funded by Access Funds (Exhibit #120).

141HG Bus Monitors for the 2022-2023 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following bus monitors for the 2022-2023 school year at the pay rate of \$10.50 per hour:

C.E. Cole Intermediate

Ms. Nicole McGowan

Muhlenberg Junior High School

Ms. Alyssa Kline

Muhlenberg High School

Mr. Theodore Werkheiser

Ms. Kathleen Frederick

Mr. Joseph Watterson

141H Acceptance of Resignations

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District accept the following resignations:

- a. Mr. Kyle Foster, Math Teacher, Muhlenberg High School, pending release from Muhlenberg School District per PA School Code.
- b. Ms. Meghan Waibel, Special Education Teacher, Muhlenberg High School, pending release from Muhlenberg School District per PA School Code.
- c. Ms. Johnanna Winslow, 4.5 Hour Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective February 21, 2023.

141I Approval of Job Description

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following revised job description (Exhibit #121).

- a. Dean of Students

141J Completion of Probation

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the completion of probation for the following classified employees:

- a. Ms. April Cline, Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg High School completion of forty-five (45) day probation as of February 16, 2023 and recommended for permanent employment as of February 17, 2023.
- b. Ms. Diann Doelman, Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg Junior High School completion of forty-five (45) day probation as of February 8, 2023 and recommended for permanent employment as of February 9, 2023.

141K Spring 2023 Coaching Assignments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Spring Coaching Assignments for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted (Exhibit #122).

141L Pulled for a separate vote.

141M Request for Leave of Absence/FMLA Leave

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the request for a Leave of Absence/FMLA leave for the following employees:

- a. Employee No. 1292, Teacher, Leave of Absence/FMLA, effective on or about March 13, 2023 through on or about April 5, 2023.
- b. Employee No. 1496, Class A Secretary, Leave of Absence/FMLA, effective on or about March 13, 2023 through on or about April 26, 2023.

Resolution No. 141L

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mr. Voit that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution No. 141L** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit. **Abstain:** Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Eagle. The motion **carried**.

141L Professional Assignments for MSD Spring Style 2023

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following professional assignments for MSD Spring Style 2023 program, as presented (Exhibit #123):

Teachers:

Ms. Erin Anagnost	Ms. Jessica Levy
Ms. Jennifer Anton	Ms. Cathy Liszcz
Ms. Kelly Barbon	Ms. Michele McCammitt
Ms. Kathy Bower	Ms. Kelly Murphy
Ms. Katie Brad	Ms. Alicia Neiman
Ms. Kaili Brinker	Ms. Tara Nelson
Ms. Rebecca Cariola	Ms. Christy Oxenford
Ms. Michelle Chavoya	Ms. Shannon Painter
Ms. Amy Chiarelli	Ms. Shuleill Ramirez
Mr. Megan Douglas	Ms. Kylie Redcay
Ms. Kaitlynn Girard	Ms. Erika Sager
Ms. Jessica Gunter	Ms. Heather Scholl
Ms. Marci Harr	Ms. Paula Shea
Ms. Wendy Hromiak	Mr. Matthew Sola
Ms. Amy Keller	Ms. Laurie Vlasak
Mr. Laura Klawiter	Ms. Erin Wentzel (Gross)
Ms. Lyn Lapp	Ms. Kelly Wood

Management

Resolution No. 142

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mr. Vasquez, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Management Resolution No. 142** in its entirety.

Yeas: Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster. The motion **carried** unanimously.

142 Adoption of Policy

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District adopt the following district policy (Exhibit #124):

300 Employees

Policy No. 333, Professional Development

Physical Plant and Transportation

Resolution No. 143 - 145

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mrs. Eagle, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Physical Plant and Transportation Resolution Nos. 143 through 145** in their entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard. The motion **carried** unanimously.

143 Replacement of Muhlenberg Community Library Roof Capital Request

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the replacement of the Muhlenberg Community Library roof at a total cost of \$241,900 (funded through Capital Reserve Fund) as presented (Exhibit #125).

144 Athletic Department Requests

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the purchase of new High Jump Pits for the Track and Field Program and a new Ice Machine for the Athletic Trainer's room at a total cost of \$17,290 (funded through Capital Reserve Fund) (Exhibit #126).

145 Science Tables and Stools for MJHS Science Classrooms

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the purchase of science tables and stools for three classrooms at Muhlenberg Junior High School at a total cost of \$32,718.16 (funded through Capital Reserve Fund) as presented (Exhibit #127).

Budget and Finance

Resolution No. 146 - 147

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mr. Voit, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Budget and Finance Resolution Nos. 146 through 147** in their entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman. The motion **carried** unanimously.

146 Approval of Financial Reports

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following financial reports and that they become part of the permanent record of the meeting (Exhibit #128):

Fund	Treasurer's Report	Financial Report	Bills Paid Month	Investments	Budget Transfers
General	Jan 2023	Jan 2023	Feb 2023 Ck#53873-54087 V#27611-27635	Jan 2023	Jan 2023
Cafeteria	Jan 2023	Jan 2023	Feb 2023 Ck#7741-7774 V#2994-2998	Jan 2023	
Capital Reserve (Fund 32)	Feb 2023	Feb 2023	Feb 2023 Ck#942,943,945		
Activity	Jan 2023	Jan 2023			

147 Reimbursement - Capital Projects

WHEREAS, the Muhlenberg School District (the "School District") has determined to undertake various capital projects which include, among other things,

(i) the design, acquisition, construction and installation of new classroom buildings and a new administration building and various capital improvements to the School District's facilities, buildings and systems, including, but not limited to, various upgrades to the School District's classroom buildings, athletic buildings and facilities, parking facilities, security systems and HVAC systems; and (ii) the payment of a portion of the costs and expenses of issuing the Bonds (collectively, the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Treasury, acting by and through the Internal Revenue Service, on June 18, 1993, promulgated

regulations in the Federal Register, Vol. 58, No. 11, Section 1.150-2 (the "Reimbursement Regulations"), which are applicable to the Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Reimbursement Regulations require this School District to adopt an "official intent" to reimburse itself from taxable or tax-exempt proceeds for certain capital expenditures made and to be made by this School District in connection with the Projects; and

WHEREAS, this School District desires to declare its official intent with respect to certain capital expenditures and reimbursement thereof to be made in connection with the Projects as presented (Exhibit #129).

Education

Resolution Nos. 148 – 156

Moved by Mr. Lupia and Ms. Howard, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Education Nos. 148 through 156** in their entirety.

Yeas: Mrs. Mingle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia. The motion **carried** unanimously.

148 Conference Requests

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following conference requests (Exhibit #130):

- a. Ms. Amy Madeira, to attend the Pete&C Conference in Pocono Manor, PA on February 13, 2023 to February 14, 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$333.31 (Title II funds).
- b. Ms. Samantha Armstrong, to attend the Pete&C Conference in Pocono Manor, PA on February 13, 2023 to February 14, 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$103.49 (Technology Department funds).
- c. Dr. Cathy Shappell, to attend the 2023 PAFPC Annual Conference in Pocono Manor, PA on April 16, 2023 through April 19, 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$1,027.35 (Title I funds).
- d. Dr. Audrey Smeltzer-Schwab, to attend the AP Physics Grader Conference in Kansas City, MO on June 1, 2023 through June 9, 2023 at no cost to the district.
- e. Dr. Joseph E. Macharola, to attend the District Administrative Superintendents Summit in Colorado Springs, CO in April, 2023 at a cost of \$1,855 (funded through Superintendent's Office).

149 Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgment of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District authorize the Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgement of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion for the following student (Exhibit #131):

- a. Student "I", Muhlenberg High School
- b. Student "J", Muhlenberg Junior High School
- c. Student "K", Muhlenberg Junior High School

150 Educational Field Trips Requests

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following educational field trip requests (Exhibit #132):

- a. Muhlenberg High School Band and Choir, travel with Peak Group Travel to Baltimore, MD on May 26, 2023 through May 28, 2023.
- b. Muhlenberg High School AFJROTC, travel to the Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland on June 20, 2023.
- c. Muhlenberg High School AFJROTC, travel to the Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland on June 27, 2023.
- d. Muhlenberg High School AFJROTC, travel to the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, MD on April 12, 2023.
- e. Muhlenberg High School AFJROTC, travel to the Raider Competition at Mount Olive HS, NJ on April 1, 2023.
- f. Muhlenberg High School JSHS State Finalists, travel to Juniata College in Huntingdon, PA on March 5, 2023 through March 7, 2023.

151 Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Donations

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District accept the following donations in accordance with district Policy 702, Gifts, Grants, Donations:

- a. Patricia Meals, donation of a flute and music stand for the music department in the Muhlenberg School District.

152 Extended School Year Student Tuition Agreement

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following extended school year student tuition agreement as presented (Exhibit #133):

- a. Student #32432, Capstone Academy

153 Approval of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center for the 2023-2024 and the 2024-2025 school years as presented (Exhibit #134).

154 ABA Support Services Agreement

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the agreement between ABA Support Services, LLC and the Muhlenberg School District to provide an Independent Educational Evaluation-FBA for student #39248 per settlement agreement (Exhibit #135).

155 Certificate of Support Students

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the enrollment of Certificate of Support Students, PA School Code 1302, for the 2022-2023 School Year as listed (Exhibit #136).

156 Extended School Year Program for 2023

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Extended School Year Program for 2023 (July 10, 2023 to August 4, 2023, ESY) at an estimated operating cost for the programs of \$197,120 plus transportation and contracted services which includes the following staff (Special Education Fund and Grant Funding) (Exhibit #137):

One (1) ESY Coordinator

- a. Twenty-five (25) Teachers
- b. Thirty (30) Instructional Assistants
- c. Three (3) Speech Therapists
- d. Related Services:
 - 1) Occupational Therapist
 - 2) Physical Therapist
 - 3) Hearing
 - 4) Vision Support

Student Activities

There was none.

Minutes

Resolution No. 157

157 Approval of Minutes

Review minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 1, 2023 and February 8, 2023 and the Regular Board Meeting of February 8, 2023.

Moved by Mrs. Eagle and Mr. Voit, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 1, 2023 and February 8, 2023 and the Regular Board Meeting of February 8, 2023.

Yeas: Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle. The motion **carried** unanimously.

Old Business

Mr. Lupia spoke about his attendance to the Family Literacy night at MEC and how Board members should attend these events; as it was a phenomenal successful event. He also thanked the teachers and principal at MEC for inviting his wife as a substitute in the building as she was absolutely impressed with the way Mr. Crater ran things.

Mrs. Eagle spoke about when she volunteered on the 10th Day of School at MEC and the excitement and energy in that building makes everyone happy.

Mr. Hyneman spoke about his volunteering twice a week and seeing Mrs. Lupia.

New Business

Resolution No. 158

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mr. Hoffmaster, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution No. 158** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson. The motion **carried** unanimously.

158 Memoriam of Mr. William E. Abramowicz

Resolved, that we remember the passing of Mr. William E. Abramowicz who served in the Muhlenberg School District for twenty-five (25) years (1959-1984) as a Teacher, Assistant Principal, Principal and Assistant Superintendent. We honor his memory for his dedicated service to the school district and community.

Be it further resolved that we convey through this resolution our deepest sympathy to his family, and that this resolution be made part of the permanent record in the minutes of the Muhlenberg School District.

Questions/Comments/Concerns:

Mr. Voit spoke about when he graduated from Muhlenberg in 1975 and in those days didn't know who the principal was unless in trouble; with that being said he didn't know him personally; although he talked about the respect he commanded while he was here in Muhlenberg was absolutely phenomenal and did a great job here during his tenure.

Resolution No. 159

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mr. Nelson, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution No. 159** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Voit, Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez. The motion **carried** unanimously.

159 Memoriam of Mr. Edward Frank Jarsocrak

Resolved, that we remember the passing of Mr. Edward Frank Jarsocrak who served in the Muhlenberg School District for seventeen (17) years (1991-2008) as a Custodian, Van Driver and Courier. We honor his memory for his dedicated service to the school district and community.

Be it further resolved that we convey through this resolution our deepest sympathy to his family, and that this resolution be made part of the permanent record in the minutes of the Muhlenberg School District.

Questions/Comments/Concerns:

Mr. Voit talked about his time as a custodian and asked Mr. Wolfe if he was on his team. Mr. Wolfe responded he was not. Mr Voit spoke about since 1972 when this building opened, the District has the original floors and they look brand new. He advised it's because of the dedicated people that came through these doors and continue to be here as the outstanding job that they do; they are professionals even when no one is around. He advised that he is proud every time he walks into these buildings, the floor being waxed like in the times when he was in the military, as they look absolutely phenomenal.

Mr. Hyneman commented about how this district is one of the cleanest and well maintained facilities in all the jobs he has worked. He spoke about the friendliness of the custodial staff and the willingness to speak to him every time he entered a building.

Hearing of Visitors

Presentation is limited to approximately two minutes per person. Should any citizen require more than the two minutes allocated, please contact the Superintendent prior to the meeting. He will coordinate such requests for the Board. Citizens addressing the Board should be aware that the meeting is being taped.

There are none.

MSD/RMCTC Board Visitor of the Month

Schedule 2022-2023

March	Mr. Miguel Vasquez
April	Ms. Janet Howard
May	Mr. Richard E. Hoffmaster

Review of Board Meetings and Calendar of Events

March 1	6:30 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
March 8	6:30 PM	Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting
March 13	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
April 5	7:00 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
April 10	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
April 12	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
May 3	7:00 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
May 8	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
May 10	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
June 12	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
June 14	6:30 PM	Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting

160 Adjourn Meeting

Moved by Mr. Vasquez and Mrs. Eagle, that there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Yeas: Mrs. Eagle, Mr. Hoffmaster, Ms. Howard, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Lupia, Mrs. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Voit. The motion **carried** unanimously.

Attest:


Cindy L. Mengle
Secretary