

MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2022  
Via Zoom  
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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, January 12, 2022 at 7:11 PM by Board President, Mr. Garrett E. Hyneman.

**Members Present**

President – Mr. Garrett E. Hyneman  
Secretary – Mrs. Cindy L. Mengle  
Assistant Secretary – Ms. Janet Howard via zoom  
Member – Mrs. Kristyna Eagle  
Member – Mr. J. Tony Lupia, Jr.  
Member – Mr. Mark J. Nelson  
Member – Mr. Miguel Vasquez via zoom  
Solicitor – Mr. Brian F. Boland, Esq.  
Recording Secretary – Mrs. Tara L. Flowers

**Members Absent**

Vice President – Mr. Otto W. Voit, III  
Treasurer - Mr. Richard E. Hoffmaster

**Administration Present**

Superintendent – Dr. Joseph E. Macharola  
Assistant Superintendent – Dr. Alan S. Futrick  
Business Manager- Shane M. Mathias, CPA  
Director of Physical Plant & Transportation – Mr. Ken Patterson  
Director of Special Education – Dr. Shawn Rutt  
Supervisor of Accounts – Ms. Susan Hawkins  
Supervisor of Special Education – Mr. Taylor Charles  
Licensed Behavior Specialist – Mr. Zachariah Milch  
Director of Technology – Mr. Daniel Houck  
Director of Federal Programs – Dr. Cathy Shappell  
Director of Food and Nutrition – Mr. Carey Kline  
Data Administrator – Mr. Kevin Vanino  
Athletic Director – Dr. Tim Moyer  
Community & Family Outreach Coordinator & Interpreter – Ms. Elizabeth Laviena  
High School Principal – Mr. Michael Mish  
High School Assistant Principal – Ms. Lori Morris  
High School Assistant Principal – Mr. Frank Vecchio  
Junior High School Principal – Dr. Jeffery Ebert  
Junior High School Principal – Mr. Haniff Skeete  
C. E. Cole Intermediate Principal – Mr. Steven Baylor

Elementary Center Principal – Mr. Kyle Crater  
Elementary Center Assistant Principal – Mrs. Ginny Hornberger

### **Visitors**

Jolyn Casper	McCammitt
Kathi Wolfe	Amy Sharp
Kristy Rothenberger	Jennifer Doyle
Michelle Lorah	Kevin Dangler

### **Educational Presentations**

Dr. Macharola advised the board is asked to take a look at the second reading of policy 610 that was shared earlier with the increases.

#### Questions/Comments/Concerns:

*Mr. Nelson asked if those increases actually made a difference. Mr. Boland responded that they did not.*

### **Amendment of Agenda**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Eagle, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Education No. 114 - f. & g.** be added to the agenda in its entirety.

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

**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.

*There were none.*

### **Committee Report**

A. Berks County Intermediate Unit – Mr. J. Tony Lupia, Jr.

There were no meetings last month, all 29 intermediate units across Pennsylvania have been celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. In honor of that, BCIU has several things they are going to be doing this year. One is an anniversary webpage which was launched on January 6<sup>th</sup>, and it includes special edition videos, testimonials, comments about the organization from staff, school officials, and community partners. The timeline of notable accomplishments,

leadership, facts and historical photos gathered from the BCIU's rich history. There is a dedicated social media campaign which includes Fact Fridays, can be followed along on BCIU's Facebook page, and accessed on YouTube. There will be billboards throughout the county and the BCIU Signature Anniversary Event will be held Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, 5PM to 6PM before the April BCIU Board Meeting. Final details will be at the next meeting.

B. Reading-Muhlenberg CTC – Mrs. Cindy Mengle

Mrs. Mengle advised there was the Annual Reorganization Meeting on Monday night which was supposed to be a dinner, however the dinner was postponed to another date. Mrs. Mengle advised she will inform the board members of this date when available. New board members were seated, three new board members from Reading, one being a former secretary from Muhlenberg, Pat Law. One of the things discussed was the website was now updated. They are going to try and get the students involved in the design and upkeep of the website as this will be a good learning experience for them.

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

Mr. Mathias reported there was a meeting, meeting with the TCC on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. There is quite a few things the committee approved including the 2022 Berks EIT Operating and Capital Budget, the election of officers for 2022 which were unchanged from 2021, and the final thing of note is the committee approved Herbein & Co. as the financial statement auditors for the next three years of audits which would be for fiscal years ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, 2022, and 2023.

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

There is no report at this time.

E. Muhlenberg Community Library – Mr. Terry Heckman

Mr. Lupia reported that Melissa Adams was hired as Reading's new head of Reading Public Libraries, congratulations to her, this was as step up.

F. Educational Programs – Dr. Alan S. Futrick

There is no report at this time.

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

There is no report at this time.

**Superintendent's Comments** - Dr. Joseph E. Macharola

Dr. Macharola advised he would like to revisit as there will be more data next month for the community as the District continues to work for the kids. He stated we are here for one reason, one central reason, and that is our children and our young adults or anyone who attends Muhlenberg School District. He talked about in twenty-two months, the District dealt with a lot of abnormalcy and this is coming to head with him in many ways. He just wants the Board to be aware of it, as he knows they are, and he knows the community is, as irritated as some people got when he kept talking about mental health and the importance of counseling and therapy. This issue is continuing to morph and grow in ways that is very concerning to him. He said you can live a life, you can do the things that you want to do, you can be a reasonable human being, you can be unreasonable, you can act like you have authoritative qualifications and have none, there are so many things you can do as a life form on this planet. He spoke about being a great person that has done things in their life and wants to contribute and try to help. The arena of life and living, he stated as he is concerned about the adults, but overwhelming concerned about the children. He was in two meeting this month, one was with the other eighteen Superintendents in Berks County, but he is also part of the Penn Study council where he speaks with Superintendents of Delaware, New Jersey, and Eastern Pennsylvania, and he has spent some time talking about how close the Districts here are to a disaster. He spoke about 70 of the District's children during the first wave of this pandemic, of these 70 children the District were able to identify needed clinical therapeutic assistance. The District had so many children here that were contemplating suicide, and he has never had anything like this in his career; and he would stop and think about all the abnormalcy, the craziness, the things that are said, who takes the most God-awful positions when it comes to health and safety when the number one things he is worried about is the kids being here, and it's very serious. So serious, one of the things the District talked about hiring is the need to get back into more therapy in our school system and start doing things that are very important for the kids. 39% of the District's students reported feeling depressed during the past twelve months for two weeks or more in a row that is up from 12% just two years ago. 48% of the District's 12<sup>th</sup> graders reported feeling depressed every day for two weeks, this number is mind blowing because there hasn't been psychosocial evaluations being done on these kids; and the criteria is part of the DSM 5 diagnosis for the depressed disorder. 22% of the District's students reported seriously considering suicide over the last year, 5% in 2019. 16.5% of the District's students surveyed reported making a plan for suicide. 19% of the District's 8<sup>th</sup> graders reported having attempted suicide. Dr. Macharola talked about moving some people around because he thought they would be good mentors for the kids. Dr. Macharola stated this is data, this is not subjective; these are kids reaching out and telling us. He knows this is true because he knows what occurred with those that were identified; what about all the kids that are flying underneath the radar are concerning him. Dr. Macharola advised they talk about everything, they talk about things that are important, what is so important is the sanctity of life, and that the children and young adults are here. He is really concerned about the faculty and staff, but the number one concern as a district is the children. The District is taking steps to address this. Dr. Macharola discussed the Nov/Dec PSBA Bulletin, whereas for twenty-two months he has been mentioning mental health; if feeling depressed go out and meet somebody, hour-by-hour, minute-by-minute, hour-by-hour, day-by-day as the issues arise, so does the District's answers. This has been consistent in the District's eyes here with mental

health. There are articles in the bulletin with concerns of the mental health of the students. Muhlenberg, his backyard, he is worried about his country, worried about where it's going, worried about the democracy. Dr. Macharola talked about peeling all that back, he is worried about now, and has been, the welfare of the children. This many kids considering this, the District has its counselors engaged, there is a mental health program that the District started this year K-12, probably one of the only school districts in the state that has piloted these programs that have delivered results for the school district. Math, Science, the Board has invested millions into technology; nothing is more important than the mental health and the social-emotional welfare of the kids, especially when he sees these alarming numbers. He wanted to ask everyone present to embrace this, it is serious, and this is not going to go away. This is going to continue to emerge as the District continues to deal with the abnormalcies. The information that is out there for people, the social media, the hate, the misinformation. Too many people making the most God-awful recommendations in positions as the kids soak this up, they hear this, they live it; it's taking a toll. This is just an overview of this, he is going to give everyone a more extensive report. He is going to have Dr. Futrick, with the District's Behavior Specialist, Zach Milch, the District is going to take some very serious steps to get our arms around this even more so. One in four of the District's students have witnessed death, suicide, and serious illness from COVID-19; one in four in the children's households to that extent with serious, serious complications that has caused stress in their homes. So anybody that thinks this is "boloney" and thinks they have answers to it, he is looking at it from a much different perspective than what maybe they are. This is not a game. This information just came to the District after the results and the District is going to crunch more numbers and get them out. Dr. Macharola wanted to thank the Board for their support with the kids over the last twenty-two months of abnormalcy. The District will get through this, the District needs to stay positive.

Mrs. Eagle questioned if a lot of those numbers were self-reported. Dr. Macharola responded yes. Mrs. Eagle asked what a place in the community is so that the community members and the parents know, as she is thinking in regards to the SAP program, so they can report back to the District of the things they are seeing; or is it something that the District has to work on. Dr. Macharola responded this is something the District has to do better at. It is on the District's website, there are the numbers to call where you can directly get in contact, but the District has to find a way to even do better. Dr. Macharola discussed a personal incident that he had shared with Mr. Lupia, right after being two hours on the phone with a youngster that was going to be a suicide/homicide and the authorities were involved, but it was two hours in the evening as a Superintendent. This is real stuff, and he takes it real seriously. Dr. Macharola asked the Board for their help, the community's help, to try and keep everyone here.

Dr. Macharola wanted to let Mr. Nelson know of the clarification regarding college students and the Winter Style program as they are working during the day at the school also, to help the students with reading. Mr. Nelson questioned whether during the day was causing any issues. Dr. Macharola responded not at this time and not from a lawful standpoint. They have clearances, they have their vaccinations, went through professional development and would be the same thing they did in the summer. Dr. Macharola advised he had a little heartburn in the beginning about it, however he

believes everything will be okay; and if it doesn't fly then the District is not going to do it again. Anything to help the students that need that remediation.

Mr. Lupia questioned if any Board member is approached by a community member with questions about mental health or this regard, should they encourage them to call the school or what should they tell them. Dr. Macharola responded yes, and if they are asking questions with regard to what the District is doing then the District can certainly make a statement. If they are suffering from depression and concerns, or they need to reach out, the District has a Licensed Behavioral Specialist present. Dr. Macharola talked about the District needing four more, the District is adding social workers presently, and the need is unbelievable. For kids to do well in school, there are bridges that you never would have never thought of ten or fifteen years ago, but this is what everyone lives in now; it's not going to go away and if they need help, yes get ahold of the District and the District will get them what they need.

Mr. Hyneman commented that this is not a Muhlenberg problem, this is a country wide problem. Everyone has been impacted by this and it is hard for him to put himself into a very young person's mental issues. When he grew up in the 40's and 50's he dealt with "Ozzie and Harriet", they have a totally different world and he has a hard time understanding what a little seven year old is going through and it breaks his heart. He has trouble thinking about his grandkids not having the life growing up that he had, or their parents had.

## **Board Business**

### **Personnel**

#### **Resolution Nos. 105A – 105I**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mr. Lupia, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution Nos. 105A through 105I** in their entirety.

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

#### **105A Acceptance of Resignations**

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

- a. Ms. Erin Hoffmaster, Guidance Counselor, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, pending release from Muhlenberg School District, date to be determined.
- b. Mr. Joseph Razzano, Second Shift Custodian, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective December 22, 2021.

- c. Ms. Alyssa Kopp, Speech and Language Pathologist, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, pending release from Muhlenberg School District, date to be determined.
- d. Ms. Nicole Rohrbach, Science Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, pending release from Muhlenberg School District, date to be determined.
- e. Mr. Marquis Marshall, Special Education Assistant, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective January 13, 2022.
- f. Ms. Allison Bowman, 4.5 Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg High School, effective December 23, 2021.

**105B Professional Appointments**

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

- a. Ms. Demi James, Elementary Teacher (T. Charles), C.E. Cole Intermediate, effective January 4, 2022, at a salary of \$65,662 (M + 21, 13 Steps from the Top), prorated for days worked.
- b. Mr. Theodore Werkheiser, Long-Term Substitute, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective January 13, 2022 until the end of the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$44,682 (B, 18 Steps from the Top), prorated for days worked.
- c. Ms. Gabriella Rojas, Long-Term Substitute, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective January 13, 2022 until the end of the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$44,682 (B, 18 Steps from the Top), prorated for days worked.

**105C 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. Mrs. Cristina Lillis, Fourth Grade Teacher, C. E. Cole Intermediate School, Leave of Absence/FMLA, effective on or about February 26, 2022 through on or about April 12, 2022.
- b. Ms. Makall Kramer, Second Shift Custodian, Muhlenberg High School, Leave of Absence/FMLA, effective on or about February 14, 2022 through on or about June 15, 2022.

**105D Mentor Assignment**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following mentor assignment at the professional rate of \$30.00 per hour for the 2021-2022 school year (Exhibit #93):

- a. Mrs. Jennifer Anton, mentor for Ms. Demi James, Elementary Teacher, C. E. Cole Intermediate, for sixty (60) hours.

**105E Co-Curricular Resignations**

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

- a. Mr. Zoe Barna, Girls Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach, effective December 21, 2021.
- b. Mr. Robert Gourley, Varsity Track and Field Head Coach, effective January 3, 2022.

**105F Co-curricular Appointment**

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

- a. Ms. Courtney Wenger, Muhlenberg Varsity Boys and Girls Diving Coach (E. Bates), effective November 19, 2021, at a salary of \$2,900 (year 1), prorated for days worked.

**105G Award Professional Contract for Tenured Teachers**

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 teachers who have performed on a satisfactory basis for three years:

- a. Ms. Mary Cameron, Muhlenberg Elementary Center
- b. Ms. Michelle Chavoya, Muhlenberg Elementary Center
- c. Ms. Paige McGrogan, Muhlenberg Elementary Center
- d. Mr. Joshua Rankin, C. E. Cole Intermediate
- e. Ms. Jessica Siegfried, C. E. Cole Intermediate

**105H MSD Winter Style - College Edition: Pre-Educator Assignments**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following MSD Winter Style Program pre-educator assignments, as presented, pending updated clearances (Exhibit #94):

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>College</u>
Emily Talarico	West Chester University
Faith Bentz	Albright University
Nicholas Whitmoyer	Millersville University
Brie Bodnar	West Chester University
Madison Armstrong	West Chester University
Olivia Chiarelli	West Chester University



Abdul Conde	Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Andrew Chiarelli	West Chester University
Meghan Cook	Susquehanna University
Ava Henschel	Kutztown University
Katie McCormick	Delaware University
Samuel Robertson	West Chester University
Julian Sharp	Delaware University

**105I Classified Appointment**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following classified appointment:

- a. Ms. Brenda Lochman, 4.5 Hour Cafeteria Worker (A. Bowman), Muhlenberg High School, effective January 13, 2022, at a pay rate of \$15.23 per hour.

**Management**

There are no items to report.

**Physical Plant and Transportation**

**Resolution Nos. 106**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mr. Lupia, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Management Resolution Nos. 106** in their entirety.

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

**106 Approval of Repair of Track, Upper and Lower Tennis Courts, and Installation of New Javelin and Discus Throw Areas**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the repair of the high school track, upper and lower tennis courts, and installation of new javelin and discus throw areas, total cost \$282,925.00 (funded through Capital Reserve) as presented (Exhibit #95).

**Budget and Finance**

**Resolution Nos. 108**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Nelson, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Budget and Finance Resolution No. 108** in their entirety.

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

**108 Act 1 Index for 2022-2023 School Year**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District, as in accordance with Act 1 of 2006; hereby certifies that it will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of the district for the 2022-2023 fiscal year by more than its index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education - Act 1 Index for 2022-2023 is 3.4% adjusted to 4.8%, at a maximum of 1.51104 mills (Exhibit #97).

**Resolution Nos. 107 - 111**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mr. Lupia, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Budget and Finance Resolution Nos. 107 through 111** in their entirety.

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

**107 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 #96):

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>Financial Report</b>	<b>Bills Paid Month</b>	<b>Investments</b>	<b>Budget Transfers</b>
General	Nov 2021	Nov 2021	Dec 2021 Ck#51229-51411 V#27113-27155	Nov 2021	Nov 2021
Cafeteria	Nov 2021	Nov 2021	Dec 2021 Ck#7315-7337 V#2920-2924	Nov 2021	
Capital Reserve (Fund 32)	Dec 2021	Dec 2021	Dec 2021 Ck#917-918		
Capital Projects Fund (Fund 39)	Dec 2021	Dec 2021			
Activity	Nov 2021	Nov 2021			

**109 Disposal of Surplus Property**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District authorize the disposal of the following surplus property in accordance with district Policy 706.1, Disposal of Surplus Property as presented (Exhibit #98):

- a. HP Laptops for Disposal – These items are broken and have had most usable parts removed. (Exhibit – 2022 HP 650 G1 Laptops for Recycle.xlsx)
- b. HP and ASUS Chromebooks for Disposal - These items are broken and have had most usable parts removed. (Exhibit – 2022 Chromebooks for Recycle.xlsx)

**110 Close Student Activity Accounts**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District authorize closing the student activity accounts for "VAASA", "Ski & Snowboard Club", "Majorettes" and "Dance Team" and transferring the remaining balances to the Class Of 2022 activity account (Exhibit #99).

**111 Certification of Unpaid Real Estate Taxes for Calendar Year 2020/2021**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District authorize closing the student activity accounts for "VAASA", "Ski & Snowboard Club", "Majorettes" and "Dance Team" and transferring the remaining balances to the Class Of 2022 activity account (Exhibit #100).

**Education**

**Resolution Nos. 112 – 118**

Moved by Mrs. Eagle and Mr. Vasquez, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Education Nos. 112 through 118** in its entirety.

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

**112 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 2021-2022 school year as listed (Exhibit #101).

**113 Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Donations**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District accept the following donation in accordance with district Policy 702, Gifts, Grants, Donations (Exhibit #102):

- a. The Restaurant Store, donation of numerous variety of food products for Family and Consumer Science classes at Muhlenberg Junior High School.
- b. Jan's Circle of Friends, grant of \$2,000 to provide services of assisting children in the Muhlenberg School District affected by domestic violence or parental loss.

**114 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 students (Exhibit #103):

- a. Student "G", C. E. Cole Intermediate
- b. Student "H", C. E. Cole Intermediate
- c. Student "I", Muhlenberg Junior High School
- d. Student "J", Muhlenberg Junior High School
- e. Student "K", C. E. Cole Intermediate
- f. Student "L", Muhlenberg High School
- g. Student "M", Muhlenberg High School

**115 Linkage Letter with Salisbury Behavioral Health, LLC**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the linkage letter with Salisbury Behavioral Health, LLC to provide supports/services from January 1, 2022 through January 1, 2024 as presented (Exhibit #104).

**116 Linkage Letter/Referral Agreement with CONCERN**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Linkage Letter/Referral Agreement between CONCERN – Professional Services for Children, Youth and Families and the Muhlenberg School District, effective November 17, 2021 for a two (2) year period on an as needed basis (Exhibit #105).

**117 National Cheer Competition Trip**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Muhlenberg School District Competitive Spirit Team to attend the National Cheer Competition held in Orlando, Florida on February 11, 2022 through February 13, 2022, at no cost to the district (Exhibit #106).

**118 Civil Air Patrol Incentive Flights for Air Force JROTC**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve participation in incentive flights with the Civil Air Patrol for

Muhlenberg School District Air Force JROTC Cadets as presented (Exhibit #107).

### **Student Activities**

*There was none.*

### **Minutes**

#### **Resolution No. 119**

#### **119 Approval of Minutes**

Moved by Mr. Lupia and Mr. Nelson, that the minutes of the Annual Organization Meeting of December 6, 2021; the Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 6, 2021; and, the Regular Board Meeting of December 6, 2021.

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

### **Old Business**

*There was none.*

### **New Business**

#### **Resolution No. 120**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Eagle, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution No. 120** in its entirety.

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

#### **120 Memoriam of Mr. Tommy Curtis**

Resolved, that we remember the passing of Mr. Tommy Curtis who served in the Muhlenberg School District for five (5) years (1972-1977) as an elementary teacher. 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.

### **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.

Kristy Rothenberger: She thanked Dr. Macharola for bringing attention to the mental health that is occurring in our nation, it is absolutely absurd these days. She also would like to bring a point, the District has not had visitors/volunteers in the schools to help alleviate some of the pressure that is on the teachers. She noticed there was no update to the district's health and safety plan and she knows the district is not allowing visitors/volunteers in; an update on this would be great. She stated many people in the community would love to help our children, that's what we are here for.

Mr. Hyneman thanked Mrs. Rothenberger for her comments and advised he liked to get into the school every week to help volunteer and he does miss this, however he also does understand the concern.

### **MSD/RMCTC Board Visitor of the Month**

Schedule 2021-2022

January	Mr. Otto W. Voit, III
February	Mr. Mark Nelson
March	Mr. Garrett Hyneman
April	Mrs. Cindy Mengle
May	Mr. Richard E. Hoffmaster

### **Review of Board Meetings and Calendar of Events**


January 10	7:00 PM	Reading-Muhlenberg CTC Re-Organization Meeting
January 12	6:30 PM	Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting
February 2	7:00 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
February 9	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
February 14	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
March 2	7:00 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
March 9	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
March 14	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
April 6	7:00 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
April 11	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
April 13	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
May 4	7:00 PM	Committee of the Whole Meeting
May 9	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
May 11	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
June 13	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
June 15	6:30 PM	Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting

**121 Adjourn Meeting**

Moved by Mr. Nelson and Mr. Lupia, that there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:41PM.

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

Attest:

  
Cindy L. Mengle  
Secretary