

MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2021
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, August 11, 2021 at 7:43 PM by Board President, Mr. S. Wayne Hardy.

Members Present

President – Mr. S. Wayne Hardy
Vice President – Mr. J. Tony Lupia, Jr.
Secretary – Mr. Thomas W. Gross
Assistant Secretary – Mrs. Cindy L. Mengle
Treasurer – Mr. Richard E. Hoffmaster
Member – Mr. Garrett E. Hyneman
Member – Mr. K. Scott Long
Member – Mr. Mark J. Nelson
Member – Mr. Otto W. Voit, III
Solicitor – Mr. Brian J. 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 – Mr. Shane M. Mathias, CPA
Director of Physical Plant and Transportation – Mr. Ken Patterson
Director of Special Education – Dr. Shawn Rutt
Supervisor of Special Education – Dr. Tyler Herman
Supervisor of Accounts – Ms. Susan Hawkins
Behavior Analyst – Mr. Zachary Milch
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 – Mr. C. Eric Schaeffer
High School Assistant Principal – Ms. Lori Morris
Middle School Principal – Dr. Jeffery Ebert
Middle School Assistant Principal – Dr. Felicia Gonzalez
C. E. Cole Intermediate Principal – Mr. Steven Baylor
Elementary Center Principal – Mr. Kyle Crater
Elementary Center Assistant Principal – Mrs. Ginny Hornberger

Elementary Center Assistant Principal – Dr. Shannon O'Donnell

Visitors

Mr. Brian F. Boland, Esq.
Bill Ricchuiti
Mary Ricchuiti
Irene Ricchhuiti
Emily Ricchuiti
April Cunningham
Janet Howard
Mallory Rowley
Inga Hobbs
Crystal Chwatek
Miguel Vasquez
Joseph Collins

Educational Presentations

Dr. Macharola advised he and Dr. Futrick spoke regarding the preparations for the upcoming school year. Dr. Futrick advised the district has been interviewing a lot of people this summer. Dr. Futrick talked about the outstanding process, how they got to meet a lot of quality people, being very excited for the staff that were hired and will be coming onboard. As the district prepares for this, Dr. Futrick spoke about preparing for the induction program which will kick off next week as the new teachers will have the opportunity to meet their mentors. Dr. Futrick talked about guiding the administrators through things they need to know to start the school year. Dr. Futrick advised the district is also planning for Opening Day/welcome back for the teachers which is the 25th of August where Dr. Macharola will be addressing everyone. Dr. Futrick advised he knows all the board is invited to this event. Dr. Futrick talked about introducing the new staff members to the district's entire staff, and new administrators to everyone as well. Dr. Futrick spoke about the building principals working extremely hard this past Spring and Summer getting the schedule ready for the opening of schools. Dr. Futrick talked about doing a lot of work on the district's curriculum and will continue to do a lot of work on the curriculum this school year as well. Dr. Futrick talked about the summer being very busy including the SummerStyle program, as it appears they are running school and doing everything they need to do get ready for the opening of school. Dr. Futrick wanted to thank all of the district's administrators as he felt as though they did a great job pulling the program off this summer. Dr. Futrick thanked Mr. Vanino for lining up the transportation and making sure things went as smoothly as possible. Dr. Futrick also discussed the district's extended school year program happening over at C. E. Cole with Dr. Rutt and Dr. Herman, as well as Mr. Charles who has jumped in and assisted also. Dr. Futrick discussed having the opportunity to meet the summer program college students coming to work. Dr. Futrick spoke about how good this is for the district to identify kids who hopefully in 2-3 years will want to work at Muhlenberg. Dr. Futrick advised this is a great "PR" tool for the district, it allows the district to get our message out to colleges that the district is recruiting as well as spreading the message to the kids, as they will spread the message also of the type of culture that is at Muhlenberg. Dr. Futrick talked about the summer program being a terrific experience for the district and he wanted to

thank the board, along with Dr. Macharola, for having the opportunity to doing the program.

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.

Mr. Lupia advised the meeting was coming up next Thursday. Mr. Lupia talked about the bus service contracts being discussed on-line as they are in the works and waiting approval.

B. Reading-Muhlenberg CTC – Mrs. Cindy Mengle

Mrs. Mengle discussed the meeting being held last Monday and once of the items discussed under the curriculum is the enrollment they have 433 new students, and of those 433 students, 120 of those are from Muhlenberg and they were very pleased with the number of new students with erveything that was going on with the pandemic and with getting the kids to go to CTC.

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

There was no meeting held, there is no report at this time.

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

Mr. Voit discussed the annual conference for PSBA is to be held in October, although PSBA is still working it out as it may be modified in some way due to those who paid to advertise, and may be a scaled down conference.

E. Muhlenberg Community Library – Mr. Terry Heckman

There was no report at this time.

F. Muhlenberg Township/Laureldale Borough Liaison – Mr. J. Tony Lupia, Jr.

Mr. Lupia reported he was on vacation last week, but asked everyone to attend Riverfest.

G. 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 discussed two items, one being he was asked to participate in a Town Hall phone call alongside Senator Schwank and two Pediatricians on Tuesday, August 17th at 7pm. Dr. Macharola wanted to reiterate how excited the district is about coming back 5 days a week. Dr. Macharola discussed the staff being there for the kids, being committed, and making safety being number one. Dr. Macharola wanted to discuss the importance of charter school legislation and how important the legislation has to change. Dr. Macharola discussed this being an albatross over 500 school district's necks in this state as it is wrong, it is morally, ethically, financially wrong to do what is happening and there is no movement. Dr. Macharola discussed being very concerned about it, as the district continues to navigate the pandemic and the "farm" here. Dr. Macharola reiterated it was ethically wrong and crooked politics, and they are there to cripple public education. Dr. Macharola discussed public education being the backbone of this country, as even third world countries know to get out of poverty is through a strong education system. Dr. Macharola spoke about the district not being able to go backwards, as he is very passionate about it because he does see what is on the horizon and he does see what is down the road, and if things don't change, then we are going to hurt ourselves as American citizens and the welfare of this great country we live in.

Questions/Comments/Concerns

Mr. Hoffmaster asked whether public schools can give monies for fundraisers and such. Dr. Macharola discussed where Mr. Hoffmaster meant through advertising. Dr. Macharola advised the district cannot as there are guidelines that need to be followed using taxpayers monies. Mr. Hoffmaster pointed out that the charter schools use the district's monies to pay for his home and have no regrets using the taxpayer's dollars. Mr. Hoffmaster advised the charter school were going to give Mr. Voit 4 million dollars to run for office, and Mr. Voit responded that he did not take it and advised he would not sell out public education. Mr. Voit commented that if you don't stand for something you can fall are going to fall for anything, so he gave it up.

Board Business

Personnel

Resolution Nos. 13A – 13U (13N pulled for a separate vote)

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Ms. Mengle, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Resolution Nos. 13A through 13U (Mr. Nelson and Mr. Hyneman requested 13N be pulled for a separate vote) in their entirety.**

Yeas: Mr. Gross, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster, Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit. The motion **carried** unanimously.

13A Acceptance of Resignations

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District accept the following resignations (Exhibit #15):

- a. Ms. Denise Stumpf, Computer Skills Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective July 20, 2021.
- b. Mr. Corri Speakman, Learning Support Teacher, Muhlenberg High School, effective July 21, 2021.
- c. Mr. Colin English, Science Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective July 26, 2021.
- d. Ms. Mary Plants, 4.5 hour Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg High School, effective July 28, 2021.
- e. Ms. Linda Ochs, 3.5 hour Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective June 30, 2021.
- f. Ms. Michelle Stewart, Speech/Language Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, pending release from Muhlenberg School District, date to be determined.
- g. Ms. Savannah Merritt, Elementary Teacher, C. E. Cole Intermediate, effective August 3, 2021.
- h. Ms. Erin Antosy, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, pending release from Muhlenberg School District, date to be determined.
- i. Dr. Felicia Gonzalez, Assistant Principal, Muhlenberg Junior High School, pending release from Muhlenberg School District, date to be determined.
- j. Ms. Randi Farrow, 4.5 hour Cafeteria Worker, C. E. Cole Intermediate, effective August 12, 2021.
- k. Ms. Sandra Rowe, 3.5 Cafeteria Worker, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective August 10, 2021.

13B Professional Appointments

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

- a. Ms. Megan Douglas, Elementary Teacher (Former LTS), Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective the first contractual day of the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$58,244 (M + 9, 16 Steps from the Top).

- b. Mr. Brandon Monk, Elementary Teacher, (B. Kerr), C. E. Cole Intermediate, effective the first contractual day of the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$52,095 (B + 24, 17 Steps from the Top).
- c. Ms. Amari Gilmore, Elementary Teacher (K. Snyder), C. E. Cole Intermediate, effective upon release from current employer per PA School Code, at a prorated salary of \$46,190 (B, 17 Steps from the Top).
- d. Mr. Taylor Charles, Supervisor of Special Education (T. Herman), effective August 9, 2021, at a salary of \$82,400.
- e. Ms. Kelly Murphy, Elementary Teacher (Former LTS), Muhlenberg Elementary Center, effective the first contractual day of the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$46,190 (B, 17 Steps from the Top).
- f. Ms. Xiomara Toledo, Elementary Teacher (K. Bonner), Muhlenberg Elementary Center, pending verification of PA certification, effective the first contractual day of the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$50,470 (B + 24, 18 Steps from the Top).

13C Classified Appointments

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

- a. Ms. Sindel Strohecker, 3.5 Hour Cafeteria Assistant (A. Stoudt), Food Services, effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$12.77 per hour.
- b. Ms. Amy Stoudt, 4.5 Hour Cafeteria Worker, Food Services (M. Brock), effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$15.23 per hour.
- c. Ms. Whitney Burkert, 4.5 Hour Cafeteria Worker, Food Services (A. Aitken), effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$15.23 per hour.
- d. Mr. Jeremiah Giddens, Instructional Assistant (D. Zielinski), Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$14.87 per hour.
- e. Ms. Rachel Kline, Clerical Assistant Part Time (J. Payne), Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$14.46.
- f. Ms. Amy Heinz, Instructional Assistant (A. Limidry), C. E. Cole Intermediate, effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$14.87 per hour.
- g. Ms. Rosa Segura Rivas, Instructional Assistant (P. Watts), Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$14.87 per hour.
- h. Ms. Allison Bowman, 4.5 Hour Cafeteria Worker, Food Services (A. M. Plant), effective August 12, 2021, at a pay rate of \$15.23 per hour.

13D Mentor Assignments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following mentor assignments at the professional rate of \$30.00 per hour for the 2021-2022 school year (Exhibit #16):

- a. Ms. Jennifer Pacharis, mentor for Ms. Alexandra Previti, English Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, for twenty-seven (27) hours.

- b. Ms. Nichole Barker, mentor for Ms. Jennifer Gulick, English Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, for seventeen (17) hours.
- c. Ms. Morgan Williams, mentor for Ms. Madison Szczecina, Social Studies Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, for sixty (60) hours.
- d. Mr. John Evans, mentor for Ms. Jessica Schafer, Long-term Substitute Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, for thirty (30) hours.
- e. Mrs. Cristina Lillis, mentor for Ms. Amari Gilmore, Elementary Teacher, C. E. Cole Intermediate School, for sixty (60) hours.
- f. Mrs. Amy Sharp, mentor for Mr. Brandon Monk, Elementary Teacher, C. E. Cole Intermediate School, for sixty (60) hours.
- g. Ms. Heather Goeltz, mentor for Ms. Zoe Hudzik, Foreign Language (Spanish) Teacher, Muhlenberg Junior High School, for sixty (60) hours.
- h. Ms. Michele McCammitt, mentor for Ms. Kirstie Croft, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, for ten (10) hours.
- i. Ms. Colleen Shillady, mentor for Ms. Shuleil Ramirez, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, for thirty (30) hours.
- j. Ms. Crystal Chwatek, mentor for Ms. Megan Douglas, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, for sixty (60) hours.
- k. Ms. Christy Oxenford, mentor for Ms. Taylor Brennan, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, for thirty (30) hours.
- l. Ms. Laura Ricards, mentor for Ms. Gabrielle Zukowski, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, for sixty (60) hours.
- m. Ms. Jill McIntyre, mentor for Ms. Kelly Murphy, Elementary Teacher, Muhlenberg Elementary Center, for thirty (30) hours.

13E Summer Phase II/III of the Holistic Plan: Professional Assignments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following Summer Phase II/III of the Holistic Plan professional assignments, as presented (Exhibit #17):

- a. Morgan Boone
- b. Tara Pacharis
- c. Ashley Hyneman
- d. Erin Anagnost
- e. Katie Foltz
- f. Matthew Kramer
- g. Jarra Dennis

13F Summer Phase II/III of the Holistic Plan: Pre-Educator Assignments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following Summer Phase II/III of the Holistic Plan pre-educator assignments, as presented (Exhibit #18):

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>College</u>
Madalyn Barbon	Penn State University

Andrew Strause Temple University

13G Director of Food Service and Nutrition

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve Mr. Carey Kline, Director of Food Service and Nutrition, from a 10-month employee to a 12-month employee (260 days), effective August 12, 2021, with all benefits afforded per MAA I Act 93 Agreement.

13H Salaries for Professional Staff for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Professional Staff Salaries for the 2021-2022 school year as in accordance with the Muhlenberg Education Association contract (effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023) as presented (Exhibit #19).

13I Health Services for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following health services for the district for the 2021-2022 school year:

- a. Worknet- pre-employment services - \$55.65 per exam; \$25.00 for tuberculosis test
- b. Dr. Keith Kiefer, school dentist - \$5.00 per exam
- c. Dr. Jeffrey Gold, school physicals - \$24.00 per exam

13J Substitute Pay Rates

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following substitute pay rates for the 2021-2022 school year:

- a. Cafeteria- \$8.50 per hour
- b. Custodians- \$10.50 per hour
- c. Crossing Guard - \$8.00 per hour

13K Summer Hours for Professional Staff

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following employee for summer hours (Exhibit #20):

- a. Ms. Juliana Ciccarelli, thirty (30) hours for virtual learning resources and professional development planning and learning, at the professional pay rate of \$30.00 per hour.

13L BCIU Bus Drivers and Aides for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the listing of bus drivers and aides for the 2021-2022 school year as contracted with the Berks County Intermediate Unit (Exhibit #21).

13M Pay Rate for Laureldale Crossing Guards for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the 2021-2022 pay rate of \$16.00 per hour for the Laureldale crossing guards.

13N Pulled for a separate vote

13O Co-curricular Appointments

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

- a. Mr. Dan Solvino, Junior High Girls Volleyball Head Coach, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$4,896 (year 9).
- b. Mr. Jacob Conrad, Muhlenberg High School Co-Ed Cross Country Head Coach, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$4,060 (year 1).
- c. Ms. Erika Sager, Muhlenberg Junior High Girls Field Hockey Head Coach, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$4,481 (year 4).
- d. Mr. Junior Duffault, Volunteer Muhlenberg High School Varsity Football Assistant Coach, effective August 12, 2021.
- e. Mr. Doug Olexy, Spanish Club Advisor, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$1,450 (year 1).
- f. Mr. Steven Frymoyer, Weight Room Monitor, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$2,610 (year 1).
- g. Mr. Matthew Mankiewicz, Weight Room Monitor, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$2,610 (year 1).
- h. Ms. Jessica Hoffman, Fall Assistant Cheer Coach, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$2,175 (year 1).
- i. Ms. Jessica Hoffman, Winter Assistant Cheer Coach, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$2,175 (year 1).
- j. Ms. Melissa Blickley, Assistant Volleyball Coach, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$3,263 (year 1).
- k. Mr. Jason Heflin, Co-Assistant Football Coach, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$2,039 (year 1).
- l. Mr. Joshua Messner, Co-Assistant Football Coach, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective August 12, 2021, adjustment salary of \$2,163 (year 5).
- m. Mr. Elias Santiago, Varsity Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021.
- n. Mr. Manuel Sostre, Varsity Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021.

- o. Ms. Julia Hornberger, Commencement Coordinator, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$1,450 (year 1).
- p. Ms. Tiana Schaefer, Assistant Commencement Coordinator, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$1,088 (year 1).
- q. Ms. Kate Kupuscinski, Assistant Field Hockey Coach, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$3,263 (year 1).
- r. Mr. Wesley Estock, Leo Club Advisor, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$3,190 (year 1).
- s. Mr. Dave Angove, Boys Soccer Head Coach, Muhlenberg Junior High School, effective August 12, 2021, at a salary of \$4,753 (year 8).
- t. Mr. Sebastian Ponce, Girls Varsity Tennis Volunteer Coach, Muhlenberg High School, effective August 12, 2021.

13P Co-Curricular Assignments

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following co-curricular assignments as presented (Exhibit #22).

13Q Sports Event Monitors for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Sports Event Monitors for the 2021-2022 School Year at the pay rate of \$10.50 per hour as presented (Exhibit #23).

13R Completion of Probation

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

- a. Mr. John Hudock, Maintenance Technician, Physical Plant and Transportation, completion of forty-five (45) day probation as of August 2, 2021 and recommended for permanent employment as of August 3, 2021.

13S Administrator's Association (MAAI and MAII) Salary Increase for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the Administrators' Association (MAAI and MAII) salary increase for the 2021 -2022 school year.

13T Cooperative Agreement in Boys and Girls Tennis with Oley Valley School District

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the agreement between Oley Valley School District and Muhlenberg School District in sports of Girls Tennis (Fall) and Boys Tennis (Spring) beginning Fall of 2021 as the host school.

13U 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 employee:

- a. Ms. Ewelina McDevitt, Elementary Teacher, C. E. Cole Intermediate, Leave of Absence/FMLA, effective on or about December 2, 2021 through the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Resolution No. 13N

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mr. Voit, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Personnel Resolution No. 13N** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster, Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross. **Abstain:** Mr. Nelson and Mr. Hyneman. The motion **carried**.

13N Bus Monitors for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following bus monitors for the 2021-2022 school year at the pay rate of \$10.50 per hour:

Muhlenberg High School

Mr. Dean DeTurk

Muhlenberg Junior High School AM

Ms. Jennifer Doyle
Ms. Paula Shea
Mr. John Winard

Muhlenberg Junior High School PM

Ms. Jennifer Doyle
Mr. Brian Hendricks
Ms. Laura Klawiter
Ms. Katelyn Konopelski
Mr. Ian Laxton
Ms. Haley Layton
Mr. Kevin Lenhart
Ms. Alexandra Previti

C. E. Cole Intermediate
Mr. Matthew Reiniger

Ms. Cary Rowe

Ms. Laura Zubey
Ms. Tara Nelson
Ms. Nicole McGowan
Mr. Jeffrey Reiniger

Muhlenberg Elementary Center

Ms. Jessica Gunter
Ms. Karen Lessie
Ms. Jessica Levy
Ms. Alisha Neiman
Ms. Kaitlynn Girard
Ms. Ashley Hyneman
Ms. Candace Katen
Ms. Michelle McCammitt
Ms. Judy Becker

Management

Resolution No. 14 and No. 15

Moved by Mr. Voit and Mr. Nelson, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Management Resolution No. 14 and No. 15** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Hoffmaster, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross, Mr. Hardy. The motion **carried** unanimously.

14 2021-2022 Annual Membership to Berks Business Education Coalition

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the annual membership to the Berks Business Education Coalition for the 2021–2022 school year at a cost of \$700.00 (Exhibit #24).

15 Withdrawn Assessment Appeal

Resolved by the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District that the assessment appeal involving the matter of North Reading Plaza Investors, LP filed by the School District in the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County for the property located at 5370 Allentown Pike, Muhlenberg Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania 19560, be withdrawn by the solicitor with the resulting final assessment of the property being fixed at \$3,209,100.

Physical Plant and Transportation

Resolution No. 16

Moved by Mr. Lupia and Mr. Long, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Physical Plant and Transportation Resolution No. 16** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster. The motion **carried** unanimously.

16 Approval of Bids and Awarding Contracts for Muhlenberg Elementary Center Data Upgrades

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the bids and awarding of contracts to the two lowest responsible bidders, Frey Lutz, mechanical bid, \$104,900.00, and Pagoda Electric, electrical bid, \$141,243.00, at a total proposed cost of \$246,143.00, to be paid from ESSER funds (Exhibit #25).

Budget and Finance

Resolution No. 17 - 19

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Mr. Lupia, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Budget and Finance Resolution No. 17 through No. 19** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster. The motion **carried** unanimously.

17 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

Fund	Treasurer's Report	Financial Report	Bills Paid Month	Investments	Budget Transfers
General	May 2021	May 2021	Jun 2021 Ck#50070-50255 V#26843-26886	May 2021	
Cafeteria	May 2021	May 2021	Jun 2021 Ck#7118-7144 V#2873-2879	May 2021	
Capital Reserve (Fund 32)	Jun 2021	Jun 2021			
Capital Projects Fund (Fund 39)	Jun 2021	Jun 2021			
Activity	May 2021	May 2021			

permanent record of the meeting (Exhibit #26):

18 Student Activity Accounts

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District authorize closing the student activity account for the "Class of 2021" and transferring the remaining balance to the "Class of 2022" account, and creating a new "Class of 2024" activity account (Exhibit #27).

19 Employee Assistance Program Services Agreement

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the agreement with Inroads at the Family Guidance Center to provide employee assistance program services commencing September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 as presented (Exhibit #28).

Education

Resolution Nos. 20 – 23

Moved by Mr. Hoffmaster and Ms. Mengle, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve **Education Nos. 20 through 23** in its entirety.

Yeas: Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster, Mr. Long. The motion **carried** unanimously.

20 Student Tuition Agreements for the 2021-2022 School Year

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the following student tuition agreement for the 2021-2022 school year as presented (Exhibit #29):

- a. Student #39082, New Story

21 Seton Hall University Counseling Intern

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve Ms. Courtney Wenger, counseling intern from Seton Hall University, as per the affiliation agreement between the Muhlenberg School District and Seton Hall University (Exhibit #30).

22 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:

- a. Mr. Jeffrey Yeager, donation of trumpet for musical department in the Muhlenberg School District.

23 Student to Begin the 2021-2022 School Year as a Non-Resident Student

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Muhlenberg School District approve the request for the following student to begin the 2021-2022 school year as a non-resident student:

- a. Student 21-22NR, Kindergarten, MEC

24 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 #31).

Student Activities

There was none.

Minutes

Resolution No. 25

25 Approval of Minutes

Moved by Mr. Lupia and Mr. Voit, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of July 14, 2021 and, the Regular Board Meeting of July 14, 2021 be approved as submitted.

Yeas: Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross. Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster, Mr. Hyneman, Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia. The motion **carried** unanimously.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

Dr. Macharola commented that Mr. Houck, the district's Director of Technology, was not present today as his father had recently passed away.

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 were none.

MSD/RMCTC Board Visitor of the Month

Schedule 2021-2022

September	Mr. Thomas W. Gross
October	Mr. S. Wayne Hardy
November	Mr. K. Scott Long, Jr.
December	Mr. J. Tony Lupia, Jr.
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

August 2	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
August 11	6:30 PM	COW and Regular Board Meeting
September 1	7:00 PM	COW Meeting
September 8	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
September 13	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
October 6	7:00 PM	COW Meeting
October 11	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
October 13	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
November 3	7:00 PM	COW Meeting
November 8	6:30 PM	RMCTC Board Meeting
November 10	7:00 PM	Regular Board Meeting
December 6	6:30 PM	Annual Organization Meeting; COW; Regular Board Meeting

Questions/Comments/Concerns

Mr. Voit asked to make a belated comment about Mr. Carey Kline, Director of Food and Nutrition was going from a 10-month employee to a 12-month employee, and he just wanted to point out for the many years he has worked for the district he did work 12 months. Mr. Voit advised that Mr. Kline has done a phenomenal job with the food service program here at the school and nobody has done it better and it is a proud moment to finally see his position go to the 12-month schedule and a job well done.

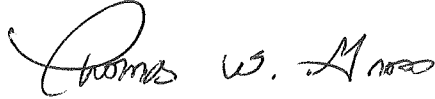
Mr. Hyneman commented he wanted to add a strong "second" to that as he agrees.

12 Adjourn Meeting

Moved by Mr. Voit and Mr. Nelson, that there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Yeas: Mr. Long, Mr. Lupia, Ms. Mengle, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Voit, Mr. Gross, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hoffmaster. The motion **carried** unanimously.

Attest:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas W. Gross".

Thomas W. Gross
Secretary