

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING MARCH 16, 2010

Montville Municipal Building

- A. Business Administrator Tevis called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

RECESS

Business Administrator Tevis announced that the meeting is being recessed for a short period of time.

RECONVENED

President Alin reconvened the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	
Mr. Alin	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Dr. Cortellino	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Mr. Demetropoulos	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Mr. Feaster	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Mr. Grau	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Dr. Kayne	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Mr. Palma	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Mr. Przetak	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Mrs. Ritschel	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	
Liza Rabkin	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>	<i>Student Representative</i>
Remy Zaccaria	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>	<i>Student Representative</i>

OTHERS PRESENT: Rita Seipp (Interim Superintendent), Ruth Anne Estler (Interim Assistant Superintendent), James Tevis (School Business Administrator/Board Secretary), and Stephen Edelstein (Board Attorney).

B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board members and all others present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. **READING OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT**

School Business Administrator Tevis attested to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law as follows:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the act, the Montville Township Board of Education approved this meeting date. Notice of the meeting has been posted at the Montville Municipal Building, all Montville public schools, the Montville Public Library, the Montville Township Board of Education Administrative Office Building, the Montville Public School Website, and advertised in the DAILY RECORD.

D. **CLOSED SESSION** No action taken.

E. **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**
None.

F. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

The interim superintendent congratulated a staff member for his outstanding achievement, and recognized Hilldale School and the High School Drama Club for their successes:

Good News and Progress in our Schools

- Austin Thomsen, District Technology Manager, is featured as a past student of the MTHS Cisco Networking Academy as a success story on Cisco's US and Canada Networking Academy website
- Hilldale was recognized for their involvement in *Valentines for Vets Program* by receiving a letter of appreciation from Rodney P. Frelinghuysen, a citation from the US House of Representatives and an American flag that flew over the US Capital on 2/17/10
- Montville Township High School Drama Club's Spring Musical performance of *Li'l Abner* was a huge success

Suspension / Violence and Vandalism Monthly Reports to the Board of Education

February 2010	K – 12	Violence Incidents	2	
February 2010	K – 12	Vandalism Incidents	6	
February 2010	K – 12	Weapon Incidents	0	
February 2010	K – 12	Substance Abuse	0	
February 2010	K – 12	Suspensions	55	(includes in-school and Saturday)

Business Administrator's Report

- **2010 – 2011 Proposed Budget Update**

The interim superintendent and business administrator presented an update of the 2010-2011 proposed budget. The administration then entertained questions from the board.

G. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The standing committee reports were suspended.

H. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** *(For items on the agenda only)*

Thirteen members of the public spoke regarding the following topics:

- Proposed special education out-of-district tuitions
- Proposed marching band budget

- 2010-2011 proposed budget
- Proposed budget teacher reductions
- Director of Special Services vacancy
- Proposed supervisors’ reorganization plan
- Proposed budget revenue suggestions
- Pay-to-Play
- Proposed school nurses’ reductions
- Interim high school administration concerns
- School buses ARRA funding
- Summer programs

The board and administration responded to the public’s comments.

The administration then responded to various questions from the board regarding the 2010-2011 proposed school budget.

Motion by Vice President Feaster, second by Member Ritschel to accept the recommendation of the superintendent and adopt the following Items I-N:

I. MINUTES

February 2, 2010	Special Meeting, Executive Session, Regular Meeting
February 9, 2010	Special Meeting, Executive Session, Regular Meeting
February 18, 2010	Special Meeting, Executive Session, Special Meeting

DISCUSSION

A discussion ensued among the board regarding the proposed school calendar options.

J. ADMINISTRATIVE

J.1 District Calendar: 2010 – 2011 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and adopt Exhibit # 3 for the District Calendar: 2010 – 2011 School Year.

J.2 District Calendar: 2011 – 2012 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and adopt Exhibit # 1 for the District Calendar: 2011 – 2012 School Year.

Motion by Member Przetak, second by Member Demetropoulos to amend J.2 to Exhibit #1:

VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
Paul Przetak	X				
Spyros Demetropoulos	X				
Karen Cortellino		X			
Mr. Grau	X				
Matthew Kayne		X			
Michael Palma	X				

Jackie Ritschel		X			
Karl Feaster	X				
Jon Alin	X				

Motion passed with 6 yes votes and 2 no votes.

Motion by Member Cortellino, second by Member Palma to separate J.2:

VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
Karen Cortellino	X				
Michael Palma	X				
Spyros Demetropoulos	X				
Charles Grau		X			
Matthew Kayne	X				
Paul Przetak		X			
Jackie Ritschel		X			
Karl Feaster		X			
Jon Alin		X			

Motion failed with 4 yes votes and 5 no votes.

Motion by Member Demetropoulos, second by Vice President Feaster to amend J.1 from Exhibit #3 to Exhibit #1:

VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
Spyros Demetropoulos	X				
Karl Feaster	X				
Karen Cortellino	X				
Charles Grau	X				
Matthew Kayne		X			
Michael Palma		X			
Paul Przetak		X			
Jackie Ritschel		X			
Jon Alin		X			

Motion failed with 4 yes votes and 5 no votes.

K. FACILITIES / FINANCE / CENTRAL OFFICE RELOCATION

Mr. Grau – Chair, Mr. Feaster, Mr. Przetak

K.1 Payment of Bills

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the payment of the following bills for the period of February 10, 2010 through March 16, 2010 in accordance with the bill lists that shall be made a part of this record.

General Fund (10)	In the amount of	\$	1,997,494.59
Special Revenue Fund (20)	In the amount of	\$	181,236.74
Capital Projects Fund (30)	In the amount of	\$	294,074.64
Debt Service Fund (40)	In the amount of	\$	0.00
Food Service Fund (60)	In the amount of	\$	246.30
MEDLC Fund (61)	In the amount of	\$	5,043.44

SUB-TOTAL:		\$	2,478,095.71
Payroll - February	In the amount of	\$	3,945,048.78
TOTAL		\$	6,423,144.49

K.2 Transfer of Funds

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education ratifies budget transfers for the period ending January 31, 2010 as listed on (**Document K.2**).

K.3 Financial Reports – January, 2010

WHEREAS, the Montville Township Board of Education has received the **Report of the Board Secretary** and the **Treasurer’s Report** for the month of **January, 2010**, (**Documents K.3a and {K.3b to be supplied} respectively**), and

WHEREAS, the reports of the board secretary and treasurer are in agreement; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education except as noted, and that transfers have been submitted for approval of the Board at subsequent meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, the board of education certifies that, after review of the monthly financial reports of the board secretary and treasurer, and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to P.L. 2004 Ch. 73 (S-1701), the board certifies that after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that there are no budgetary transfers that cumulatively exceed 10% that would require the approval of the commissioner of education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the reports (**Documents K.3a and K.3b**) shall become a part of the minutes of this meeting.

K.4 Use of Facility Requests

WHEREAS, the group(s)/organization(s) listed below have requested the use of school facilities; and

WHEREAS, these requests comply with policy #7510, “Use of School Facilities” unless a waiver is so indicated:

	Group / Organization	School	Location	Day	Date	Time	Fees	Policy Waived
A	Montville Recreation Summer basketball clinic	High School	Main gym	Mon.-Fri. Mon.-Fri.	7/12/10-7/16/10 7/19/10-7/23/10	9:00 am-3:00 pm 9:00 am-3:00 pm	None	

	Group / Organization	School	Location	Day	Date	Time	Fees	Policy Waived
B	Montville Broncos Cheer Bronco competition cheer practices & try-outs for 10-11 season	Lazar	Gym	Monday & Tuesday Wednesday	5/3/10-5/4/10 5/5/10	3:45 pm-5:30 pm 3:45 pm-6:00 pm	None None	
C	Montville Recreation Basketball team gathering to distribute trophies	Hilldale	Gym	Monday	3/8/10	6:30 pm-8:00 pm	None	
D	Trinity Christian School Track & Field practice	High School	Track	Tuesdays & Thursdays Sat.	3/9/10-5/13/10 3/6/10-5/15/10	3:15 pm-5:00 pm 8:30 am-10:30 am	None	
E	MTEA Association general meeting	Lazar	Cafeteria	Tuesday	3/9/10	4:00 pm-5:00 pm	None	
F	Montville Broncos Cheer Broncos competition cheer practice	High School	Aux. Gym	Tuesdays & Thursdays	10/01/10-3/31/11	6:00 pm-8:00 pm	None	
G	Gift of Camp/DLA Run/walk for charity	High School	Track	Sunday	4/25/10	7:00 am-7:00 pm	Actual costs incurred	
H	Girl Scouts Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony	High School	Cafeteria	Saturday	5/15/10	2:00 pm-5:00 pm	None	
I	Cedar Hill Home & School Assn. After school business prog. for 4 th /5 th grade students	Cedar Hill	Classroom & Cafeteria & All Purpose Room	Fridays Thursday Saturday	4/9/10-5/7/10 5/27/10 5/22/10	2:50 pm-5:00 pm 2:50 pm-5:00 pm TBD	None None Actual costs incurred	
J	REVISION Girl Scout Troop 2058 Cookie sale on driveway	Lazar	Driveway	Saturday Sunday	3/20/10 3/21/10 (rain date)	11:00 am-2:00 pm 11:00 am-2:00 pm	None None	Previous dates rained out
K	Montville Monsters Basketball Basketball practice for Montville Monsters (4 th grade)	Lazar	Gym	Saturdays	3/20/10, 4/10/10-5/1/10	8:30 am-9:45 am	Actual costs incurred	

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Montville Township Board of Education approves the listed group(s)/organization(s) to rent/use the requested facilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the school business administrator is hereby authorized to issue permits for these requests but that the board continues to reserve the right to withdraw approval or permission at any time.

K.5 Bid Contract Award - Stone Creek: Central Office Relocation Project

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2009, the Montville Township Board of Education (“Board”) held a public bid opening for the award of a contract for the following project: New Board of Education Offices at Montville Old Town Hall (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid for the Project was submitted by Stone Creek, Inc. (“Stone Creek”), Lodi, New Jersey, with a base bid in the amount of One Million Six Thousand Dollars (\$1,006,000.00) and a bid for Alternate #1 (applying stucco finish system balance of building exterior and painting to match) in the amount of Twenty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000.00) for a total contract price of One Million Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$1,034,000.00); and

WHEREAS, upon a review and analysis of Stone Creek’s bid, the Board, upon consultation with its design professional, has determined Stone Creek to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, Stone Creek agreed on February 1, 2010, upon the Board’s request, to extend the period within which the Board could hold its bid for potential award through March 16, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Board’s counsel has determined Stone Creek’s bid to be awardable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., the Montville Township Board of Education hereby awards a contract for the New Board of Education Offices at Montville Old Town Hall Project to **Stone Creek, Inc.** for a total contract sum of **One Million Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$1,034,000.00)** consisting of the base bid and Alternate #1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator is hereby authorized to return the bid bonds to all but the three (3) lowest bidders; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board’s counsel is authorized to prepare the Contract for the Project, transmit same to Stone Creek, and obtain all documents required thereby; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receipt of a fully executed Agreement, as well as the insurance certificate, bonds, and other documents required by the Contract, the Business Administrator is authorized to return the remaining bid bonds.

L. PERSONNEL

Spyros Demetropoulos – Chair, Mrs. Ritschel, Mr. Palma

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following:

(NOTE: Approval of this resolution authorizes the superintendent to submit to the county superintendent applications for emergent hiring and the applicant’s attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et. Seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et. Seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et. Seq. for

those employees listed below: (All appointments are contingent upon receipt of proper teaching certification, and all salary placements are pending receipt of college transcripts verifying degree status and letter stating years of service in other districts.)

L.1 Appointments, Transfers (*denotes mentoring required)

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following:

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary	Loc.	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1	Buechel, Shannon	Approve	Long Term Per Diem Substitute		\$230.00 per diem	Valley View	4/6/2010	6/23/2010	Maternity replacement – Resource Center for KW
2	Schwarz, Richard	Approve	Night Custodian	MTCMA Step 1	\$31,010 prorated at \$9,044.56	Cedar Hill	3/16/2010	6/30/2010	Completion of 90 day probationary period pursuant to Policy 4123 commencing 12/11/09
3 *	Bertero, Lauren	Approve	Long Term Per Diem Substitute Teacher		\$230.00 per diem	MTHS	4/6/2010	5/17/2010	Extension of assignment commencing 2/17/10 – Physical Education Leave Replacement for AH transfer to Acting AD

L.2 Adjustments, Stipends, Degree Changes

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following:

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg/Step	Salary	Loc.	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1	Guarino, Wayne	Approve	Asst Coach – Baseball	Cat 2 / Step 1	\$4,865	MTHS	2010 Spring Season		Replacement
2	Hauser, Alan	Approve	Acting Athletic Director		\$200.00 per diem	MTHS	4/6/2010	5/17/2010	Extension of daily stipend payable as leave replacement for SN
3	Cluen, Kimberly	Amend	Supervisor of Special Services – Programs and Instruction PreK-12	MTSIA Step 1	\$101,686 prorated at \$23,430	Special Services	4/16/2010	6/30/2010	Increase FTE from 0.8 to 1.0; salary includes \$2,822 longevity; 30 day separation notice

L.3 Leave of Absence

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following:

Code	Name	Reason	Position	Loc.	Paid FMLA Start Date	Sick Days	Unpaid FMLA Start Date	Unpaid NJFLA Start Date	Unpaid Leave without Benefits	Return Date	Discussion
1	Naccara, Steven	Amended Medical Leave	Athletic Director	High School	1/26/10 – 4/26/10	72				On or about 5/18/10	Amend return date pending medical release superseding action on 12/15/09
2	Grieco, JoAnn	Amended Medical Leave	Paraprof.	Cedar Hill	11/9/09	5	11/16/09		2/7/10	On or about 4/13/10	Amend return date pending medical release superseding action on 12/15/09
3	Williams, Brooke	Amended Maternity Leave	2 nd Grade Teacher	Wm Mason	3/8/10	26	4/20/10	4/26/10		9/1/10	Amend start date superseding action on 1/12/10

L.4 Mentoring Assignments

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approves the payroll deduction and subsequent payment of teacher mentoring fees from the following provisional teachers to their respective mentors for the 2009 – 2010 school year:

Code	Provisional Teacher	Location	Mentor	Start Date	Fee
1	Lubertazzi, Leanne	Lazar	Kimen Ryan	2/22/2010	\$550.00

M. CURRICULUM / INSTRUCTION / TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Dr. Karen Cortellino – Chair, Dr. Matthew Kayne, Spyros Demetropoulos

M.1 Approval of Field Trips

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following in accordance with Policy 2340:

Code	School: Grade/Club/Team (Advisor)	Destination	Transportation Funding	Admission Fee Funding	Accommodations Funding
1	Cedar Hill: Grade 5 - Move-Up Day @ Lazar Middle School (Accardi)	Montville, NJ	BOE	n/a	n/a
2	Cedar Hill: Grade 5 – Orientation @ Lazar Middle School (Accardi)	Montville, NJ	Student Activity	n/a	n/a
3	Cedar Hill: Grade 5 - Jeff Lakes Camp- Team Building (Accardi)	Stanhope, NJ	Student Activity	n/a	n/a
4	Cedar Hill: Kindergarten – Turtle Back Zoo (Haskins)	West Orange, NJ	Student Activity	Student Activity	n/a
5	Hilldale: Kindergarten – Turtle Back Zoo (Hanzl, Fau, Mancino)	West Orange, NJ	Pupil	Pupil	n/a
6	Woodmont: Grade 5 – Lifetime Fitness – Enrichment/Team Building (Bell, Maciorski, Reinknecht, Wess)	Florham Park, NJ	HSA/PTA	HSA/PTA	n/a
7	Woodmont: Band, Chorus, Orchestra – MCCEA Mall Project (Coppola, Scognamiglio, Rutkowitz)	Rockaway, NJ	BOE	n/a	n/a
8	MTHS: Grade 9 – Plymouth Plantation (Porter)	Plymouth, MA	Pupil	Pupil	Pupil
9	MTHS: Grades 11 & 12 – J.P. Morgan Museum (Porter)	New York, NY	Pupil	Pupil	n/a
10	MTHS: Key Club – Children’s Specialized Hospital (Racanelli, Rubino)	New Brunswick, NJ	Pupil	n/a	n/a
11	MTHS: Grades 9-12 ICC- March of Dimes Walk, FDU Campus (Riotto)	Montville, NJ	Student Activity	n/a	n/a
12	MTHS: Grade: Freshmen - Shakespeare LIVE Touring Performance @ MTHS Auditorium (Brita, Reis)	Montville, NJ	n/a	Pupil	n/a
13	MTHS: Video Class - Showcase @ Apple Store, Willowbrook Mall (Hersh)	Wayne, NJ	n/a	n/a	n/a
14	Hilldale: Grade 4 – Knoll Country Club/Native Lands (Weber, Rauschberg, Garibelli)	Parsippany, NJ	Pupil	Pupil	n/a
15	Lazar: Grade 8 – The Church Lane Cemetery/VFW (Crescente, Trentacosta)	Montville, NJ	n/a	n/a	n/a
16	William Mason: Grade 5 – Orientation at Lazar Middle School (Spagnardi)	Montville, NJ	BOE	n/a	n/a
17	William Mason: Grade 5 – Move-Up Day at Lazar Middle School (Spagnardi)	Montville, NJ	BOE	n/a	n/a
18	William Mason: Chorus/Band/Orchestra – MCCEA Mall Project (Schruba, Simon, Rutkowitz)	Rockaway, NJ	BOE	n/a	n/a
19	MTHS: Ceramics 3 – In-School Raku Firing, MTHS (Pflug)	Montville, NJ	n/a	n/a	n/a
20	Hilldale: Grade 1 – Newark Museum (Tuhy, Amodeo, Petit)	Newark, NJ	Pupil	Pupil	n/a
21	MTHS: DECA ICDC (English, Avergun)	Louisville, KY	BOE Student Activity Pupil	BOE Student Activity Pupil	BOE Student Activity Pupil

M.2 Professional Day Travel, pursuant to, or in excess of Policies #0147, 3440, 4440

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following:

Code	Name	Action	Location	Estimated Cost	Destination	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1	Handschuch, Sue	Approve	New Providence, NJ	\$117.00	SmartBoard, Grades K-12	4/22/10	4/22/10	Special Ed grant for PSD
2	Kovach, Amy	Approve	New Providence, NJ	\$110.00	SmartBoard Lesson Activity	4/15/10	4/15/10	Special Ed grant for PSD
3	McCorkle, Kelly	Approve	Edison, NJ	\$209.00	Anxiety Disorders in Children & Adolescents	4/23/10	4/23/10	Title IIA
4	Miller, Elise	Approve	Parsippany, NJ	\$25.00	21 st Century Classroom Tools	3/25/10	3/25/10	Title IIA
5	Jones, Jason	Approve	Parsippany, NJ	\$28.00	21 st Century Classroom Tools	3/25/10	3/25/10	Title IIA

Code	Name	Action	Location	Estimated Cost	Destination	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
6	Kennedy, Patricia	Approve	Parsippany, NJ	\$7.00	NJ ASK DTC Training	3/15/10	3/15/10	Title IIA
7	Slota, Maria	Approve	Somerset, NJ	\$144.00	NJ TESOL Conference	5/18/10	5/18/10	Title IIA
8	Avergun, Edward	Approve	Louisville, KY	\$336.00	DECA ICDC	4/23/10	4/23/10	DECA funds
9	English, Peter	Approve	Louisville, KY	\$336.00	DECA ICDC	4/23/10	4/23/10	DECA funds

M.3 Uncompensated Placements (Student Teachers, Interns, Externs, Volunteers)

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approve the following:

Code	Name	Action	Position	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Staff Supervisor	Discussion
1	Moschetti, Joanna	Approve	Student Teacher	Hilldale	9/07/2010	12/17/2010	Joanne Cartabona	Caldwell College, Office of Field Experience
2	Mangani, Alicia	Approve	Student Teacher	Hilldale	9/27/2010	12/06/2010	Cheryl Petit	William Paterson University, Office of Field Experience
3	Lattanzi, Andrew	Approve	Observation	MTHS	3/17/2010	4/30/2010	Len DePoe, Peter Porter, David Tubbs	Caldwell College, Office of Field Experience
4	Schulien, Jessica	Approve	Student Teacher	MTHS	9/27/2010	12/06/2010	Pat Vytell	William Paterson, Office of Field Experience

M.4 Contracted Special Services

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following:

Code	Vendor	Action	Services	Cost	Student(s)	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1	Dr. Dale Jacobs	Approve	Neuro-Psychiatric Evaluations	\$450.00	Various	3/1/10	6/30/10	As per IEP
2	Children's Specialized Hospital	Approve	Independent Evaluations: Educational, Psychological, Occupational, Physical Therapy, Speech	\$3,197.50	#60439	3/1/10	6/30/10	As per IEP

N. POLICY COMMITTEE

Spyros Demetropoulos – Chair, Jackie Ritschel, Michael Palma

N.1 Introduction of Policies and Regulations

RESOLVED, the Montville Township Board of Education introduces on **first reading** and invites public comment on the following policies:

Policy 2415.03	<i>Highly Qualified Teachers</i>	(Document N.1.1)
Policy 2423	<i>Bilingual and ESL Education</i>	(Document N.1.2)
Regulation 2423	<i>Bilingual and ESL Education</i>	(Document N.1.3)
Policy 3240	<i>Professional Development</i>	(Document N.1.4)
Regulation 3240	<i>Professional Development</i>	(Document N.1.5)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Montville Township Board of Education requests the superintendent to schedule the above referenced policies for second reading and possible adoption at the next regular meeting.

VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
Karl Feaster	X				
Jackie Ritschel	X				
Karen Cortellino	X				No on J.1 and J.2. Abstain on K.1.
Charles Grau	X				
Matthew Kayne	X				No on J.2.
Michael Palma	X				
Paul Przetak	X				
Jackie Ritschel	X				No on J.2.
Jon Alin	X				

Motion passed with 9 yes votes.

O. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

P. GENERAL BOARD COMMENTS / DISCUSSION

The board entered into a discussion regarding the snow make-up day contained in the current 2009-2010 school calendar.

Motion by Member Demetropoulos, second by Member Kayne to change the current school calendar snow make-up day from March 29, 2010, to April 5, 2010. (The vote was postponed pending public participation.)

Q. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Fourteen members of the public spoke regarding the following topics:

- 2009-2010 school calendar
- Special education out-of-district tuitions
- Current calendar snow make-up day
- Proposed budget presentations
- Proposed elementary school club reductions
- Merenbloom master schedule report
- March 30 public hearing date
- Interim high school administration concerns
- Proposed class trip reductions
- Proposed middle school and high school club reductions
- Acknowledgement of administration's hard work on the proposed budget
- High school guidance department issues
- Labor negotiations
- 2010-2011 proposed budget
- Proposed supervisors' reorganization plan
- Shared administrative services

The board and administration responded to the public's comments.

VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
Spyros Demetropoulos	X				
Matthew Kayne	X				
Karen Cortellino		X			
Charles Grau		X			
Michael Palma		X			
Paul Przetak		X			
Jackie Ritschel		X			
Karl Feaster		X			
Jon Alin	X				

Motion passed with 3 yes votes and 6 no votes.

Motion by President Alin, second by Member Demetropoulos to amend the 2009-2010 school calendar snow make-up day from March 29, 2010, to April 5, 2010, with a 2-hour delayed opening:

VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
Jon Alin	X				
Spyros Demetropoulos	X				
Karen Cortellino		X			
Charles Grau		X			
Matthew Kayne	X				
Michael Palma	X				
Paul Przetak		X			
Jackie Ritschel	X				
Karl Feaster		X			

Motion passed with 5 yes votes and 4 no votes.

R. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters to discuss, on a motion by Member Demetropoulos, second by Vice President Feaster, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Tevis
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

JTT:cs