

**Minutes of the Meeting of Board of School Directors  
February 22, 2012**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
**Board Meeting – Wednesday, February 22, 2012**  
Large Group Instruction Room  
Morrisville Middle/Senior High School  
7:30 p.m.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BOROUGH OF MORRISVILLE  
Morrisville, Pennsylvania

***This meeting was recorded for televising***

The regular monthly meeting of the Morrisville Board of School Directors was held in the LGI Room located in the Morrisville Intermediate/Senior High School, 550 West Palmer Street, Morrisville, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, February 22, 2012, after due notice of the meeting had been given as required by law. Mr. DeWilde, President, called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. with the following members present on roll call:

In attendance: Messrs. Buckman, DeWilde, Parker, Stoneburner, Stout, Miller, Worob and Ms. Kartal and Ms. Marone

Members absent: All members were in attendance

*Quorum Present.*

Also attending this evening's meeting was Mr. William Ferrara, Superintendent; Mr. Paul DeAngelo, Business Administrator; Mr. Tony Gesualdi, Director of Special Education/Pupil Services ; Ms. Laurie Ruffing, Elementary/Intermediate Principal; Mr. Donald Harm, Secondary Principal; Thomas Profy, IV, Esq., Solicitor; media, MEA representation, and members of the community.

Mr. DeWilde stated that an Executive Session was held prior to tonight's Board meeting to discuss negotiations and legal RFP's.

Mr. DeWilde also stated that an Executive Session was held last Thursday for a walk through of Manor Park.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**



Mr. Richard Boats, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, stated that the fifth grade students took part in a Sumdog Math competition held by the Bucks County Intermediate Unit. Our students competed against five other schools in the Bucks County area, and not only did one of our students take first place, but 4 of our other students placed in the top ten. David Lin took first place while Dave Jn Pierre, Derek Reid, Luz Jiminez and Lena Wang placed in the top ten. All winners were presented with Certificates of Achievement and the district received a trophy.



Drew King introduced Kevin Munoz, a junior at the Morrisville High School, who chose to do his senior project on journalism. He distributed copies of the Delaware Valley Center Ice Hockey Magazine, Special Winter Classic Issue, which featured an article written by Kevin. He stated that this experience has given him a wonderful opportunity to meet players, sit in the press box,

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take pictures and really become involved in journalism. Mr. Ferrara stated that Kevin will be able to use this experience for one of our internship positions for next year. Mr. Ferrara stated that Ms. Nemeth, Guidance Counselor, also has two of our other students enrolling in internships for next year that will involve Child Care.

**ITEMS OF GENERAL INFORMATION**

Student Representative to the Board – Nicolas Castillo (Morrisville High School)

Nicholas discussed the following items:

- Keivanna Lacey scored 24 points in the game against Bristol on January 30, 2012 and now has 1001 points for her career. Congratulations to Keivanna for reaching this milestone in her career and congratulations to the team for the win and for helping Keivanna achieve her goal. Keivanna is the fifth girl's basketball player to reach 1000 points, and the first since 2002. Keivanna is still adding to her total points for the season. Congratulations!
- Cassandra Gainey, a senior and member of the Lady Bulldogs Basketball Team, has been named Courier Times Athlete of the Week. An article about Cassandra, or K.C., as we know her, will be appearing in Monday's (2/6/12) sports section of the Courier Times and Intelligencer. This is a nice individual honor for Cassandra and it is just more positive feedback and press Morrisville has received this winter for their efforts of the players and coaches of the 16-1 Lady Bulldogs Basketball Team. Great Job!
- The Lady Bulldogs captured the BAL crown by edging Jenkintown 29-25 on February 8<sup>th</sup>. They tied a school record winning 19 straight games to win the Constitution Division title.
- Congratulations to the Varsity Cheerleading Squad on placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the BAL competition, which was held on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Congratulations to Tiffani White on qualifying for the Eastern Pennsylvania Regional's for Bowling. Tiffani will be headed to Lancaster on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tiffani is one of the top 16 High School Girls Bowlers in the Eastern half of Pennsylvania. If she finishes in the top 4 in Lancaster, she will then compete for the State Individual Championship. Good luck to Tiffani.
- Congratulations to Anna Smolinski and Tiffany White who received 1<sup>st</sup> Team Honors in the BAL League.
- The Varsity Girls Basketball Team will be participating in the BAL playoffs starting on Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Congratulations to our Varsity Basketball Players who received All League Honors for their play this past season. Bravo to all for their hard work and effort on the court this past season.
- The Lady Bulldog Basketball Team is proud to announce that:
  - ⇒ Michelle Evans, Katherine Brown and Cassandra Martinez all received Honorable Mention All BAL honors.
  - ⇒ Cassandra Gainey and Keivanna Lacey were named to the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All BAL.
  - ⇒ Keivanna Lacey was also named the BAL Player of the Year for the second straight year.
- Coach Dave Howell received Coach of the year honors for the second straight year.
- The Boys Varsity Basketball Team is pleased to announce:
  - ⇒ Nicolas Castillo was named Honorable Mention All BAL honors.
  - ⇒ Rickey Melendez was named to the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All BAL.

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Student Representative to the Board – Myasia Davis (Bucks County Technical High School)

Myasia discussed the following:

- The horticulture students were busy filling Valentine orders for many students and faculty. The horticulture program does similar sales for Christmas, Easter, and other big holidays and events.
- 2012-13 student applications were dropped off in early December and the lottery for incoming students was held in mid December. Acceptance letters for new freshmen (current 8<sup>th</sup> graders) will be coming out later this month.
- BCTHS held a Financial Aid Night on January 19<sup>th</sup>. The program was well attended by parents and students interested in post-secondary education.
- Cosmetology students helped to raise over \$1,300 for cancer and HIV/AIDS research by sponsoring a “Hope Cuts” fundraiser in December and Skills USA, the career and technical student organization, sponsored an “Alex’s Lemonade Stand” day. Over \$1,400 was raised.
- Schiller Ground Care in Southampton, recently donated Honda and Kohler engines to Mr. Cesari’s Outdoor Power Equipment class.
- Mr. Kerner’s Collision Repair Technology class was recently chosen to receive a donation of Unigrit Fine Grade Blending and Finishing Discs.
- Congratulations to Dylan Clark, who was finalist in the Principles and Marketing Event at DECA Districts last week. Also, congratulations to Jessica Copeland, who was a finalist in the Marketing Management Event. Dylan and Jessica will be representing BCTHS in the State competitions later this month. Dylan is a 10<sup>th</sup> grade student and Jessica is a 12<sup>th</sup> grade student, and both reside in the Bristol Township School District.
- Congratulations to Christos Katsourides, who was named Langhorne Rotary’s Student of the Month. Chris is a senior enrolled in Cabinetmaking/Woodworking and resides in the Neshaminy School District.
- Congratulations to Melanie Aroniss, who was named Levittown-Fairless Hills Rotary’s Student of the Month. Melanie is a senior enrolled in Mechatronics Engineering Technology and resides in the Neshaminy School District.
- The BCTHS Drama Club will be presenting the production of HAIRSPRAY in March and Myasia invited everyone to attend and stated that the tickets can be purchased a reasonable price.

**Morrisville Opportunity Education Foundation – MOEF**

Ms. Haug stated that a meeting was held last Wednesday and reported that they received funding for three Kindles to be used by special education students. Ms Haug announced that the Odyssey of the Minds teams will be competing next month.

Mr. Ferrara asked Mr. Drew King to come forward to discuss the donation of books. Mr. King stated that every year, the Morrisville Education Association has a service project. For the past six years, their service project has been to collect new books for our libraries. This year, 110 new books were collected, and Mr. King named a few of the titles donated. On behalf of the MEA, Mr. King asked the School Board members to make a motion this evening to officially accept their donation of the 110 books collected.

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

⇒ **This week in our Schools**

***WILLIAM FERRARA - SUPERINTENDENT***

- Mr. Ferrara stated that the PSSA testing is coming up and the schedule will be posted tomorrow.
- Mr. Ferrara thanked Mr. May for his help with the Walk-Ability study.
- Mr. Ferrara discussed Public Education, and stated that the Governor needs to take a step back and understand that it is the Commonwealth's responsibility to educate all the citizens who are of school age. Mr. Ferrara stated that the Governor continues to recommend cuts to the basic subsidies. Mr. Ferrara stated that if students in the Commonwealth of PA cannot get a free and appropriate education, we are putting our student's at great risk for not being successful financially and personally. Mr. Ferrara stated that we need to let our Governor and legislators know how we feel our about public education in our Commonwealth. He discussed the high costs to districts for student's attending charter schools. Mr. Ferrara feels that we need to have a voice and ask for level funding and equal playing fields.
- Mr. Ferrara stated that Gym Night will be held on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Grades 6 thru 8 will participate during the day, and grades 9 thru 12 will participate during the evening.

***PAUL DEANGELO, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR***

- Mr. DeAngelo discussed automating the Board packets rather than making paper copies for Board members, administration and community members.

***LAURIE RUFFING, ELEMENTARY/INTERMEDIATE PRINCIPAL***

- Ms. Ruffing reported that on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the High School Auditorium, the play, This Little Gingerbread House, will be presented by grades Pre K thru 2. All are welcome to attend.
- On March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm in the Cafeteria at the High School, the Links Poster Contest will take place. This contest involves students in Grades 1 thru 3 in one category, 4 thru 8 in another category, and the final category involves students in Grades 9 thru 12.
- PSSA tests at the elementary level will begin the week of March 12<sup>th</sup>. The schedule will be forthcoming.

***DONALD HARM, PRINCIPAL***

- Mr. Harm stated that the girls Class A playoffs begin this Saturday at home at 1:30 pm and he asked everyone to come out to support our team.
- Report cards were distributed on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Student of the Month Breakfast was held on February 7<sup>th</sup> honoring students for the months of December and January.
- Course selection for the 2012-13 school year took place for the students in Grades 8 thru 11. The counselor met with all students to arrange their schedules and the course selection has been completed.
- This past Friday, a Valentine's Day dance was held for grades 7 and 8.

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- A meeting was held with the Junior Class emphasizing the needs and expectations for the remainder of the school year and also to give them a pep talk about the upcoming PSSA tests. A meeting was also held with the Senior Class to discuss graduation expectations.

***ANTHONY GESUALDI, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION/PUPIL SERVICES***

- Mr. Gesualdi stated that the Special Education Department has just released its newsletter entitled, *Special Connections*. Copies have been mailed to the parents of students with special needs, it has been placed on our website, and he also had extra copies available at tonight's meeting for anyone interested. He discussed some of the articles in the newsletter which involve Project Homecoming, Medical Assistance and our Psychologist Intern position.

⇒ **Enrollment Report**

<b>District Enrollments as of February 14, 2012</b>			
<u>Student Population</u>			
Pre-Kindergarten	18		
Kindergarten	91	GRANDVIEW	348
Grade 1	81	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (4-5)	<u>157</u>
Grade 2	80		<b>505</b>
Grade 3	78		
Grade 4	67	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (6-8)	195
Grade 5	90	HIGH SCHOOL 9-12	<u>205</u>
Grade 6	68		<b>400</b>
Grade 7	64		
Grade 8	63	TECHNICAL SCHOOL	48
Grade 9	61	HOME SCHOOLED	18
Grade 10	46	CHARTER SCHOOLS	29
Grade 11	41	Regular Ed	21
Grade 12	57	Special Ed	8
		OUT OF DISTRICT	64
		Regular Ed	16
		Special Ed	48
<b>TOTAL ENROLLMENT</b>			<b>1064</b>

**Routine Action Items**

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

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**ACTION ITEMS:**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Items 2.1 through 2.2 were moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Ms. Marone, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

**2.1 Approval of Minutes**

*The Board approved* the minutes of the January 18, 2012 Monthly Agenda Meeting.

**2.2 Approval of Minutes**

*The Board approved* the minutes of the January 25, 2012 Monthly Business Meeting.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr. DeWilde stated that a question was raised as to whether or not we could have a second public session to comment on the budget. Mr. DeWilde stated that since there hasn't been any new information added to the agenda, no additional public session will be added at this time.

**Ms. Mihok**

Ms. Mihok discussed the RFP, the possible reopening of Manor Park, donations and promises made during the elections, items given to voters during the election, and a vehicle decorated for the Memorial Day Parade. She also discussed the \$250 stipend which is given to the Board member in the position of Board Secretary and wanted to know if this stipend was going to be donated as has been done in the past.

**Mr. Perry**

Mr. Perry stated that he felt that it was a good idea to have a Student Representative from the Tech School attend and give a report at the Board meetings, and welcomed Ms. Davis, our Student Representative present at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Perry stated that the Student Spotlight is going very well. He congratulated the teacher and students involved in tonight's Student Spotlight.

Mr. Perry congratulated the Lady Bulldogs for a great season, and thanked them for their hard work, dedication and teamwork.

Mr. Perry discussed the Tech School funding and asked for an update on this matter.

**Responses to Public Session**

Mr. Ferrara addressed Mr. Perry's concerns about the Tech School funding and stated that we have been through a hearing in September, Mr. Profy wrote a response, the Tech School Solicitor wrote a response, and the Hearing Officer notified us that they have received both responses, and we are now waiting for a decision.

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Mr. Miller stated that the Board is looking into possibly reopening Manor Park which they feel is a viable option. He also discussed the RFP and stated that any law firm may submit their proposal and all proposals will be reviewed by the Board before a decision, if any, to change our solicitor is made. Mr. Miller stated that during the election, the individuals running for the Board did state that they wanted to lower taxes for the Senior Citizens of Morrisville, and that this is still a matter into which they are investigating and will hopefully be able to do in the near future. Mr. Miller also discussed donations made during the election and felt that all donations were legit.

Mr. DeWilde stated that we have five new Board members, and all Board members are willing to work with each other and that this new Board is coming along very nicely. He stated that the election is over and feels that the discussions about past campaign matters need to stop and that we need to move on.

Mr. Parker stated that he feels that any donations made during the election were legal, unlike the political newsletter and the advertising in the newsletter that was distributed during the election.

**INFRASTRUCTURE/FINANCE/HUMAN RESOURCES**

**3. INFRASTRUCTURE**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**  
**ACTION ITEMS**

Items 3.1 and 3.3 were moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Mr. Buckman, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

**3.1** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the annual weed control agreement with Armour in the amount of \$2,362.00.

**3.2** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the agreement and resolution for the Bucks County IU #22 WAN (Wide Area Network) Project.

**3.3** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the release of bids for 2012-13 for the following:

- a) Snow Plowing
- b) Landscaping
- c) Trash Removal
- d) Transportation

Mr. Miller asked if it is possible to have the Borough do some of the plowing and landscaping for the District. Mr. DeAngelo stated that this would be possible, but the concern is timing. If the Borough would be plowing the streets, they would not want to have to close the schools because they couldn't get to the school in time to plow. Our current contract states that the contractor has to be on our site early in the morning to plow in order for school to open. Mr. Miller stated that this should be an item that is discussed with the Joint Borough Council Committee. Mr. Miller asked if the bid could be rejected if we find it is possible to have the Borough do the plowing/landscaping. Mr. DeAngelo stated that it would be possible to reject the bid if this were to happen. Mr. DeAngelo stated that if we accept a bid, any changes would have to be made by July 1<sup>st</sup> when our contract ends.

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**4. SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**  
**ACTION ITEMS**

None at this time.

**5. HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**  
**ACTION ITEMS:**

Items 5.1.a through 5.1.h were moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Mr. Worob, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

**5.1 Approval, Appointments**

**5.1.a.** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the following individuals as AESOP substitutes:  
Salvatore Mauro  
John Wishnie

**5.1.b** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the following 21<sup>st</sup> Century hires:

Katie Woolf	Student Site Monitor	\$8.00 per hour
Kim Connell	Teacher	\$22.00 per hour
Adeline Coscia	Site Monitor	\$9.00 per hour

**5.1.c** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of Joshua Sebastian, effective immediately, as a Personal Care Assistant, at the hourly rate of \$11.87, per policy.

**5.1.d** *The Board approved a motion* to approve John Hoffmeister, as a Long-Term Substitute (Secondary Math) per SB policy, effective March 5, 2012.

**5.1.e** *The Board approved a motion* to approve Stephanie Price, effective immediately, as a Long-Term Substitute (Special Education), at the daily rate of \$94.00 for the first 15 days, and thereafter at the rate of \$239.04 per day, per policy.

**5.1.f** *The Board approved a motion* to approve Robert Schrader as Title I Coordinator/Consultant, effective immediately, with no benefits, at the rate of \$37.50 per hour, not to exceed \$2500. Mr. Schrader's salary is paid through the Title I Grant.



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**5. HUMAN RESOURCES**

**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**ACTION ITEMS: (continued)**

**5.1 Approval, Appointments (continued)**

**5.1.g** *The Board approved a motion* to approve the hiring of a School Psychologist Intern for the Pupil Services Department for the 2012-13 school year at a stipend of \$10,000 for 192 days of service.

**5.1.h** *The Board approved a motion* to approve Jim Gober as the National Honor Society Advisor, prorated, per MEA Contract.

Items 5.2 thru 5.4 were moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Mr. Miller, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

**5.2 Approval, Tuition Reimbursements**

**5.2.a** *The Board approved a motion* to approve tuition reimbursements for the following individuals:

Name	Course	College/School	Credits	Amount
Rick Sabol	Differentiated Learning	North Dakota State College	3	\$360
Rick Sabol	Parent Trap (Achieving Success With Difficult Parents in Difficult Situations)	North Dakota State College	3	\$360

**5.3 Approval, Childrearing Leave**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve FMLA for Michelle Riley, effective 3/26/12 to 6/15/12.

*The Board approved a motion* to extend maternity leave for Tana Gunnett, unpaid, as per contract.

**5.4 Approval, Van Driving Position Posting**

*The Board approved a motion* to post the Van Driver position, including advertising fees.

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**6. BUSINESS OPERATIONS/FINANCE COMMITTEE  
INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

*Budget Presentation*

Mr. DeAngelo discussed items that have changed in the budget from the January presentation to the present time and also reviewed the budget calendar. He handed out a sheet showing updates on Budget Transfers. Mr. DeAngelo discussed the 1100 Instructional category and gave a breakdown of each section of this area of the budget.

Mr. Gesualdi discussed the 1200 Special Education category of the budget. Mr. Gesualdi stressed to the Board members that they need to be aware that in the Special Education budget we also include charges for regular education students placed in facilities, charter schools, etc. and that the Special Education budget also includes the costs for Nursing services in our District.

Mr. Stoneburner asked Mr. Gesualdi if there are projected numbers for possible special education students coming into the district for next year included in the Special Education budget. Mr. Gesualdi stated that we try to include projected funds in the budget, especially for our pre-school students coming into our Kindergarten program, who may need special programming. Mr. Stoneburner thanked Mr. Gesualdi for his hard work and for bringing programs back into the district to save money.

Mr. DeAngelo asked the Board members if they prefer to have the budget presented at future Board meetings as it was presented this evening in various categories. It was decided that it would continue in the same format as this evening and be presented at the regular Board meetings vs. the Agenda meetings, since more community members attend the regular Board meetings.

**6. BUSINESS OPERATIONS/FINANCE COMMITTEE (continued)  
ACTION ITEMS:**

Items 6.1 thru 6.8 were moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Ms. Marone, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

**6.1 Approval, Plgit Agreements**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve agreements as listed below, upon solicitor's review and approval:

- Arbitrage
- Plgit Arm

**6.2 Approval, Acceptance of Auditor General's Audit Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the acceptance of the Auditor General's Audit Report.

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**6. BUSINESS OPERATIONS/FINANCE COMMITTEE (continued)**  
**ACTION ITEMS (continued):**

**6.3 Approval, Bucks/Montgomery Healthcare Consortium**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the agreement and resolution for the Bucks/Montgomery County Healthcare Consortium, upon solicitor review.

**6.4 Approval, Provident Energy**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Superintendent or Business Administrator to enter into the Agreement with Provident Energy for natural gas for the years of 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, upon solicitor review.

**6.5 Approval, Treasurer's Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Treasurer's Report of January, 2012.

**6.6 Approval, Investment Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Investment Report of January, 2012.

**6.7 Approval, Budget Transfers**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve budget transfers for 2011-12 in the amount of \$90,000 (General Fund), and \$15,000 (Grants). Total Budget Transfers \$105,000.

**6.8 Payment of Bills**

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

Miscellaneous Disbursements (1/25/12 – 2/8/12)	\$ 123,455.38
Athletic Fund (1/24/12 – 2/8/12)	\$ 3,684.00
Cafeteria Fund (2/8/12)	\$ 49,740.79
Account Payable (1/25/12 – 2/13/12)	\$ 448,962.48
Capital Projects (1/24/12 – 2/14/12)	\$ 106,321.50
Capital Reserve (1/24/12 – 2/2/12)	\$ <u>16,336.00</u>
 TOTAL BILLS	 \$ 748,500.15

Mr. Buckman discussed the Healthcare Consortium and asked if this is the direction we should be taking at this time. Ms. Marone stated that by joining a Healthcare Consortium, it would save the district money. Ms. Marone stated that at this time there are 18 school districts that have signed on to be a part of this Consortium and paid a fee to be part of the initial exploration which helps to pay for part of the administrative fees for the first year. Ms. Marone stated that at this time she feels it is a viable option and

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worth looking into, but if we don't join this year we can still join next year. Ms. Marone stated that we need to join this year by July 1<sup>st</sup> in order to have a voice on the Board of Trustees. She urged all Board members to vote for the approval of the agreement and resolution for the Healthcare Consortium this evening.

Ms. Rebecca Roberts-Malamis, from the Bucks County IU, was present at tonight's meeting and discussed the Consortium and how it could save the district money. She explained that at this point, the district needs to pass the motion to be included in the process to see exactly how much they can save.

Mr. Stoneburner asked what the costs would be to the district. Mr. DeAngelo stated that each district initially pays \$2500 and an additional \$2500 would be paid by the MEA, with an additional cost of \$5 per employee, not to exceed \$10,000. Mr. DeAngelo stated that this would be a trust agreement which we can back out of if we so choose.

Mr. Stoneburner asked if approving this motion would have any bearing on how we provide our insurance to our employees at this time, especially since we are in negotiations at this time with MEA. Mr. Profy stated that we would continue to provide the insurance as it is at the present time, until such time changes are made in the contract with the collective bargaining unit. Mr. DeAngelo stated that there is a Memo of Understanding that would go before the Board and MEA for their approval.

**7. EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE**  
**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**  
**ACTION ITEMS:**

Items 7.1 thru 7.3 were moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Ms. Marone, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

**7.1 Approval, Designated Holidays**

The Calendar for 2012-13 was adopted in January 2012. *The Board approved a motion* to approve the following designated local holidays, per Section 1502 of the School Code:

- November 23, 2012 – Day after Thanksgiving
- December 26, 2012 – Day after Christmas
- January 21, 2013 – Martin Luther King's Birthday
- February 18, 2013 – President's Day
- March 29, 2013 – Friday before Easter

**7.2 Approval, Superintendent's attendance at Bucks County Superintendent's Retreat**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve William Ferrara's attendance at the Bucks County Superintendent's Retreat in Hershey from March 8, 2012 through March 10, 2012.

**7.3 Approval, Call Center housed at the Peace Center**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve participation in the Call Center for Bullying and Cyberbullying Prevention and Intervention at the Peace Center at the cost of \$500.

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**8. POLICY COMMITTEE  
INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:  
ACTION ITEMS:**

None at this time.

**9. LIAISON REPORTS  
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- a. *Lower Bucks County Vocational-Educational School – Ms. Kartal***  
Ms. Kartal stated that the next meeting will take place on February 27, 2012, therefore, there is no report at this time. A meeting regarding negotiations will also take place next week and tonight a meeting was held to discuss the budget, but Ms. Marone could not attend since she was in attendance at tonight's Board meeting. A follow up meeting will take place next week, at which she plans to be in attendance. Ms. Kartal stated that she participated in the Challenge Day Event last week and said that it was an amazing, life altering event, which she encouraged everyone to become involved in.
- b. *Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 – Ms. Marone***  
Ms. Marone stated that she attended her first meeting last evening and was sworn in as a member of the Board at the IU. She was placed on the Facilities and Policies committees. Ms. Marone stated that the next meeting will be held on March 20, 2012, at which time they will begin to discuss the audits, transportation and special education. Ms. Marone stated that she will continue to be involved and stay on top of the Healthcare Consortium issue.
- c. *Pennsylvania School Boards Association/Legislative - Ms. Marone***  
Ms. Marone stated that she had nothing to report at this time. She shared information about upcoming seminars which are available to all Board members. Ms. Marone referred to a recent article regarding monies coming to districts from Harrisburg.

At this time, Mr. Ferrara referred to Item 6.2 on tonight's agenda and thanked Mr. DeAngelo and his staff for their hard work regarding the audit. He stated that, once again, we came through the audit with very little findings. Mr. DeAngelo thanked Karen McQuillan for working with the auditors regarding the Transportation items, Miriam Burkhardt for the Pupil Personnel items, Dave May for the Safety Plan items, and Barbara Bucuy for providing the PDE reports. Mr. DeAngelo thanked everyone in the Business Office for their efforts and hard work during the audit process because we were also going through the severance of the business office at the time of the auditor general's visit.

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*Future Meetings and Items of Interest*

The meetings will be held in the LGI  
Wednesday, March 21, 2012.....Monthly Agenda Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 28, 2012.....Monthly Business Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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visit our community website [www.mv.org](http://www.mv.org)  
and Channel 28 on your Local Cable***

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Profy stated that the following item needed Board approval:

**10.1 Approval, Expulsion**

***The Board approved a motion*** to expel Student X, authorizing the Board President to sign the adjudication as prepared by the solicitor, unless the student withdraw agreement is signed and returned to the School District on or before March 2, 2012 by 3:00 p.m.

This motion was moved by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Worob, and passed by a voice vote of 8 ayes and 1 abstention. Member abstaining was Mr. Parker, due to the fact that he was not in attendance at the meeting for this matter.

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

**11.1 Approval, Acceptance of Donations**

***The Board approved a motion*** to accept the donation of books by the MEA.

Moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Mr. Miller, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

Mr. Miller stated that we have several letters of interest for the Advisory Panel. Mr. Profy stated that this information needs to be publicly announced and it was decided that this will be done on the website and Morrisville TV station. In the meantime, letters will continue to be accepted.

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Ms. Kartal asked for guidelines for distributing information by the School District, and Mr. Profy stated that he will get back to the Board members with these guidelines which are currently being drafted by PSBA on the ability to access School District networks, etc.

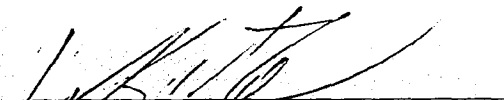
Ms. Kartal commented on subjects discussed during public session. She stated that she ran for the Board because of her children. She stated that she participated in the Memorial Day Parade as a great example to her children. Ms. Kartal discussed the tax rebate issues made during her campaign.

**12. Adjournment**

*The Board approved a motion* to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 pm.

Moved by Mr. DeWilde, seconded by Mr. Worob, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 9 ayes.

  
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John DeWilde, President

  
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Wanda Kartal, Secretary