

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BOROUGH OF MORRISVILLE
Morrisville, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Work Session—Wednesday, February 18, 2015
Large Group Instruction Room
Morrisville Intermediate/Senior High School

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The regular monthly agenda 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 February 18, 2015, after due notice of the meeting had been given as required by law. Mr. Miller, President, called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The following members were present:

Messrs. Colon, Dingle, Gilleo, Perry, Worob, Stoneburner, Miller and Ms. Kartal and Ms. Reithmeyer

Quorum Present:

Also attending this evening's meeting was Mr. Michael Kopakowski, Superintendent; Mr. Michael Braun, Business Administrator; Mr. David Truelove, Solicitor; media, MEA representatives and members of the community.

Mr. Miller stated that an Executive Session was held prior to tonight's agenda meeting in regards to real estate.

Mr. Miller stated that tonight we will hold the Agenda Meeting first. This agenda will be for the business that will be conducted next week at our normal scheduled February Business Meeting. After this meeting, we will have a short recess and then we will go into our special meeting. The special meeting is to conduct the business that was slated to be done at the January 28, 2015 meeting that was cancelled.

Mr. Miller stated that the following areas will be covered at next week's Business Meeting:

Student Spotlight

- Middle School Girls' Basketball

Reports

- **Student Representatives to the Board**
- **Bucks County Technical High School**

ITEMS OF GENERAL INFORMATION

1. SUPERINTENDENT/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

- This week in our Schools (Reports from Superintendent and Administration)
- Enrollment Report

PUBLIC SESSION #1 (Agenda Items Only)

There were no speakers for Public Session #1.

Morrisville Opportunity Education Foundation/MOEF Report – Mr. Dingle

Mr. Dingle stated that MOEF met this evening and discussed the following:

- Approved funds for 5th grade trip to the Philadelphia Zoo
- The committee will meet again on 18th of March

PTO Report – Mr. Dingle

Mr. Dingle reported on the following:

- Valentine's classroom parties for grades K-5 took place February 13th
- The Someone's Special Dance for grades K-5 will be on the 20th of February in the high school gym starting at 7:00 p.m.
- Market Day pickup will be on February 20th in the high school cafeteria from 5-5:30 p.m.
- Yankee Candle Fundraiser will take place in March

Joint Borough Council/School Board Report – Ms. Kartal

Ms. Kartal stated that the February meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. The next meeting will be held on March 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the LGI. Mr. Miller gave a brief update on the traffic signals for the school zone.

Public Relations/Communications Report – Mr. Miller

Mr. Miller stated that the committee meeting for February was cancelled and the next meeting will be held on March 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the LGI. He stated that they are working on a District newsletter, and he reminded all committee's and liaisons to submit their reports.

Bucks County Intermediate Unit Report – Ms. Kartal

Ms. Kartal stated that the meeting was held last evening via telephone due to the impending weather and points of discussion were as follows:

- Annual Auditor’s report for the IU
- GASBE 68 reporting for pension liability

PSBA/Legislative Report – Mr. Perry

Mr. Perry discussed the following:

- Governor Tom Wolf’s proposed severance tax plan to fund education
- Proposed State Budget
- Nominee for PA Department of Education, Pedro Rivera

M. R. Reiter Repurposing Report – Mr. Miller

Mr. Miller discussed the following:

- The motions to take the property to the next step are on tonight’s special meeting agenda

Mr. Miller stated that the following motions will be on the agenda at next week’s Business Meeting for approval:

ACTION ITEMS:

2. INFRASTRUCTURE

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Facilities Committee – Mr. Stoneburner

Mr. Stoneburner discussed the following:

- Meeting was held on February 11th and they will meet again next month on March 11th
- Options for the gravel area at Grandview
- Staffing issues
- Facility Use Forms
- Needed upgrades to the auditorium
- Snow budget

ACTION ITEMS:

None at this time.

3. HUMAN RESOURCES
INFORMATONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Human Resource Committee – Mr. Dingle

Mr. Dingle stated that the committee met on February 3rd, 4th and 12th and discussed the following:

- Ongoing contract negotiations

At next week's Board meeting Mr. Dingle stated that the following items will be on the agenda under the Human Resource Section:

ACTION ITEMS:

3.1 Approval, Acceptance of Resignation

3.1.a ***A MOTION*** is in order to accept, with regret, the resignation of Lauren Behar, effective February 19, 2015, as a Personal Care Assistant.

3.1.b ***A MOTION*** is in order to accept, with regret, the resignation of Mariah Hixson, effective February 13, 2015, as a Personal Care Assistant.

3.2 Approval, Vacant Position Postings/Advertisements

A MOTION is in order to post and advertise the following positions:

- Custodial/Maintenance
- Substitute Van Drivers
- Personal Care Assistant

3.3 Approval, Appointments

3.3.a Long-Term Substitute Custodian/Maintenance

A MOTION is in order to approve the appointment of Joseph Somaine, effective February 5, 2015, as a long-term substitute Custodian/Maintenance until the position can be posted and filled.

3.3.b Learning Support Teacher, Grades 3, 4 and 5

A MOTION is in order to approve the appointment of _____, effective February 26, 2015, as a Learning Support Teacher for Grades 3, 4 and 5; benefits and salary per MEA Contract.

3.3.c Long-Term Substitute Teacher

A MOTION is in order to approve the appointment of _____, replacing _____, effective February 26, 2015, as a long-term substitute teacher, per SB Policy.

3.3.d Personal Care Assistant

A MOTION is in order to approve the appointment of _____, replacing Lauren Behar, effective February 26, 2015, as a Personal Care Assistant, per SB Policy.

3.4 Approval, Spring Pool of Coaches

A MOTION is in order to approve the following Spring Pool of Coaches:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Lisa Colon-Rivera	Varsity Softball Head Coach	\$2,625.00
Kelly Stout	Varsity Softball Asst. Coach	\$1,950.00
Julie Habel	Middle-School Softball Coach	\$1,950.00
Steve Cavin	Varsity Baseball Head Coach	\$2,625.00
Matt Rensom	Varsity Baseball Asst. Coach	\$1,950.00
Mike Rush	Middle-School Baseball Coach	\$1,950.00

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

- **Finance Report (Informational Item)**
Numbers to be provided in next week's Business Meeting Agenda

Finance Committee – Mr. Dingle

Mr. Dingle stated that the committee met on the 11th of February and they discussed the following items:

- Next meeting will be on March 11th
- Review of Budget

Mr. Braun, Business Administrator, stated that tonight we will be presenting the 2028and the committee reviewed everything to be presented.

At next week's Board meeting Mr. Dingle stated that the following items will be on the agenda under the Business Operations/Finance Section:

ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 Approval, Acceptance IDEA Section 619 Funds

A MOTION is in order to accept the IDEA Section 619 Funds in the amount of \$507.00 from the Pennsylvania Department of Education Bureau of Early Intervention Services (BEIS).

4.2 Approval, Acceptance of Donation

A MOTION is in order to approve the acceptance of a \$500 grant from Exxon Mobil, to be split equally between the Science and Math Departments.

4.3 Approval, Renewal of United Concordia ASO Dental Contract

A MOTION is in order to approve the renewal of the Administrative Services Only (ASO) Dental Contract with United Concordia for the policy period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Current ASO Fee: \$2.90

Renewal ASO Fee: \$2.90

4.4 Approval, Treasurer's Report

A MOTION is in order to approve the Treasurer's Report.

4.5 Approval, Investment Report

A MOTION is in order to approve the Investment Report.

4.6 Approval, Payment of Bills

A MOTION is in order to approve payments of bills as listed below, subject to final audit by the Business Administrator:

(Numbers to be provided in next week's Business Meeting Agenda)

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Education Committee – Mr. Miller

Mr. Miller stated that the Education Committee met on February 5th and they discussed the following items:

- Revision of this year's school calendar due to snow days
- Next year's proposed school calendar
- APEX Blended Learning Environment Program
- Scheduling for next year
- Ongoing contacts with other school districts regarding merging or tuitioning out plans
- The next meeting will be held on March 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the LGI
- Email sent to the Department of Education regarding Feasibility Study and costs shared between the districts

At next week's Board meeting Mr. Miller stated that the following items will be on the agenda under the Education Section:

ACTION ITEMS:

5.1 Approval, Revision of 2014-15 School Calendar

A MOTION is in order to approve the revision to the 2014-15 School Calendar .

5.2 Approval, 2015-16 Morrisville School District Calendar

A MOTION is in order to approve the 2015-16 Morrisville School District Calendar.

6. POLICY COMMITTEE

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Policy Committee Report – Ms. Reithmeyer

Ms. Reithmeyer stated that no meeting has taken place and they continue to work with PSBA regarding the revision of all of our current policies.

ACTION ITEMS:

None at this time.

7. OLD BUSINESS (if needed)

None at this time.

8. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

PUBLIC SESSION #2

There were no speakers for Public Session #2.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Miller recessed the meeting at 8:05 p.m., stating that after a five minute recess, the Board will proceed into the special business/budget meeting.

Damon Miller, President

Wanda Kartal, Secretary