

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

**Board Meeting** – Wednesday, December 10, 2014

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 Middle/Senior High School, 550 West Palmer Street, Morrisville, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, December 10, 2014, after due notice of this meeting had been given as required by law. Mr. Miller, President, called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. with the following members present on roll call:

- Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance: Messrs. Dingle, Gilleo, Perry, Worob, Stoneburner, Miller and Ms. Reithmeyer and Ms. Kartal

Members absent: Mr. Colon

*Quorum Present:*

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

Mr. Miller stated that Mr. Colon had contacted him prior to this evening's meeting stating that he would not be able to attend tonight's meeting.

Mr. Miller stated that there was an Executive Session this evening in regards to personnel, legal and real estate matters.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

- **Teacher – Kevin Jones (Woodworking Class – Toys for Tots Drive)**  
Mr. Jones stated that every year students from his woodworking class make approximately 50 toys which they give to the Ivin's House who give them to the needy children in Morrisville. Some of the toys were on display at tonight's meeting, and all are made of recycled materials.

**ITEMS OF GENERAL INFORMATION**

***Student Representative to the Board – (Morrisville High School)***

Student Representative, Jairon Campos' items of discussion can be found in Attachment A to these minutes.

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

Student Representative, Jenna Redmond's items of discussion can be found in Attachment B to these minutes.

**Bucks County Technical High School Report – Mr. Gileo**

Mr. Gileo stated that the committee has not met since their last meeting; therefore, there is nothing to report at this time. The next meeting will be held on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

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

→ **This week in our Schools**

**Mr. Kopakowski - Superintendent**

Mr. Kopakowski's report can be found in Attachment C to these minutes.

**Mr. Braun – Business Administrator**

Mr. Braun stated that his items of discussion are covered on the agenda this evening.

⇒ **Enrollment Report**

<b>District Enrollments as of December 4, 2014</b>			
<u>Student Population</u>			
Pre-Kindergarten	18		
Kindergarten	66	GRANDVIEW	289
Grade 1	58	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (4-5)	<u>156</u>
Grade 2	74		<b>445</b>
Grade 3	73		
Grade 4	82	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (6-8)	217
Grade 5	74	HIGH SCHOOL 9-12	<u>247</u>
Grade 6	68		<b>464</b>
Grade 7	68		
Grade 8	81	TECHNICAL SCHOOL	44
Grade 9	63	HOME SCHOOLED	18
Grade 10	64	CHARTER SCHOOLS	42
Grade 11	47	Regular Ed	35
Grade 12	73	Special Ed	8
		OUT OF DISTRICT	46
		Regular Ed	7
		Special Ed	39
<b>TOTAL ENROLLMENT</b>			<b>1059</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.*

***PUBLIC SESSION #1 (Only items on the agenda to be discussed)***

There were no speakers for Public Session #1.

**ACTIONS ITEMS**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2014 regular monthly agenda meeting.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Kartal, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

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

**3.1 Approval, Resolution – Sale of Bristol Township Properties (Red Cedar)**

*The Board TABLED a motion* to approve the resolution regarding the sale of Bristol Township Properties in Red Cedar.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Reithmeyer, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

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

**4.1 Approval, FMLA**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve FMLA for Carol Lang, effective November 11, 2014, dependent upon receipt of completed Department of Labor FMLA paperwork.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Kartal, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

**4.2 Approval, Appointments**

**4.2.a Cafeteria/Recess Aides**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of the following Cafeteria/Recess Aides, effective December 11, 2014, at the hourly rate of \$8.50 for the 2014-15 school year, pending solicitors review and approval.

Danielle Larison  
Stephanie Giuffre

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Perry, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

**4.2.b Coaching Position**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the appointment of Tanya Argueta as the Varsity/JV Assistant Girls Basketball Coach at a stipend of \$2175.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Worob, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

**4.3 Approval, Act 93 Increases and Extension of Contract**

*The Board approved a motion* to extend existing Act 93 Contract to the 2014-15 school year to include the salary increase of 1% with above satisfactory evaluation or .5% with satisfactory evaluation, effective January 1, 2015.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Dingle, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

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

• **Finance Report (Informational Item)**

Expenditures - October

Budget 2014-15	Year to Date Encumbrances	Y-T-D Expended	Available Balance
\$17,397,770	\$4,765,679	\$5,794,188	\$6,837,902

Revenues - October

Budget 2014-15	Y-T-D Amount	Balance
\$17,397,770	\$11,997,236	\$5,400,533

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**5.1 Approval, 2015 Monthly Meetings for the Board of School Directors**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the 2015 monthly meetings for the Board of School Directors.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Kartal, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

**5.2 Approval, Addendum to the Agreement with Source4Teachers**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Addendum to the Agreement dated November 15, 2013 between the Morrisville School District and S4Teachers LLC, d/b/a Source4Teachers for the services of Substitute Teachers and Staff.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Dingle, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

*Motions 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5 were moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Reithmeyer, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.*

**5.3 Approval, Treasurer's Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Treasurer's Report.

**5.4 Approval, Investment Report**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the Investment Report.

**5.5 Approval, Ordinary and Necessary Payments**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve ordinary and necessary payments by the Business Administrator during the month of December 2014.

**5.6 Approval, Participation in Additional Legal Services**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve participation in additional legal services offered by the Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 and Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams, LLP, at a cost of \$780.00.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Dingle, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

**5.7 Approval, Electricity Supply Agreement with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the electricity supply agreement with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc., with the amendment to remove M. R. Reiter.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Perry, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

**5.8 Approval, Payment of Bills**

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

Miscellaneous (11/19/14 - 11/26/14)	\$	15,473.98
Legal (12/10/14)	\$	1,040.50
Athletic Fund (11/25/14)	\$	495.00
General Fund (12/10/14)	\$	76,883.36
Capital (12/17/14)	\$	43,774.65
Cafeteria Fund	\$	<u>-0-</u>
 TOTAL BILLS	\$	 137,667.49

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Kartal, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

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

None at this time.

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

None at this time.

*Future Meetings and Items of Interest*

*The meetings will be held in the LGI*

Wednesday, January 21, 2015.....Monthly Agenda Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 28, 2015.....Monthly Business Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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and Channel 28 on your Local Cable*

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Miller discussed and read a letter that will be sent out to all district parents regarding residency. He stated that this letter will also be posted on the website. Mr. Miller stated that actions will be set up for review in regards to how claims or issues will be addressed within the school, and then the Board will be able to take action if they so desire.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**9.1 Approval, Certificate terminating the existence of the Morrisville Borough School District Authority**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve, by resolution, a certificate terminating the existence of the Morrisville Borough School District Authority.

Mr. Truelove explained the reasons why this motion is being brought to the Board for approval.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Gilleo, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.



**9.2**    **Approval, Increase to Group II Employees**

*The Board approved a motion* to approve the payment of a 1.5% status quo increase to all employees in the previous designated “Group II”, retroactive to July 1, 2014.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Dingle, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

***PUBLIC SESSION #2***

There were no speakers for Public Session #2.

Mr. Miller wished everyone a happy and healthy holiday and a safe and happy New Year.

**10.**    **Adjournment**

*The Board approved a motion* to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Perry, and passed by a unanimous voice vote of 8 ayes.

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Damon Miller, President

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Wanda Kartal, Secretary