

TOWNSHIP OF MONTVILLE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Virtual Meeting

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

No members of the public were present. President Grau called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a roll call.

Roll Call

Present: Dr. K. Cortellino, Mr. J. Daughtry, Dr. D. Modrak, Mr. M. O'Brien, Mr. M. Rappaport, Ms. M. Zuckerman, Mr. M. Palma and Mr. C. Grau.

Absent: Mrs. C. Fano.

Also, Present: Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Rene Rovtar
School Business Administrator, Ms. Katine Slunt
Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Casey Shorter
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, Ms. Andrea Woodring
Board Attorney, Stephen Edelstein

Closed Session

A motion was made by Mr. O'Brien and seconded by Dr. Modrak to enter into Closed Session through the following resolution. All present members voted yes.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits a public body to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters;

WHEREAS, the said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education has determined that it is necessary to meet in Closed Session on May 4, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss:

- 1) Legal Update
- 2) Negotiations Update

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education reserves the right to discuss other matters;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

President Grau reconvened the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with a roll call. All members were present, including Elliot Jo and Natalie Rossinow, Student Representatives; Diane Maggiore, Assistant to the Business Administrator, was also present.

President Grau welcomed the public and led the flag salute. Thirteen members of the public were present, virtually.

Open Public Meeting Notice

Ms. Slunt read the Open Public Meeting Notice, as listed below:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of 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, Montville Township Board of Education provided a public notice of this meeting, which included time, date and location, that was posted at the Montville Township Municipal Building, all Montville public schools, the Montville Public Library, the Montville Township Board of Education Administrative Office Building, the district website and advertised in the Daily Record, the Board's official newspaper, on January 9, 2021.

Section E:

High School Student Representatives Report

Mr. Jo discussed the competitions for Spring Track, Boys' Tennis, Softball, Baseball, Golf and Girls' Lacrosse. Ms. Rossinow highlighted the Montville Township High School documentary on the COVID-19 Pandemic, National Honor Society, Senior events, including Graduation, the Prom and the Senior Breakfast. Mr. Rossinow continued, discussing the Advanced Placement examinations that are scheduled.

President Grau thanked the representatives for their reports.

Section F:**Superintendent's Report**

Remarks: Dr. Rovtar discussed full-day instruction for the 2021-2022 school year, noting the restrictions that inhibit an earlier implementation. Dr. Rovtar discussed the High School year-end events, such as Graduation and the Prom, highlighting that plans may change depending on the Governor's Executive Orders.

Presentations: There were no additional presentations.

Good News & Progress in Our Schools: President Grau noted the **Good News** throughout the district, including the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony.

MTHS - The entire MTHS community congratulates Thomas Chen (Class of '21) on earning the National Speech & Debate Association's Academic All American award! This coveted award recognizes academic rigor, competitive speech and debate success, and personal excellence.

From more than 141,000 student members of the National Speech & Debate Association, fewer than 1% of students earn the Academic All American award every year. This tremendous accomplishment places Thomas among the top one-percent of all student members across the country.

The distinguished award recognizes students who have completed at least five semesters of high school; earned the degree of Superior Distinction in our Honor Society (a total of 750 or more merit points); achieved a rigorous criteria for GPA and / or test score requirements; and demonstrated outstanding character and leadership.

This achievement would not be possible without the continued support for our speech and debate advisors here at MTHS. Speech and debate provides life skills vital to a young person's success. Speech and debate advances communication skills; improves reading, writing, and critical thinking skills; develops interpersonal skills; and prepares students for college, a career, and beyond.

We commend Thomas for receiving this prestigious Academic All American Award. Congratulations!

Suspension/ Violence and Vandalism Monthly Reports to the Board of Education: There were no additional reports.

Business Administrator's Report

Ms. Slunt had no additional report.

Section G:**Committee Reports**

G.1	Finance & Facilities	Karen Cortellino Joseph Daughtry Michael O'Brien Charles Grau	The Committee had no report.
G.2	Curriculum & Instruction	David Modrak Michael Palma Michelle Zuckerman Charles Grau	The Committee met on May 4th, highlighting their discussion of the master schedule, ESSER grants and curriculum updates.
G.3	Policy & Personnel	Christine Fano David Modrak Michael Rappaport Charles Grau	The Committee had no report.
G.4	Communications	Michelle Zuckerman Karen Cortellino Michael O'Brien Charles Grau	The Committee had no report.
G.5	Safety & Security	Michael Rappaport Christine Fano Michael Palma Charles Grau	The Committee had no report.
G.6	Ad-Hoc		There were no Ad Hoc Committees.
G.7	Delegate Liaisons: N.J.S.B.A.	Karen Cortellino	The Liaison noted the up-coming meetings, including the Board of Directors on May 7th, Legislative Committee on May 8th and the Delegate Assembly on May 14th.
	Delegate Liaisons: M.C.S.B.A.	Michael O'Brien	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 13th.
	Delegate Liaisons: M.C.E.S.C.	Michael Rappaport	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 12th.

	Delegate Liaisons: D.A.C.	Michael Palma	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 12th.
	Delegate Liaisons: Montville Athletic Boosters	Michael O'Brien	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 5th.
G.8	P.T.C. Liaisons: Cedar Hill	Karen Cortellino	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 5th.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: Hilldale	Charles Grau	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for the end of May.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: Valley View	Joseph Daughtry	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: William Mason	Christine Fano	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: Woodmont	Michael Palma	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: Lazar Middle	David Modrak Michael Rappaport	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: High School	Michelle Zuckerman Michael O'Brien	The Liaison noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 13th.
G.9	Negotiations - M.T.E.A.	Karen Cortellino David Modrak Michael Palma Charles Grau	The Team discussed the negotiation session, held on May 3rd, noting the M.T.E.A.'s declaration of impasse. The Team continued, highlighting their disappointment of the decision and hope that further progress could be made at future sessions.
	Negotiations - M.T.A.A.	Charles Grau Christine Fano Michael O'Brien Michael Rappaport	The Team had no report.
	Negotiations - M.T.S.I.A.	Charles Grau Joseph Daughtry Michael O'Brien Michelle Zuckerman	The Team had no report.

Section H: Public Participation

(For items on the agenda only)

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. Dr. Rovtar provided directions for public participation in the meeting. One member of the public spoke, requesting the link to the Montville Township High School documentary on the COVID-19 Pandemic. Dr. Rovtar responded with the link information.

Consent Resolutions

A motion was made by Ms. Zuckerman and seconded by Dr. Modrak to approve the following resolutions in a consent motion.

Section I:

Board

I: Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approves the minutes of the following meetings as submitted:

April 27, 2021	Executive Session, Regular Meeting
April 27, 2021	Public Session, Regular Meeting

No additional comments were made.

Section J:

Administration

J.1: Gifts, Grants and Donations

No Actions are to be considered on this agenda.

J.2: Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

No additional comments were made.

Section K: Facilities and Finance

Chair, Dr. Cortellino – Mr. Daughtry, Mr. Grau, Mr. O'Brien

K.1: Payment of Bills

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

K.2: Transfer of Funds

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

K.3: Financial Reports

No Actions are to be considered on this agenda.

K.4: Use of Facility Requests

No Actions are to be considered on this agenda.

K.5: Approval of the Professional and Other Service Providers for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year

RESOLVED, that pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47, the Montville Township Board of Education renews, awards or permits to expire the following contracts previously awarded by the Board of Education.

	Service Provider	Service Rendered	Previous Contracted	Estimated Cost
New Contract:				
1	Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide	Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Training	\$ 0.00	\$ 17,068.00
Revised Contract:				
1	KCG	Heating and Cooling Services (Prev. Item 09/01/20 K.5.2)	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 110,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board President and/or School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary are authorized to execute corresponding contract agreements (if applicable) on behalf of the Board of Education.

K.6: Interlocal Agreement Renewal – 2021 Township Shared Garbage & Recycling Services

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education post-approve an Interlocal Service Agreement [Document K.6](#), with Montville Township for shared garbage and recycling services, at a cost of \$64,500, for a two year period beginning May 1, 2021. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board President and/or Business Administrator are authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

K.7: ACES Membership - Digital and Electronic Products and Services

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1a, authorizes district boards of education to competitively contract for the procurement of proprietary computer software and services; and
WHEREAS, the New Jersey School Boards' Association (NJSBA), N.J.S.A. 18A:6-45 et. seq., on behalf of its membership has competitively contracted to procure on an aggregated basis digital and electronic products and services, E-Rate Consulting and Processing Services, and other technology products and programs to enhance Members readiness for Future Ready Schools, as well as energy aggregation services, supplies and materials, time and materials; and such other services and products as two or more participating local boards in the system agree can be purchased on a cooperative basis; and
WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 specifically authorizes two or more local district boards of education (hereinafter referred to as local boards) to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement for the purchase of work, materials, and supplies; and
WHEREAS, NJSBA is conducting a voluntary Cooperative Pricing System within the State of New Jersey, utilizing the administrative purchasing services and facilities of NJSBA; and
WHEREAS, this Cooperative Pricing Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) is to effect substantial economies in the purchase of energy and technology products and services for local boards across this State; and
WHEREAS, all parties to this Agreement have approved this Agreement by resolution, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et. seq. and regulations promulgated thereunder; and
WHEREAS, it is the desire of all parties to enter into such Agreement for said purposes;
NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF the promises and of the covenants, terms, and conditions hereinafter set forth, it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. The products and services to be priced cooperatively may include, on an aggregated basis or not, digital and electronic products and services, ERate Consulting and Processing Services, and other technology products and programs to enhance Members readiness for Future Ready Schools-NJ, as well as supplies and materials, time and materials; and such other services and products as two or more participating local boards in the system agree can be purchased on a cooperative basis.
2. The services and classes of services which may be designated by the participating local boards hereto may be purchased cooperatively for the period commencing with the execution of this Agreement and continuing until terminated as hereinafter provided.

3. The NJSBA, on behalf of all participating contracting units, shall, upon approval of the System's registration and upon the anniversary of the system's registration publish a legal ad in such format as required by N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.12 in a newspaper normally used for such purposes by it, to include such information as:

- a. NJSBA's full name and the fact that it may be soliciting competitive bids or informal quotations; and
- b. NJSBA's address and telephone number; and
- c. The names of the participating contracting units; and
- d. The State Identification Code for the Cooperative Pricing System, and
- e. The expiration date of the Agreement.

4. Each of the participating local boards shall designate, in writing, to NJSBA, products and services to be purchased and indicate therein the approximate quantities desired, the location for delivery and other requirements, to permit the preparation of specifications as provided by law.

5. The specifications shall be prepared and approved by NJSBA and no changes shall thereafter be made except as permitted by law. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent changes in specifications for subsequent purchases.

6. A single advertisement for bids or the solicitation of informal quotations for the work, materials or supplies to be purchased shall be prepared by NJSBA on behalf of all of the participating local boards desiring to purchase products and services and some or all of the other services specified in this Agreement.

7. NJSBA shall receive bids or quotations on behalf of all participating local boards. Following the receipt of bids, NJSBA shall review said bids and on behalf of all participating local boards, either reject all or certain of the bids or make one award to the lowest responsible bidder. This award shall result in the opportunity for individual local boards to enter into individual contracts with the successful bidder providing for the estimated aggregate quantities to be purchased during the term of the individual contracts.

8. Upon determining to accept the bid provided through this Agreement, each participating local board shall:

- a. Certify the funds available only for its own needs ordered;
- b. Enter into a formal written contract directly with the successful bidder(s);
- c. Issue purchase orders in its own name directly to successful bidder(s) against said contract;
- d. Accept its own deliveries;
- e. Be invoiced and receive statements from the successful bidder(s);
- f. Make payment directly to the successful bidder(s) and
- g. Be individually responsible for any tax liability associated with the individual contract.

9. No participating local board in the Cooperative Pricing System shall be responsible for payment for any services ordered or for performance generally by any other participating local board. Each participating local board shall, accordingly be liable only for its own performance and for items ordered and received by it and none assumes any additional responsibility or liability.

The provisions of paragraphs 7, 8 and 9 above shall be quoted or referenced and sufficiently described in all specifications so that each bidder shall be on notice as to the respective responsibilities and liabilities of the participating contracting units.

10. No participating local board in the Cooperative Pricing System shall issue a purchase order or issue a contract for a price which exceeds any other price available to it from any other such system in which it is authorized to participate or from bids which it has itself received.

11. NJSBA reserves the right to exclude any item or service from within said system if, in its opinion, the pooling of purchasing requirements or needs of the participating contracting units is either not beneficial or practicable.

12. NJSBA shall appropriate sufficient funds to enable it to perform the administrative responsibilities assumed pursuant to this Agreement.

13. This Agreement shall become effective upon signing, subject to the review and approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services and shall continue in effect for the duration of the Cooperative Pricing System's Registration with DCA unless any party to this Agreement shall give written notice of its intention to terminate its participation.

14. Additional local boards may from time to time, execute this Agreement by means of a Rider attached hereto, which addition shall not invalidate this Agreement with respect to the other signatories. NJSBA is authorized to execute the Rider(s) on behalf of the members of the Cooperative Pricing System.

15. All records and documents maintained or utilized pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be identified by the code number assigned to the System by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, and such other numbers as are assigned by the Lead Agency for purposes of identifying each contract and item awarded.

16. This Agreement shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto.

No additional comments were made.

Section L:

Personnel

Chair, Mrs. Fano - Mr. Grau, Mr. Modrak, Mr. Rappaport

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approves the following personnel items: (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: Leave of Absence

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following:

	Name	Reason	Location & Position	Leave Start Date	Sick Days	Unpaid FMLA Start Date	Unpaid NJFLA Start Date	Unpaid Leave without Benefits	Return Date	Discussion
1	Candelario, Carol	Family Leave	Substance Abuse Coordinator MTHS	05/10/21	N/A	N/A	05/10/21	N/A	06/07/21	
2	Markowski, Kristen	Maternity Leave	Choral Director MTHS	09/01/21	N/A	09/01/21	09/01/21	N/A	11/08/21	Dates subject to change based on delivery
3	Matarazzo, Jamie	Amend Maternity Leave	Elementary Teacher Valley View	05/26/20	21	09/01/20	09/01/20	11/30/20	09/01/22	Supersedes action on 03/17/2020; L.1.3

L.2: Resignations, Retirements, Terminations

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following:

	Name	Action	Position	Location	Effective Date	Discussion
1	Belotti, Michele	Resignation	Social Studies Teacher	Lazar	06/30/21	

L.3: Appointments and Transfers

(*denotes mentoring required)

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following:

	Name	Action	Position	Location	Degree/ Step	Salary	Effective/ Term. Date	Discussion
1	DeBonta, Patrick	Approve	% Salary Adjustment Phys Ed	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,322.50 Prorated @ \$2,251.92	05/17/21 - 06/23/21	Coverage for KS
2	Boschetti, Samantha	Approve	% Salary Adjustment Phys Ed	MTHS	MA30/9	\$11,483.00 Prorated @ \$1,492.82	05/17/21 - 06/23/21	Coverage for KS
3	Sands, Nicholas	Approve	% Salary Adjustment Phys Ed	MTHS	BA/8	\$9,658.83 Prorated @ \$1,255.62	05/17/21 - 06/23/21	Coverage for KS
4	Krip, John	Approve	% Salary Adjustment Phys Ed	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,322.50 Prorated @ \$2,251.92	05/17/21 - 06/23/21	Coverage for KS
5	O'Connor, Kelsey	Approve	% Salary Adjustment Phys Ed	MTHS	MA/8	\$10,727.17 Prorated @ \$1,394.56	05/17/21 - 06/23/21	Coverage for KS
6	Carrano, Amanda	Rescind	Central Office Staff	Business Office	N/A	\$58,494.00	07/01/21 - 06/30/22	
7	Tuhy, Dianne	Amend	Elementary Teacher	Hilldale	MA30/18	\$102,085.00	09/01/21 - 06/30/22	Supersedes action on 04/27/21; L.6.1.390 Salary Includes \$1,200 Longevity Salary Pending Negotiations

L.4: Adjustments and Stipends

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

L.5: Appointment of Substitutes

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

L.6: Mentoring Assignments

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

L.7 Annual Reappointments - MTEA Aides:

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following annual reappointments for the 2021-2022 School Year:

L.7.1 Special Education Paraprofessionals

L.7.2 Classroom/ Lunch Recess Aides

L.8 Annual Reappointments - Central Office Administrators

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the annual reappointment of the Assistant Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and the School Business Administrator for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

No additional comments were made.

Section M: Curriculum, Instruction & Technology

Chair, Mr. Modrak– Mr. Grau, Mr. Palma, Ms.Zuckerman

M.1: Professional Day Travel

(pursuant to or in excess of Policies # 0147, 3440 and 4440)

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

	Name	Action	Location	Estimated Cost	Destination	Effective Date	Term. Date	Funding
1	Rovtar, Rene	Approve	Online	\$3,500.00	SEED (Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity) Project New Leaders Training Online Program through Wellesley College	06/21/21	07/02/21	District
2	Fuhrmann, Laura	Approve	Virtual	\$0.00	NJ CS Summit	05/14/21	05/14/21	
3	Orefice, Briana	Approve	Virtual	\$0.00	Anti Bullying & School Safety Conference	05/26/21	05/26/21	

M.2: Contracted Special Services

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following special education contracted services:

	Vendor	Action	Services	Estimated Cost	Student(s)	Effective Date	Term. Date	Discussion
1	St. Clare's Hospital	Approve	Psychiatric Evaluation	\$25.00	104736	03/31/21	03/31/21	Post Approve
2	Silvergate Prep	Approve	Hospital Home Instruction	\$220.00 \$1,100.00	101108	04/13/21 04/26/21	04/19/21 05/21/21	Post Approve
3	Dr. Fagan	Approve	Report Interpretation	Not Exceed \$600.00	104994	04/28/21	06/15/21	3 Hours @ \$200.00 per hour
4	Dr. Lori Hanes & Associates	Approve	Bilingual Educational, Psychological, & Speech/ Language Evaluations	\$1,575.00	105271	05/05/21	06/18/21	3 @ \$525.00 each
5	Pediatric Neurological Assoc.	Amend	Neurological Evaluation	\$650.00	103218	04/28/21	05/31/21	Supersedes action on 4/27/21 Res: M.2.1 Fee Increase
6	Morristown Memorial Hospital	Approve	Neurological Evaluation	\$675.00	105142	05/05/21	06/30/21	

M.3: Approval of Field Trips

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

M.4: Uncompensated Placements (Student Teachers, Interns, Externs, Volunteers)

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

M.5: Out-of-District Placement

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

M.6: New Textbooks

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following textbooks: [Document M.6.1](#)

	Subject	Publisher	No. of Books
1	Microbiology	Savvas	25

No additional comments were made.

Section N: Policy *Chair, Mrs. Fano - Mr. Grau, Mr. Modrak, Mr. Rappaport*

N.1: Introduction of Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

N.2: Adoption of Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations

No actions are to be considered on this agenda.

No additional comments were made.

Section O: Vote on Consent Resolutions **Roll Call**

A Roll Call Vote was called by Ms. Slunt. The motion passed, as noted below:

Ms. Michelle Zuckerman	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Dr. D. Modrak	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Dr. K. Cortellino	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. J. Daughtry	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. M. O'Brien	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. M. Rappaport	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. M. Palma	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. C. Grau	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.

Section P: Closed Session Announcement

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters;

WHEREAS, the said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education has determined that it is necessary to meet in Closed Session on **May 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.** to discuss (select one or more):

1. Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying ("HIB") update/recent matters and investigations, if any; and
2. Legal Update; and
3. Any other permitted closed session matters not currently known, which may arise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education will meet in public session on **May 18, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.** in a Virtual Meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Section Q: Old Business

There was no Old Business discussed.

Section R: General Board Comment and New Business

There was no General Board Comment or New Business discussed.

Section S: Public Participation

(On any item of interest)

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. Dr. Rovtar provided directions for public participation in the meeting. Three members of the public spoke:

Three members discussed the implementation of full-day instruction during the 2020-2021 school year. Dr. Rovtar responded, noting the restrictions facing the district and safety protocols that are in-place.

One member of the public discussed afternoon instruction. Dr. Rovtar responded, noting that some afternoon instruction does occur; however, it is limited due to 'Zoom fatigue' for the district's virtual students.

President Grau thanked the public for their comments and noted the next Board meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2021.

Section T:

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Palma and seconded by Dr. Modrak to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed, all present members voting in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katine Slunt
Board Secretary