

TOWNSHIP OF MONTVILLE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Virtual Meeting

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Tuesday, April 13, 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, Mrs. C. Fano, Dr. D. Modrak (6:32 p.m.), Mr. M. O'Brien, Mr. M. Rappaport, Ms. M. Zuckerman, Mr. M. Palma and Mr. C. Grau.

Absent: None.

Also, Present: Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Rene Rovtar
School Business Administrator, Ms. Katine Slunt
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 Mr. Daughtry 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 April 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss:

- 1) Legal Update
- 2) Negotiations Update
- 3) Superintendent's Evaluation

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 Natalie Rossinow, Student Representative; Diane Maggiore, Assistant to the Business Administrator, was also present.

President Grau welcomed the public and led the flag salute. Sixteen 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

Ms. Rossinow discussed the achievements of the Girls Basketball, Bowling, Competitive Cheerleading, Wrestling and Volleyball teams. Ms. Rossinow noted the start of the Spring Sports, including Tennis, Lacrosse, Softball and Track.

Ms. Rossinow continued highlighting the events for Forensics, FBLA, The Podium, the Spring Musical: *Bright Stars* and the 2021-2022 Marching Band. Ms. Rossinow concluded, noting the scholarships available to MTHS seniors.

President Grau thanked the representative for her report.

Section F:

Superintendent's Report

Remarks:

Dr. Rovtar highlighted the progress made towards the [District Goals](#) for the third quarter. Dr. Rovtar continued, noting the postponement of the Social Studies Core Curriculum revision by the Department of Education, and the Waiver approval delaying the State assessments.

Dr. Rovtar continued, highlighting the Governor's current social distancing guidelines and their impact on Graduation and the Prom. The administration, in conjunction with the student leadership, will be addressing these events under the new guidelines. Dr. Rovtar noted the start of the fourth marking period and the return of many students to in-person instruction. Dr. Rovtar discussed the implementation of in-person, full-day instruction for the 2021-2022 School Year. Finally, Dr. Rovtar discussed the change of the 2020-2021 School Calendar, returning a snow day; schools will be closed on May 28, 2021.

Presentations:

Good News & Progress in Our Schools: President Grau highlighted the district's *Good News*, as listed below.

MTHS - Congratulations to the following MTHS students on winning a state championship in the 2021 New Jersey Speech and Debate League (NJSDL) state Championship which took place virtually over the weekend of March 19-20. Four hundred seventy-six students representing thirty-four schools participated in the competition which saw the MTHS Forensics Team take home third place. In addition, four students were crowned state champions in their disciplines: Maria Papera (Class of 2021) in Improvisational Acting, Victoria Wei (Class of 2021) in Original Oratory, Ashley Xiang (Class of 2023) in Informative Speaking, and Ram Pantula (Class of 2023) in Junior Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate.

In addition to the State Champions, Thomas Chen (Class of 2022) was a finalist in Congressional Debate, Ashley Xiang also was a semi-finalist in Declamation, Hannah Musilli (Class of 2024) was a semi-finalist in Declamation, Samantha Ko (Class of 2023) placed 4th in Humorous Interpretation and was a semi-finalist in Improvisational Acting, Sophia Kuznetsova (Class of 2022) placed 6th in Original Oratory and was a semi-finalist in Impromptu Speaking, Victoria Wei also placed 6th in Impromptu Speaking, Amelia Moon (Class of 2022) placed 5th in Impromptu Speaking, Maria Papera also placed 4th in Program Oral Interpretation, Grace Lo and Haley Tam (Class of 2022) were semi-finalists in Parliamentary Debate, Tanay Vysysaraju (Class of 2023) was a quarter-finalist in Junior Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate, Khush Parikh (Class of 2023) was a semi-finalist in Junior Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate, Angeline Agnel (Class of 2024) was a quarter-finalist in Novice Lincoln Douglas Debate, and the team of Apurva Parasher (Class of 2024) and Kevin Chen (Class of 2024) were quarter-finalists in Novice Public Forum Debate.

Hilldale - Second grade enjoyed a week of Brain Camp where they learned about positive mindset and strategies to work through difficult tasks.

Hilldale School participated in the nationwide celebration of "SEL Day" on Friday, March 26th.

Social and emotional learning (SEL) changes lives and provides many benefits to students. SEL has been shown to have positive impacts up to 18 years later on academics, social-emotional skills, conduct problems, emotional distress, and drug use.

Student Council asked students to draw positive messages or pictures on the sidewalk around Hilldale. Later that day, classes took a "Mindfulness Walk" to see their peer's encouraging chalk creations.

The Student Council also shared an "SEL Bookroom", where classes could hear read-alouds of books that focused on inclusion, anti-bullying, and cultural awareness.

It was a great way to encourage and highlight SEL at Hilldale.

Valley View - To highlight Arts in Schools Month, Valley View held a School Spirit Week March 22-26. Celebrations included morning announcements with music and art jokes. During the week, students and staff dressed up as their favorite musician or artist. For Thursday Trivia, students turned the tables and challenged their teacher with questions related to musical instruments, lyrics in popular children's songs, and famous artists.

Inclusion is Valley View's character trait in April. Classroom discussions will focus on how inclusion benefits everyone's social and communication skills and for the betterment of society.

Valley View will be participating in National [Autism](#) Awareness Day by raising awareness about autism.

The school wide project Gratefulness Gardens continues. The idea of "Growing a Gratefulness Garden" is to have a flower or a tree on each classroom door in which students write a thankful/grateful thought on the petal/leaf. The idea is for students to learn that gratefulness can change our world from drab to beautiful!

This spring, fourth graders will again be participating in the 'Keep a Clear Mind Program.' The program involves students taking home activity booklets and working together with their parents to read material and answer questions related to alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana use, and to promote healthy decision-making in the future. In addition to the four activity booklets, the program includes five parent newsletters.

Valley View will launch *National Be Kind Online Day* on May 14, 2021. Leading up to *Be Kind Online Day* will include informative and fun lessons that will give students a better understanding of what social isolation is and how it happens online. Students will also learn how to understand their own online persona, how online social isolation affects young people and by making a pledge, they can contribute to building and maintaining a healthy and inclusive community online.

Lazar - Lazar MathCounts Club competed in the 5 Math Olympiad Competitions in the 2020-2021 school year. Eighth grader Jason Mao scored a perfect score on all 5 exams. Congratulations to all of the club members on another successful school year of competing!

Congratulations to 8th grader Sai Anupama Suresh on receiving the Morris County Middle School Leadership Award! Her academic, extracurricular and community leadership has had a positive impact on her school environment and who serves as a role model for others.

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

Business Administrator's Report

There was 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, but noted the Public Hearing on the 2021-2022 Annual Budget, scheduled for April 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
G.2	Curriculum & Instruction	David Modrak Michael Palma Michelle Zuckerman Charles Grau	The Committee had no report.
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 discussed the Board of Directors meeting held on March 19, 2021, noting the strategic plan, virtual Convention in October and the flat dues for the 2021-2022 School Year.
	Delegate Liaisons: M.C.S.B.A.	Michael O'Brien	The Liaison had no report.
	Delegate Liaisons: M.C.E.S.C.	Michael Rappaport	The next meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2021.
	Delegate Liaisons: D.A.C.	Michael Palma	The next meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2021.
	Delegate Liaisons: Montville Athletic Boosters	Michael O'Brien	The next meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2021.
G.8	P.T.C. Liaisons: Cedar Hill	Karen Cortellino	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: Hilldale	Charles Grau	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: Valley View	Joseph Daughtry	The Liaison had no report.
	P.T.C. Liaisons: William Mason	Christine Fano	The Liaison discussed the Spirit Wear Fundraiser, planned outside assemblies and available scholarships for MTHS seniors.
	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 next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2021.
G.9	Negotiations - M.T.E.A.	Karen Cortellino David Modrak Michael Palma Charles Grau	The Team discussed the meeting held on March 22, 2021 and the exchange of proposals. The next Negotiations Meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2021.

	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. No members of the public spoke.

Consent Resolutions

A motion was made by Mr. O'Brien and seconded by Mr. Palma 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:

March 16, 2021	Executive Session, Regular Meeting
March 16, 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. O'Brien*

K.1: Payment of Bills

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, approves the payment of the following bills for the period of March 17, 2021 - April 13, 2021 that shall be made a part of this record, as attached in [Document K.1](#).

Payments of Bills for:	General Fund (Fund 10)	In the amount of	\$ 3,292,541.22
	Special Revenue Fund (Fund 20)	In the amount of	60,576.66
	Capital Projects Fund (Fund 30)	In the amount of	1,215,947.90
	Debt Service Fund (Fund 40)	In the amount of	0.00
	Food Service Fund (Fund 60)	In the amount of	12,944.38
	MEDLC Fund (Fund 61)	In the amount of	138.12
	Subtotal		\$ 4,582,148.28
	Payroll – March (Various Funds)	In the amount of	4,739,030.29
	TOTAL		\$ 9,321,178.57

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

WHEREAS, the groups and organizations listed in [Document K.4](#), have requested the use of school facilities and these requests comply with Policy #7510, "Use of School Facilities" unless a waiver is so indicated:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the listed groups and organizations to rent or 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: 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	Applied Landscape Technologies	Pitching Turf Mound	\$ 0.00	\$ 22,000.00
2	MPOWERED PARENT	Parent Education Seminar	0.00	1,500.00
3	School Specialty	Wordly Wise ELA Software	0.00	1,827.00
Revised Contract:				
1	Fire and Security Technologies	Fire Extinguishers, Hood, Sprinkler, Backflow Inspections and FE Recharges (Prev. Item 09/15/20 K.5.11).	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
2	Montville Diner	Free and Reduced Lunch Meals - Revision to become Primary Provider and Additional Students (Prev. Item 03/16/21 K.5.5)	4,750.00	13,065.00
3	Transfinder	Transportation Software - Additional User (Prev. Item 06/16/20 K.5.182)	3,500.00	5,495.00
4	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone Services (Prev. Item 6/16/20 K.5.188)	18,000.00	20,000.00
Expired Contract:				
1	Red Barn	Free and Reduced Lunch Meals (Prev. Item 03/16/21 K.5.5)	\$ 6,840.00	\$ 1,197.00

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: Unused Sick and Vacation Day Payout Approval

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approves the unused sick and vacation day payout to the following staff:

	Name	Sick Days	Vacation Days	Amount Due
1	Haight, Michael	0.0	4.5	\$ 746.64

K.7 Contract Bid Rejection - Cedar Hill Roof Replacement Project

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2021, the Montville Township Board of Education ("Board") held a public bid opening for the award of a contract for the Cedar Hill Roof Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board received ten (10) bids which were opened at the bid opening; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education rejects all responsive bids based on material deficiencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator is authorized to return the bid securities to all bidders; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator is authorized to take the steps necessary to re-bid the Project.

No additional comments were made.

Section L:

Personnel

Chair, Mrs. Fano - 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	Melograno, Floretta	Amend Medical Leave	Classroom Aide Woodmont	02/09/21	41	N/A	N/A	N/A	04/19/21	Supersedes action on 03/02/21; L.1.3
2	Perillo-Gentile, Stephanie	Amend Maternity Leave	Speech Specialist Cedar Hill	05/03/21	37	09/01/21	09/01/21	N/A	11/29/21	Supersedes action on 02/16/2021; L.1.1

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	Shondel, Kristine	Reduction in Force	Personal Nurse	Out of District	04/01/21	Post Approve
2	Vogel, Wanda	Retirement	Media Specialist	William Mason	07/01/21	
3	Keegan, Cydney	Resignation	Paraprofessional	Hilldale	06/30/21	
4	Fisher, Anne	Retirement	Reading Specialist	Cedar Hill	07/01/21	
5	Ernst, Kathy	Retirement	Science Teacher	Lazar	07/01/21	
6	Zester-DeSaye, Jennifer	Resignation	Director of Special Services	Special Services	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	Deary, Christine	Approve	Long Term Sub Basic Skills	Valley View	N/A	\$136.02 Per diem	03/15/21-06/30/21	Post Approve Salary reflects 50 FTE Replaces SF
2	Vogel, Debora	Transfer	ABA Paraprofessional	William Mason	N/A	\$29.05 hourly	03/08/21-06/30/21	Post Approve From Cedar Hill
3	Andes, Richard	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Special Education	MTHS	MA/10	\$11,043.00 Prorated @ \$3,257.68	03/03/21 - 05/28/21	Replaces DE Supersedes action on 03/16/2021; L.3.5 Changed end date
4	Carriere, Barbara	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Special Education	MTHS	MA30/16	\$15,453.83 Prorated @ \$4,558.87	03/03/21 - 05/28/21	Replaces DE Supersedes action on 03/16/2021; L.3.6 Changed end date
5	Guardabasco, Natasha	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Special Education	MTHS	BA30/13	\$11,575.50 Prorated @ \$3,414.80	03/03/21 - 05/28/21	Replaces DE Supersedes action on 03/16/2021; L.3.7 Changed end date
6	Naturale, Robert	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Special Education	MTHS	MA30/17	\$16,122.17 Prorated @ \$4,756.05	03/03/21 - 05/28/21	Replaces DE Supersedes action on 03/16/2021; L.3.8

								Changed end date
7	Scaglione, Christine	Amend	Long Term Sub Social Studies	Lazar	N/A	\$115.71 Per diem	02/16/21 - TBD	Supersedes action on 02/16/2021; L.3.4 Replaces MB
8	McEnerney Fahey, Barbara	Approve	Home Instructor	District	N/A	\$45.00 hourly	04/17/21-06/30/21	
9	Law, Cheryl	Amend	ABA Paraprofessional	Cedar Hill	N/A	\$26.53 hourly	09/01/20-03/28/21	Supersedes action on 05/12/2020; L.6.2.37
10	Law, Cheryl	Approve	Paraprofessional	Woodmont	N/A	\$26.53 hourly	03/29/21 - 04/18/21	Post Approve New Student Transfer notice period
11	Law, Cheryl	Approve	Paraprofessional	Woodmont	N/A	\$21.53 hourly	04/19/21 - 06/30/21	Change in rate for new position
12	Kryzh, Viktor	Approve	Maintenance	Facilities	Step 3	\$43,140.00 Prorated @ \$9,319.34	04/14/21 - 06/30/21	Replaces MH
13	Salazar, Rachel	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Biology	MTHS	MA30/15	\$14,628.00 Prorated @ \$3,657.00	04/12/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.9
14	Slezak, Kathryn	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Biology	MTHS	BA/6	\$9,392.00 Prorated @ \$2,348.05	04/12/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.10
15	Queen, James	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Chemistry	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,322.50 Prorated @ \$4,330.65	04/12/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.11
16	Van Horn, Kelly	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Chemistry	MTHS	MA30/11	\$12,182.17 Prorated @ \$3,045.55	04/12/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.12
17	Kilanowski, Jennifer	Approve	1/2 Salary Adjustment English	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,322.50 Prorated @ \$1,385.79	06/01/21 - 06/23/21	Replaces KC
18	Kilanowski, Kurt	Approve	1/2 Salary Adjustment English	MTHS	MA30/18	\$16,814.17 Prorated @ \$1,345.13	06/01/21 - 06/23/21	Replaces KC
19	Kurland, Cheryl	Approve	1/2 Salary Adjustment English	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,322.50 Prorated @ \$1,385.79	06/01/21 - 06/23/21	Replaces KC
20	Magliaro, Nicole	Approve	1/2 Salary Adjustment English	MTHS	MA/9	\$10,878.00 Prorated @ \$870.24	06/01/21 - 06/23/21	Replaces KC
21	Pierce, Stephanie	Approve	1/2 Salary Adjustment English	MTHS	N/A	\$9,067.50 Prorated @ \$725.42	06/01/21 - 06/23/21	Replaces KC
22	Khalaf, Michelle	Approve	Additional Secretarial Hours	MTHS Athletics	Step 7	\$23.14 hourly	04/02/21 - 04/09/21	Post Approve Not to exceed 20 hours
23	Swenson, Julie	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment French Teacher	MTHS	MA30/10	\$11,723.00 Prorated @ \$5920.12	01/25/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.4
24	DeFiore, Christy	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Guidance	MTHS	MA30/9	\$11,483.00 Prorated @ \$2,641.12	04/19/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.13
25	McClosky, Naomi	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Guidance	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,322.50 Prorated @ \$3,984.18	04/19/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.14
26	Matotta, Alyssa	Amend	1/2 Salary Adjustment Guidance	MTHS	MA30/7	\$11,178.00 Prorated @ \$2,570.94	04/19/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2020; L.3.15

27	McGinniss, Amelia	Amend	½ Salary Adjustment Guidance	MTHS	MA30/9	\$11,483.00 Prorated @ \$2,641.12	04/19/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 12/15/2021; L.3.16
28	Runne, Keith	Amend	½ Salary Adjustment Apex	MTHS	BA/8	\$9,658.83 prorated @ \$4,636.20	02/01/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 01/19/2021; L.3.13
29	Monaco, Tara	Amend	½ Salary Adjustment Apex	MTHS	MA30/19	\$17,355.50 Prorated @ \$8,314.83	02/01/21 - 06/23/21	Supersedes action on 01/19/2021; L.3.14

L.4: Adjustments and Stipends

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

	Name	Action	Location & Position	Degree Step	Salary	Effective/Term. Date	Discussion
1	Swenson, Julie	Approve	World Language Advisor French	N/A	\$959.00	01/25/21 - 06/30/21	Post Approve
2	Miller, Seth	Amend	Extended Day Special Ed Support Science Lazar	N/A	\$3,060.00	09/29/20-06/11/21	Supersedes action on 10/06/2020; L.4.8
3	Sturdy-Lange, Kelly	Approve	Extended Day Special Ed Support Science Lazar	N/A	\$1,020.00	02/16/21-06/11/21	Post Approve

L.5: Appointment of Substitutes

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

	Name	Action	Location & Position	Salary	Effective Date	Term. Date
1	Shondel, Kristine	Post Approve	District/Substitute Nurse	\$150.00 per diem	04/01/21	06/30/21
2	Tropia, Jennifer	Approve	District/Substitute Teacher	\$100.00 per diem	04/14/21	06/30/21

No additional comments were made.

Section M: Curriculum, Instruction & Technology *Chair, Mr.Modrak– 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	Queen, James	Approve	Virtual	\$ 599.00	VEX EDR Teacher Training	07/19/21	07/23/21	Title IIA

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	Dr. Suckno	Approve	Psychiatric Evaluation	\$1,400.00	102586 104167	04/26/21 04/30/21	05/31/21 05/31/21	2 @ \$700.00 each
2	Morristown Memorial Hospital	Approve	Neurological Evaluation	\$675.00	104480	06/03/21	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)

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

	Name	Action	Location & Position	Staff Supervisor	Effective Date	Term. Date	Discussion
1	Meswani, Raina	Approve	Lazar/Shadow Teacher	Megan Rosenthal	04/14/21	04/15/21	Marist College/Shadowing teacher virtually

2	Keegan, Cydney	approve	MTHS/Student Teaching	Helen Gizas	08/30/21	12/10/21	Caldwell University/ Clinical Practice
3	Balchan, Kylie	approve	Valley View/Student Placement	Gabrielle Streep	10/25/21	12/10/21	Caldwell University/Clinical Practice II

M.5: Out-of-District Placement

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following student out of district placements based upon NJ Department of Education Maximum:

	School	Action	School Year Tuition	Additional Services	E.S.Y Tuition	Student	Effective Date	Term. Date	Discussion
1	Mount Olive Board of Education	Approve	\$13,181.70	Counseling \$1,020.00 OT \$480.00		105676	03/08/21	06/22/21	Post Approve

M.6: Approval of Curriculum Revision

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education approve the following curriculum revision stipends for the 2020-2021 school year, in the amount of \$500.00 to be paid to the following staff members:

	Name	Action	Curriculum	Stipend
1	Brianna Orefice	Approve	Art K-1	
2	Brianna Orefice	Approve	Art 2-3	
3	Brianna Orefice	Approve	Art 4-5	
4	Lauren Rittenhouse	Approve	Art K-1	
5	Lauren Rittenhouse	Approve	Art 2-3	
6	Lauren Rittenhouse	Approve	Art 4-5	

No additional comments were made.

Section N: Policy

Chair, Mrs. Fano - 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:

Mr. M. O'Brien	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. M. Palma	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.
Mrs. C. Fano	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Dr. D. Modrak	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Mr. M. Rappaport	Voted Yes,	on resolutions I through N, without exception.
Ms. Michelle Zuckerman	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 April 27, 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. Negotiations Update; and;

4.. 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 April 27, 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

Mr. Palma requested the percentage of students at the High School and Lazar Middle School who are attending in-person. Dr. Rovtar responded, noting that this information will be available after April 20, 2021, the beginning of the fourth marking period.

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. Two members of the public spoke:

One member questioned the social distancing requirements for the High School, with the start of the fourth marking period on April 20, 2021. Dr. Rovtar responded, noting the distance of three to six feet for all students.

One member questioned the plans for the Prom. Dr. Rovtar responded, noting that no decisions have been finalized due to the current indoor gathering restrictions.

Section T:

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. O'Brien 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 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katine Slunt
Board Secretary