

TOWNSHIP OF MONTVILLE  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Board of Education Administrative Offices: 86 River Road, Montville, New Jersey

**Minutes**

**Special Meeting of the Board of Education**

**Friday, November 2, 2018**

No members of the public were present. President Grau called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. with a roll call.

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: Dr. D. Modrak, Mr. J. Morella and Mr. M. Palma.

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 Negotiator, Mr. Andrew Brown

President Grau led the flag salute.

**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 insure 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 November 1, 2018.

**Closed Session**

Motion was made by Mr. Daughtry and seconded by Mr. O'Brien to enter into Closed Session through the following resolution. All present members voting yes.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the 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 November 2, 2018 at 8:05 a.m. to discuss (select one or more):

- 1) Ratification of Contracts: MTEA, MTAA and MTSIA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education reserves the right to discuss such 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 8:40 a.m., with a roll call. All members were present, except Dr. Modrak, Mr. Morella and Mr. Palma. Diane Maggiore, Assistant to the Business Administrator, was present.

**Public Participation** *(For items on the agenda only)*

**Section H**

The Board of Education recognized 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. No members of the public spoke.

## Consent Resolutions

A motion was made by Dr. Cortellino and seconded by Mr. O'Brien to approve the following resolutions in a consent motion.

### Personnel

*Chair, Mr. Morella – Mr. Palma, Mr. Rappaport, Mr. Grau*

### Section L

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 Ratification of MTEA Contract Agreement: 2018-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement and related salary guides, between the Montville Township Board of Education and the Montville Township Education Association, covering the period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the final contract document when placed in a format approved by the Board Labor/Negotiations Counsel.

#### L.2 Ratification of MTAA Contract Agreement: 2018-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement and related salary guides, between the Montville Township Board of Education and the Montville Township Administrators Association, covering the period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the final contract document when placed in a format approved by the Board Labor/Negotiations Counsel.

#### L.3 Ratification of MTSIA Contract Agreement: 2018-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement and related salary guides, between the Montville Township Board of Education and the Montville Township Supervisors of Instruction Association, covering the period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the final contract document when placed in a format approved by the Board Labor/Negotiations Counsel.

#### L.4 Approval of 2018-2019 Salaries for Unaffiliated Staff

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revised salaries for the unaffiliated staff members for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 as per the attachment.

#### L.5 Rescission of 2018-2019 Contracts for Assistant Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and Business Administrator

RESOLVED, that the Montville Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescind the current 2018-2019 contracts for the Assistant Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and the Business Administrator.

#### L.6 Approval of 2018-2019 Contracts for Assistant Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and Business Administrator

RESOLVED that the 2018-2019 contracts for the following administrative employees, which have been reviewed and approved by the Executive County Superintendent, and are recommended by the Superintendent, be approved retroactive to July 1, 2018.

Assistant Superintendent - Dr. Casey Shorter

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction - Andrea Woodring

School Business Administrator – Katine Slunt

Dr. Rovtar discussed the need to rescind the previous resolution, approving the Central Office Administration and highlighted the move of Wayne Guarino into the M.T.A.A. unit. The Board noted the changes. No additional comments were made.

## Vote on Consent Resolutions

## Roll Call

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

Dr. K. Cortellino	Voted Yes,	on the above resolutions, without exception.
Mr. M. O'Brien	Voted Yes,	on the above resolutions, without exception.
Mr. J. Daughtry	Voted Yes,	on the above resolutions, without exception.
Mr. M. Rappaport	Voted Yes,	on the above resolutions, without exception.
Ms. M. Zuckerman	Voted Yes,	on the above resolutions, without exception.
Mr. C. Grau	Voted Yes,	on the above resolutions, without exception.

### **Closed Session Announcement**

Section O

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 **November 13, 2018 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. JCP&L Lazar Power Lines Improvement Project; 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 **November 13, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.** at Montville Township High School.

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

### **Old Business**

Section Q

President Grau congratulated the Board and Associations for the successful settlement of the collective bargaining agreements, highlighting the contributions of the administration, committee and association members. Dr. Cortellino also thanked the members of both teams, the administration and the Board Negotiator, Andy Brown, whose skills benefited all of the agreements. Mr. O'Brien highlighted that the successful settlements bring stability to the district and improve morale. Ms. Zuckerman thanked her colleagues for her participation in the process and noted her pride in the settlements reached.

### **General Board Comment and New Business**

Section R

Dr. Rovtar indicated the Friday Night Football Game will be postponed until Saturday evening, due to inclement weather. The Marching Band will not be present on Saturday Night, due to their competition in Allentown, PA.

### **Public Participation** *(On any item of interest)*

Section S

The Board of Education recognized 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. No member of the public spoke.

### **Adjournment**

Section T

A motion was made by Mr. O'Brien seconded by Mr. Daughtry to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed, all voting in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katine Slunt  
Board Secretary