

The Regular Meeting of the Mohawk Area Board of Directors was called to order at 7:54 P.M. by the President, Mark Hiler with the following members present: Eugene A. Butch, Jr., James Capalbo, Stephen Cardella, James McKim and Mark Solley. Lori Griffin, Jonathan Laughner and Scott Singer were absent. Superintendent, Mr. Michael Leitera, Assistant to the Superintendent, Lorree Houk, Assistant High School Principal, Linda Retort, Assistant Elementary Principal, George Sperdute, Solicitor, John R. Seltzer, and Board Secretary, Kimberly Eaton, also attended.

An executive session was held prior to this meeting.

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on June 13, 2017 was approved as written on the motion of Mr. Solley, seconded by Mr. Capalbo, verbal vote, motion carried.

Each Administrator updated the Board on recent activities and events.

There were no public comments from the audience this evening.

Mr. Leitera reported that the STEAM Camp was successful – approximately 55 kids attended. He said he was impressed with the amusement park theme and abundant amount of creativity showcased by our teachers and administrators. He said “thank you” to everyone that was involved. Mr. Leitera also reported that the paving project at the elementary school parkin glotshad started but then the rain delayed it. Mr. Leitera also reported he was overseeing the new light pole project as well.

Superintendent
Report

The Financial Report dated June 30, 2017, was presented for approval. Approval was granted on the motion of Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Solley, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Financial Report Attached)

Approved
Financial Report
dated 6/30/17

Mr. Capalbo motioned to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Mr. McKim, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copies of all invoices on file in the Business Office)

General Fund,
School Lunch
bills approved

GENERAL FUND

Prepaid	\$ 841,495.69
Current	\$ 179,366.01

SCHOOL LUNCH

Prepaid	\$ 26,458.33
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Consideration was given to the approval of the following resignation and retirements:

--Paul Cummings, retirement resignation, bus driver, effective August 1, 2017

--Martin Gwin, leave request, custodian, from June 16, 2017 through October 2, 2017

--Megan Hruska, leave request, elementary teacher, will start approximately on September 25, 2017 for eight weeks. Likewise, approval was given to hire the following persons:

- James Laurenza as Operations Director
- Todd Exposito for emergency hours at an hourly rate of \$33.37
- Stacy Fair, bus driver position
- Matthew Pohlod, bus driver position
- Diana Borowski, Volunteering with the majorettes & band

Mr. Leitera stated that Mr. Exposito had interviewed and recommended these two drivers before he retired.

Mr. Cardella motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Solley, roll call vote, Mr. McKim "yes", Mr. Solley "yes", Mr. Butch "yes", Mr. Cardella "yes", Mr. Hiler "yes", Mr. Capalbo "yes", 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration to be given to the approval to extend the Act 93 Agreement for one year. So moved by Mr. Capalbo, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration to be given to the approval of the second reading of the revised Student Wellness Policy #246 (second reading). Mr. Leitera stated that the modifications were necessary to ensure the district is in compliance with United States Department of Agriculture (U.S.D.A.) guidelines. So moved by Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Solley, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration to be given to the approval to the first reading of the revised School Board Policy #815 - Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Policy/Internet Safety Policy. So moved by Mr. Cardella, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration given to the approval of the agreement with TEC Electric, Inc. for the parking lot light project at the Elementary School in the amount of \$19,500.00. So moved by Mr. Solley, seconded by Mr. Capalbo, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Resignations, Retirements, leaves, and employment approved as presented

Approved an one-year extension of the Act 93 personnel agreement

Second reading of revised School Board Policy #246 approved

Agreed to review School Board Policy #815

Approved service agreement with TEC Electric for parking lot poles

Consideration was given to the approval to sell a 1997 International/Thomas 72-passenger bus at the 422 auction. Mr. Leitera explained that the district had bought the used bus in 2011. So moved by Mr. Solley, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved sale of old bus at an auction

Consideration was given to the approval to accept the bid with The Nutrition Group Inc. for services of a food service management company for the 2017-2018, pending Pennsylvania Department of Education's approval. So moved by Mr. Solley, seconded by Mr. Capalbo, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved one-year service agreement with Nutrition Inc to oversee food service operations

Consideration was given to the approval of an agreement between the Mohawk Area School District and UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside for Athletic Trainer Services in the amount of \$26,250 for the 2017-2018 school year. So moved by Mr. Capalbo, seconded by Mr. Solley, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved one-year service agreement with UPMC to provide an Athletic Trainer

Consideration was given to the approval of an agreement between the Mohawk Area School District and Cray Youth and Family Services for the 2017-2018 school year in the amount of \$12,456.00 for one elementary slot and \$62,280.00 for five secondary slots. Mr. Leitera explained the district will be purchasing the same number of slots as the prior year however the cost increased 3 percent. So moved by Mr. Cardella, seconded by Mr. McKim, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved one-year service agreement with Cray Youth and Family Service

Consideration was given to the approval of the agreement between Mohawk Area School District and Lawrence County Drug and Alcohol Commission (SCA) for prevention services for the 2017-2018 school year at the same cost as last year of \$2,185.00. So moved by Mr. Capalbo, seconded by Mr. Cardella, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved agreement with the Law. Co. Drug/Alcohol Commission for 17-18 school year

Consideration was given to the approval of an agreement between the Mohawk Area School District and Glade Run Lutheran Services for Day Student Education for the 2017-2018 school year. So moved by Mr. Capalbo, seconded by Mr. Solley, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved tuition agreement with Glade Run Lutheran for the 17-18 school year

Consideration was given to the approval of the following travel requests:

- 5th Grade field trip to Gettysburg scheduled for May 25, 2018
- the band and choir to travel to Disney World scheduled for February 14-19, 2019.

Approved
travel
requests

Mr. Leitera explained the field trip to Gettysburg is for the elementary grades and the field trip to Disney is a non-LEA funded trip. So moved by Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Cardella, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to the approval for the Mohawk Lil Warriors Football program to use the High School football field for the 2017 season and practices. So moved by Mr. Solley, seconded by Mr. McKim, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved use
of the facility
request

There were no real estate additions and exonerations.

Ms. Eaton addressed the board stating the district had received an invoice from the Lawrence County Career and Technical Center as partial payment for the roof replacement project in the amount of \$57,327.06. Mohawk's total portion will be approximately \$99,676.

Discussion

Mr. Leitera recognized:

- Dylan Clark received a silver medal; Devon Fagan received a gold medal as well as the FFA small engines team placed 5th in the State

Awards &
Recognition

There were no comments from the Mohawk Education Association or the Elementary P.T.O.

Reports

At 8:28 PM, on a motion by Mr. Capalbo, seconded by Mr. Solley the meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment

Kimberly J. Eaton
Board Secretary