

MOUNTAIN LAKES BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Monday, January 15, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Mountain Lakes Borough Board of Education was held on Monday, January 15, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mountain Lakes High School.

Daniel A. Borgo
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Roll Call:

Present: Mrs. Boertzel
 Mrs. Brennan
 Mrs. Dawson
 Mr. Gniewek
 Mrs. McCusker
 Mr. Munday
 Mr. Stokes
 Mrs. Wall
 Mrs. Lio, Boonton Township Representative
 Francois Vandame – SGA Student Representative

Absent: Ms. Wolfe

Also present: Dr. Kazmark, Superintendent, Amal Hussein, MLEA President, and members of the public.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice 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 this Act, the Mountain Lakes Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Mountain Lakes Municipal Building and sent to the following newspapers: the Citizen of Morris County and the Morris County Daily Record.

REPORT OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Francois Vandame reported that midterms are this week. The winter formal was held at The Villa and everyone had a good time. The winter sports teams are doing very well.

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PRESENTATIONS

Recognition of Abby Hinds, MLHS Senior, Group 2 State Champion Cross-Country

Mr. Ludwig advised that Abby Hinds had emergency surgery yesterday and is therefore unable to attend this evening. Mr. Killingsworth reviewed her accomplishments in cross country over the past four years and congratulated her on her achievement.

Recognition of Tim Flynn, named Assistant Coach for National Under-19 Boys' Lacrosse Team, Representing U.S. at World Games

Mr. Killingsworth discussed the accomplishments of lacrosse coach, Tim Flynn and congratulated him on his selection as Assistant Coach to the U.S. Team. Mr. Flynn thanked the team members, the Board and the Administration and coaching staff.

Recognition of National Merit Scholars and Edward J. Bloustein Scholars (list attached)

Mr. Ludwig introduced the Edward J. Bloustein Scholars, and National Merit Scholars and Semi-Finalists. Dr. Moore explained how the students qualified for the various honors they have received. The students briefly discussed their plans for the future and their experiences at Mountain Lakes high school.

Dr. Kazmark and Mrs. McCusker congratulated the students and a brief reception in honor of the students and Coach Flynn followed.

COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Ray Menard expressed his objection to the continued scheduling of Band and Chorus during zero period at the high school. He stated that he voted in favor of the referendum for the addition to the school in order to ease the overcrowding conditions and see the end to the zero period. He has looked at information regarding other schools in the area and no other schools use a zero period for instruction. Mr. Menard urged the Board to act responsibly to honor the commitment made at the time of the vote for the expansion of the high school.

There were no other members of the public who wished to address the Board and the meeting was closed to the public.

Dr. Kazmark stated that he will look into this issue and report to the Board. He will speak to the administrators and respond to Mr. Menard.

COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FROM MLEA PRESIDENT

Amal Hussein asked for an explanation for the revocation of policies in Motion 247-06.

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COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FROM MLEA PRESIDENT continued

Mrs. Dawson advised that these policies are being revoked because replacement policies have already been adopted and this is part of the process of cleaning up the Manual. The motion is going to be tabled for correction of typos. The revocations effect no substantive changes to district policies.

Ms. Hussein questioned the inconsistency in the number of months of health benefits granted in the various motions for maternity/child care leave.

Dr. Kazmark advised that the differences in the amount of benefits granted relate to previous use of benefits, amount of time utilized and the amount of sick time accumulated. He said he would be happy to discuss this further with each of the staff members.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Boertzel, seconded by Mrs. Wall, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 2, 2007 as presented.

Motion carried 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Stokes, to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of January 2, 2007 as presented.

Motion carried 9-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. McCusker advised that there will be no committee reports at this meeting in view of the extensive Executive Session that is planned for this evening.

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/
BOARD SECRETARY**

Please note that Mrs. Lio, Boonton Township representative to the Mountain Lakes Board, only votes on high school and district wide issues.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Brennan, that the Board Secretary's Report for the month of October 2006, under the GAAP format, be approved, noting that this report is based on Detailed Account Listing for this month, approved by the board, and based on the Board Secretary's signed monthly certification as to budgetary line item status.

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/
BOARD SECRETARY continued**

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Brennan, that the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of October 2006 be approved.

244-06
Treasurer of
School Monies
Report

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Brennan, that the transfers from anticipated surplus funds in designated line items of the 2006-2007 Budget to anticipated over expended line items of the 2006-2007 Budget in the amounts and accounts as indicated be approved. Be it also resolved that the attached 2006-2007 transfer history spreadsheet be approved through 10/31/06.

245-06
Transfers

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Stokes, that the Current Check Register (Bills List) for the month of November 2006, be approved for payment in the amount of \$2,083,135.60.

246-06
Check
Register

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Gniewek, to table Motion 247-06.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Stokes, to approve the attached Change Order from Parette Somjen Architects to P.J. Smith Electrical Contractors, Inc. for Mountain Lakes High School Phase II Construction AIA #012. This change represents a decrease of \$3,780.00.

248-06
Change Order

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mrs. Brennan, to approve the acceptance of a cash gift in the amount of \$1,597.78 from the Lakers Sports Club, Inc. These funds are to be used to reimburse funds expended as follows:

249-06
Acceptance of
Gift

Game Socks & Pucks – Ice Hockey	\$760.00
Plaques & Such, LLC – Boys' Lacrosse	708.28
TJS Sportswide Trophy - Football	18.50
Field Hockey	18.50

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Boys' Soccer	18.50
Girls' Soccer	18.50
Tennis	18.50
Cross Country	<u>37.00</u>
	\$1,597.78

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Wall, to approve the attached list of Lake Drive School Pre-school and Regular Program Students for the 2006-2007 school year.

250-06
Lake Drive
Students

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Boertzel, to approve the attached Change Order from Parette Somjen Architects to Barrett Roofs, Inc. for Briarcliff Middle School AIA #001. This change represents a decrease of \$8,500.00.

251-06
Change Order

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mrs. Boertzel, to approve the following course(s) for tuition reimbursement when the course has been completed and the transcript received by the Superintendent's office:

252-06
Tuition
Reimbursement

Carla Marino Lake Drive	UNC – Chapel Hill	Literacy	3 credits
Jeff Santoro ML High School	Rutgers University	Conducting	3 credits
Mark Walters Wildwood	College of St. Rose	Teachers and Parents	3 credits

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mrs. Boertzel, to approve reimbursement to the attached list of Wildwood School personnel in accordance with Policy #9250 – Travel and Related Expenses.

253-06
Reimbursement
Approval

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
continued

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mrs. Boertzel, to approve reimbursement to the attached list of Mountain Lakes High School personnel in accordance with Policy #9250 – Travel and Related Expenses.

254-06
Reimbursement
Approval

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mrs. Boertzel, to approve the horizontal movement on the salary guide for **Carla Marino**, teacher at Lake Drive School, from MA Step 8 to MA30 Step 8 at a salary of \$53,419 effective February 1, 2007.

255-06
Horizontal
Movement on
Salary Guide

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

Motion 256-07 was tabled for discussion in Executive Session.

Motion by Mr. Munday, seconded by Mr. Stokes, to approve the appointment of **Maureen Delap**, as a substitute nurse for the 2006-2007 school year, pending completion of Substitute Certification and New Jersey Criminal Background check. Ms. Delap was interviewed and recommended by Steve Ryan.

257-06
Substitute
Appointment

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dawson, seconded by Mrs. Brennan, to table Motions 257-06 through 261-06.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Wall, to approve the appointment of **Mary Comora**, as a 6th Grade Language Arts Teacher at Briarcliff School, effective April 13, 2007 through June 21, 2007 at BA Step 1, at an annual cost of \$41,838, pro-rated at 1/200th per diem (\$209.19 a day/\$10,250 total). Ms. Comora will replace Ms. Peifly while she is on maternity leave.

263-06
Personnel
Maternity/
Child Care
Replacement
Appointment

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Wall, to approve the appointment of **Kelly Marold**, as a 7th Grade Language Arts Teacher at Briarcliff School, effective March 26, 2007 through June 21, 2007 at BA Step 1, at an annual cost of \$41,838, pro-rated at 1/200th per diem (\$209.19 a day/\$12,133 total). Ms. Marold will replace Ms. Dam while she is on maternity leave.

264-06
Personnel
Maternity/
Child Care
Replacement
Appointment

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Brennan, to adopt a Resolution to enter into Closed Session for the discussion of student confidentiality, personnel and legal issues. Resolution was duly read and the Board entered into Executive Session at 9:00 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 9-0.

Mrs. McCusker left the meeting at 10:57 p.m. and Mrs. Boertzel conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Mrs. Wall, that the Board return to Public Session at 12:18 a.m.

Motion carried 8-0.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/
BOARD SECRETARY**

Motion by Mrs. Boertzel, seconded by Mrs. Wall to approve the following non-resident staff children to attend Mountain Lakes High School for the 2006-2007 school year, effective 1/22/07, at a pro-rated yearly tuition rate of \$12,360 per student.

265-06
Non-resident
Staff Children

06-02 Grade 9
06-03 Grade 10

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

Motion by Mr. Munday, seconded by Mr. Gniewek to deny appeal of MBS and PBS on behalf of CBS (a minor).

266-06
Denial of
Appeal

Motion carried by roll call vote 4-3-1.

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Gniewek, that meeting be adjourned at 12:29 a. m.

Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel A. Borgo
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Regina Giardina, Stenographer

Meetings of the Mountain Lakes Board of Education

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Meeting</u>	<u>Place</u>
January 22, 2007	Special Meeting	Mountain Lakes High School (7:00 p.m.)
February 5, 2007	Regular Meeting	Mountain Lakes High School (7:30 p.m.)
February 12, 2007	Regular Meeting	Mountain Lakes High School (7:30 p.m.)