

**MAHANOY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
1 GOLDEN BEAR DRIVE
MAHANOY CITY, PA 17948**

**Regular Meeting
Immediately following Workshop – July 26, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education was held on the above date in the High School Large Group Instruction (LGI) Room with President Jay Hanley presiding and Secretary Nancy Boyle serving as recorder. The meeting was recorded for secretarial purposes.

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Jay Hanley called the workshop to order at 6:56 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Hanley reported that an executive session for personnel reasons and litigation was held prior to the workshop. Dr. Green presented the items on the agenda during the workshop.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Nancy Boyle	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Dan Lynch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Gary Gnall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Michael Mistishen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Steve Gnall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jim Mitchell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jay Hanley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Karen Yedsena
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. John Honus	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Present/ <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Absent

Others in attendance include –

4 Citizens and the following Mahanoy Area School District personnel

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joie L. Green <i>Superintendent</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drew P. McLaughlin, Esq. <i>Solicitor</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> John J. Hurst <i>Business Administrator</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stanley Sabol <i>Jr/Sr. High School Principal</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Holman <i>Assistant Jr/Sr. High School Principal</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Heater <i>Elementary Principal</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Broomell <i>Assistant Elementary School Principal</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brandy Paul <i>Special Education Director</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Babinsky <i>Technology Director</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Edward Blazis <i>Facilities Director</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Michele Schappell <i>Food Services Director</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Burke <i>Transportation Director</i>

D. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Citizen comments on Agenda items only are welcome at this time. Speakers will be recognized by the chair in the order they are listed on the sign-in sheet. Speakers must state their name and place of residence. There is a five minute limit. The Board requests that if there is a group to speak about the same topic, one person should be designated as the spokesperson.

None.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

(1) Moved by S. Gnall & seconded by Yedsena the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of June 28, 2018 were ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED for AUDIT.

ALL MEMBERS
Motion: X Passes / Fails

F. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

(1) Moved by G. Gnall & seconded by Mitchell the treasurer’s report for the period ending June 2018 was ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED for AUDIT.

Aye / Nay		Aye/Nay	
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Gary Gnall	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mrs. Yedsena
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Mitchell	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Mistishen
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Honus	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mrs. Boyle
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Hanley	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Steve Gnall
<u> AB </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Lynch	<u> 8 </u> / <u> 0 </u>	Totals

Motion: X Passes/ Fail

G. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

a. General Fund

(1) Moved by Boyle & seconded by Yedsena the List of Bills from the General Fund was ACCEPTED, APPROVED FOR PAYMENT, AND FILED for AUDIT.

Aye / Nay		Aye/Nay	
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Hanley	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mrs. Boyle
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Steve Gnall	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mrs. Yedsena
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Mistishen	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Honus
<u> AB </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Lynch	<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Mitchell
<u> X </u> / <u> </u>	Mr. Gary Gnall	<u> 8 </u> / <u> 0 </u>	Totals

Motion: X Passes/ Fail

b. Cafeteria Fund

(1) Moved by Mitchell & seconded by S. Gnall the List of Bills from the Cafeteria Fund was ACCEPTED, APPROVED FOR PAYMENT, AND FILED for AUDIT.

Aye / Nay	Aye / Nay
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Steve Gnall	<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mitchell
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Hanley	<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Yedsena
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Gary Gnall	<u>AB</u> / ___ Mr. Lynch
<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Boyle	<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Honus
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mistishen	<u>8</u> / <u>0</u> Totals
Motion: <u>X</u> Passes / ___ Fail	

H. FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Student Activities Report

(1) Moved by S. Gnall & seconded by Boyle the Student Activities Report was ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED for AUDIT.

ALL MEMBERS
Motion: X Passes / ___ Fails

I. COMMUNICATIONS

Secretary Boyle reported that 11 teaching applications were received and 4 non-teaching applications were received. Also, two Thank you cards were received from former board members families thanking the board for the memorial donations in honor of their family member.

J. ACTION ITEMS

A. Budget and Finance – Yedsena, Chair; Mistishen and Lynch

Moved by Boyle & seconded by S. Gnall that the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education APPROVED the following as recommended:

Aye / Nay	Aye / Nay
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mitchell	<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mistishen
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Steve Gnall	<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Gary Gnall
<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Yedsena	<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Hanley
<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Boyle	<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Honus
<u>AB</u> / ___ Mr. Lynch	<u>8</u> / <u>0</u> Totals
Motion: <u>X</u> Passes / ___ Fail	

(1) The following private sales:

Parcel No.	Location	Twp/Boro	Price	Bidder
06-09-0015.000	217 Willow St	Delano Twp	100.00	Delano Twp
06-09-0033.000	1 Beech Street	Delano Twp	100.00	Delano Twp
16-05-0051.000	33 Glendon Road	Mahanoy Twp	2,262.50	Elaine Pleva

16-17-0004.000	15 Back Street	Mahanoy Twp	1.00	Lee Kalkiewicz
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(2) The sale of the following properties from the “repository for unsold properties:

Parcel No.	Location	Twp/Boro	Price	Bidder
48-06-0215.000	1327 E Mahanoy St	Mahanoy City	1,279.00	Roberto Benenati

(3) Amend the final 2018-2019 cafeteria fund budget amount to reflect a total budget of \$905,615.45.

(4) The purchase of 31 Lenovo ThinkPad Yoga laptops from GDC, LLC, Mechanicsville, PA at a cost of \$19,083.29. These are being purchased through COSTARS and will be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund.

(5) The purchase of two Hyper V Servers from LAM Systems, Inc., Mechanicsville, PA at a cost of \$17,890.00. These are being purchased through COSTARS and will be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund.

(6) The appointment of Mr. John Hurst as the School Safety and Security Administrator.

B. Education and Technology – S.Gnall, Chair; G. Gnall and Honus

Moved by G. Gnall & seconded by Boyle that the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education *APPROVE* the following as recommended:

<p>Aye / Nay <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Honus <input type="checkbox"/> AB / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Lynch <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mistishen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mitchell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Yedsena</p>	<p>Aye / Nay <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Boyle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Gary Gnall <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Steve Gnall <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Hanley <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8 / <input type="checkbox"/> 0 Totals for items #1 through #10 and #12 through #19.</p>
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Motion: Passes / Fail

<p>Aye / Nay <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Honus <input type="checkbox"/> AB / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Lynch <input type="checkbox"/> / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mistishen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mitchell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Yedsena</p>	<p>Aye / Nay <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Boyle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Gary Gnall <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Steve Gnall <input type="checkbox"/> / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Hanley <input type="checkbox"/> 6 / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Totals for item #11.</p>
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Motion: Passes / Fail

(1) The resignation of Mrs. Jennifer Heming, Pine Grove, PA as Class of 2022 advisor and ELA sub-chair effective July 9, 2018 and Jr/Sr. high School ELA teacher effective August 20, 2018.

(2) The resignation of Mr. Daniel Nester, Mahanoy City, PA as the Class of 2024 advisor effective immediately.

(3) The resignation of Mrs. Nancy Brylewski, Mahanoy City, PA as the Class of 2023 advisor effective immediately.

- (4) The resignation of Mrs. Kristina Kelchner, Hazleton, PA as a secondary mathematics teacher effective August 19, 2018 and the Class of 2020 advisor effective immediately.
- (5) The appointment of Mr. Daniel Nester, Mahanoy City, PA as the Class of 2020 advisor effective immediately at a salary of \$1629.76.
- (6) The appointment of Mr. Darren Kline, Barnesville, PA and Mrs. Allison Kline, Barnesville, PA as co-advisors of the Class of 2023 effective immediately at a salary of \$1629.76 which will be divided and each will receive \$814.88.
- (7) The appointment of Mrs. Nancy Brylewski, Mahanoy City, PA and Mrs. Meghan Karetsky, Barnesville, PA as co-advisors of the Class of 2022 effective immediately at a salary of \$1629.76 which will be divided and each will receive \$814.88.
- (8) The appointment of Mrs. Suzanne Merchlinsky, Mahanoy City, PA as the Class of 2024 advisor effective immediately at a salary of \$1629.76.
- (9) The appointment of Ms. Eileen Davidson as a teacher for the Summer Slide program from July 30, 2018 to August 16, 2018 at an hourly rate of \$25.75.
- (10) The appointment of Mr. Daniel Nester, Mahanoy City, PA as ELA sub-chair at a salary of \$750.00.
- (11) The appointment of Ms. Tracy Dudash, Frackville, PA as Coordinator of Curriculum and Assessment (K-12) at a salary of \$55,000 to begin August 20, 2018.
- (12) The appointment of Ms. Renee Franklin, Hazleton, PA to the professional staff as a Secondary ELA teacher pending receipt of all required employment paperwork at a salary of \$39,900 at a Bachelor's Step I to begin August 20, 2018. She will also receive the benefits associated with the Mahanoy Area Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- (13) The ELD plan for the 2018-2019 school year.
- (14) The Coordinator of Curriculum and Assessment Agreement.
- (15) The appointment of Ms. Trisha Stetts, Frackville, PA as 6th grade team leader at a salary of \$500.00.
- (16) A medical/family leave of absence, subject to FMLA for employee #1135 from approximately August 28, 2018 for approximately 9 weeks.
- (17) A medical/family leave of absence, subject to FMLA for employee #800 from approximately October 29, 2018 for approximately 3 weeks.
- (18) The appointment of Ms. Ashley Babarsky, Ringtown, PA as a Special Education Teaching Assistant being assigned to our Jr/Sr. High School (Emotional Support) Special Education classroom

beginning August 21, 2018 at an hourly rate of \$8.75 pending receipt of all required employment paperwork.

(19) The appointment of Ms. Ashley Dudash, Mahanoy City, PA as a Special Education Teaching Assistant being assigned to our Elementary 6th grade Learning Support Special Education classroom beginning August 20, 2018 at an hourly rate of \$8.75 pending receipt of all required employment paperwork.

C. Food Services, Property, and Transportation – Mistishen, Chair; G. Gnall and S. Gnall

Moved by Yedsena & seconded by Mitchell that the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education APPROVED the following as recommended:

<u> </u> Aye / Nay	<u> </u> Aye/Nay
<u>AB</u> / <u> </u> Mr. Lynch	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Mistishen
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Mitchell	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mrs. Yedsena
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mrs. Boyle	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Honus
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Hanley	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Steve Gnall
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Gary Gnall	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Totals
Motion: <u> 8 </u> Passes/ <u> 0 </u> Fail	

(1) The agreement for participation in the Child Nutrition Program with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29 and the SCAVTS operating agency.

(2) The appointment of Mrs. Nancy Derr, Delano, PA as a part-time cafeteria employee to begin August 27, 2018 at an hourly rate of \$7.50 pending receipt of all required employment paperwork.

(3) Participation in the Fresh Fruit & Vegetable program for the 2018-2019 school year.

D. Policy – Mistishen, Chair; Boyle and Honus

Moved by Yedsena & seconded by S. Gnall that the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education APPROVED the following as recommended:

<u> </u> Aye / Nay	<u> </u> Aye / Nay
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mrs. Boyle	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Gary Gnall
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Mitchell	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Honus
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Hanley	<u> </u> AB / <u> </u> Mr. Lynch
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Steve Gnall	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mrs. Yedsena
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Mistishen	<u> 8 </u> / <u> 0 </u> Totals
Motion: <u> X </u> Passes/ <u> </u> Fail	

(1) First Reading: 000 Policy Section. Updated revisions made by PSBA.

E. Athletic – Yedsena, Chair; S. Gnall and Mistishen

Moved by Boyle & seconded by S. Gnall that the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education APPROVE the following as recommended:

<u> </u> Aye / Nay	<u> </u> Aye / Nay
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mrs. Yedsena	<u> </u> AB / <u> </u> Mr. Lynch
<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Hanley	<u> </u> X / <u> </u> Mr. Gary Gnall

<u> </u> X <u> </u> / <u> </u> ___ Mr. Steve Gnall	<u> </u> X <u> </u> / <u> </u> ___ Mr. Mitchell
<u> </u> X <u> </u> / <u> </u> ___ Mr. Mistishen	<u> </u> X <u> </u> / <u> </u> ___ Mrs. Boyle
<u> </u> X <u> </u> / <u> </u> ___ Mr. Honus	<u> </u> 8 <u> </u> / <u> </u> 0 <u> </u> Totals
Motion: <u> </u> X <u> </u> Passes / <u> </u> ___ Fail	

- (1) The Fitness Club to begin the 2018-2019 school year.
- (2) The appointment of Mr. Orlando Currie, Mahanoy City, PA, Mr. Nathan Fegley, Barnesville, PA, and Mr. Michael Gaval, Mahanoy City, PA as Jr. High volunteer football coaches pending receipt of volunteer application, clearances, and all required trainings.

K. REPORTS

- (1) Report of the Schuylkill IU#29 Representative—President Hanley reported that an additional \$5,000 grant was received for the Schuylkill Achieve afterschool program. A presentation was made from Artists in Education by Jump Street of Harrisburg which is also available for all districts and he would like us to partake if possible. A new solicitor was appointed.
- (2) Report of the Schuylkill County Area Vocational Technical School (SCAVTS) Representative—President Hanley stated that they welcomed new Director of Technology, Shannon Brennan. Also, there was a position/title change made for Stacey Minahan and Christopher Groody from Assistant Principal to Assistant Director of Career and Technical Education.
- (3) Report of the Mahanoy City Public Library Representative—Director Mistishen reported that the Summer Reading program was a huge success and also congratulations to Mr. Bishop and the elementary band members who performed at the library.
- (4) Report of the PSBA Liaison—Director Mitchell reported that all e-mails received have been forwarded to all board members.
- (5) Report of the Superintendent—Dr. Green made a request on behalf of Mrs. Allison Kline, Band Director to include Marian and Shenandoah Valley bands be part of the trip to Disney that is planned for June 2019. After a brief discussion it was decided to wait until next month to make a decision.
- (6) Report of the Business Administrator—No report.
- (7) Report of the Solicitor—Solicitor McLaughlin spoke about approval of two settlement agreements pending the language final review by the solicitor. President Hanley asked for a motion to approve the settlements; motion was made by Director Mistishen and seconded by Boyle to approve and a voice call vote was made with the motion passing 8-0.

L. CONSIDERATIONS

- (1) Old and Unfinished—None
- (2) New—None

M. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Citizen comments are welcome at this time. Speakers will be recognized by the chair. Speakers must state their name and place of residence. There is a five minute limit. The Board requests that if there is a group to speak about the same topic, one person should be designated as the spokesperson.

Francis Burke, Mahanoy City, PA presented a \$200 donation on behalf of his uncle, James T. "Jazz" Burke in honor of his Father, Francis J. Burke. Mr. Burke then spoke about his uncle also wanting to donate a clarinet to the music department for a student to use. Mr. Burke was thanked by various school board members for the family's generous donation.

N. REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Director Boyle spoke briefly about the Crippled Children Drive which our students participate in through the Rotary. She went on to say that we are the only district in Schuylkill County that participates in this project and that the Rotary will be working on trying to get other districts involved in this project.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by S. Gnall & seconded by Mitchell that the regular monthly meeting of the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education be ADJOURNED.

ALL MEMBERS
MOTION: X Passes / Fails

President Hanley declared the meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.

Attest

Nancy Boyle
Secretary

The next meeting of the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education will be held on Thursday, August 30, 2018. All minutes and reports can be found on our district website www.mabears.net following the meeting.