

Members Present

Albert D. Marazas
Keith Adams
Kevin Wigoda
Angela M. DeMario
Todd Rizzardi

Members Absent

Christopher G. Bentz
Michael M. Mistishen
Cynthia Lubinsky

The regular monthly meeting of the Minersville Area Board of Education was held in the Career & Counseling Center of the Junior-Senior High School and Zoom on Wednesday evening, July 28, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Rizzardi at 7:00 PM.

On roll call, the following responded: Todd Rizzardi, Albert D. Marazas, Kevin Wigoda, Angela DeMario, Christopher Bentz, Cynthia Lubinsky, Keith Adams, and Michael Mistishen.

Others present: Dr. Carl G. McBreen, Superintendent; Jennifer Laudeman, Business Manager; Stephen Bressi, High School Principal; Nannette Bentz, Elementary Principal; Lucas McMurtrie, Assistant Principal; Nicholas A. Quinn, District Solicitor; and Barbara Conville, Secretary to the Superintendent/Assistant to the Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Wigoda to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 23, 2021. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Approve Meeting Minutes of 06/23/2021

AGENDA

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by DeMario to approve the following "Use of Facility" requests approved by the Superintendent under standing policy:

Use of Facilities

- a. 11/04/2021 - Pottsville Basketball Chapter - High School Auditorium 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM for 2021-2022 PIAA Basketball Rules Interpretation Meeting

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION by Adams, seconded by Marazas to approve payment for credits earned to:

Reimbursement of credits

- a. Shane Spotts - 3 credits @ \$516 = \$1,548
- b. Danielle Wank - 3 credits @ \$522 = \$1,566
- c. Scott Yaglemskie - 3 credits @ \$522 = \$1,566

All in favor on a roll call. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Adams to authorize Superintendent to sign agreement to contract with Compass Academy Alternative School, as needed, located in the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29 for AEDY services for the 2021-2022 school year at the below costs:

Compass Academy contract 2021-2022

- a. Regular Education - \$85 per day
 - b. Special Education - \$95 per day
- Note: No change in cost from 2018-2019

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Lubinsky to authorize Superintendent to sign a Business Associate Agreement and Letter of Agreement between Safety Net Counseling Inc., Atlas, PA and Minersville Area School District for 2021-2022 school year.

LVHN Telehealth contract

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Bentz to authorize Superintendent signature to the agreement with New Story, Wyomissing, PA for a placed student through the 2021-2022 school year at a daily rate of \$385 per day.

New Story contract 2021-2022

On a roll call vote, all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Mistishen, seconded by Bentz to authorize Superintendent to sign account service contract with Acorns to Oaks Consulting, LLC, Pottsville, PA to contract Ms. Jocelyn Oakill to provide School Psychologist Services at \$70 per hour beginning August 1, 2021 through August 1, 2022.

Acorns to Oaks Consulting, LLC contract 2021-2022

On roll call, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Mistishen to authorize Superintendent to sign a Construction Agreement with Lezzer Commercial Door and General Contractor, Williamsport, PA and Minersville Area School District for installation of new doors at all district buildings.

Lezzer Door contract for new doors

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Marazas to ratify Superintendent signature to Client Service Agreement with Soliant, a provider of Speech and Language services beginning August 23, 2021 through December 23, 2021 at a rate of \$77 per hour.

Soliant contracted services - Speech

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Adams to ratify Superintendent signature to Leader Services – Continuation of SBAP Services: SBAP Align at a cost of \$.70 per contract beginning July 1, 2021.

Leader Services - additional services

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to authorize Superintendent to sign agreements between the Minersville Area School District and Child and Family Services, Inc., Pottsville, PA to participate in the Student Assistance Program (S.A.P.) and Elementary Student Assistance program (E.S.A.P.) for the 2021-2022 school year.

Child & Family Services contract - SAP and ESAP - 2021-2022

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Mistishen to approve on recommendation of Mr. Stephen Bressi, High School Principal, the following appointments and stipend effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year.

Department Chairs 2021-2022

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
a. Fred Reed	Department Chair, HS, Mathematics	\$500
b. Denise Motley	Department Chair, HS, Science	\$500
c. Marissa Gee	Department Chair, HS, Social Studies/History	\$500
d. Kelly Howells	Department Chair, HS, English Language Arts	\$500
e. Lisa Frantz	Department Chair, EC, English Language Arts	\$500
f. Amanda Muraczewski	Department Chair, EC, Mathematics	\$500
g. Katlin Kelly	Department Chair, EC, Science & Social Studies	\$500

On roll call all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Adams to approve the following to Extra-Curricular staff position on recommendation of the Superintendent for the 2021-2022 school year:

Activities/Athletic Director hired

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Activities/Athletic Director	Rich Dry	\$7,247

All in favor on roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Adams to approve the following to Extra-Curricular staff positions on recommendation of the Activities/Athletic Director for the 2021-2022 school year:

Extra Curricular
positions 2021-2022

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Co-Advisor, Class of 2022	Denise Motley	\$ 672.50
Co-Advisor, Class of 2022	Kelly Howells	\$ 672.50
Co-Advisor, Class of 2023	Rachelle Jones	\$ 672.50
Co-Advisor, Class of 2023	Heidi Hashin	\$ 672.50
Co-Advisor, Class of 2024	Danielle Raczka	\$ 538
Co-Advisor, Class of 2024	Jesse Kopinetz	\$ 538
Co-Advisor, Class of 2026	Marissa Gee	Volunteer
Co-Advisor, Class of 2026	Kelsey Schleicher	Volunteer
National Honor Society	Logan Hartman	\$1,193
Student Council	Joel Motuk	\$1,193
Choir Director, HS	Josiah Stetler	\$2,690
Choir Director, EC	Colleen Slovick	\$1,345
Yearbook Advisor	Albert Matakonis	\$3,613
Yearbook Assistant Advisor	Barbara Conville	\$1,807
Spelling Bee Coach	Sarah Williams	\$1,193
SADD	Sarah Williams	\$ 924
Band Director	Josiah Stetler	\$4,745
Assistant Band Director	Megan Siminitus	\$2,756
Assistant Activities Director	Brian Wolfe	\$3,691
Science Fair Coordinator, EC	Katlin Kelly	\$ 756
Cheerleading Advisor	Jennifer Andruchek	\$2,690
Cheerleading Assistant	Victoria Eremo	\$1,345
Art Club	Tamie Woodruff	\$ 924
Academic League	Marissa Gee	\$ 924
Annual Play Director	Sharon Angelo	Volunteer
Annual Play Assistant	Mary Nell Starner	\$ 655
Annual Play Assistant	Colleen Slovick	\$ 655
Annual Play Assistant	Sarah Williams	\$ 655
Annual Play Assistant	Logan Hartman	Volunteer

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Marazas to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Girls' Soccer coaching positions for the 2021-2022 season at the approved salaries. ** If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Add'l Girls' Soccer
Coaches

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Tonya Yob	Assistant	\$2,538
Joel Motuk	Assistant	Volunteer

On a roll call vote all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Marazas to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Boys' Soccer coaching positions for the 2021-2022 season at the approved salaries. ** If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Add'l Boys' Soccer
Coaches

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Madolyn Purcell	Assistant	Volunteer
Henry Purcell	Assistant	Volunteer
Chris Bowers	Assistant	Volunteer

On a voice vote all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Bentz to approve Year 3 of the 21st Century Schuylkill Achieve Afterschool staff beginning October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. All funds are reimbursed from the Intermediate Unit #29 through a state grant program.

2021-2022 21st CCLC Staff

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
a. Jamie Rizzardi	Coordinator, Grades 5 & 6	\$26.00/hour
b. Marlena Renninger	Coordinator, Grades 3 & 4	\$26.00/hour
c. Barbara Conville	Administrative, Grades 3-6	\$24.40/hour
d. Jean Bubeck	Teacher	\$24.40/hour
e. Crystal Hallick	Teacher	\$24.40/hour
6. Rochelle Jones	Teacher	\$24.40/hour
7. Jose Urquiza	Teacher	\$24.40/hour
8. Danielle Wank	Teacher	\$24.40/hour
9. Emily Williams	Teacher	\$24.40/hour
10. Tamie Woodruff	Teacher	\$24.40/hour

All members in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to authorize transfer from the General Fund to the Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$30,000.

General Fund transfer to Cafeteria Fund 2021-2022

All members voted in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to authorize 2021 Extended School Year transportation with Earl Renninger, Inc. as follows:

ESY transportation

- a. M12 ESY \$135.00
- b. M14 ESY \$ 81.00
- c. M15 ESY \$ 85.00
- d. M18 ESY \$100.00
- e. M21 ESY \$ 50.00
- f. M24 ESY \$ 54.00
- g. M27 ESY \$209.00

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Wigoda to accept with regret the resignation of Mr. Jeremy Milbrandt as Payroll/Purchasing/Café Secretary effective 07/16/2021. Mr. Milbrandt will resume his previous role at the start of the 2021-2022 school year as a part-time paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$13.80 for 5 hours per day. Mr. Milbrandt will also continue as a part-time bus aide, as needed, on the 2021-2022 board approved pay scale.

Payroll - Milbrandt

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Adams to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Marissa LaScala, a professional employee, effective July 21, 2021 for the purpose of other employment. {8 years' service to the District}

M. LaScala resignation

On a voice vote, all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Lubinsky to approve the intermittent FMLA request by Robert Bertasavage, a full-time service personnel employee, for approximately six months. Dates of leave will be dependent on appointments and communicated in advance to Mr. Bertasavage's immediate supervisor.

FMLA - Bertasavage

On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Adams to approve the leave of absence for the purpose of maternity leave for Mrs. Amy Carvajal which is tentative to begin on or about September 20, 2021 with the intent to return January 3, 2022. Mrs. Carvajal intends to use combined personal and sick days during this absence.

Maternity Leave - A. Carvajal

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Wigoda to ratify the hire of Miss Kerstin Cappella, as a temporary professional employee, subject to assignment, on Step B001 at a salary of \$35,700 effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Note: Initial assignment - Elementary Teacher - Kindergarten.

K. Cappella hired

On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Wigoda to ratify the hire of Mrs. Nicole Dampman, as a temporary professional employee, subject to assignment, on Step B001 at a salary of \$35,700 effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Note: Initial assignment - Elementary, Special Education.

N. Dampman hired

On a roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Adams to ratify the hire of Miss Alyssa McDonald, as a temporary professional employee, subject to assignment, on Step B004 at a salary of \$40,750 effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Note: Initial assignment - Elementary, Special Education.

A. McDonald hired

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Wigoda to approve the hire of Mr. Josiah Stetler, as a temporary professional employee, subject to assignment, on Step B001 at a salary of \$35,700 effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Note: Initial assignment - High School Music Teacher.

J. Stetler hired

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Lubinsky to ratify the hire of Ms. Jessica Jansson, a 200-day employee, as an Occupational Therapist, subject to assignment, at a salary of \$53,000 effective the start of the 2021-2022 calendar.

J. Jansson hired

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Lubinsky to ratify the hire of Miss Sarah Personette, as a temporary professional employee, subject to assignment, on Step B001 at a salary of \$35,700 effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Note: Initial assignment - Elementary Teacher - 5th grade.

S. Personette hired

On roll call, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bentz, seconded by Lubinsky to approve the hire of Miss Lauryn Hower as a temporary professional employee, subject to assignment, on Step B001 at a salary of \$35,700 effective the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Note: Initial assignment - Elementary, Kindergarten.

L. Hower hired

On roll call, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to approve the salary step placement for Mr. Shane Spotts to step M009+15 at a salary of \$49,275 effective 2021-2022 school year.

Salary and Step placement - S. Spotts

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bentz, seconded by Mistishen to appoint the following as teacher mentors for the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$500 each:

Mentors 2021-2022

- a. Joanne Murphy – High School staff
- b. Rochelle Jones – Elementary School staff
- c. Maria Glone – Llewellyn staff

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Lubinsky to acknowledge receipt of Pennsylvania Department of Education approval of the Flexible Instruction Day (FID) application beginning in the 2021-2022 school year and remain in effect for three (3) school years. Our District may use up to five (5) FID days per year.

FID approval PDE

On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Adams to authorize Board president to sign Minersville Area School District Health and Safety Plan as developed by a Pandemic Team and approved by the Minersville Area School Board for the 2021-2022 school year.

Health & Safety Plan 2021-2022

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Mistishen to authorize Board signatures to the Resolution to the Minersville Board of School Directors "Sunshine Fund".

Sunshine Fund Resolution

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by DeMario to acknowledge the disbanding of the Minersville Board of School Directors "Sunshine Fund" with the remaining fund balance to be credited to the MASD Working Fund and be utilized for scholarships. Estimated balance is \$136.

Sunshine Fund disband

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Lubinsky to acknowledge funds in the amount of \$63.31 donated to the Athletic Fund by Ms. Kathleen Klinger, 1344 Bunting Street, Pottsville, as the class representative of the Class of 1960.

Class of 1960 donation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bentz, seconded by Adams to approve the Emergency Instructional Time template for the 2021-2022 school year for all students in Grades 4K – 12 to return to full in-person instruction beginning August 25, 2021. This plan includes all necessary scenarios, if needed.

Emergency Instructional Time approved

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

Dr. McBreen wanted to bring up two points of discussion; (1) Dress Code changes. It was discussed that striped or multi colored polos along with Minersville t-shirt are acceptable daily, jeans may be worn on Friday's only, and hooded sweatshirts will not be allowed. (2) Masking. No decision will be made at this time. The situation is rapidly changing and a decision will be made closer to the start of the school year.

Discussion

STAFF REPORTS

Staff Reports

No staff reports.

Solicitor Quinn said he has roughly 70 appeals scheduled for September 21 and 23, 2021. Also, will meet with Dr. McBreen to discuss upcoming changes to the Sunshine Law.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to approve the Treasurer's Report as prepared and submitted. On a voice vote - all in favor; Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Bentz to ratify the payment of bills for July from the General Fund in the amount of \$2,865,163.05; Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$129,899.80; 21st CCLC - Schuylkill Achieve Account in the amount of 2,686.75; Federal Programs Account in the amount of \$4,011.00; High School Athletics in the amount of \$23,745.59; High School Activities Account in the amount of \$5,066.10 for a total bills payable \$3,030,572.29.

Pay bills

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to approve Statement of Taxes as prepared and submitted. All in favor on a voice vote. Motion passed.

Statement of Taxes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports

Bentz questioned whether the weeds will be getting knocked down around the Elementary Center fencing. Dr. McBreen stated they would be. DeMario reported the IU and STC buildings minutes will be forthcoming and additional costs to the facade at South-STC.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

Correspondence

OLD BUSINESS

None.

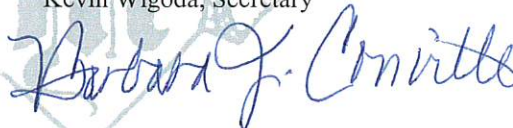
Old Business

There being no further business to report or discuss, the meeting adjourned on MOTION by Wigoda, seconded by Marazas at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin Wigoda, Secretary



Barbara J. Conville, Assistant to the Secretary

