

Members Present	Kind of Meeting	Where Held	Members Absent
Sarah R. Newton	Christopher G. Bentz		
Albert D. Marazas	Cynthia L. Lubinsky		
Gretchen R. Ulmer	Angela M. DeMario		
Robert W. Keifer	J. Scott Hunyara		
	Todd W. Rizzardi		

The regular monthly meeting of the Minersville Area Board of Education was held in the Career & Counseling Center of the Junior-Senior High School on Monday evening, November 25, 2019. The meeting was called to order by President, Christopher G. Bentz at 7:00 PM.

On roll call, the following responded: Christopher G. Bentz, J. Scott Hunyara, Gretchen R. Ulmer, Albert D. Marazas, Robert W. Keifer, Sarah R. Newton, Angela M. DeMario, Todd W. Rizzardi, and Dr. Cynthia L. Lubinsky.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA**

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Keifer to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 23, 2019. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Approve Meeting Minutes of 10/23/2019

To start the Agenda, Dr. McBreen asked Mr. Bressi to recognize the Students of the Month. Mr. Bressi introduced Maxwell Wigoda and Madinah Dumashie as Students of the Month for November. Mr. Bressi read each of their biographies to the Board. Congratulations were extended by Board members and Administrators.

Recognition

Dr. McBreen announced public participation was requested in writing by Mrs. Bridget Dougherty. She was called to address the Board regarding the upcoming Track Project vote. Mrs. Dougherty stated the various reasons to consider approval of the item presented. Mr. Jamie Kuehn also spoke to the Board as a parent and coach in consideration of the Track Project.

Dr. McBreen then proceeded with the Agenda items as listed.

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

Use of Facilities

- a. 04/14/2020 - 04/19/2020 - Chinese Auction to benefit the Minersville Band and Choir Association - 04/14/2020 from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM; 04/18/2020 from 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM; and 04/19/2019 11:30 AM - 5:00 PM in the High School Cafeteria.
- b. December 2019 - April 2020 - Men's Adult Basketball Recreation - Llewellyn gymnasium - Monday through Friday evenings, when available, from 4:45 PM - 6:45 PM.

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

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Hunyara to adopt by motion the attached resolution confirming that Minersville Area School District will not increase any tax for the 2020-2021 year by more than the Index under Act 1 established for this district.

Act 1 index set

Note: Act 1 Index ~

- a. Formula: Base Index (MV/PIAR + .75)
- b. MASD: 2.6 (.6956 + .75) = 3.8
- c. Tax Limit 2020-2021: 40.02 x 3.8 = 1.52 mills

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Hunyara to approve resolution to transfer from committed fund balance account #10-0830 to unassigned fund balance account #10-0850 in the amount of \$1,300,000.

Committed funds to unassigned funds

On roll call, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Keifer to approve resolution, as prepared by Stevens & Lee, bond counsel, setting forth the School District's intent to issue one or more series of general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$7,000,000, to finance the refunding of certain of the School District's outstanding indebtedness and the design, acquisition, alteration, renovation and construction of additions and improvements to existing facilities of the School District, and authorizing the execution and delivery of (i) a Bond Purchase Proposal from RBC Capital Markets, LLC for the purchase of the Bonds on the terms and conditions established in the Resolution, (ii) an Addendum to such Bond Purchase Proposal which will be delivered by RBC Capital Markets, LLC upon the final pricing of the Bonds and (iii) such other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents necessary in connection with the issuance of the Bonds subject to the review and approval of such agreements, certificates, instruments and documents by bond counsel to the School District.

Bond resolution

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

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Keifer to record in minutes receipt from Division of Federal Programs the District has maintained fiscal effort when comparing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Federal programs fiscal efforts 2017-2018

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Keifer, seconded by Hunyara to ratify the Superintendent's approval of a 24 month term (July 2021 to June 2023) for energy at \$0.03192/kWh with WGL Energy as recommended by Provident Energy Consulting, LLC, Media, PA, the District's energy consortium. Price results in a \$0.0014/kWh reduction from current pricing.

WGL Energy recommended for energy services

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

MOTION - by Newton, seconded by Marazas to approve transfer to Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$100,000 from the General Fund.

General Fund transfer to Cafeteria Fund

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

MOTION - by Newton, seconded by Marazas to approve the High School Track project to be completed by KPN member Beynon Sports, Rockville, MD in an amount not to exceed \$450,000 for a 6 lane track as presented.

6- lane track project approval - Beynon Sports

DeMario made a statement prior to her vote thanking the public for their participation, as this is the most attended meeting since she was sworn in as a board member, stating that now is not the right time to increase taxes. Hunyara also thanked the public for coming out and disagreed with DeMario that there is no better time to approve this upgrade to the facilities. The needs of the students and the community are not being met, track is one of the most attended sports programs and now is the time to give back.

On a roll call vote, DeMario, Rizzardi and Lubinsky voted no, all others voted yes. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Keifer, seconded by Marazas to approve the purchase and installation by DP Fencing, New Ringgold, PA of two (2) backstops to replace the old, worn-out current backstops at the baseball and

DP Fencing - BB and SB backstops

softball fields in the amount of \$15,000 per recommendation of Greg Stephen, Head of Maintenance.

Note: Additional quotes received:

- a. Tri-Boro Fencing Contractors, Walnutport, PA \$21,097
- b. Lok-Weld Co., Pottsville, PA \$24,000

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

MOTION - by Rizzardi, seconded by Hunyara to approve a coordinated school trip to Northern Spain by Mr. Jose Urquiza, Spanish teacher, during the period of June 21-29, 2021 through Explorica travel professionals.

Spain trip approved - Summer 2021

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Rizzardi, seconded by Lubinsky to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Angie Sekellick, part-time Instructional Aide, effective end of day November 27, 2019, for the purpose of other employment.

A. Sekellick resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by DeMario, seconded by Rizzardi to accept the resignation of Miss Melissa Matina, full-time LPN, effective November 22, 2019, for the purpose of other employment.

M. Matina resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Hunyara, seconded by Rizzardi to authorize Superintendent to advertise for a full-time LPN and Instructional Aide effective immediately.

Advertise positions

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Rizzardi, seconded by DeMario to accept with regret the resignation of Mr. Steele Fekette as Volunteer Assistant Coach for Boys' Basketball effective November 18, 2019.

S. Fekette resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Newton, seconded by Marazas to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Boys' Basketball coaching positions for the 2019-2020 season at the approved salaries:

Additional Boys' Basketball coaches hired

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
John Kostishak	Assistant, 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$2,650
Dylan Stephen	Assistant, 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Volunteer
Stephen Wollyung	Assistant	Volunteer

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

MOTION - by Rizzardi, seconded by Hunyara to approve updated, 10/17/2019, Workers Compensation Panel.

Workman's Comp panel updated

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

### STAFF REPORTS

Staff Reports were delivered by Building Principals. Attorney Quinn's solicitor's report was distributed at the meeting. He stated tax appeal hearings are coming up and the second installment of the landfill payment was forthcoming.

Staff Reports

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

Treasurer's Report

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Rizzardi to ratify the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$2,430,729.34; Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$168,103.25; 21st CCLC - Schuylkill Achieve Account in the amount of \$1,525.02; Federal Programs Account in the amount of \$0.00; High School Athletics in the amount of \$41,605.33; High School Activities Account in the amount of \$397.87 for a total bills payable \$2,642,360.81.

Pay bills

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

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

Statement of Taxes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Miss Newton stated End of Season Athletic Committee Meeting minutes were submitted and will be included with the December Agenda.

Committee Reports

Dr. McBreen thanked the outgoing Board members for their service during their tenures and offered his sincere appreciation.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence for the month.

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OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

Old Business

There being no further business to report or discuss, the meeting adjourned on MOTION by Newton, seconded by Rizzardi at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gretchen R. Ulmer*

Gretchen R. Ulmer, Secretary

*Barbara J. Conville*

Barbara J. Conville, Assistant to the Secretary