

**Montague Township Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting Agenda
May 10, 2021
6:30 pm**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Motion to appoint Erkan Gumustekin as Acting Board Secretary**

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

III. Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Denise Bogle, Vice President		
Dale Bouma		
Paul Brislin		
Danielle Christmann		
Barbara Holstein, President		
Glen Plotsky		

Others Present:

John Nittolo- Acting Chief School Administrator
- Board Secretary

IV. Flag Salute

V. The mission of the Montague Township School District is to provide the best educational experience and opportunities resources allow, in order to realize the potential of every child.

VI. In accordance with the New Jersey Sunshine Law, a legal notice of this meeting has been posted on the official bulletin board at the school and advertised in the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday New Jersey Herald.

VII. Montague Board of Education will be interviewing prospective applicant(s) for the empty Montague BOE seat.

VIII. Announcement of Executive Session

IX. BE IT RESOLVED that the Montague Township Board of Education recess and proceed to executive session to discuss personnel matters and legal issues. Action may or may not be taken.

Motion to open Executive Session at ____
 Motion ____ 2nd ____
 All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to close Executive Session at ____
 Motion ____ 2nd ____ All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to reopen Regular Meeting at ____
 Motion ____ 2nd ____ All in Favor/Opposed

**X. Montague Board of Education will vote for the prospective candidate for the empty seat.
 Moved: _____ Seconded: _____**

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

XI. CSA Report

XII. SBA Report

XIII. Correspondence

XIV. Committee Reports:

1. Finance & Insurance: Dale Bouma and Paul Brislin. Chair: Ms. Holstein
2. Personnel: Denise Bogle, Danielle Christmann. Chair: Ms. Holstein
3. Building & Grounds/Transportation: Dale Bouma, Glen Plotsky.
4. Policy & Public Relations: Denise Bogle, Paul Brislin. Chair: Ms. Bogle
5. Curriculum & CST: Denise Bogle, Danielle Christmann. Chair: Ms. Bogle

XV. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the executive minutes of February 8, 2021.

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

XVI. Public Session – Agenda Items

XVII. Motion to open Discuss Wording of Public Session Section:

Motion _____ 2nd _____

All in Favor/Opposed :

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Motion to Amend Wording of Public Session Section:

Motion _____ 2nd _____

All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to open public comment at ____ pm

Motion _____ 2nd _____ All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to close public comment at ____ pm

Motion _____ 2nd _____ All in Favor/Opposed

P-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve Chelsea Deweese, as Paraprofessional, at Step D for the remainder 2020-2021 school year.

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-2 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve Ivette Manning, as Substitute Teacher for the remainder 2020-2021 school year.

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-3 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve Korinn Loriz, as Substitute Teacher for the remainder 2020-2021 school year.

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-4 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the following reappointments for the 2021/2022 school year:

ADMINISTRATION & NON-UNION SUPPORT STAFF (Individual Contracts)

Name Position

Rene Metzgar Treasurer of School Monies

Gene Meli Supervisor of Instruction (Max. 60 Days Per Year)

Melinda Bellis Confidential Secretary

Mark Romano IT Specialist/Project Manger

Darrell Stewart Transportation/Facilities/Custodian Manager

James Andriac Director of Student Activities/Social Studies Teacher/Elementary School Teacher

Danielle Conklin District Office Secretary/CST and Guidance/Transportation Secretary /Nutrition Coordinator

Aldijana Reckovic Main Office Secretary

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-5 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the following reappointments for the 2021/2022 school year:

TEACHERS (Collective Agreement)-TENURED

Name Position

Linda Willeford Elementary School Teacher

Taffy Banghart Elementary School Teacher

Debra Vigorito Elementary School Teacher/Special Education Teacher

Jody Taylor Elementary School Teacher

Lorie Jeskey Special Education Teacher/Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Jennifer Battikha Elementary School Teacher

Carl Ferriere Teacher of Mathematics/Elementary School Teacher

Michelle Visco Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Brenten Runne Elementary School Teacher

Denise Bellini Elementary School Teacher

Leslie Coolong Teacher of English/Special Education Teacher

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
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YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-6 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the following reappointments for the 2021/2022 school year:

TEACHERS (Collective Agreement)-NON-TENURED

Name Position

Clancey Lane Teacher of Spanish/Elementary School Teacher

Rebecca Dann Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Teacher/Special Education Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Marta Baez Teacher of Health and Physical Education/Teacher of Science

Chandler Howard Special Education Teacher/Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Christina DeCola Speech Therapist

Rebecca Lehmkuhl Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Teacher/Special Education Teacher/Social Studies Teacher

Melissa Neamand Teacher of Art/Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Melissa Martinique Preschool Teacher

Danielle Mott School Nurse

Megan McElhaney Preschool Master Teacher

Rachel Van Gorden Teacher of Agriculture/Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Teacher

Jamie Sivertsen Special Education Teacher/Elementary School Teacher

Anna Dawson Special Education Teacher/Elementary School Teacher

Taylor Barbagallo Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Austin Caldwell Teacher of Health and Physical Education/ Special Education Teacher

Casey Levens Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Korinn Loriz Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Juliet Myers Elementary School Teacher/ Special Education Teacher

Devyn Harrell Elementary School Teacher

ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-9 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the following reappointments for the 2021/2022 school year:

PARAPROFESSIONALS (Collective Agreement)

Name Position

Alyssa Donadio Paraprofessional

Andrea Conklin Paraprofessional

Chelsea Deweese Paraprofessional

Meghan Putera Paraprofessional

Jacki Sanchez Paraprofessional

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-10 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education retroactively approve leave of absence under FMLA&NJFLA for employee #84994367 from April 26,2021 with the intent to return no later than September,2021 . This leave includes the maximum 12 weeks under FMLA & NJFLA.

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve April 27,2021 thru May 10 ,2021 - Bill List attached and listed below:

YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-5 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the attached list of line-item transfers effective March 31,2021.

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-6 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the submission of a Safety Grant to the New Jersey Insurance Group requesting the amount of \$2,600.00. Purpose of utilizing this grant is to replace / upgrade the current emergency lighting within the school. This is needed to illuminate areas within the building when the normal electrical supply is interrupted by a utility outage, fire or failure within the school.

Moved:

Seconded:

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YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-7 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve 2020-2021 Joint Transportation Agreement between High Point Regional High School and the Montague Board of Education starting February 1,2021 through June 30, 2021.A total cost of the Route(E-1557) is \$17,711.00.

Moved:

Seconded:

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YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-8 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education retroactively approve 2019-2020 Joint Transportation Agreement between High Point Regional High School and the Montague Board of Education.

Route:13 AM-2 COST: \$1,050 DATE:1/23/2020-1/28/2020

Route: Q-347 COST: \$25,380 DATE:1/29/2020-6/30/2020

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-9 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the agreement between J&B Therapy dated July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 at the following rates:

Service & Rate

Occupational, and/or Speech Therapy \$93.00/hour

Physical Therapy \$93.00/hour

Educational Support Services (LDTC) \$93.00/hour

Psychologist Services \$93.00/hour

Evaluations* \$405.00/evaluation

Behavioral Support Services as provided by BCBA/Behavioral Supervisor \$93.00/hour (3 hours/week minimum)

Behavioral Plans & Functional Behavior Assessments# \$93.00/hour

Behavioral Support Services as provided by a Behaviorist \$93.00/hour

Reading Specialist \$82.50/hour

Home Instruction \$65.00/hour

Social Work Services \$82.50/hour

ABA Paraprofessional Services \$35.00/hour

Paraprofessional Services \$28.00/hour

Teacher of the Deaf Services \$135.00/hour

Administrative Fee 1%

Moved:

Seconded:

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YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-10 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education appoint Nisivoccia LLP, as the auditors for the Board whose term of office shall be July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The cost of these services shall be \$29,900.00 (Attachment)

Moved:

Seconded:

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YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-11 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve ancillary agreement between Sussex County Educational Service Commission and Montague Township School District for the 2020-2021 school year. (Attachment)

Moved:

Seconded:

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky		Total
YES								
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-12 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approves the substitute pay rate for the teachers of \$95.00 per day for the remainder 2020-2021 school year.

Moved:

Seconded:

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ABSENT								

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Motion to open public comment at ____ pm

Motion ____ 2nd ____

All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to close public comment at ____ pm

Motion ____ 2nd ____

All in Favor/Opposed

XV. Unfinished Business

XVI. New Business

XVII. Executive Session if necessary:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Montague Township Board of Education recess and proceed to executive session to discuss personnel matters and legal issues. Action may or may not be taken.

Motion to open Executive Session at ____ pm

Motion ____ 2nd ____ All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to close Executive Session at ____ pm

Motion ____ 2nd ____ All in Favor/Opposed

Motion to reopen Regular Meeting at ____ pm

Motion ____ 2nd ____ All in Favor/Opposed

XVIII. Adjournment Motion ____ 2nd ____ All in Favor/Opposed

Time of Adjournment: _____