

**Montague Township Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Barbara Holstein, President	x	
Denise Bogle, Vice President	x	
Paul Brislin	x	
Andree Campbell	x	
Danielle Christmann	x	
Tasha DeGeorge	x	
Michael Zernhelt	x	

Others Present:	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
James Andriac - Acting CSA	X	
Carl Morelli, SBA/BS	X	
Joseph Garcia, Esq. – Board Atty.		X (with notice)*

*Ms. Holstein stated that Mr. Garcia is on vacation and if anything comes up on the agenda, we will reach out after the meeting and bring it up at the next meeting. She didn't see the need to send a replacement tonight.

3. FLAG SALUTE - FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE OR PRAYER

4. MISSION STATEMENT - The mission of the Montague Township School District is to provide the best educational experience and opportunities to realize the potential of every child.

5. LEGAL NOTICE - 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.

6. SBA REPORT - Carl Morelli - The roof restoration project will be completed within 2 weeks. The roof itself is done. In the next 2 weeks the gutters and trim work around the building will be completed. The summer clearing of the building looks great and is on schedule. Thank you David Miller and his crew for their hard work. The PreK bathrooms renovations are underway. There was a delay in starting them due to ESY going on in July and bathrooms were in use. The 5 bathrooms will be completed prior to the new school year. Attended NJ Electric SChool Bus Conference in Newark on July 20, 2022 regarding the EPA Clean School Bus program and grant that is due by August 19, 2022 dealing with diesel buses and funds available to switch over to electric buses. Work is underway to review policies and regulations with Strauss Esmay. Probably looking at October for a presentation from Strauss Esmay on an updated Board policy book. Introduced Joe LaBabara regarding his Future Farmers of America Grant and how students can participate in it.

7. Presentation by Joe LaBarbara, a retired military officer who lives in Stillwater, regarding Future Farmers of America Grant. Mr. LaBarbara is a retired military officer from Stillwater and his passion is agriculture. Precision Agriculture which uses sensors and agronomics analysis to solve a lot of problems and to streamline and make agriculture business more efficient and productive.

8. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 6:59 p.m.
 Motion Paul Brislin 2nd Danielle Christmann Voice Vote: All in Favor

Motion to close Executive Session at 7:17 p.m.
 Motion Denise Bogle 2nd Tasha DeGeorge Voice Vote: All in Favor

Motion to reopen Regular Meeting at 7:17 p.m.
 Motion Michael Zernhelt 2nd Paul Brislin Voice Vote: All in Favor

9. CSA REPORT - James Andriac - Welcome back letters were sent to all parents and guardians this week. The parent portal is open with student schedules. Registration packets and sports physical forms are on the website under the Parents tab under sports. We have two (2) wifi access points inside and outside the Library. New security cameras have been installed as well as phones. Ms. Coppolino has been working daily on for the past 2 weeks getting the library daily and will be getting training on or about August 22 and August 23 by Decibel Library.

10. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT - Barbara Holstein - Ms. Holstein doesn’t have a report but just wanted to say to each board member that she appreciates the workshop meetings and remind the public that at the workshop meeting we are preparing for tonight’s meeting. No National Park event is coming up at the Layton. There have been other promotional things from people trying to push this through.

11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the Regular Minutes and Executive Minutes of the June 29, 2022 Special Meeting.

Moved: Denise Bogle Seconded: Paul Brislin Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x		6
NO								
ABSTAIN							x	1
ABSENT								

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and the Executive Minutes of July 13, 2022.

Moved: Andree Campbell Seconded: Tasha DeGeorge Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

12. PUBLIC SESSION – AGENDA ITEMS

Public comment is invited on all matters pertaining to the school district. All participants shall be permitted four (4) minutes to speak and shall state their name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate. The board uses the public comment as an opportunity to listen to Citizen concerns, but please be aware that not all issues brought to a board meeting will be resolved this evening.

Motion to open Public Comment at 7:22 p.m.

Motion Danielle Christmann 2nd Denise Bogle Voice Vote: All in Favor

Motion to close Public Comment at 7:23 p.m.

Motion Paul Brislin 2nd Andree Campbell Voice Vote: All in Favor

13. FINANCE AND INSURANCE

F-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the July 14, 2022 through August 10, 2022 Bills List attached and listed below:

Fund 10	\$ 248,746.55
Fund 11	\$ 394,321.53
Fund 20	\$ 13,833.79
Fund 60	\$ 61,043.43
Grand Total	\$ 717,945.30

Moved: Danielle Christmann Seconded: Denise Bogle Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-2 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education appoint James Andriac, Acting Superintendent, as Claims Auditor for the 2022-2023 school year to approve checks and emergency account transfers during the month that cannot wait for the board meeting.

Moved: Tasha DeGeorge **Seconded: Danielle Christmann** **Discussion: Ms. Holstein** asked if there is a limit placed on the amount of the check to be approved? **Mr. Morelli** stated that typically there is not but you can add a limit if you like. **Mr. Brislin** said he doesn't see a necessary limit. **Ms. Holstein** thought there was a limit in the past but could be confusing it with another matter. **Mr. Morelli** said this would be for emergency use only. It could be for a purchase of a curriculum item or tuition that needs to be implemented prior to September. It is strictly emergency use. **Ms. DeGeorge** stated maybe it was under a different name.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-3 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the substitute nurse pay rate of \$200.00 per day for the 2022-23SY.

Moved: Barbara Holstein **Seconded: Andree Campbell** **Discussion: None**

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-4 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the Agreement between Educational Specialized Associates, LLC and the Montague Board of Education commencing September 1, 2022 until June 30, 2023.

Moved: Paul Brislin **Seconded: Andree Campbell** **Discussion: Mr. Brislin** stated that the agreement states **June 31, 2022** and **September** is spelled wrong. **Mr. Morelli** said it was a typo issue and the **BOE** can approve and he will make the corrections and initial them. **Ms. Holstein** stated that **this is a company that we can use if we need their services.**

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-5 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the Tuition Contracts between the Sussex County Educational Services Commission and the Montague Township BOE for the following students to attend Northern Hills Academy for the 2022-2023 School Year commencing September 6, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

Student ID#	Tuition Amount	Paraprofessional	Add't Therapy	Total
7601787301	\$52,375.00	\$28,210.00	\$2,055.00 (1)	\$82,640.00
6347937694	\$59,400.00	N/A	N/A	\$59,400.00
2454617903	\$52,375.00	N/A	N/A	\$52,375.00
8590606188	\$52,375.00	\$28,210.00	\$6,165.00 (3)	\$86,750.00
4951539647	\$59,400.00	\$29,415.00	N/A	\$88,815.00
8647176929	\$59,400.00	\$28,210.00	\$2,055.00 (1)	\$89,665.00

Moved: Tasha DeGeorge

Seconded: Michael Zernhelt

Discussion: Ms. Holstein stated that she is looking forward to when we can service our students in school. It is a huge priority for her.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-6 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the Tuition Contract Agreement between the Montague Board of Education and the Sussex Vocational Board of Education for the 2022-2023 school year commencing September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 at an estimated cost per pupil of \$2,362.00.

Moved: Tasha DeGeorge

Seconded: Danielle Christmann

Discussion: Ms. Holstein made a statement for the public that the reason why there is a tuition cost from Sussex Vocational BOE which was not the case in about 2010. Your county taxes those taxes support the Sussex County Vocational School. Up until the time they started charging tuition those taxes covered the schools for all Sussex County schools. Once they started passing the tuition rate it has increased from \$2,000 to \$2,362. You are being taxed through your county taxes and through the school. It is \$2,300 plus whatever the large portion of your county tax bill. It is something the Commissioners need to address. Michael Zernhelt if all the other Boards are paying? Ms. Holstein stated yes they are all paying. Other vocational schools were already charging tuitions prior to Sussex Vocational doing it.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-7 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the nutrition program for full price breakfast of \$2.75 and full price lunch of \$4.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Andree Campbell

Seconded: Denise Bogle

Discussion: Ms. Christmann asked where did these amounts come from? Mr. Morelli stated that we have a SFA Contract (School Food Authorization Contract). We are under contract with HP next year for \$2.25 for breakfast and \$3.75 for lunch which is what we are being charged. In 2019-2021 (pre Covid) our breakfast was \$2.10 and lunch was \$3.75. There was a large discrepancy between the two. To the best of his analysis the cafeteria was losing approximately \$30,000 a year. With these current numbers with an increase of .25C for lunch and breakfast is .50C increase. These numbers bring us as close to a breaking point. 280 meals each for breakfast and lunch over 180 days which is how it is calculated. Put in the numbers we are paying HP and our costs (salary, health care benefits, added paper products and supplies) everything inclusive to run our cafeteria brings us to these numbers. Doesn't expect a profit and if there is a loss it will be minimal loss. Ms. DeGeorge asked if we were losing \$30,000 a year? Mr. Morelli stated yes. Ms. DeGeorge asked how is that even possible? Mr. Morelli stated we don't want to make money but we don't want to lose money. We have to look at each area of the school and facility and narrow it down. Ms. Holstein stated that there wasn't a category for cafeteria. Now that we are moving towards having appropriate accounting in place we will have less of these issues going forward. Mr. Morelli stated that it is under Fund 61. It is important for all families to apply for free and reduced lunch. If we don't have appropriate numbers it affects our State Aid Formula. Mr. Andriac stated that the applications will be mailed out at the end of next week.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

F-8 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education, approve the following resolution Opposing the Proposed Increases to the School Employees Health Benefits Program

WHEREAS, the School Employees Health Benefits Program (SEHBP), governed by *N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.46 et seq.*, offers medical, prescription drug, and dental coverage to participating school district employees, retirees, and eligible dependents; and

WHEREAS, all SEHBP plans are self-funded, meaning that the money paid out for benefits comes directly from an SEHBP fund supplied by participating local employers and member premiums; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Pensions and Benefits is responsible for the daily administrative activities of the SEHBP, the School Employees Health Benefits Commission is the executive organization responsible for overseeing the SEHBP; and

WHEREAS, the School Employees Health Benefits Commission, comprised of state officials, union representatives and a representative of the New Jersey School Boards Association, annually considers the calendar year premium levels for the Local Education Employee Group of the SEHBP based on recommendations found in the Rate Setting Recommendation Analysis of the Local Education Employee Group; and

WHEREAS, the School Employees' Health Benefits Plan Design Committee has the responsibility for and authority over the various plans and components of the plans, including for medical benefits, prescription benefits, dental, vision, and any other health care benefits, offered and administered by the SEHBP; and

WHEREAS, existing law requires three members of the School Employees' Health Benefits Plan Design Committee to be appointed by the Governor as representatives of public employers (i.e., local school districts) whose employees are enrolled in the program, but currently all such representatives are state-level appointees;

WHEREAS, the recommended rate changes for medical and prescription drug coverage for the Active 2023 Local Education Employer Group is 15.1%, which includes a 15.3% increase for active employees enrolled in NJ DIRECT 10/15 and a 14.9% increase for active employees enrolled in the NJ Educators Health Plan (NJEHP); and

WHEREAS, such proposed exorbitant rate increases will fall upon the local property taxpayer, as well as school employees, at a time where there is record inflation; and

WHEREAS, since employees enrolled the NJEHP pay a percentage of salary toward their health benefits per P.L.2020, c.44, commonly referred to as "Chapter 44", any increase in NJEHP premiums will fall almost entirely upon local boards of education, placing a severe strain on their budgets; and

WHEREAS, the proposed premium increase for most active employees will take thousands more out of their paychecks annually and lead to huge costs for local school districts that will translate into higher property tax bills for struggling families; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Montague Township Board of Education in the county of Sussex call upon the School Employees Health Benefits Commission to reconsider the rate increase and strike a rate increase that is appropriate in the current economic conditions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montague Township Board of Education in the county of Sussex urge the Legislature to adopt legislation expanding the composition of the School Employees Health Benefits Commission and the School Employees' Health Benefits Plan Design Committee to include additional representatives from local school district management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montague Township Board of Education in the county of Sussex urge the Legislature and executive branch to examine the impact that "Chapter 44" has had on school district budgets and to adopt legislation that will reverse any of its negative consequences and provide relief to those districts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Murphy, State Treasurer Muoio, Senate President Scutari, Assembly Speaker Coughlin, Senator Steve Oroho, Assembly Representatives Parker Space and Hal Wirths and the New Jersey School Boards Association.

Moved: Paul Brislin Seconded: Andree Campbell Discussion: Ms. Holstein gave a brief statement that this is a resolution to tell the State of NJ that our school district is opposed to increasing cost to employees. Right now they are talking about a 20% increase. This is impacting everybody. This becomes a tax upon the taxpayers. If you increase this by 20% that's going to have to be absurd by each and every school district. It could take your budget up as much as 25% or more. This is a very serious issue. Legislatures are trying to stop this. Mr. Morelli stated that this will affect our current budget and carry it forward to next year's budget. The Montague Township also adopted a resolution opposing this.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

14. PERSONNEL

P-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the annual stipend of \$600.00 for Black Seal License to David Miller, Jason Saavedra and Tabatha-lynn Hall per the MEA Agreement.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Tasha DeGeorge

Discussion: Ms. Holstein thanked each of them for having their black seal and the school looks great.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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P-2 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **Chandler Smith and Ashley Bongiorno**, to be club advisors for Sunny Seeds with a \$1,000 stipend each per the MEA Agreement.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Tasha DeGeorge

Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-3 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **Devyn Harrell**, as a soccer coach for the soccer club with a \$1,000 stipend per the MEA Agreement.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Andree Campbell

Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-4 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **Kelsey Cole**, Occupational Therapist, \$65,000 (MA+30 - Step A), pending background check, with a start date of August 31, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year through June 30, 2023.

Moved: Paul Brislin

Seconded: Andree Campbell

Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-5 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **Sheridan Kapuscinski**, Special Education Teacher, \$60,000 (BA - Step A), pending background check, with a start date of August 31, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Danielle Christmann

Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-6 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education appoint **Anna Cortiana** as Supervisor of Student Services, \$85,000 per annum, with a start date of August 12, 2022.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Andree Campbell

Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-7 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education appoint **Anna Cortiana** as the School Safety Specialist, without any increase to salary, for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Paul Brislin

Seconded: Michael Zernhelt

Discussion: Ms. Holstein

stated that this is another mandate from Trenton that someone in the building has to be appointed to a certain position and thanked Ms. Cortiana for taking on this role. Mr. Andriac stated that she has been in training this week.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSENT								

P-8 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the salary increase of **Ashley Bongiorno**, Teacher, to \$63,000.00 (BA+15 - Step B).

Moved: Denise Bogle Seconded: Danielle Christmann Discussion:None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
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ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-9 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **Kaisha Schenk** as part-time paraprofessional, at \$20.19 per hour, pending background check, if needed, for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Tasha DeGeorge Seconded: Denise Bogle Discussion:None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-10 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education accept the resignation of **Employee ID#10027167** effective August 30, 2022.

Moved: Denise Bogle Seconded: Andree Campbell Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

P-11 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education appoint **Allison Worzel**, school nurse, without any increase to salary, to be School District Wellness Committee Coordinator.

Moved: Paul Brislin Seconded: Denise Bogle Discussion: Ms. Holstein just wanted to make note that this is another mandated position by Trenton. Ms. Holstein stated that she will be examining these items and they are not provided funded for them.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

15. TRANSPORTATION

T-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **JAMES CICALES** as Transportation Coordinator/Bus Driver, salary of \$50,000.00, pending background check (if needed), with a start date of August 11, 2022, for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Tasha DeGeorge

Seconded: Denise Bogle

Discussion: Ms. Holstein stated that they conducted a thorough search of applicants. We are on our way to making sure transportation services move smoother.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

T-2 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the use of **June Williams** as a Transportation Consultant to assist the new Transportation Coordinator for an hourly rate of \$100.00 not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Danielle Christmann

Discussion: Ms. Bogle asked if this is part of shared service or a separate consultant? Ms. Holstein and Mr. Morelli stated that it is a separate consultant contract and not a shared service. Ms. Holstein and Ms. Bogle thanked Mr. Andriac and Mr. Morelli for putting together a more cohesive transportation department.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

16. CURRICULUM AND CHILD STUDY TEAM

C-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the Behavioral Health Clinician/Social Worker job description.

Moved: Paul Brislin

Seconded: Denise Bogle

Discussion: None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

C-2 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve **Samatha Frost**, as Behavioral Health Clinician/Social Worker, \$67,000.00 (MA+30 - Step B), with a start date of August 31, 2022, for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved: Denise Bogle Seconded: Tasha DeGeorge Discussion:None

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

17. GRANTS

G-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve to join the ARP HCY II Consortium.

Moved: Tasha DeGeorge Seconded: Denise Bogle

Discussion: Mr. Morelli stated that this is part of the ARP Grants and the reason we have to join the consortium is if you are awarded \$5000 or less you cannot spend the money yourself so we join the consortium of all the other districts that have small awards like this and the consortium is aloud to use the grant as needed. It's either join the consortium or refuse the funds.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT								

18. ADMINISTRATION

A-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education accept donations from Escape Powersports Plus Back to School Hauler School Supply Drive.

Moved: Paul Brislin Seconded: Andree Campbell

Discussion: Ms. Holstein asked what donations are we getting? Mr. Andriac stated that Escape Powersports is collecting items to donate to the school. Ms. Holstein thanked them. It is on going right to the beginning of school. They are trying to fill up a trailer with supplies. The trailer is onsite at their facility.

Roll Call	Bogle	Brislin	Campbell	Christmann	DeGeorge	Holstein	Zernhelt	Total
YES	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
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19. PUBLIC SESSION

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Motion to open Public Comment at 8:06 p.m.

Motion Tasha DeGeorge 2nd Michael Zernhelt Voice Vote: All in Favor

Ms. Holstein stated that a lot of school districts have gone back to in person meetings only and believes that since we have increased transparency that is why we have a happy school district. Thank you to Mr. Romano for setting this up.

Motion to close Public Comment at 8:08 p.m.

Motion Andree Campbell 2nd Denise Bogle Voice Vote: All in Favor

20. NEW BUSINESS - Ms. Bogle asked Mr. Andriac if he and Ms. Cortiana can reach out to HP regarding the mentoring program. Mr. Andriac is going to HP on Friday. Ms. DeGeorge asked if we offer sports physicals at the school for parents. Mr. Andriac stated yes we do and the information will be posted on the website next week. Mr. Zernhelt stated that on September 3, 2022 at 12 p.m., there will be a car show across the street from the Foster Armstrong house which is dedicated to his uncle. Mr. Romano stated that the sports physicals will be held on September 12, 2022 from 9AM to 11AM at the school. Mr. Andriac also stated that we also got the wrestling mats.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Michael Zernhelt 2nd Danielle Christmann Voice Vote: All in Favor
Time of Adjournment: 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Morelli

CARL MORELLI,
Board Secretary