

Montague Township Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting Agenda
July 14, 2021
6:30 pm

I. Call to Order 6:30 P.M.

II. Roll Call

	Present Absent
Denise Bogle, Vice President	Present
Dale Bouma	Absent
Paul Brislin	Present
Danielle Christmann-Board Secretary	Present
Barbara Holstein, President	Present via Zoom
Glen Plotsky	Absent
Krista Mikulski	Present

Others Present:

John Nittolo- Acting Chief School Administrator
Joe Garcia - Board Attorney

III. Flag Salute

IV. 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.

V. 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.

Barbara Appoints Danielle Christmann as minute taker for this meeting.

VI. Announcement of Executive Session

VII. 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 6:32 P.M.
Motion - Paul Brislin 2nd - Denise Bogle
All in Favor

Motion to close Executive Session at 7:10 P.M.
Motion - Denise Bogle 2nd - Paul Brislin
All in Favor

Motion to reopen Regular Meeting at 7:10 P.M.
Motion - Denise Bogle 2nd - Danielle Christmann
All in Favor

VIII. CSA Report

1. Hiring coming along. Interview process going on now.
2. Discuss School Reopening Plan - Option 1 - traditional school day and no masks unless ordered by CDC.
3. Audit set for October 12th.
4. An Interdistrict Social Studies meeting will occur to talk about Social Studies curriculum.
5. Food Contract with High Point through Masciho's.
6. All members of CST Ed Services were met. Advertised for a full time social worker.
7. Sent in School Security Drill.
8. 2019-2020 HIB Grade - 73 out of 78.
9. There will be before and after care this year. School day now ends at 3:30 (9-3:30). Aftercare 3:30 - 5:30.
10. Summer program going well.
11. Submitted first portion of the Cares Act. In this first portion, Montague is receiving \$657,460.

IX. SBA Report

None

X. Committee Reports

Shared service committee is inactive at this time. The committee did meet to discuss the resolution that did not pass having to do with shared services. Discussed food service contract and transportation with shared services. Danielle Christmann expressed concerns about why the members of the committee meetings changed and asked to be put back one of them. Danielle also expressed her concern about not having notification that there was a meeting that took place that no one notified her of.

XI. Correspondence

Letter from parent read by Barbara Holstein.

XII. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the minutes of June 14, 2021.

Moved: Paul Brislin

Seconded: Denise Bogle

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
YES	X		X	X	X		X	5
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT		X				X		2

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the executive minutes of June 14, 2021.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Danielle Christmann

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
YES	X		X	X	X		X	5
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT		X				X		2

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the minutes of June 28, 2021.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Paul Brislin

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
YES	X		X	X	X		X	5
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT		X				X		2

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve the executive minutes of June 28, 2021.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Paul Brislin

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
YES	X		X	X	X		X	5
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT		X				X		2

XIII. 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 7:30 PM

Motion - Denise Bogle 2nd: Paul Brislin

All in Favor

- Stephanie Guida: Concerned as an observer in the practice of changing committee assignments without public discussion prior. Feels committee members should be posted on the website. Expressed the request to put Danielle Christmann back on the Personnel Committee.

Barbara replied that the committee policy is on the website.

Motion to close public comment at 7:32 PM

Motion: Denise Bogle 2nd - Paul Brislin

All in Favor

XVI. Administrative Items

A-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve all curricula as written for the 2021-2022 school year.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Danielle Christmann

Discussion: No changes have been made. This approval needs to be done yearly.

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
YES	X		X	X	X		X	5
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT		X				X		2

P-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the following employees, pending background check, for the 2021-2022

School Year.

Dana Berry, Confidential, CSA Secretary at a salary of \$44,000.

Ashley Bongiorno, Teacher: k-6, special education, Step A

Megan C. Bialek, Teacher k-6, special education, Step A

James Cicalese, Bus Driver

Gary Dennison, Bus Driver

Penny Snook, Bus Driver

Juliet Myers-Paraprofessional, Step D

Jacqueline Ruiz-Paraprofessional, Step C

Carolyn Joseph- Interim Business Administrator-\$90 per hour as needed, for the school year 2021-2022 ending June 30, 2022

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

Motion to amend resolution to remove Juliet Myers from the list and discuss at a later date.

Motion: Denise Bogle

Second: Paul Brislin

All YES

Absent: Dale Bouma and Glen Plotsky

Motion to approve P-1 as amended.

Motion: Denise Bogle

Second: Paul Brislin

Discussion: Appoint all of the names on the list except for Ms. Myers which will be discussed at a later date.

All YES

Absent: Dale Bouma and Glen Plotsky

P-2 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Montague Board of Education approve the resignation of teacher, 84994367, effective immediately.

Moved: Denise Bogle

Seconded: Paul Brislin

Discussion: Thanking Rebecca Dann for her time at Montague School.

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
YES	X		X	X	X		X	5

NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT		X				X		2

F-1 BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, that the Montague Township Board of Education approve July 1, 2021 thru July 14 ,2021 - Bill List attached and listed below:

Fund 10	\$26,587.09
Fund 11	\$76,010.78
Fund 20	\$29,358.94
Grand Total	\$131,956.81

Moved: Paul Brislin Seconded: Denise Bogle
Discussion: Mr. Nittolo thanking Melinda Bellis.

Roll Call	Bogle	Bouma	Brislin	Christmann	Holstein	Plotsky	Mikulski	Total
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Motion to open public comment at 7:40 PM

Motion - Danielle Christmann Second: Paul Brislin
All in Favor

1. Juliet Myers asked why she was removed from the rehire list. Expressed her love for the school.

Motion to close public comment at 7:42 PM

Motion: Paul Brislin 2nd - Danielle Christmann

All in Favor

XV. Unfinished Business - None

XVI. New Business:

BOE meeting calendar update for 2021-2022. Reorganization meeting needs to be moved to April.

Denise Bogle thanks Danielle Christmann for being the note-taker for the meetings.

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:

Danielle Christmann Second: Paul Brislin

All in Favor

Time of Adjournment: 7:45 PM