

AUGUST 10, 2009
CHOCONUT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FACULTY ROOM

MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK SESSION MINUTES

MEETING MINUTES APPROVED SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

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Mr. Chris Caterson
President, Board of Directors

Mr. Michael F. Ognosky
Superintendent of Schools

- I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Montrose Area School District Board of Directors Work Session was called to order by Board President Mr. Chris Caterson at 7:55 PM in the Choconut Valley Elementary School faculty room, RR 1 Box 1730, Friendsville, PA, 18818.

A. Roll Call Attendance – Mrs. Judith Sample, Co-Board Secretary

PRESENT: Mr. Christopher Caterson, Mr. George Gow, Mrs. Mary Homan, Ms. Julie Humphrey, Mrs. Kathleen Mordovancey, Mrs. Gloria Smith, Mr. Karl Wimmer

ABSENT: Mrs. Pamela Staats, Mr. Douglas Wilcox

ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS: Mr. Michael Ognosky, Mrs. Michelle Lusk, Mr. James Tallarico, Mr. Russ Canevari, Mr. Greg Adams, Mr. Chris McComb, Mr. Craig Owens, Mr. Rickie Clapper

II. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Administrators' Reports – Electronically sent to the members of the Board.

1. Ms. O'Malley
2. Dr. Golden
3. Mr. McComb reported that the Choconut Valley Elementary School was ready for opening day, updating those in attendance on completed projects at the school as well as the successful summer day camp held at Choconut Valley this summer.
4. Mr. Adams reported that the summer day camp audit done by PDE this year had been very successful and Mr. Adams and Mr. McComb both reported on the new Community Cares program that will be installed at both elementary schools this fall as well as answered questions from the members of the Board regarding the possibility of holding the summer day camp program next summer even though the grant has now expired.
5. Mr. Clapper reported on the progress of various district projects including the doors at Choconut Valley Elementary and answered questions from members of the Board.
6. Mr. Tallarico reported to those in attendance the status of class scheduling at the Junior-Senior High School as well as how requests for scheduling changes will be handled this school year, reviewed the fall sports schedule for those in attendance and answered questions from the Board members regarding dress code changes.
7. Mr. Owens reported on the summer projects including the installation of new equipment and server updates as well as reporting that on August 24th he will hold a meeting informing parents of the VLINC cyber services program.
8. Mr. Clapper updated those in attendance on the progress of various summer projects around the district including the concession stand and the entrance doors located at Choconut Valley Elementary.
9. Mrs. Lusk thanked all for her welcome to the Montrose Area School District and reported that she was excited to start the new school year.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Food Service equipment update – Ms. O'Malley

Due to Ms. O'Malley's unavoidable absence this evening Mr. Ognosky reported to the members of the Board the requests Ms. O'Malley had planned on discussing this evening which included an increase of personnel at the Junior-Senior High School as well as updating equipment in the district's kitchens. In response to questions from the members of the Board, Mr. Ognosky reported on various funding sources.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Items from members of Board of Directors

VI. COMMITTEES

- A. Schedule Board Committee meetings

Future dates for a Transportation Committee meeting were discussed and Mr. Ognosky stated that he would report back to the members of the Board when a definite date had been decided on.

VII. VISITORS' COMMENTS

(Visitors must speak directly into the public microphone for accurate transcription of minutes. Even if the person speaks loud enough to be heard by meeting attendees, they cannot be heard on the tape transcription unless they speak directly into the microphone.)

Questions regarding the Classrooms for the Future grant (speaker unknown) were answered by the members of the Board and administration.

- VIII. ADJOURNMENT** – This meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:45 PM and was followed by a CLEAR Session on contract issues.

Michael Ognosky, Superintendent of Schools