

# Mohawk Valley School District #17

## Minutes

REGULAR MEETING ..... June 21, 2022  
PROPOSED BUDGET MEETING ..... June 21, 2022

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mrs. Ann Taylor, President  
Mrs. Gina Richmond, Vice-President  
Mr. Julian Rinehart, Member (Via Telephone)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Howie Jorajuria, Clerk  
Mr. Tristan Wright, Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mrs. Shanna Johnson  
Mrs. Delia Salcido

### I. CALL TO ORDER

- ❖ Mrs. Ann Taylor called the Board Meeting to order at 4:30 pm

### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- ❖ The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Ann Taylor

### III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- ❖ Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. Mrs. Gina Richmond made the motion to adopt. Mr. Julian Rinehart seconded.

There was no discussion, motion carries.

### IV. PUBLIC HEARING

*Conduct a PUBLIC HEARING to present FY23 Proposed Budget*

- ❖ Mrs. Johnson stated that this is a preliminary proposed budget, using the same amounts as FY22. Actual figures are not available yet. There is talk there will be a 7.9% increase in the base level, a 7.2% increase in DAA and an increase in Group B from .093 to .292. More than likely we will have to do a September revision if new budget worksheets are not out by the time of budget adoption

### V. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

- ❖ No comments

### VI. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

*Matters about which the Board may engage in discussion but will take no action.*

#### 1. Administrator Reports

##### a) Enrollment Report

- Mrs. Johnson stated the following:
  - ❖ There was no Enrollment Report

##### b) Budget Report

- Mrs. Johnson stated the following:
  - ❖ A Maricopa County Superior Court Judge determined that schools can take Arizona to court over funding. This is a win for AZ Schools. This has to do with the lawsuit that started quite a while back where some AZ school districts filed suit against the AZ School Facilities Oversight Board.
  - ❖ We qualify for an electric bus. Electric buses are costing \$450,000-\$500,000
  - ❖ Grant is only \$375,000, the District would have to pay the difference
  - ❖ Doing further research to ensure this would be a wise decision for MVS. Need to do a comparison cost with a normal bus

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### c) Academic Report

#### ➤ Mrs. Johnson stated the following:

- ❖ Summer School
  - We averaged about 30 students daily
  - It is so hard to get families to commit to the entire summer program so we can make a difference
  - Funding sources require a 25-day program, research shows 25 days to make a difference
  - Focused on making up learning loss
  - Also fun things through the library programs
- ❖ Summer Professional Development
  - There were four (4) days of PD after school was out
  - Began planning for next year
  - There will be some extra (3 extra) PD days before school starts

### d) Bond Report

#### ➤ Mrs. Johnson stated the following:

- ❖ HVAC Projects are being wrapped up but there are some delays on parts. The gym is not done due to delays
- ❖ Floodwall Update
  - There have been several meetings with Yuma County and SFB top administration to get to approval and understanding. MVS attorney was involved and on meeting with SFB and their attorney general
  - It was determined that a flood berm on east side of property saved the school from flooding in 1993, therefore a structure in the same area would suffice
  - SFB has approved to go to design
  - The design will have fencing on top of the brick. It would be unsafe to have a chain link fence in front of the brick wall structure. The current fence and large tamarack trees will be compromised
  - The structure will run along the east side of the property, from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 39E, the entire length of the property parallel with the canal
  - The brick wall will appear taller in some areas due to the elevation of the property being higher on the north baseball field and lower by the water plant
- ❖ Master Project Has Started
  - Demolition in the main building has begun
  - The project will start with the main building office and classrooms-that should run through January
  - There is a new on-site Project Manager for Arcadis, Danny Torres.
  - Pilkington Construction has also added a new on-site Project Manager
- ❖ Celebration Kickoff Event
  - A list of invitees has been shared with the board
  - Several people have been reached out to personally to invite them
  - Media has been contacted and will be present. A press release has been sent out
  - Taco truck is sponsored by Pilkington

### e) Water Plant Report

#### ➤ Mrs. Johnson stated the following:

- ❖ There really is not anything new to report
- ❖ The drying bed is emptied and will be coated with a special product in the coming weeks
- ❖ The ATC component still does not have a scheduled delivery date. This component is holding up the project

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### f) General Items

#### ➤ Mrs. Johnson informed the board of the following:

- ❖ In the wake of the Uvalde school shooting, Mrs. Johnson shared information on school safety at MVS on what we are doing, what the next steps are and what cannot be controlled

### 2. Governing Board Member Comments

- ❖ No comments

## VII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

*These items are adoption of a routine nature and those that normally do not require deliberations on the part of the Governing Board. A board member may pull items, which will then be discussed and voted on separately.*

### 1. Minutes

- a) Minutes of May 10, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting

### 2. Expense Vouchers

b) Expense #31	\$188,454.14
c) Expense #32	\$ 742.86
d) Expense #33	\$ 3,231.13
e) Expense #34	\$ 26,329.11
f) Expense #35	\$ 62,206.05
g) Expense #36	\$ 43,334.68

### 3. Payroll Vouchers

h) P-23	\$ 61,678.89
i) P-23.1	\$ 8,695.78
j) P-24	\$ 78,145.65
k) P-25	\$ 36,993.00
l) P-25.1	\$ 89,842.71

### 4. Student Activity Reports

- m) May 2022
- n) Year-to-Date – 05/31/2022

### 5. Bank Account Reconciliations

- o) Student Activities/Revolving Fund/Cafeteria Fund – May 2022

### 6. Other

- p) Approve Signatories for 2022-2023
- q) Approve Mrs. Shanna Johnson as the District's Qualified Evaluator for 2022-2023
- r) Approve Mrs. Delia Salcido as Revolving Fund Account Treasurer (\$5,000) for 2022-2023
- s) Approve Mrs. Delia Salcido as Cafeteria Clearing Account Treasurer for 2022-2023
- t) Approve Mrs. Sherry Fajardo as Student Activities Treasurer for 2022-2023
- u) Execution of Warrants
- v) Bank of Record, National Bank of Arizona
- w) Approve Nicely Done Consulting for E-Rate for 2022-2023
- x) Approve Organizational Chart
- y) 301 Performance Pay for Certified Staff
- z) Conflict of Interest for Board Members
- aa) Performance Pay for Shanna Johnson

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Mrs. Johnson explained the following:

- ❖ Warrants are issued from the county when we are charged for spending money or in a sense “paying before the state sends the money”
- ❖ She also explained E-rate:
  - It is federal dollars set aside for technology needs
  - It is based on student count and poverty rate of students through free and reduced lunch rates
  - This year we have \$25,000 going towards the cabling, switches, and other background needs in our master project to update classrooms

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to accept the consent agenda. Mr. Julian Rinehart made the motion to accept the consent agenda. Mrs. Gina Richmond seconded.

### VIII. ACTION ITEMS

**1. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Annual Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021**

Mrs. Johnson stated there are no big concerns.

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to approve Annual Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021. Mrs. Gina Richmond made the motion to approve. Mr. Julian Rinehart seconded.

There was no discussion. Motion carries.

**2. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Buyback for Shanna Johnson**

Mrs. Johnson stated that per the administrator’s contract, the administrator may buy back up to twenty-five (25) days of sick leave and vacation upon retirement.

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to approve buyback for Shanna Johnson. Mrs. Gina Richmond made the motion to approve. Mr. Julian Rinehart seconded.

There was no discussion. Motion carries.

**3. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Contract Extensions for Arcadis and Taylor**

Mrs. Johnson stated that to be safe, we are asking to approve contract extension for Arcadis and Taylor. They have already been awarded additional funding by SFB. Since it is a significant amount of money, this is to ensure we have good trail of approval and transparency by the board.

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to approve contract extensions for Arcadis and Taylor. Mr. Julian Rinehart made the motion to approve. Mrs. Gina Richmond seconded.

There was no discussion. Motion carries.

**4. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Timberly Murphy as Long-Term Substitute**

Mrs. Johnson stated that Ms. Murphy is new to our community and is a teacher in training working towards her teaching certificate. She will teach 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to approve Timberly Murphy as Long-term Substitute. Mrs. Gina Richmond made the motion to approve. Mr. Julian Rinehart seconded.

There was no discussion. Motion carries.

**5. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Revised Long-Term Substitute for Estefania Talamantes**

Mrs. Johnson stated Ms. Talamantes’ pay was put at the wrong rate on her contract. She is a teacher in training and will teach 5<sup>th</sup> grade next year.

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**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to approve revised Long-Term Substitute for Estefania Talamantes. Mr. Julian Rinehart made the motion to approve. Mrs. Gina Richmond seconded.

6. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Letter of Resignation for Autumn McCollough**  
Mrs. Johnson stated that she worked in the SPED department.

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to approve letter of resignation for Autumn McCollough. Mrs. Gina Richmond made the motion to approve. Mr. Julian Rinehart seconded.

There was no discussion. Motion carries.

7. **Future Items**

- July 5, 2022 at 5:00 pm – Regular Board Meeting and Budget Adoption Meeting

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Mrs. Ann Taylor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Gina Richmond made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Julian Rinehart seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

A copy of the agenda background material provided to the Governing Board members (with the exception of material relating to possible executive sessions) is available for public inspection at the District Office, 5151 South Avenue 39E, Roll, Arizona.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022  
Delia Salcido, Governing Board Secretary

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Designated Board Member

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Date

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Delia Salcido, Board Secretary

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Date