

**TOWN OF MONTVILLE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER  
June 15, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Item 1. Call to order.**

Board Chair David Rowley called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. in the Montville High School Library/Media Center. Board members present were Carrie T. Baxter, Sandra Berardy, Steve Loiler, Tom McNally, Robert Mitchell, Jr., Todd Pomazon, James Wood and David Rowley. Deborah Reed-Iler was absent.

Also present were Superintendent of Schools Pamela Aubin, Assistant Superintendent Brian Levesque, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Laurie Pallin, Business Director Kathy Lamoureux, Administrators Thomas Amanti, Lorilyn Caron, Mary Jane Dix, Thomas Giard III, Mark Johnson, Jeff Newton, Tanya Patten, and Eileen Richmond, and MEA President Joel Farrior and Town Councilor/Board Liaison Gary Murphy.

**Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

T. Amanti and T. Patten congratulated Darrell Wattely for being the “fastest man in Montville” by winning the 100-meter dash in the ECC Class M Title, in Open Competition and in the New England Championship. For winning the Class "M" ECC Baseball Championship for the second time in school history, captains Justin Brachas (senior) and Tyler Contillo (junior), representing the team, were congratulated on a job well done. Certificates were presented by Board members Jim Wood and Dave Rowley, respectively.

**Presentation: A) CABA Student Leadership Awards:**

**Paige Skinner and Daniel Linkinhoker – Leonard J. Tyl Middle School**

T. Giard and M. J. Dix congratulated Paige Skinner and Daniel Linkinhoker for winning CABA Student Leadership Awards that were extended this year to middle school students. Board member Tom McNally presented the awards.

**Item 3. Hearing of delegates and citizens (regarding agenda items only).**

There were no citizens' comments.

**Item 4: Letters and communications.**

T. McNally reported on a letter from the State Commissioner of Education Mark McQuillan in thanks for support in completing the Phase 2 application process for Race to the Top and its submission for funding.

**Item 5. Approval of Consent Calendar.**

**Motion: That the Board approves the Consent Calendar, as written.**

**Proposed by:** Sandy Berardy  
**Seconded by:** Todd Pomazon  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**Item 6. Unfinished Business.**

**a. Discussion of 2010-11 budget to date.**

P. Aubin reported that the Town Council has not approved a budget for 2010-11 and will meet again next week to consider the Mayor's recommendation for a 1% increase to the Board. She recommended that the Board convenes once the budget has been passed.

**Item 7. New Business.**

**a. It is recommended that the Board of Education review/approve revisions to Policy 2131, Superintendent of Schools Administrative Procedures for Evaluation.**

**Motion:** That the Board approves the revisions to Policy 2131, Superintendent of Schools Administrative Procedures for Evaluation.

**Proposed by:** Jim Wood  
**Seconded by:** Steve Loiler  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**b. It is recommended that the Board of Education review/approve new policy regarding Administrative Regulations Regarding Sexual Offenders, as recommended by the Policy Committee at their May meeting.**

**Motion:** That the Board approves the new policy regarding Administrative Regulations Regarding Sexual Offenders, as recommended by the Policy Committee at their May meeting.

**Proposed by:** Jim Wood  
**Seconded by:** Tom McNally  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**c. It is recommended that the Board of Education review/approve revisions to Policy 5128, Procedures Concerning Requests from Parents to Educate Their Child at Home.**

This agenda item was tabled for discussion by the full Board for its August 2010 meeting.

**d. It is recommended that the Board of Education review/approve the District Improvement Plan.**

B. Mitchell reported that the changes to the District Improvement Plan are being reviewed and will be brought to the full Board at its August 2010 meeting. B. Levesque added that the purpose of the plan is "to take the work that is being done and provide clarity and put on paper what is being done." He also praised the dedicated team who

have worked on the plan and have been meeting since January 2010. P. Aubin added that not only will the plan show what the district is doing but it will also monitor the quality of the same. Data from testing will be used to set goals and the individual schools will develop a plan and work from the district plan. Comments by the Board are welcomed.

**e. Call for Resolutions for CABE Delegate Assembly.**

P. Aubin commented that the call for CABE resolutions will be discussed with Patrice McCarthy at the Board Retreat in July 2010. Final resolutions must be presented to CABE by August 4, 2010.

**f. It is recommended that the Board Chair appoint a Board member to serve on the teachers' negotiating committee.**

**Motion: That the full Board is appointed to serve on the teacher's negotiating committee.**

**Proposed by:** Sandy Berardy  
**Seconded by:** Bob Mitchell  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**g. It is recommended that the Board Chair appoint a Board member to serve on the transportation negotiating committee for wage reopener.**

**Motion: That Bob Mitchell is appointed to serve on the transportation negotiating committee.**

**Proposed by:** Bob Mitchell  
**Seconded by:** Steve Loiler  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**h. It is recommended that the Board of Education consider/approve salary benefits for unaffiliated staff.**

This agenda item was tabled for discussion in executive session.

**i. It is recommended that the Board of Education consider/approve the appointment of a Preschool/Elementary Special Services Program Leader.**

**Motion: That the Board approves the appointment of Dawn Davis as a Preschool/Elementary Special Services Program Leader.**

**Proposed by:** Sandy Berardy  
**Seconded by:** Todd Pomazon  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

Committee members were thanked for their service.

**Item 8. Committee and liaison reports.**

**a. Policy Committee (James Wood).**

J. Wood reported that the Committee met earlier this evening and reviewed Policy 2131, Superintendent of Schools Administrative Procedures for Evaluation and Policy 5128, Procedures Concerning Requests from Parents to Educate Their Child at Home. These items were tabled for further discussion. The Committee also continued its review of the Board Bylaws. J. Wood asked the Board for clarification about the appointment, role, and orientation of the Student Board Representatives.

**b. Educational Evaluation Committee (Robert Mitchell).**

B. Mitchell reported that the Committee met earlier this evening and listened to commentary from B. Levesque on the District Improvement Plan that will be brought to the full Board for approval at its August meeting.

**c. Montville Education Foundation (Deborah Reed-Iler).**

Due to D. Reed-Iler's absence, B. Levesque reported that the Foundation met last week and is completing plans for its annual golf tournament on July 12. The Foundation is also in discussion about candidates for the next round of grants.

**d. LEARN (Deborah Reed-Iler).**

Due to Reed-Iler's absence, no report was given.

**e. CAFE/NSBA (Robert Mitchell).**

B. Mitchell reported that the CAFE budget was set at its last meeting and few changes were made with policies with the exception that services will no longer be provided to non-paying Boards.

**f. School Building Committee (Todd Pomazon/Carrie Baxter).**

T. Pomazon reported that the Committee will meet tomorrow, June 16. He also said that no business could be approved at the May meeting as there was not a forum present.

**g. MetroCast Communications Advisory Council (Tom McNally).**

There was no report.

**h. Capital Improvement Committee (Tom McNally).**

There was no report.

**i. Montville Youth Services Bureau (Robert Mitchell).**

B. Mitchell reported on the meeting of June 10 when the budget was reviewed. The next meeting will be in September as no meetings are held during the summer. He also reported that a Blood Drive will be held at the Bureau from 1 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. on June 21.

**j. Administrative Monthly Reports.**

Board members praised and commented on the monthly reports.

**k. Chair's Remarks.**

D. Rowley reported that he reviewed the projects for the Enrichment Program at Tyl which were excellent and all about innovation. He also reported that he attended the Senior Awards program and witnessed a senior being given a scholarship in memory of Montville Police Officer/Board member Dennis Monahan.

**l. Other.**

There was no other information to report.

**Item 9. Superintendent's Report.**

**a. Report from the Director of Student Services – Ms. Maynard.**

D. Maynard reported that she is waiting for final results of the Town budget in order to allocate staff, particularly with students and paraprofessionals for the continuation of IEP's. She also reported that there is one pending legal issue and on a one-week extension of the summer program that will one week without a nurse. There continues to be an issue with summer school nursing services. To date, there will be one week without a nurse unless one can be found.

**b. Report from Assistant Superintendent – Mr. Levesque.**

B. Levesque reported on having survived through three (3) superintendents during his first year working in the district. He thanked everyone for the smooth transition. He reiterated about the work being done on the District Improvement Plan. B. Levesque also reported on the hiring of certified staff and the other current vacancies.

**c. Monthly Update.**

P. Aubin stated she was "thrilled" to be working in the district and praised the strong administrative team. She stated that her priority is in having instructional leadership and adequate staffing. P. Aubin commented on her first negotiations with the MEA regarding transportation and teachers some of who made requests for new assignments or are job sharing. J. Farrior expressed appreciation on the communication and feedback during the negotiation process.

P. Aubin also reported that she would be attending the Read to Ride and other transition events including the MHS graduation. She commented on having attended her first prom

in 35 years and witnessing the breathalyzer in action. P. Aubin also said that regional planning has started with LEARN for aligning resources. In addition, she will meet with the United Way Planning Committee regarding help to support the needs within Montville.

**Item 10. Information items.**

There were no information items reported.

**Item 12. Citizens' comments (non-agenda items only).**

J. Fariior thanked the Board for approving the Washington, D.C. trip. He said the chaperones were great and that it was a great educational experience for students.

**Item 13. Adjournment.**

**Motion: That the Board goes into executive session at 7:14 p.m. and per C.G. S. Section 1-200, subsection 6 invited Pamela Aubin to join the discussion.**

**Proposed by:** Jim Wood  
**Seconded by:** Tom McNally  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**Motion: That the Board comes out of executive session at 7:16 p.m., with no votes taken.**

**Proposed by:** Tom McNally  
**Seconded by:** Sandra Berardy  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

**Motion: That the meeting is adjourned.**

**Proposed by:** Jim Wood  
**Seconded by:** Carrie Baxter  
**Vote:** Carried unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

David Rowley, Chair  
Montville Board of Education

Tom McNally, Secretary  
Montville Board of Education

Gloria J. Gathers, Recording Secretary

**Minutes Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_