

**MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER
July 20, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.**

Item 1. Call to order.

Chair David Rowley called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. in the Montville High School library/media center. Board members present were Carrie Baxter, Sandra Berardy (arrived at 5:25 p.m.), Steve Loiler, Tom McNally, Robert Mitchell, Jr., Todd Pomazon, Deborah Reed-Iler, and David Rowley. Also in attendance was Superintendent of Schools Pamela W. Aubin, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Brian C. Levesque, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Margaret Tripp, Town Council Liaison Gary Murphy, and Patrice McCarthy from CABE.

James Wood was absent from the meeting.

Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation A) Board of Education Goals – Patrice McCarthy

Patrice McCarthy of CABE led an informal discussion with the Board concerning the district goals. She noted three goals from the District Improvement Plan and discussed the Board's role in setting and evaluating goals. A discussion followed to set goals for the 2010-11 school year.

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

There were no citizens' comments.

Item 4: Letters and communications.

T. McNally received several items of correspondence: a letter of thanks from Julie Bateman to Board members for recognizing her and other retirees at the May Board meeting; a memorandum from Mayor Jaskiewicz, asking all town departments to submit their annual report to his office no later than August 31, 2010; a letter to Joshua Cushing informing him that the Montville High School Select Chorus were chosen to perform at the November 19-20 CABE/CAPSS Convention at the Mystic Marriott Hotel in Groton; and a letter to Pam Aubin from Joe Courtney, thanking her for contacting him regarding education funding.

Item 5. Approval of Consent Calendar.

Motion: That the Board approves the Consent Calendar.

Proposed by:	Steve Loiler
Seconded by:	Tom McNally
Vote:	Carried
	Abstained – D. Reed-Iler

Item 6. Unfinished business.

a. Call for resolutions for CABE Delegate Assembly.

R. Mitchell discussed the requirements of the CCSS National Standards and the effect it will have on Connecticut schools.

Motion: That the Board approves one resolution supporting Secondary School reform and the adoption of CCSS National Standards and another resolution supporting a bi-annual budget, and submit both resolutions to CABE.

Proposed by: Tom McNally
Seconded by: Deb Reed-Iler
Vote: Carried unanimously

b. Review and adjust 2010-11 budget

P. Aubin reviewed the adjustments made to the 2010-11 budget. An additional \$436,770 needed to be cut from the 2010-11 proposed budget. S. Berardy raised a concern about the elimination of one teacher from the music program at Tyl, because, in recent years, there has been a decrease in band participants at Montville High School and the middle school is the feeder school for that program. P. Aubin said that students will still have instrumental lessons, however, there may be more students in each section. R. Mitchell said, "great job" and to send thanks to Kathy Lamoureux and her team.

Motion: That the Board approves the adjustments to the 2010-11 budget.

Proposed by: Steve Loiler
Seconded by: Deb Reed-Iler
Vote: Carried unanimously

c. Update of Montville High School search.

B. Levesque reported there are currently seven applicants for the position. The position has been advertised in the papers and applicants are using AppliTrack to submit their applications. D. Reed-Iler asked Patrice McCarthy to have the appointment of a successful candidate added to the Board goals. B. Levesque reviewed the timeline. The posting has a closing period of September 9, but once it is closed, we will move fast to have a candidate in place for the Board to be able to appoint a new high school principal at their October 19 Board meeting, with the candidate beginning on January 1. D. Rowley appointed Bob Mitchell and Deb Reed-Iler to serve on the selection committee. S. Berardy and S. Loiler will sit in on the second interviews.

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

This item was postponed until the end of the meeting when the Board will go into executive session.

e. Update on the School Building Committee decision for Montville High School.

B. Levesque reported that work was currently taking place to replace the tiles in the MHS foyer area. There was an issue with the quality of work as there was not a proper water vapor barrier and the ceramic tiles popped up. T. Pomazon said that the School Building Committee approved the replacement of the tiles so that we did not have to wait, as the matter will be legally tied up for some time. The committee is looking to recoup the money for the replacement tiles.

Item 7. New Business

a. Extension of Superintendent's contract.

P. Aubin said, because she came in at the half way mark, there will be no salary increase for her for the 2010-11 school year but that her contract should be extended for one year, bringing it to June 30, 2013.

Motion: That the Board extend the Superintendent's contract until June 30, 2013.

Proposed by: Deb Reed-Iler
Seconded by: Tom McNally
Vote: Carried unanimously

b. It is recommended that the Board chair appoint a Town Council member to serve on the teachers' negotiating committee.

D. Rowley appointed Town Council member and Board liaison Gary Murphy to serve on the teachers' negotiating committee. G. Murphy accepted.

Item 8. Hearing of delegates and citizens (non-agenda items only).

D. Rowley acknowledged Matt Dohna from Boy Scout Troop 93 who attended the meeting, as he is working on his Merit Badge for Citizenship in the Community.

Motion: That the Board goes into executive session at 6:44 p.m. to discuss item 6d, salary/benefits for unaffiliated staff.

Approved by: Steve Loiler
Seconded by: Bob Mitchell
Vote: Carried unanimously

Motion: That the Board comes out of executive session at 7:26 p.m.

Approved by: Tom McNally
Seconded by: Bob Mitchell
Vote: Carried unanimously

Motion: That the Board accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools for the salary and benefits for unaffiliated staff as presented in executive session.

Approved by: Tom McNally
Seconded by: Steve Loiler
Vote: Carried unanimously

Item 9. Adjournment.

Motion: That the meeting is adjourned.

Approved by: Deb Reed-Iler
Seconded by: Steve Loiler
Vote: Carried unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Pamela W. Aubin
Superintendent of Schools