



**MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
SUPERINTENDENT'S LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
February 13, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.**

Item 1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Chair Monica Pomazon called the meeting to order at **5:18 p.m.** All stood for the pledge. Committee members present were Sandra Berardy, Carol Burgess, Monica Pomazon. Also present were Student Representative Ashley Seldon, Superintendent Laurie Pallin and Assistant Superintendent Dianne Vumback.

Item 2. Budget Communication.

- We reviewed the recent communication which went out to the community regarding potential expenses to provide updated technology at Montville High School and Tyl Middle School. A survey went out to all high school and middle school parents, teachers, and students to gather feedback. Results will be reported to the Board as part of the budget presentation taking place February 25th.

- We discussed strategies for presenting the budget to ensure it is clear and easy to understand. In addition to a power point presentation and the traditional Budget Binder, we will provide anecdotal notes by object and will create a one page hand out summarizing the budget. Additionally, we will add links to online budget resources to digital backpacks and review the best ways to communicate needs for an additional Social Worker, Computers, a Teacher Leader at Tyl Middle school, and possible increases in Staffing for Transition Academy due to projected increase in enrollment.

Item 3. District goal-setting

This was not discussed

Item 4. Discussion of future agenda items

None were identified.

Item 5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:20 pm

Proposed by: Carol Burgess

Seconded by: Sandra berardy

Vote: Carried (vote -0)

Respectfully Submitted by,

Robert Mitchell