

**MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
Library Media Center  
July 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Board of Education Goal:  
To engage in a cycle of continuous improvement to ensure all students are educated with  
high standards and achieve at the highest levels of learning  
in the Montville Public Schools.**

**Item 1. Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance**

Board Chair Sandra Berardy called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

All stood and pledged the flag. Board members participating were: Monica Pomazon, Carol Burgess, and Bob Mitchell. Board Members Steven Loiler, James Wood, Sheelagh Lapinski, Joe Aquitante, and Dana Ladyga were absent.

Also present were Superintendent of Schools Laurie Pallin and Assistant Superintendent Dianne Vumback and Director of Special Education Paula LaChance.

**Item 2. Open discussion of CT's plan to reopen schools ("Adapt, Advance, Achieve") and development of Montville's Re-Opening Plan with Board members, representative parents and community members.**

PowerPoint Presentation from Superintendent Pallin focused on the State's Guiding Principles:

- *Safeguarding health and safety of students and staff.*
- *Allowing ALL students to return to school FULL TIME this fall.*
- *Monitoring conditions and being prepared to cancel classes.*
- *Emphasizing equity in access to and support for students.*
- *Fostering strong two-way communication.*
- *Meeting challenges to physical safety, social-emotional well-being, and mental health needs of students.*
- *Providing robust blending learning or remote learning for all students if schools need to cancel in-person classes.*
- *Allowing discretion to LEA's in implementation of full time reopening based upon findings of local teams.*

The Superintendent answered questions following the presentation which centered around the operation of the school day depending upon which educational model implemented (Full in-person, distance learning or a hybrid).

**Item 11. Adjournment**

Motion: To adjourn.

Moved by: Monica Pomazon

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Seconded by: Bob Mitchell  
Vote: Carried (4-0)

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sandra Berardy, Chair  
Montville Board of Education  
Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Monica Pomazon, Secretary  
Montville Board of Education