

**MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING OF THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE
MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
July 15, 2020 MINUTES**

Item 1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order Berardy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Superintendent's large Conference Room at Montville High School. Attending were Superintendent Pallin, Assistant Superintendent Vumbach, Director of Special Education Paula LaChance, and Business Manager Kathy Lamoureux. Board members present were Jim Wood, Bob Mitchell, and Carol Burgess. Town Council Finance Committee members present were Joe Jaskiewicz and Joe Rogulski.

Audience participation included Shannon Moreau and Tara Jones, both Montville parents.

Participating via phone were; Mayor McDaniel and Marc LaFrance.

Item 2. Review of 2020-2021 re-opening expenses to submit to the State of Connecticut.

Superintendent Pallin reviewed the COVID-Related New costs for 2020-2021 Assuming 12 weeks of additional expenses.

Expense	CEM	Mohegan	Oakdale	Tyl	MHS / Palmer	Weekly cost	12 week Cost
Masks / Face Shields	1 disposable mask / week for each student and staff member for 12 weeks; 1 face shield per staff member					NA	\$15,723
Licenses / software	Pear Deck \$8,000; H/M Math \$2,000; TC Reading \$2,100;					NA	\$12,100
Cleaning supplies	Significant increase, but undetermined at this time					??	??
Custodians	28 hours/day district-wide					\$2749	\$32,988
Food service workers	4 hours / day	4 hours / day	4 hours / day	none	none	\$1046	\$12,556
Bus Monitors	14 hours / day	10 hours / day	8 hours / day	none	none	\$2794	\$8,382*
Isolation Room Monitor	6 hours / day	6 hours / day	6 hours / day	6 hours / day	6 hours / day	\$2619	\$31,430
Lunch / Hall / Bathroom Monitors			3 hours / day	28 hours / day	28 hours / day	\$5151	\$61,811
Teachers / Substitutes	Unknown						???

Total						\$14,359	\$147,167
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*3 weeks only

Explanation of Calculations

Part time Custodian: hourly rate of \$18.24 (28 hours x 5 days x 12 weeks x \$18.24 x 1.0765* = \$32,988))

Monitor: Hourly rate \$16.22 (121 hours x 5 days x 12 weeks x \$16.22 x 1.0765* = \$126,766)

Part time food service: Hourly rate \$16.20 (12 hours x 5 days x 12 weeks x \$16.20 x 1.0765* = \$12,556)

* Medicare / FICA – 7.65%

Survey Results

Certified Staff: 33% said they met a criteria for some level of disability or other condition which might lead to an inability to return.

Noncertified Staff: 23% said they met a criteria for some level of disability or other condition which might lead to an inability to return.

*Students returning to school – 1310 responses to date; 76% will return to in-person school
Students taking the bus – 47% will take the bus.*

In addition to the above information Superintendent Pallin discussed unknown costs including; costs of staff out on leave (potentially paying them as well as substitutes), desks, storage for furniture removed from rooms, additional physical barriers, additional masks, gloves, PPE; isolation room furniture (cots), bus driver hours.

Joe J - Why are we not using a hybrid model? State guidance does not allow that as the plan for the start of school.

Joe R.- Why don't students clean? State guidance does not allow students to sanitize desks or materials.

Monica – Is it realistic to think you will be able to fill this many new positions? Probably not; one thing that might keep us from opening school for all students is the inability to staff the buildings.

Marc LaFrance – As a taxpayer, despite the costs, I wouldn't want money to be the deciding factor regarding whether schools open or not.

Item 3. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Sandra Berardy
Board Chair