

**APRIL 11, 2011**  
**JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL – COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER**  
**MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**MEETING MINUTES APPROVED MAY 9, 2011**

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Mr. Douglas Wilcox  
President, Board of Directors

Mr. Michael F. Ognosky  
Superintendent of Schools

**I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Montrose Area School District Board of Directors Work Session was called to order by Mr. Michael Ognosky, Superintendent of Schools at 7:31 PM in the Junior-Senior High School Community Learning Center, 75 Meteor Way, Montrose PA, 18801.

A. Roll Call Attendance – Ms. Diane Truman, Co-Board Secretary

**PRESENT:** Mrs. Kristen Follert, Mr. George Gow, Mrs. Mary Homan, Mrs. Gloria Smith, Mrs. Pamela Staats

**ABSENT:** Mr. Chris Caterson, Mrs. Kathleen Mordovancey, Mr. Douglas Wilcox, Mr. Karl Wimmer

**ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS:** Mr. Michael Ognosky, Mrs. Michelle Lusk, Dr. Donald Golden, Mr. James Tallarico, Mr. Greg Adams, Mr. Chris McComb, Mr. Rickie Clapper

**II. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

A. Administrators' Reports

1. Mr. Russ Canevari – submitted electronically
2. Miss Betsy O'Malley – submitted electronically
3. Mr. Craig Owens – submitted electronically
4. Mr. Rickie Clapper  
Mr. Clapper reported that final inspection of the new Administration Building will be held this week and that work on landscaping and the basement area will begin soon thereafter. In response to a question Mr. Ognosky and Mr. Clapper reported that the area that housed the former Administration Building will be landscaped and not paved as additional parking spaces.
5. Mr. Chris McComb  
Mr. McComb updated those in attendance on the wonderful turn-out for the Choconut Valley Elementary School Spring Fair as well as inviting all to attend the upcoming Science Fair, Open House and Arbor Day program at the school. Mr. McComb further reported on Kindergarten registration which will be the week of May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the upcoming National Archery Tournament which will be held in Louisville, Kentucky and the application for Title I Schoolwide status.
6. Mr. Greg Adams  
Mr. Adams reported to those in attendance on the recent PSSA district testing as well as the progress in reporting the results of the new School Wide Positive Behavior System in place at Lathrop Street Elementary School. Mr. Adams further reported on the Tier 2 mentoring program, Kindergarten registration at Lathrop Street the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>, and invited all to attend an Open House at Lathrop Street in May.
7. Mr. Jim Tallarico  
Mr. Tallarico reported that PSSA testing had gone very smoothly and updated those in attendance on upcoming events at the Junior-Senior High School including the Senior Prom, District Chorus and FBLA events which will both be highlighted at the May Board meeting, the stage production of *Twelfth Night* which will be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the High School and reported that the spring sport schedule has been delayed somewhat due to weather conditions. In response to a question Mr. Tallarico stated that all AP students are preparing for and will be taking the AP Exams.
8. Mrs. Michelle Lusk  
Mrs. Lusk reported to those in attendance on the Federal Programs conference she attended last week and Mr. Ognosky thanked Mrs. Lusk for handling the recently increased Business Office workload.

**II. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS - continued**

9. Dr. Donald Golden  
Dr. Golden gave background on the proposed Keystone Exams which if approved will be required testing for graduation purposes as well as updating those in attendance on the Reading Apprenticeship Grant which will be utilized for teacher training.

In response to questions from those attending this evening's meeting Mr. Ognosky reported on district retirements and resignations of faculty and staff effective for the start of the 2011-2012 school year as well as possible changes in the Junior-Senior High School schedule. Mr. Ognosky also shared a letter of response from State Representative Sandra J. Major regarding school choice.

**III. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Update on Administration Building  
*Covered under Administrative Reports*

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. Items from members of Board of Directors - None

**VI. COMMITTEES**

- A. Schedule meetings – Following a discussion by the members of the Board a Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for April 18, 2011 and dates are to be determined for Transportation, Technology and Building & Grounds committees in the near future.

**VII. VISITORS' COMMENTS - Questions answered during Administrative Reports**

(Visitors must speak directly into the public microphone for accurate transcription of minutes. Even if the person speaks loud enough to be heard by meeting attendees, they cannot be heard on the tape transcription unless they speak directly into the microphone.)

- VIII. ADJOURNMENT**—A motion was made by Mr. Gow, seconded by Mrs. Homan to adjourn this meeting at 8:16 PM.  
Mrs. Follert, Yes; Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes

**YES – 5                      NO – 0                      ABSTAIN – 0**

A CLEAR Session on Personnel followed the adjournment of this meeting.

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Michael Ognosky, Superintendent of Schools