

**NOVEMBER 9, 2009**  
**JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL – CAFETERIA**

**MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK SESSION MINUTES**

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVED DECEMBER 7, 2009**

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Mr. Chris Caterson  
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. Chris Caterson, Board President at 7:50 PM in the Junior-Senior High School cafeteria, 50 High School Road, Montrose PA, 18801.

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

**PRESENT:** Mr. Christopher Caterson, Mr. George Gow, Mrs. Mary Homan, Ms. Julie Humphrey, Mrs. Kathleen Mordovancey, Mrs. Gloria Smith, Mrs. Pamela Staats, Mr. Karl Wimmer

**ABSENT:** Mr. Douglas Wilcox

**ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS:** Mr. Michael Ognosky, Mrs. Michelle Lusk, Mr. Jim Tallarico, Mr. Russ Canevari, Mr. Greg Adams, Mr. Chris McComb, Dr. Don Golden, Mr. Craig Owens, Mr. Rickie Clapper

**II. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

A. Administrators' Reports

1. Elizabeth O'Malley – Electronically sent to members of the Board
2. Mr. McComb reported that Choconut Valley elementary student Cullen Duke will be honored at the December Board meeting for his accomplishments in a recent scholastic competition as well as updating those in attendance on the successful Halloween festivities and a new Veteran's Day Wall of Honor tradition that was initiated this year at Choconut Valley Elementary.
3. Mr. Adams reported to those in attendance on the successful Veteran's Day program held at Lathrop Street Elementary, the annual Halloween parade and new archery program as well as reporting that fund raising projects will be limited this school year.
4. Dr. Golden reported on various projects that the students of the district's gifted program have participated in on both the elementary and junior-senior high school level.
5. Mr. Clapper reported to those in attendance on various district projects including the entry doors at Choconut Valley Elementary and discussed the possibility of installing motion sensitive lights in selected areas of the district.
6. Mr. Owens presented a summary of the district's Technology Integration Coach's accomplishments since the start of the new school year for those in attendance.
7. Mr. Tallarico reported on the accomplishments of the district's girls soccer team, the scholastic team as well as various student council undertakings including the Breast Cancer Awareness project which raised \$5800.00 for the cause.
8. Mr. Canevari reported on the distribution of report cards, evening and full day teacher/parent conferences as well as the Junior High School recognition lunches.
9. Mrs. Lusk submitted the district's annual financial report for the Board's review as well as reporting that a Safety Committee will be formed and they hope to hold approximately six meetings before July, 2010.
10. Mr. Ognosky reported that the district Junior-Senior High School has been selected as one of the H1N1 immunization centers for Susquehanna County and will receive 1000 vaccines for inoculation of our student population as well as being a community distributor. Mr. Ognosky stated that he has not received a date as yet for shipment of the vaccine.

**III. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. PSERS – Mrs. Michelle Lusk  
Mrs. Lusk distributed the PSERS summary report reflecting the changes which will affect the district's contribution rate and a discussion followed.
- B. Copier Recommendation – Mr. Craig Owens and Mrs. Michelle Lusk  
Mrs. Lusk and Mr. Owens reviewed the process in determining their recommendation for selecting a company to handle the district's copier upgrade project and answered questions from members of the Board.
- C. National School Board Conference in Chicago, April 9 – 12, 2010  
Mr. Caterson stated that he would like to have the names of the Board members that will be attending this conference by Friday, November 13, 2009.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. Items from members of Board of Directors  
A discussion was held regarding making the Junior-Senior High School stadium more handicap accessible following a question by a member of the Board.

**VI. COMMITTEES**

- A. Schedule Board Committee meetings  
An Extra Curricular as well as a Technology Committee meeting were scheduled to be held on Monday, November 16, 2009.

**VII. VISITORS' COMMENTS - None**

(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** – This meeting adjourned by acclamation at 9:00 PM. A CLEAR Session on Personnel followed the adjournment.

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Michael Ognosky, Superintendent of Schools