

**MARCH 10, 2008, 7:00 PM  
CHOCONUT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVED APRIL 14, 2008**

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Mr. Chris Caterson  
President, Board of Directors

Mr. Michael F. Ognosky  
Superintendent of Schools

The Montrose Area School District Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Mr. George Gow at 7:04 PM in the Choconut Valley Elementary School faculty room, RR 1 Box 1730, Friendsville, PA, 18818.

**I. OPENING EXERCISES** - Led by Mrs. Mary Homan, Board Member

**II. ROLL CALL** – Mr. Lewis Plauny, Board Secretary

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

**ABSENT:** Mr. Christopher Caterson

**ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS:** Mr. Michael Ognosky, Mr. Lewis Plauny, Mr. James Tallarico, Mr. Chris McComb, Mr. Craig Owens, Mr. Rickie Clapper

**III. GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING**

**IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR VISITORS TO ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS** - None

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**V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. Items from members of Board of Directors - None

**VI. AGENDA ITEMS**

A. **MINUTES** – Mr. George Gow, Board Vice President

134. Prior to this item Mr. Ognosky updated the members of the Board on the topics discussed at the Student Council/School Board Forum. A motion was made by Mrs. Mordovancey, seconded by Mr. Wimmer to approve the following minutes as submitted:

- a. February 11, 2008 Board Meeting
- b. February 11, 2008 Work Session
- c. February 28, 2008 Curriculum Committee Meeting
- d. March 6, 2008 Community Advisory Committee Meeting
- e. March 8, 2008 Student/Board Forum

Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes

**YES – 8      NO – 0      ABSTAIN – 0**

B. **FINANCE** – Mrs. Kathleen Mordovancey, Board Member

135. Mr. Ognosky and Mr. Plauny reviewed the bills in response to Board member's questions. A motion was made by Ms. Humphrey, seconded by Mr. Wimmer to approve a list of bills to be paid as submitted.

Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes

**YES – 8      NO – 0      ABSTAIN – 0**

**VI. AGENDA ITEMS – Finance continued**

136. A motion was made by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Mr. Wimmer to approve Treasurer's Reports as submitted for January 2008.  
Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes  
**YES – 8 NO – 0 ABSTAIN – 0**
137. After the register was reviewed for those in attendance, a motion was made by Ms. Humphrey, seconded by Mr. Wimmer to approve the 30 Fund Check Register as submitted.  
Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes  
**YES – 8 NO – 0 ABSTAIN – 0**
138. A motion was made by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Mrs. Staats to approve the 2008-2009 Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19 general operating budget in the amount of \$3,270,224.00. (Estimated share to Montrose is \$25,462.05.)  
Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes  
**YES – 8 NO – 0 ABSTAIN – 0**

C. **LEGISLATIVE** – Mr. Chris Caterson, Chairperson

D. **TRANSPORTATION** – Mr. Douglas Wilcox, Chairperson

E. **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS / SAFETY** – Mr. George Gow, Chairperson

F. **CURRICULUM** – Mrs. Pamela Staats, Chairperson

139. Prior to the vote Mr. Ognosky reviewed the district's objections to the state's proposed graduate competency requirements. A motion was made by Ms. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Homan to approve a Resolution as submitted opposing the State Board of Education's proposed high school graduation competency assessments.  
Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes  
**YES – 8 NO – 0 ABSTAIN – 0**

G. **EXTRA CURRICULAR** – Mrs. Kathy Mordovancey, Chairperson

H. **POLICIES** – Mrs. Gloria Smith, Chairperson

I. **PERSONNEL** – Ms. Julie Humphrey, Chairperson

J. **PROFESSIONAL** – Mrs. Mary Homan, Chairperson

140. Mr. Ognosky reviewed the posting procedure that will be implemented to fill this position. A motion was made by Ms. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Mordovancey to accept with regret the resignation of Kathleen Maier as long-term substitute science teacher at the Junior-Senior High School effective March 14, 2008.  
Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes  
**YES – 8 NO – 0 ABSTAIN – 0**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS - None**

**VIII. SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS** – Mr. Gow reviewed the following upcoming meetings:

- A. Monday, March 10, 2008, immediately following Board meeting – Work session, Choconut Valley Elementary School faculty room
- B. Tuesday, March 18, 2008, 7:00 PM – Health Advisory Council meeting, Junior-Senior High School cafeteria
- C. Monday, April 14, 2008, 7:00 PM – Board meeting, Junior-Senior High School cafeteria
- D. Monday, April 14, 2008, immediately following Board meeting – Work session, Junior-Senior High School cafeteria

Following a discussion by the members of the Board an Extra Curricular Committee meeting was scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup> and a Community Advisory Committee meeting was scheduled for March 27, 2008.

**IX. OPPORTUNITY FOR VISITORS' ADDITIONAL COMMENTS** - None

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**X. ADJOURNMENT** – A motion was made by Mr. Wimmer, seconded by Mr. Wilcox to adjourn this meeting at 7:20 PM.

Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes; Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes;  
Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Mr. Wimmer, Yes

**YES – 8      NO – 0      ABSTAIN – 0**

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Lewis Plauny, Board Secretary