NOVEMBER 8, 2021, 7:00 P.M. JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM & VIDEO CONFERENCE HYBRID MEETING

MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WORK SESSION AGENDA

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Mrs. Mary Homan Board of Directors President Mr. Christopher McComb Superintendent of Schools

- I. OPENING EXERCISES Led by a Board Member
- II. ROLL CALL Mrs. Connie Birchard, Board Secretary
- III. PRESENTATIONS None
- IV. ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS ALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED
 - A. Sean Castellani
 - B. Craig Owens
 - C. Terrence Whalen
 - D. JoAnne McCain
 - E. Thomas Lonzinski
 - F. Gregory Adams
 - G. Christine Kresge
 - H. Michelle Lusk
 - I. Patrick Matthews
 - J. Eric Powers

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Budget Timeline 2022-2023 Mrs. Lusk
- B. Football / Baseball Discussion Mr. Gilhool
- C. Items from members of Board of Directors
- VI. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS
- VII. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - A. Items from members of Board of Directors
- VIII. COMMITTEES
 - A. Schedule meetings
- IX. VISITORS' COMMENTS
- X. ADJOURNMENT

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ADMINISTRATOR- Christine Kresge, Director of Curriculum, and Instruction

BOARD MEETING DATE: Monday, November 8, 2021

Curriculum/Professional Development Planning/Programming

- Federal Program's end-of-year reporting is open for the 2020-2021 school year. I am in the process of reviewing the data and completing the process as required.
- PDE is sponsoring a 5-part training on text dependent analysis (TDA) for district leaders. Mr. McComb, Mr. Castellani, Tracie McComb, and I are attending these meetings to learn more about what students need to know and do to be successful in demonstrating their understanding of the reading standards through the writing process. We will use the information from this training to develop PD for teachers in our district.
- Students in grades K-6 are currently in the process of taking the Aimsweb assessment in math and/or reading, as appropriate. We will use this data to make instructional decisions.
- Our new interventionists at the high school and Lathrop Street are off and running! They are working hard to provide extra support for our students in math. Our interventionist at Choconut will start on November 15.
- Guidance counselors have started the process of selecting students for the after-school tutoring program.
- The elementary report card committee has started the process of meeting and updating our report cards. This process should be complete by the end of the year and will be rolled out in the 22-23 school year.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

	ADMINISTRATOR
	BUILDING
	BOARD MEETING DATE
I.	RECOGNITION:
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II.	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:
III.	ANNOUNCEMENTS:
IV.	CURRENT PROJECT STATUS:
V.	OTHER:

Signature: Date:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

ADMINISTRATOR: Eric Powers

BUILDING: High School

DATE SUBMITTED: November 5, 2021

BOARD MEETING DATE: November 8, 2021

I. <u>RECOGNITION:</u>

- Congratulations to our League and District Champion Boys AND Girls Cross Country teams. While both teams have had their share of success, to have them earn top honors in the same year is particularly impressive! Sophomore Nate Sinkovich was our top finisher with a 2nd place finish and Junior Page Brewer finished 7th in her race. Both teams are competing at the state championship meet in Hershey on Saturday November 6.
- Congratulations to our Girls Soccer Team for advancing to the District Finals. They finished in 2nd place in the division and are the #2 seed in the District 2 class "A" tournament. In a rematch from last year's final, our Lady Meteors travel to Lakeland for a 1:00 pm game where they will work to defend their 2020 District 2 title.
- I took four 8th graders to the annual Young Scholars scholastic competition at Scranton Prep on Saturday October 30. While the team of Reagan Welch, Rachael Sherwood, Kaden Andre and Max Stashko didn't advance to the semifinal round, they represented the school well and had a good experience!
- Thanks to Mrs. Sarah Brander and the Student Council for coordinating a fun Homecoming week and dance! Participation was great and our 7th graders earned bragging rights (and a pizza party) for earning the most Spirit Points over the course of the week!

II. IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:

- We are fortunate, thanks in large part to funding from our County Commissioners to be able to host motivational speaker Brooks Harper on Wednesday November 10. He will stay for two assemblies and his theme is "Chill Out" with an emphasis on coping skills.
- We have parent conferences scheduled for Thursday and Friday, November 11 and 12. This year we will utilize a blend of in-person drop-in conferences and phone or Zoom conferences to best accommodate for parents' schedules
- The first date for winter sports practices are Friday November 19. Basketball Open Gyms are already running, and Wrestling Open Mats start the week of November 8.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Q1 report cards were distributed on Friday November 5.
- The Jr/Sr High School's new CSBBH team has added Mobile Therapist Christine Komar and we are excited to have her start the week of November 8 as she coordinates her required training schedule.

IV. CURRENT PROJECT STATUS:

• With the help of Mr. Landon Morey, our College and Career Coach, I am looking at Keystone Test data for our current juniors and establishing a plan of action to identify the 'pathway' that each Junior will follow to meet Act 158 graduation guidelines. As a reminder, in addition to earning Proficient or Advanced on all three Keystone Exams, students can earn a minimum composite (combined) score, complete CTC benchmarks, perform on other exams, provide evidence of college acceptance or full-time employment, etc. to meet this graduation requirement. Mr. Morey will assist students in identifying their path, particularly when they have not taken or passed all Keystone Exams.

V. OTHER:

Signature: Eric C. Powers Date: November 5, 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

ADMINISTRATOR Greg Adams

BUILDING Special Education

BOARD MEETING DATE November 2021

<u>I. ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u>

- A. I submitted a special education improvement plan this week to the state. The two areas of focus where on number of students identified and least restrictive environment. These are areas already identified by the district as needing improvement and I have been working with Mr. McComb since last year to implement some strategies to meet our goals.
- B. We will be placing an emphasis on professional development over the next 3 years. We began the process this year in IEP training and will also have an inclusive practice training this year as well. I am happy to report that 8 of our teachers have volunteered to be trained in giving behavior assessments which will allow us to be much more efficient in assessing student needs.
- C. I am continuing to work on information for the special education department that will eventually be put on the website. This information will hopefully promote our program with an easy to navigate website that provides clear information about what we do.
 - D. Finally, I want to thank all of the special education staff including teachers and paraeducators. Having worked with them for the past year and a half I have appreciated all their hard work, day in day out. They not only teach but they advocate for our students daily and work tirelessly to ensure the best education possible is provided.

Signature: Greg Adams Date November 5th

Administrator: JoAnne McCain

Department: Transportation

Board Meeting Date: November 8, 2021

- I. <u>Recognition</u>: I'd like to thank all our drivers and contractors for a continued smooth-running year.
- II. <u>Important Dates and Events</u>:
- III. <u>Announcements</u>:

IV. Current Project Status:

Focus and Traversa are continuing to be updated with transportation data.

Working with the PA State Police to set up a training for proper installation and use of car seats and harnesses in school vans.

V. Other:

The Student Activity accounting has been converted from QuickBooks to the District's FIS System.

Signature: JoAnne McCain Date: 11/3/21

ADMINISTRATOR – Michelle Lusk BUILDING – Administration BOARD MEETING DATE – 11/8/2021

I. IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

October 18-22nd, 2021 – I attended the Food Service annual training and conference required by USDA for my certification.

October 26, 2021 – I attended the required Federal Programs Fall Meeting via zoom

October 27, 2021 – I attended the IDEA Fiscal Required Training via zoom

November 1, 2021 - Federal Programs Comparability Submitted

November 8, 2021 - Food Service "Safe Food" required training via zoom (every 5 years)

November 17, 2021 - Food Service Administrative Review @ High School

November 30, 2021 - Deadline for Annual Financial Report submit to PDE

I continue to work on items for the audit and year end reporting.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Food Service Administrative review is scheduled for November 17th @ 7:45am in the High School. I am working with Codie and Melissa from TNG to make sure everything is in proper order.

Local Audit preparations are coming along. Paul Murphy will be on site again next week. He hopes to have draft numbers for us then.

Bond Update: The administrative team continues to work on wrapping up the final bond projects. There is a balance of \$48,098 as of 11/5/2021. Please see the Bond Projects Summary as submitted.

The final report for the Food Service site review that was completed in August for the Lathrop location has been received. No findings! Great job to all! Thank you!

Also, this month, Robyn Walter & I will be conducting open enrollment meetings at each building for the 2022 insurance year.

Business Manager

Michelle Gusk

Montrose Area School District

Administrator: Patrick Matthews

Building: Lathrop Street Elementary School

Board Meeting Date: November 8, 2021

I. Recognition

Kiwanis students of the month: Declan Matthews and Evan Jerauld

Congratulations to our first ever Mighty Meteors of the month! These students are being recognized for meeting and going above and beyond our schoolwide expectations:

Kindergarten: Chase Gregory, Dominic Acker, Soraya Goff

1st grade: Julia Jerauld, Grant Welsh, Thomas Zahora

2nd grade: Aurelia Kail, Emily Goff, Emmalee James

3rd grade: Silas Mooney, Riley Arndt, Shelby Tingley, William Harshaw

4th grade: Presleigh Brace, Isabella Amato, Ashlynn Sprouse

5th grade: Daniel Kadlecik, Lucas Mooney, Ava Booth

6th grade: Julianna Kelly, Gracie Jones, Preston Miller

II. Important Dates and Events

PTO Meeting- Wednesday, November 10th at 7:00 in the library

Children's Food Market- Thursday, November 18th from 3:30-5:30

Parent-Teacher Conferences- Thursday, November 11th from 4:00-6:00 and Friday,

November 12th from 8:00-3:00 **Early Dismissal**: November 24th

No School for Students: November 12th, November 25th-29th

III. Announcements

IV. Current project status

This month's Mighty Meteors were extremely proud and pleased to hear their names announced during our PBIS assembly. They each received a Mighty Meteor certificate and a gift certificate for a free sub! Thanks to Wade Robinson for the donation of Pump and Pantry gift certificates. We will also be having our quarterly PBIS reward celebration coming up shortly.

Archery is officially underway for Thursday and Friday practices here at Lathrop Street. The kids are all excited and I'm looking forward to watching them in action!

Parent teacher conferences will be on Thursday, November 11th from 4-6 and on Friday, November 12th from 8-3. Parents will schedule through sign-up genius and have the option for an in-person, phone or zoom conference.

A huge thank you to Jay Brown, Heather Evans and Andre and Son's for the donation of the Educational Heroes safety kit. This donation provided us with extra hand sanitizer, soap and other safety items for our school.

Lastly, I'd like to thank the Lathrop Street PTO. For the first time in over a year, we were able to bring back the school store to Lathrop Street. This year was a little different, as we are not using meteor money in the school. Each student was able to select and bring home two items just for being a Lathrop Street student! They have earned it.

V. Other

Signature: Patrick Matthews Date: 11/3/21

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

ADMINISTRATOR Sean Castellani, Principal - Choconut Valley Elementary School

BOARD MEETING DATE November 8th, 2021

I. <u>RECOGNITION:</u>

Congratulations to our Students of the Month for September of 2021. Students were selected based on the district wide elementary positive behavior expectations of Being Safe, Responsible and Respectful:

Kindergarten: Seth Overmiller

1st Grade: Blake Shilinski

2nd Grade: Elizabeth Ferguson

3rd Grade: Jaeda Ralston 4th Grade: Owen Petrick 5th Grade: Willow Williams 6th Grade: Ava Rebello

These students will receive a small luncheon on a Friday during the month of November. Thank you to the teachers for their submissions to recognize these seven well deserving students.

Thank you to Jay Brown, Heather Evans and the team at Andre & Son, Home & Farm Supplies. Their participation in the Educational Heroes Safety Campaign created an opportunity for a generous donation of cleaning, disinfecting and health and safety supplies to our elementary schools to keep our students and staff healthy and safe.

Thank you to Wade Robinson and the Pump and Pantry for their annual donation of Students of the Month certificates and our new "Mighty Meteor" positive behavior certificates.

II. <u>IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:</u>

Free Children's Produce Market at Choconut Valley Elementary School – Tuesday, November 16th from 3:30PM to 5:30PM – Pre-Registration is required.

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be in a hybrid format offering parents the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher through a virtual, in-person or telephone conference. Conferences will be held on Thursday, November 11th, from 4:00PM until 6:00PM and on Friday, November 12th, from 8:00AM until 3:00PM. Parents can sign-up for their appointment using the signupgenius application which is found on the MASD home page, masd.com.

Scholastic Book Fair – will take place at Choconut Valley Elementary School beginning Wednesday, November 10th through Friday, November 12th.

The end of the marking period for the first trimester for students in grades K through 3^{rd} will be on Monday, November 22^{nd} .

The Santa Shop will take place for students on Wednesday, December 8th and Thursday, December 9th allowing students the opportunity to purchase items for the Christmas holiday.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

IV. <u>CURRENT PROJECT STATUS:</u>

V. <u>OTHER:</u>

Our 6th grade Morning Show team organized by Mrs. Sue Burchill has been hard at work producing fun and informative video clips for the students at Choconut after a one-year hiatus. Their upcoming theme for their next project will focus heavily on Veterans Day. As our school website is currently in the process of being updated, there will be an opportunity to view aspects of the Morning Show and many other examples of students produced works.

As the first marking period has ended, our students who have met the criteria by doing an excellent job exemplifying the motto of Being Safe, Respectful and Responsible will have the opportunity to part in an ice cream social for their efforts. Mr. Matthews and I are pleased to be able to celebrate the good behaviors demonstrated by our students at both elementary schools.

Signature: Sean Castellani Date: November 5th, 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

ADMINISTRATOR: Terrence Whalen

BUILDING: Jr/Sr High School

DATE SUBMITTED: 11/5/21

BOARD MEETING DATE: 11/8/21

I. <u>RECOGNITION:</u>

October Students of the Month

12th grade – Alexis Hawley

11th – Stephanie Summerville

10th – Sarah Kincer

9th – Isabella Gulbin

8th -William Field

7th – Sadie Jones

II. <u>IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:</u>

11/5/21- Report Cards distributed

11/6/21 - Girls Soccer District Championship @ Lakeland HS

11/10/21- Motivational speaker for the Jr/ Sr High School

11/11/21 – Back to school night at the Jr/Sr High School 6:00-8:00 P.M.

11/12/21- Parent Teacher Conferences – 8:00 – 3:00 No School for students

III. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u>

The boys and girls cross country team who were both winners of the District 2 class A championships qualified for the State Cross Country meet. On 11/5/21, the school recognized the students by having a parade around the school as they departed for Hershey.

IV. CURRENT PROJECT STATUS:

Our "Handle with Care" training was held during our 10/8/21 professional development. In all, 25 staff members from all three schools were fully trained and certified in our de-escalation/restraint training for one full year from the date of the training.

V. OTHER

Signature: Jerrence Whalen Date: 11/5/21

ADMINISTRATOR – Tom Lonzinski BUILDING - All BOARD MEETING DATE - November 8, 2021

Facilities Report

Roofing Project status update – Punchlist work from final inspections has not yet been completed – Penelec has finally responded to the roofers request to install protective line covers and due to liability concerns, Penelec will not be installing line covers. No additional updates since last months status update. Choconut Elementary – The Roofing Project has been completed at Choconut Elementary. Tremco has been onsite conducting a job completion inspection and USA General Roofing will be required to correct any deficiencies. Lathrop Street Elementary – Roofing Refurbish is now completed as well as the installation of new gutters and the new metal wall panels. USA General still has to complete the repairs to the chimney to finalize the project at Lathrop Street.

This past month we did not have many large projects that required the facilities staffing time so the focus was put into preparing for the upcoming winter season. Our salt storage building was in need of several repairs and our maintenance and outdoor custodians were able to rebuild the walls and ready the building for use. Now that we have the storage area repairs completed we have placed our order for this year's road salt delivery. The maintenance staff have also been busy upgrading and servicing snowplowing equipment.

I would like to thank the Custodial Crew for their extra dedication this past month. Our department has experienced a temporary staffing shortage and the crew stepped up and worked extra hours where ever they were needed to keep the facilities cleaned and disinfected.

Tom Lonzinski