`TMCS Board Minutes August 28, 2018

The August 28, 2018, 7:00pm meeting held at The Mountain Community School was called to order at 7:20 by Ann Lentini.

Attending board members were Ann Lentini, Rick Prudhomme, Erin Hill, Emily Cowan, and Jeannette Butterworth.

Attending staff member was Denise Pesce.

The meeting agenda was approved; motion made by Jeannette seconded by Rick. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

The July 24, 2018 meeting minutes were approved; motion made by Erin seconded by Jeannette. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Principal Report: Denise

The July 2018 financial report was presented and approved; motion made by Erin, seconded by Rick. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

The board discussed ADM for the school year. Denise believes the final ADM will be 199. The current budget is designed with an ADM of 196. This equates to an additional \$16,000 of State funds.

Denise outlined the changes required by the State to the Beginning Teacher Support Plan and presented the revised plan to the board. The revised BTSP was approved; motion made by Rick, seconded by Jeannette. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Denise discussed school security. It has been confirmed that the county will provide a school resource officer for TMCS. We are still looking to add the security film to all windows in our building. We have applied for some State funding to help offset the cost of the security film. We will also be participating in a county sponsored panic button app. All teachers will have the app installed on their cell phones. This will allow them to contact the authorities immediately in an emergency situation.

School Expansion:

The board listened to a presentation regarding the Feasibility Study conducted by Amanda Habich, from Thomas, Judy & Tucker, PA. The study indicated that TMCS is a sound financial candidate to pursue a loan for expansion through the USDA Rural Development. Denise will be following up with Pam Hysong, from the USDA to complete our loan application.

Denise discussed the need for a property survey for the expansion and playground project. We have asked Jamin Kilpatrick, from Kilpatrick Land Surveying to complete the survey within a three week period.

Board Nominations:

The board discussed the seven individuals that have been nominated as prospective board members. Each nomine has been sent a board application to complete and return by September 5, 2018. All nominees are invited to attend a meet and greet on September 11th at 8:00am to meet and converse with current board members. Denise will email all board member applications once received to current board members.

At 8:45 pm the board moved into closed session to discuss personnel issues. The board came out of closed session at 9:00pm.

With no further business, public comments, or board member observations, a motion to adjourn was made by Rick, seconded by Erin. All were in favor; none opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lentini TMCS Vice Chairman