

# BOARDROOM

Highlights of Monthly Meeting of the Board of Education

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## **Superintendent's Report...**

Steven Kovacs, Board Member, was honored for his 21 years of service on the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Eduction.

Thank you to our staff and Board of Education for a great first half of the school year. Best wishes to everyone for a happy, healthy and safe holiday season!

#### Enrollments as of December 1, 2023

|           | Morris Hills | Morris Knolls | Total |
|-----------|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Grade 9   | 253          | 389           | 642   |
| Grade 10  | 320          | 338           | 658   |
| Grade 11  | 299          | 343           | 642   |
| Grade 12  | 289          | 349           | 638   |
| SE Self-  |              |               |       |
| Contained | _            | 49            | 49    |
| AMSE      | 179          | _             | 179   |
| APA       | _            | 143           | 143   |
| Adult HS  | _            | 194           | 194   |
| TOTAL     | 1340         | 1805          | 3145  |
|           |              |               |       |

Nicholas J. Norcia Superintendent

## \*\*Board Highlights\*\*

☑ Authorized a donation of up to 2 Mimaki UJF-6042 MkII e Tabletop UV-LED Flatbed printers, with an approximate value of \$36,377 each, from American Image Signs to the Morris Hills Regional District.

☑ Authorized a change to the resignation for the purpose of retirement date for the following personnel:

#068588, Teacher of Physical Education, MK, From 1/2/24 To: 12/31/23

☑ Authorized the resignation of the following personnel:

Penkalski, Kaitlyn, Assistant Junior Class Advisor, MH, 12/31/23

Evans, Emma, Asst. Girls Spring Track & Field Coach, MK, 12/19/2023

☑ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year a change to the following coaching position:

From: Assistant Girls Wrestling Coach To: Head Girls Wrestling Coach, Dist., 12/1/23

☑Authorized for the 2023-2024 and/or 2024-2025 school years the following leaves of absence:

Rodriguez, Maria, Secretary, MH, 2/19/24-3/4/24

Oliva, Ana, Teacher of Spanish, MK, 4/22/24, FMLA 5/6/24, then NJFLA 6/10/24-11/11/24

✓ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the change of assignment for the following staff member, to replace a staff member on leave:

Nienstadt, Jennifer, From: Teacher of Health/ Driver's Ed. To: Gifted & Talented Coordinator, MK, 1/16/24 - 6/30/24

☑Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointment of staff and payment of stipend for the following 1/6 positions:

Bauer, Sara, Gifted & Talented Coordinator, MK

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12/7/23 - 1/12/24

Bollette, Brian, Teacher of Social Studies, MH, 1/2/24 - 1/29/24

Hornby, Tracy, Teacher of Social Studies, MH, 1/2/24 - 1/29/24

Avagliano, Joseph, Teacher of Social Studies, MH, 1/2/24 - 1/29/24

Bacilo, Holly, Teacher of Social Studies, MH, 1/2/24 - 1/29/24

Sherburne, Lauren, Teacher of Social Studies, MH, 1/2/24 - 1/29/24

Baggot, Jennifer, Teacher of Phys. Ed., MK, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Pisciotto, James, Teacher of Phys. Ed., MK, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Reilly, Terrence, Teacher of Phys. Ed., MK, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Heinemann, Keith, Teacher of Phys. Ed., MK, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Grilo,, Amy, Teacher of Phys. Ed., MK, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Zdanowicz, Stefan, Teacher of Phys. Ed., MK, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Doltz, Tiffany, Teacher of Science, MH, 1/17/24 - 2/6/24

Nagy, Kaitlyn, Teacher of Science, MH, 1/17/24 - 2/6/24

Robinson, Sean, Teacher of Science, MH, 1/17/24 - 2/6/24

Ghetti, Marcia, Teacher of Science, MH, 1/17/24 - 2/6/24

Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following non-certified positions, subject to receipt of required documentation:

Rush, Connor, Assistant Ice Hockey Coach, MK, 12/1/23 - 3/15/24

Pascale, Brian, Assistant Baseball Coach, MH, 3/16/24 - 6/30/24

Bacilo, Holly, Assistant Girls Lacrosse Coach, MH, 3/16/24 - 6/30/24

Ingling, Jamie, Assistant Softball Coach, MH, 3/16/24 - 6/30/24

Dalton, Maria, Junior Class Assistant, MH, 1/2/24 - 6/30/24

Wanamaker, Bryant, From: Assistant Girls Wrestling Coach To: Head Girls Wrestling Coach, Dist., 12/1/23 - 3/15/24

☑ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointments of staff and payment of fees for MHRD Ten Workshops and/or Summer Staff Development Workshops

☑ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointment of the following Substitute employees:

Connelly, Christine, Substitute Teacher, 12/19/23 - 6/30/24, County Certificate

Belmonte, Katherine, Substitute Teacher, 12/19/23 - 6/30/24, County Certificate

☑ Authorized for the Summer of 2023, the additional appointment of staff and rate of pay for the following:

Auer, Kmberly, Nurse for Summer Physicals, MH, 7/7/23, 8/7/23 & 8/21/23, 3 days total, Per diem rate

✓ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year a correction to the appointment of staff and payment of stipend for the following Course of Study:

Zirkel, Jennifer, ESL Newcomer

Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointment of staff and rate of pay for the following positions:

Markowski, Kristen, APA Vocal Perf. Recital Accompanist, MK, 1/18/24 & 5/3/24, 5 hours/day for 2 days

Harkins, Danielle, Homebound Tutor, Dist., 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Russo, Cara, Homebound Tutor, Dist., 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Bacilo, Holly, Homebound Tutor, Dist., 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Hansen, Rebecca, Translation Services, MK, 10/17/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Maione, Robert, Before/After School Activities, MK 1/2/24 - 6/30/24, As needed

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Maione, Robert, Sub. Transportation Aide, Dist., 1/2/24 - 6/30/24, As needed

Bohmer, Jennifer, Before/After School Activities, MH, 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Giacobbe, Frank, Before/After School Activities, MK, 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Hagenbush, Jean, Before/After School Activities, MH, 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Rush, Connor, Before/After School Activities, MK, 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Smedberg, Arthur, Before/After School Activities, MK, 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Williams, Michael, Before/After School Activities, MH, 9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

Young, Connie, Before/After School Activities, MH,

9/1/23 - 6/30/24, As needed

☑ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointment of a volunteer coach and advisor as follows:

Huber, Emily, Volunteer Fencing Coach, Morris Knolls

☑ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding-Leave Coverage and Additional Caseload Compensation, December 18, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

☑ Authorized for the 2023-2024 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following certified position, subject to appropriate New Jersey Department of Education certification and required documentation:

Gallagher, Bryan, Teacher of Physical Education/ Health, MK, 2/16/24 - 6/30/24

Authorized for the 2024-2025 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following non-certified position, subject to receipt of required documentation:

Gallagher, Bryan, Head Football Coach, MK, 9/1/24 - 11/30/24

☑ Authorized for the first reading the following Policies and Regulations:

Policy 3212 Teaching Staff: Attendance

Revised

Policy 4212 Support Staff: Attendance, Revised

Regulation 3212 Teaching Staff: Attendance,

New

Regulation 4212 Support Staff: Attendance, New

☑Authorized for the second reading the following Policy:

Policy 8500 Food Services, Revised