New Milford Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes June 7, 2022

Present:	Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach Mr. Eric Hansell Mr. Pete Helmus Mr. Brian McCauley Mrs. Tammy McInerney Mr. Tom O'Brien Mrs. Olga I. Rella Mrs. Leslie Sarich	202 JUN - 9. P
Absent:	Mr. Keith A. Swanhall Jr.	

Also Present:	Ms. Alisha DiCorpo, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Holly Hollander, Assistant Superintendent Ms. Rebecca Adams, Human Resources Director Mrs. Laura Olson, Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services Mr. Anthony Giovannone, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations Mr. Matthew Cunningham, Facilities Director Mr. Jeffrey Turner, Technology Director Mrs. Anne Bilko, Sarah Noble Intermediate School Principal Mrs. Gwen Gallagher, Northville Elementary School Principal Mr. Raymond Manka, New Milford High School Principal Ms. Linda Scoralick, Schaghticoke Middle School Principal
	Ms. Linda Scoralick, Schaghticoke Middle School Principal Mr. Eric Williams, Hill and Plain Elementary School Principal Mrs. Sandra Sullivan, Food and Nutrition Services Director Nicholas Carroccio, Student Representative Ishaani Pradeep, Student Representative

1. A.	Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance	Call to Order A. Pledge of Allegiance
	The special meeting of the New Milford Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Faulenbach. The Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.	
2.	Recognition	Recognition
A.	NMPS Retirees: Nancy Alexander, Susan Brofford, Carol Couch, Heidi Fair, Linda Hurley, Mary Lavoie, Joseph Raps	A. NMPS Retirees: Nancy Alexander, Susan Brofford, Carol Couch, Heidi Fair, Linda Hurley,

	 Ms. DiCorpo congratulated the retirees and wished them well on behalf of the district. Mrs. Faulenbach added congratulations on behalf of the Board. 	Mary Lavoie, Joseph Raps
3.	Public Comment	Public Comment
	• There was none.	
4.	PTO Report	PTO Report
	 Mrs. Pelletier gave her report: Townwide - On 5/26, I attended the New Milford High School Awards night where the NMPTO gave out 11 scholarships of \$1,000 each totaling \$11,000.00. Grad Party: This year's grad party will take place this Saturday night, 6/11. To date, the grad party has spent over \$24,000.00 on prizes, entertainment, and decorations. It should be a fun night. If you are able to chaperone, please go on Facebook to the New Milford High School Grad Party Group and click on the sign up genius. NMHS: The NMHS PTO has spent over \$4,200.00 on the staff and students this school year. SMS: The SMS PTO has assisted in lowering the cost of off site and onsite field trips. To date, they have spent over \$18,000.00 on the staff and students at SMS. The SMSPTO is hosting the first ever field day for all the students on the last day of school. SNIS: The SNIS PTO has provided the students with many assemblies and events and have spent over \$21,000.00 in doing so. They hosted a very successful ice cream social in conjunction with the school's art show on May 31st. NES: This year, the NES PTO has spent over \$18,000.00 in providing fun events and assemblies for the students and staff. On June 3, they hosted their annual touch a truck event with 	

- a new twist food trucks! Touch a Truck and Eat from a Truck was well attended by the NES students and their families.
- HPS: The HPS PTO has spent over \$6,000.00 on assemblies and events for the students and staff this school year. They are looking forward to hosting their first Zumba Into Summer for all grades this Friday during school.
- In total, the PTO's and Grad Party have disbursed \$103,546.80 for events, assemblies, and field trips, this school year.
- In closing, I would like to thank the Superintendent, Alisha DiCorpo, in helping us navigate hosting events during the COVID pandemic and allowing limited volunteers into the school. She always was looking out for the safety and best interests of our students and we all look forward to working with her again next year.
- I would also like to inform you that I am stepping down as the town wide president. At the end of January, my 2 year old niece was diagnosed with a rare disease, Infantile Neuroaxonal Dystrophy (INAD) There are only 150 known cases of INAD in the world. I am stepping down so that I may volunteer my time in helping the INADCURE Foundation raise the funds for a clinical trial. I will be sharing the campaign on online we will be looking for one million people to each donate \$7.00 to reach our goal of \$7,000,000.00.
- My replacement for next year is Megan Byrd.
 She has been the PTO president at HPS, SNIS, and SMS.
- Mrs. Faulenbach thanked the PTO for all its work and generosity this year, saying it is truly much appreciated.

5. Student Representatives' Report

• Ishaani Pradeep and Nicholas Carroccio, student representatives, reported on happenings in the

Student Representatives' Report

- schools this month.
- Northville has had 2 Teacher College professional development sessions for the classroom teachers. They continue to enjoy school spirit days every Friday. As they end the year, the students have enjoyed Field Day which was a full day event which included many fun activities including relay races and throwing activities. The 2nd grade students are preparing for their last few days at Northville and getting excited for Sarah Noble. They visited SNIS on June 1st and 2nd and met their PenPals from Hill & Plain. On June 8th they had their 2nd grade send off with a dunk tank - they got to dunk Mrs. Gallagher - and had a bouncy obstacle course. Finally on June 10th they will have a Summer Reading and Math Kick Off assembly.
- HPS gym teacher Mr. Nocera organized another amazing Field Day yesterday. There was perfect weather for the event and students had a ton of fun moving throughout all the different activities. HPS 2nd graders visited Sarah Noble last week. Students got to take a tour of the school as well as meet up with their Northville pen pals. Students had a great time and talking to them after returning, they are mostly excited about having their own locker. 2nd graders are also excited for their send-off, which is planned for tomorrow. The PTO has planned a fun day with a magic show and other outdoor activities in the afternoon. -Last week HPS held the Family Arts Night in conjunction with the PTO's Ice Cream Social. The event was well attended and families were able to view their child's artwork which was displayed in the hallways. The art teacher Ms. Wheeler did a great job decorating the school with art pieces made by the students. Mrs. Haynes, the music teacher, was busy all night in the gym where she was leading drum circles, which were a huge hit with the children who attended. Thank you to the PTO who sponsored an Ice Cream truck as well

as a balloon artist who was very popular. Hill and Plain is looking forward to another PTO sponsored event this Friday when students will be dancing into summer by doing Zumba during their recess time.

- SNIS happily hosted two 2nd grade field trips from NES and HPS, and the 5th grade students acted as ambassadors and led tours, the groups visited 3rd grade classrooms as well. SNIS also hosted the annual Art Show and paired it with a PTO sponsored Ice Cream Social, inviting rising 2nd grade families as well. Nearly three hundred families came to enjoy the ice cream while viewing some beautiful artwork. Finally this month, SNIS hosted in person concerts for the first time in several years. The students did a beautiful job. These nights were truly filled with joyful sounds.
- Students in grade 6 recently participated in Team Building Days at SMS. Additionally, students in grade 7 and 8 recently went on field trips to Quassy and Lake Compounce respectively. The 8th grade Dinner Dance was held last week on Thursday. Students and staff had a wonderful time! Today, students in the 8th grade participated in an Ice Cream Social and Yearbook Signing event, sponsored by the SMS PTO. 8th grade students are looking forward to the Annual Promotion Ceremony on Friday, June 10, 2022. All students will have the opportunity to participate in a field day experience, thanks to the efforts and generosity of the PTO, on the last day of school.
- At NMHS, Graduation Practices are taking place June 8 and 9. The Spring Sports Awards are June 9. Underclassmen Exam Dates are June 8-14. Fall Sports Information Night is June 13.
- Mrs. Faulenbach thanked Nicholas and Ishaani for their valued participation this year. She congratulated Ishaani, a graduating senior, and wished her well in the future.

6. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes:
 - 1. Regular Meeting Minutes May 17, 2022

Mrs. Rella moved to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes May 17, 2022, seconded by Mrs. McInerney.

The motion passed 7-0-1, with Mr. Helmus abstaining.

2. Special Meeting Minutes May 24, 2022, 5:30 PM

Mrs. Rella moved to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes May 24, 2022, 5:30 PM, seconded by Mr. O'Brien.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Special Meeting Minutes May 24, 2022, 6:30 PM

Mrs. Rella moved to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes May 24, 2022, 6:30 PM, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Special Meeting Minutes June 2, 2022

Mrs. Rella moved to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes June 2, 2022, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

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Motion made and passed to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes May 17, 2022.

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4. Special Meeting Minutes June 2, 2022

Motion made and passed to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting

	The motion passed 7-0-1, with Mrs. McInerney abstaining.	Minutes June 2, 2022.
7.	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Minutes June 2, 2022. Superintendent's Report
	demonstrating bilingualism and biliteracy in English (by completing all English Language Arts requirements for graduation) and one or more other languages. Proficiency in the second language is measured by success on a state-approved assessment such as the Advanced Placement (AP) World Language and Culture exam or the ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages. Their names were listed in the May district newsletter. • Safety and Security update: I am meeting regularly with the Chief to debrief drills, drills are run monthly, and we are preparing for an audit. We have security officers in each building and are adding one more each at SMS, NMHS	

- and NES. I am working with the Chief to fill these positions.
- Just a quick note to the staff and families as well as the NMPD- thank you all for your efforts to support our children and families while mourning yourselves over this national tragedy. Your individual and collective strength, support, and dedication to our children made for a learning environment that was safe nurturing, and supportive.
- Website update: We are actively working to update our website to be more interactive and to update the contents for easier accessibility.
- In preparation for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year, NMPS is partnering with EdAdvance to better meet the social and emotional needs of our students with disabilities, grades 3-12. Beginning this summer, select staff will begin the work of training on the AIM Program: Accept. Identify. Move. Partnering with Ed Advance will provide our schools with training, consultation, and ongoing support throughout the school year. The alignment of this research-based program, combined with clear expectations and consistent criteria is a systemic process that will align all three of our schools so that we can better identify, regulate, and transition our high-need students. As the training and program unfold, a presentation and updates will be provided to the Committee on Learning this coming fall.
- All-Star reports that all three new drivers did pass the testing. Their recruiting team attended GOAT Days at Youngs Field. They have also been working over the last week to finalize a billboard design with the billboard company. A promotional video is also ready.
- We are planning for our strategic goals for next year and are holding a meeting on June 15, 2022 with the principals and Cabinet members to look at the data on students who are transitioning to new schools.
- School Based Health Clinics: Students continue

	to access our mental health clinician with parent permission at both the middle school and the high schools. We will be actively working to build up for the medical clinics for next year in all schools.	
8.	Board Chairman's Report	Board Chairman's Report
	 Mrs. Faulenbach congratulated the Class of 2022 graduates; the Board is so proud of them. She said there may be changes to the summer meeting schedules and she will keep the Board updated. Thank you to all who come out for Board meetings. 	
9.	Discussion and Possible Action	Discussion and Possible Action
А.	Exhibit A: Personnel – Certified, Non-Certified Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence dated June 7, 2022	A. Exhibit A: Personnel – Certified, Non-Certified Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence dated June 7, 2022
	Mrs. McInerney moved to approve Revised Exhibit A: Personnel – Certified, Non-Certified Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence dated June 7, 2022, seconded by Mr. McCauley. The motion passed unanimously.	Motion made and passed unanimously to approve Revised Exhibit A: Personnel – Certified, Non-Certified Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence dated June 7, 2022.
В.	Monthly Reports	B. Monthly Reports
	 Budget Position dated May 31, 2022 Purchase Resolution: D-759 Request for Budget Transfers 	 Budget Position dated May 31, 2022 Purchase Resolution: D-759 Request for Budget Transfers
	Mrs. Rella moved to approve Monthly Reports: Budget Position dated May 31, 2022, Purchase Resolution D-759, and Request for Budget Transfers, seconded by Mr. McCauley.	Motion made and passed unanimously to approve Monthly Reports: Budget Position dated May 31, 2022, Purchase Resolution D-759, and Request for Budget Transfers.

- Mr. Giovannone said any balances unspent will go towards the end of year balance. Page 4 of 4 shows the excess cost updated with May payment. The total is more than was budgeted, which helps with other revenue deficiencies. The Capital Reserve and Turf Field account balances are updated.
- Mr. O'Brien asked about line item 57400. Mr. Giovannone said that will show as a budget transfer later and is for end of year projects approved last month.
- Mrs. Rella asked about line item 53010, legal services. Mr. Giovannone said there will be a transfer at year end. There was increased activity in that line this year. We have increased that line item amount for next year. A credit of between \$32,000-\$35,000 will come from the COVID account, since some action can be attributed there.
- Mrs. Faulenbach asked if the Board will be approving that credit transfer. Mr. Giovannone said no, it will be posted as part of the audit at the end of the year, with auditor commentary.
- Mrs. McIncrney said she was happy to see a
 healthy capital reserve balance for a change. She
 thinks the legacy brick campaign is phenomenal
 and she thanked the Turf Field Committee
 members including Mr. Lipinsky, Mrs.
 Faulenbach and Mr. Helmus, as well as student
 members, for their work on getting it off the
 ground.

The motion passed unanimously.

C. | Bid Awards

1. Food and Nutrition Services - Milk

Mrs. McInerney moved to award the bid for Food and Nutrition Services - Milk to Wade's Dairy for a period of one year, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

The motion passed unanimously.

C. Bid Awards

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Mrs. Rella moved to award the bid for Food and Nutrition Services - Frozen Dessert to New England Ice Cream Corporation for a period of one year, seconded by Mr. O'Brien.

The motion passed unanimously.

D. | Grant Approvals

1. Career and Technical Education Secondary Supplemental Enhancement Grant 2022

Mr. McCauley moved to approve the Career and Technical Education Secondary Supplemental Enhancement Grant 2022 in the amount of \$49,997.00, seconded by Mrs. Rella.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Special Education Stipend Grant

Mrs. McInerney moved to approve the Special Education Stipend Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

The motion passed unanimously.

E. Food and Nutrition Services Breakfast and Lunch
Price Increases

Mr. O'Brien moved to approve Food and Nutrition Services Breakfast and Lunch Price Increases in the amount of 50 cents each, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

• Mrs. Rella asked why this request is being made

year.

2. Food and Nutrition Services - Frozen Dessert

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- now after the budget was deliberated and passed.
- Mr. Giovannone said Food Services is a separate budget from the operating budget. They took time to research the request and make comparisons to our DRG. There have been increases in food costs from vendors and in transportation costs.
- Mrs. Rella said she has a problem with the request as families are struggling with inflation. The Board lowered the parking fee as part of the budget process, and now they are being asked to increase lunch prices. She asked Mr. Giovannone what the financial impact is if they do not approve this request.
- Mr. Giovannone said the account is still self-sustaining. They discussed this request internally in 2019 and 2020 but the programs were free to families at that time and the district was receiving full reimbursement. This request is more about aligning with the DRG.
- Mrs. Faulenbach said this increase is a burden to the community. She said the Food Services department is incredible and Mrs. Sullivan does a wonderful job with initiatives and with running the program. She said the Board approved a new position last month, and she would have liked to have had this conversation then. In addition, the Board provided assistance to the program financially during COVID. Mrs. Faulenbach said she would like to know the overall impact of this request financially for next year. She said she doesn't want to put a strain on the program, but would prefer to wait and discuss this at budget time.
- Mrs. Sullivan said reimbursements will be much less next year and expenses for some supplies and food are up 91%.
- Mr. Helmus asked if the justification is in competing with the DRG or with program solvency. Are we increasing the risk of insolvency without the increase? He asked what impact halving the request would make.
- Mrs. Sullivan estimates that a 50 cent increase

will add \$112,000 in revenue.

- Mrs. Faulenbach asked what the current account balance is.
- Mrs. Sullivan said just over \$1 million.
- Mr. Giovannone said they are required to maintain three months worth of operating expenditures in the account, which is approximately \$400,000.
- Mrs. Faulenbach asked if COVID funds could be used. Mr. Giovannone said he will check, but he does not think so.
- Mrs. McInerney said she is concerned for families who have not paid anything for two years now having a big increase on top of starting to pay again. She said she would prefer to see the Board deal with a deficit should one occur versus tacking it on to families.
- Mrs. Faulenbach said she will not support this since it will be a burden to families. She reiterated her support of the general program, which is excellent.

The motion failed unanimously, 0-8-0.

F. | Authorized Signature Change Request

Mr. Hansell moved to approve the Authorized Signature Change Request, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

The motion passed unanimously.

G. | Twin Lakes Contract Hours

Mrs. McInerney moved to approve the Twin Lakes Contract Hours as proposed for the period of July 1, 2022 to August 11, 2022, seconded by Mrs. Sarich.

- Mrs. Rella asked why this is being extended, whether or not there was any savings in salaries, and what the overall cost is.
- Mr. Giovannone said there are two positions unfilled presently short term, one of which has

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time sensitive data input. There is a small amount of savings and the overall cost is \$5,568 which will be paid through ESSER funds.

The motion passed unanimously.

H. | Policies for Approval:

- 1. 3440 Inventories
- 2. 3450 Monies in School Buildings
- 3. 3451 Petty Cash Funds
- 4. 4118.112/4218.112 Sexual and Other Unlawful Harassment

Mrs. McInerney moved to approve the following policies:

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Seconded by Mrs. Rella.

The motion passed unanimously.

I. Policies for Second Review

- 1. 3453 School Activity Funds
- 2. 3453.1 Unexpended Class Funds
- Mrs. McInerney asked if these policies would come to the full Board in July since the July Policy meeting is canceled or if they would go to Policy in August first.
- Mrs. Rella, the Policy Chair, said she would prefer they go back to Policy in August first.

J. Recommendation and Approval for Designee of Superintendent of Schools

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Mr. McCauley moved to approve the appointment of the Assistant Superintendent, and in his/her absence, the Director of Human Resources, as Designee for the Superintendent of Schools from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, seconded by Mr. Hansell.

The motion passed unanimously.

K. Authorization for the Superintendent to accept resignations and make appointments from June 8, 2022 through September 20, 2022

Mrs. McInerney moved to authorize the Superintendent to accept resignations and make appointments, excluding administrative appointments, from June 8, 2022 through September 20, 2022, seconded by Mrs. Sarich.

The motion passed unanimously.

L. Authorization for the Superintendent to purchase budgeted instructional materials, COVID-19 related materials, and other supplies, equipment and services from June 8, 2022 through September 20, 2022

Mr. McCauley moved to authorize the Superintendent to purchase budgeted instructional materials, COVID-19 related materials, and other supplies, equipment and services from June 8, 2022 through September 20, 2022, seconded by Mr. O'Brien.

- Mrs. Rella asked if the Board will still see a list of purchases.
- Mr. Giovannone said yes, a Purchase Resolution will still be provided.

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L. Authorization for the Superintendent to purchase budgeted instructional materials, COVID-19 related materials, and other supplies, equipment and services from June 8, 2022 through September 20, 2022

Motion made and passed unanimously to authorize the Superintendent to purchase budgeted instructional materials, COVID-19 related materials, and other supplies, equipment and services from June 8, 2022 through September 20, 2022.

Mrs. McInerney said they will still see Exhibit A as well.

The motion passed unanimously.

M. | End of Year Balance 2021-22

Mrs. McInerney moved that the Board make a request of the Town Council and Board of Finance to allocate the end of year balance for 2021-22 (subject to final audit) to the following: \$201,800.00 to the Internal Service Fund; \$50,000.00 to the Turf Field Replacement account; and the remaining balance to the BOE Capital Reserve account with the exception of any energy line items related to the current slate of energy savings projects, seconded by Mrs. Rella.

- Mr. Giovannone said the \$201,800 is the delta between the insurance budgeted at 8% and the actuarial expected increase. It would plug the gap, offset any bills, and would not increase the 2022-23 budget.
- Mrs. Faulenbach said this figure is based on meetings and updates with the Town in May and June.
- Mr. Giovannone said the \$50,000 for the Turf Field Replacement account has been standard annually with the exception of one year where it was skipped in order to put money into the local COVID account, then doubled the following year to make up for the gap.
- Mr. O'Brien asked if the Town matched the deposit.
- Mrs. Faulenbach said they usually do make a deposit as well.
- Mr. Giovannone said the remaining balance request is subject to final audit in January 2023.
 The estimated projection at this time is \$1,797,260.
- Mrs. Faulenbach asked how much is left in the local COVID account. Mr. Giovannone said \$91,078.

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- Mrs. Faulenbach said it is her recollection that that amount will go to the capital reserve if not used. Mr. Giovannone said that is correct.
- Mrs. Faulenbach asked Mr. Giovannone to review what those funds may or may not be used for.

The motion passed unanimously.

N. | Five Year Capital Plan

Mr. Hansell moved that the Board approve the revised Five Year Capital Plan and make a request of the Town Council and Board of Finance to remove \$980,030.00 from the BOE Capital Reserve Account to fund the proposed 2022-23 projects, seconded by Mr. McCauley.

- Mr. Giovannone said this document has been refreshed following the May meeting. The memo details changes made. The request is for 2022-23 projects only.
- Mrs. Faulenbach noted that amount was \$1,000,073 in the budget book. Mr. Giovannone said that is correct, the NES wall panel has been removed and moved to consideration along with any roof bonding.

The motion passed unanimously.

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10. Items for Information and Discussion

A. | Regulations for Review:

- 1. 4111.1/4211.1 Procedures for Employee Complaints of Discrimination
- 2. 4118.112/4218.112 Sexual and Other Unlawful Harassment
- 3. 4118.113/4218.113 Title IX Sexual Harassment
- 4. 5145.7 Procedures for Reports and Complaints of Sexual Harassment by Students

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- 3. 4118.113/4218.113 Title IX Sexual Harassment

	 Mrs. Faulenbach noted that the reports following provide a great deal of information and the time required is appreciated. 	4. 5145.7 Procedures for Reports and Complaints of Sexual Harassment by Students
В.	Annual Emergency Preparedness Report	B. Annual Emergency Preparedness Report
C.	Annual Wellness Report	C. Annual Wellness Report
D.	Annual Report of the John J. McCarthy Observatory	D. Annual Report of the John J. McCarthy Observatory
	 Mrs. Faulenbach encouraged Board members and the community to visit the Observatory which is an amazing facility. 	
E.	Annual Food and Nutrition Services Report	E. Annual Food and Nutrition Services Report
F.	Energy Program Update	F. Energy Program Update
	 Mr. Giovannone said the next meeting is on June 10, where they expect to see a breakout of savings by building. Mr. Helmus asked when the Board will see this information. Mr. Giovannone said he did not know that yet. Mrs. Faulenbach said they are working to closely follow the financials of this new initiative. 	
G.	Cyber Security Update	G. Cyber Security Update
	 Mr. Turner thanked Steve Kern for all his work on these authentications which are required by the insurer. Mr. Giovannone said the implementation starts in the next fiscal year with a new, more robust policy. 	

H. | ECF Grant

 Ms. DiCorpo said this grant is really exciting, providing \$1.4 million in Chromebooks. She thanked Mr. Turner for all his work. Capital reserve funding can now be allocated to other needs, such as switches and smartboards.

I. Base Technology Copier Contract Update

- Mr. Giovannone said the contract will be signed this week. Training will begin shortly.
- Mrs. Rella suggested attaching a quick use/troubleshooting guide to the copiers themselves, since it can be very useful.
- Mrs. Faulenbach said this was a long time coming. She asked if there was additional savings versus the budgeted amount.
- Mr. Giovannone said there is, about \$60,000 over the term of the contract.

J. Excess Cost

 Mr. Giovannone said the budgeted amount is determined many months back and this is a very volatile line. This year we will exceed the budgeted amount by \$168,669. He said the state is looking at this line item and suggesting changes as well.

K. | Transportation Update

- Mr. Giovannone said the memo gives a status update. We are still negotiating the credit for buses that ran as late runs.
- Mr. Helmus asked if a formal response ever came to the legal letter sent. Mr. Giovannone said not from corporate, but the local is working hard to be responsive.
- Mr. Giovannone said we had built in \$52,000 in next year's budget for door to door Agriscience transportation, but All Star has said they can't service it at this time. We will explore other

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- vendors this summer to see if someone else can provide the service and at what cost.
- Mr. McCauley asked if Abbott Tech runs are still door to door. Mr. Giovannone said they are but they were existing bus runs and that structure did not exist for Shepaug.
- Mrs. Faulenbach asked if parents had been notified. Mr. Giovannone said he is sending a template message to Shepaug tomorrow.
- Mr. McCauley said the state mandates \$6,000 per student to outside program transportation and suggested that be used.
- Ms. DiCorpo said they are committed to making it work and will explore options.
- Mrs. McInerney said it is important to solve the problem, otherwise deserving students may not be able to go.
- Mrs. Faulenbach said this was approved through the budget process and if the district is not able to do it, they need to be in front of that message.

11. Discussion and Possible Action

A. Discussion and possible approval of the employment and salary of the Technology Director, Substance Abuse Counselor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Director, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations, Food Services Director, Systems Analyst, Account Data Specialist, Network Administrator, Accounting Manager, Facilities Director, Assistant Facilities Director, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Adult Education Facilitator, and Board Certified Behavior Analyst. Executive Session is anticipated. The Board may take action when it returns to public session.

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Mrs. McInerney moved that the Board enter into executive session to discuss the employment and salary of the Technology Director, Substance Abuse Counselor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Director, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations, Food Services Director, Systems Analyst, Account Data Specialist, Network Administrator, Accounting Manager, Facilities Director, Assistant Facilities Director, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Adult Education Facilitator, and Board Certified Behavior Analyst; and to invite into the session Ms. Alisha DiCorpo, Mr. Anthony Giovannone, and Ms. Rebecca Adams, seconded by

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. O'Brien.

The Board entered executive session at 9:12 p.m.

The Board returned to public session at 9:25 p.m.

Mrs. McInerney moved that the Board approve the employment and salary of the Technology Director, Substance Abuse Counselor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Director, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations, Food Services Director, Systems Analyst, Account Data Specialist, Network Administrator, Accounting Manager, Facilities Director, Assistant Facilities Director, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Adult Education Facilitator, and Board Certified Behavior Analyst as discussed in executive session, seconded by Mr. Hansell.

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion made and passed unanimously that the Board enter into executive session to discuss the employment and salary of the **Technology Director, Substance** Abuse Counselor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources **Director, Director of Fiscal Services** and Operations, Food Services Director, Systems Analyst, Account Data Specialist, Network Administrator, Accounting Manager, Facilities Director, Assistant Facilities Director, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Adult Education Facilitator, and Board Certified Behavior Analyst; and to invite into the session Ms. Alisha DiCorpo, Mr. Anthony Giovannone, and Ms. Rebecca Adams.

Motion made and passed unanimously that the Board approve the employment and salary of the **Technology Director, Substance** Abuse Counselor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources **Director, Director of Fiscal Services** and Operations, Food Services Director, Systems Analyst, Account Data Specialist, Network Administrator, Accounting Manager, Facilities Director, Assistant Facilities Director, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Adult Education Facilitator, and Board Certified Behavior Analyst as discussed in executive session.

12. Adjourn

Mr. O'Brien moved to adjourn the meeting at

Adjourn

Motion made and passed

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_ · ·	unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m.
The motion passed unanimously.	

Respectfully submitted:

Olga I. Rella, Secretary

New Milford Board of Education