

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, NJ
May 21, 2019

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Richard Formicola at 8:00 p.m. and Ms. Garvey read the following statement:

“Adequate notice of this meeting was provided as specified in the Open Meeting Act. Notices of this Meeting were sent to The RECORD, RIDGEWOOD NEWS, and to the Midland Park Borough Clerk for the 2019 elective year. A notice was also posted inside the office of the Midland Park Board of Education in a place reserved for such announcements. The Board announces that under its long-standing policy, it will not discuss in public any comments made by members of the public concerning individual staff members.”

ROLL CALL

Present:	James Canellas	Sandra Criscenzo
	Christine Dell’Aglia	Nabil Eliya
	Patricia Fantulin	Brian McCourt
	Maryalice Thomas	Peter Triolo

Richard Formicola

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff:	Marie Cirasella, Superintendent of Schools
	Stacy Garvey, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

PRESIDENT’S REPORT Mr. Richard Formicola

Mission Statement

The Midland Park School District as part of a strong, dedicated community, provides its students with a comprehensive, adaptive education aligned to 21st century knowledge and skills needed for success in college and career. The district maximizes all resources to empower students to realize their individual worth and responsibility, with the expectation they achieve the New Jersey state standards at all grade levels.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Dr. Marie Cirasella

Motion – Dr. Thomas, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo...

+1. **Approve the following resolutions:**

- a. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 0403193137 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's Report to the Board and directs the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.
- b. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 0403193138 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's Report to the Board and directs the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.

Roll Call: All Yes

Open to the Public: **COMMENTS** only for action items on the agenda.

No one chose to speak at this time.

BOARD MOTIONS

APPENDIX

Motion – Dr. Thomas, seconded – Mr. McCourt...

1. **Approve the minutes of the following regularly scheduled public meetings held on:**

April 9, 2019

April 23, 2019

2. **Approve the establishment of Petty Cash funds for the 2019-2020 school year for each of the following locations, as specified in Policy Book Section 6620, as follows:**

Superintendent's Office	\$100.00
Business Administrator's Office	\$100.00
Midland Park Jr. /Sr. High School	\$200.00
Highland School	\$100.00
Godwin School	\$100.00
Special Services Department	\$200.00
Continuing Education	\$300.00

3. **Approve the budgetary maximum for travel and related expenses for employees of the Midland Park school district in the amount of \$45,000.**

4. **Approve the current Emergency Operations Plan, Crisis Intervention Procedures and Emergency Management Plan.**

Roll Call: All Yes

A. Personnel – (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2019-2020 school year will be on an emergency basis, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1, N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 and/or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13, as applicable.

Motion – Mr. Triolo, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo...

1. Approve the tenured reappointment of Stacy Garvey, Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2019-2020 school year (contract and salary to be determined).
2. Approve the reappointment of the following tenured administrators for the 2019-2020 school year; salaries to be paid as per Schedule A of the Midland Park Administrators & Supervisors Association contract:

Danielle Bache	Godwin School Principal
Ann Marie Bruder	Director of Special Services
Nicholas Capuano	High School Principal
Jason Cata	High School Assistant Principal
Michael Gaccione	High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
Peter Galasso	Highland School Principal

3. Accept the retirement resignation of Jane Bandstra, Physical Therapist for the district, effective June 30, 2019.
4. Approve the reappointment and contract for Dr. Everett Schlam, School Physician, for the 2019-2020 school year.
5. Approve the non-tenured reappointment and contracts for the following individual staff members for the 2019-2020 school year:

a. Eurico Antunes	District Technology & Data Coordinator
b. Scott Collins	Buildings & Grounds Supervisor
c. Ristem Sela	Computer Technician
d. Zachary Spadaccini	Computer Media Technician

6. Approve the reappointment and contract for the following non-tenured Central Office staff member for the 2019-2020 school year:

Lisa Green	Confidential Secretary to the Business Administrator
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7. Approve the reappointment and contracts for the following tenured Central Office staff, for the 2019-2020 school year.

a. Trina Bradley	Confidential Secretary to Director of Special Education & Child Study Team
b. Eileen Pomianek	Assistant to the Business Administrator
c. Laura Rosini	Payroll and Benefits Coordinator
d. Anne Schaper	Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Triolo, seconded – Ms. Dell’Aglia...

8. Approve the tenured reappointment and salaries of all Clerk/Secretaries for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix.

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9. Approve the reappointment and salaries of all non-tenured Instructional Aides for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix.

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10. Approve the reappointment and salaries of all non-tenured full-time Custodial/Maintenance personnel for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix.

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11. Approve the non-aligned salary schedule for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix.

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12. Approve the reappointment of all non-aligned staff for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix.

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13. Approve the summer hours for the following Child Study Team members to work up to 10 days each during the months of July and August 2019. They will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract:

Christy Kearney	Learning Disabilities Teacher/Consultant
Jennifer Liss	School Social Worker
Catherine Prinsell	School Psychologist
Emily Trent	School Psychologist
Pamela Vermaas	Learning Disabilities Teacher/Consultant

14. Approve the summer hours for Carole Treta, Technology Coordinator, for up to 60 additional hours. She will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract.

15. Approve the summer hours for the following Guidance Counselors. They will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract:

Kelly Scala	up to 1 additional day for 7 hours per day
Theresa Soda	up to 8 additional days for 7 hours per day
Elizabeth Wall	up to 8 additional days for 7 hours per day

16. Approve the summer hours for the following Midland Park Continuing Education program staff:

Jo Ann Francolino	Bookkeeper for up to 120 additional hours
Beth Kasbarian	Clerk for up to 120 additional hours

17. Approve the summer hours for the following Secretaries, for up to 20 additional days each:

Carol Berninger	Godwin Secretary to the Principal
Michele Callesano	Highland Secretary to the Principal

Marie Pantina	High School Guidance Secretary
Barbara Rasmussen	High School Secretary to the Principal
Carol Weaver	High School Secretary to the Assistant Principal

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Formicola, seconded – Mr. Triolo...

18. Approve the summer hours for the following Certified School Nurses to review student records to ensure that required immunizations are complete prior to the start of school. They will each work for two additional days, not to exceed 15 hours, and will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract:

Karen Corcoran
Lauren Fenning
Roselyn Kessler

19. Approve the summer hours for Karen Corcoran, Certified School Nurse, to provide services for the physical examinations for the athletic teams for seven additional days and will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract.

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Formicola, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo...

20. Approve the following appointments as summer Custodial/Maintenance workers. They will be paid at the approved hourly rate, effective June 27 2019 through August 30, 2019:

Adam Bardzell	Eric Borntrager
Matthew Canellas	RJ Chirkis
Tyler Damsma	Nicholas Fiore
Ryan Gibbons	Jake Kavanagh
Justin Lange	Tim Meima
Patrick Moore	Matthew Papapietro
Sean Peterson	George Schmidt
Brendan Sheridan	Christopher Weisbrot
Matthew Weisbrot	

Roll Call: 8 Yes, 1 Abstain (J. Canellas)

Motion – Mr. Formicola, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo...

- +21. **Approve the appointment of Danielle Bache as the Affirmative Action & Title IX Officer, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.**
- +22. **Approve the appointment of Therese Seiders to provide home instruction in English II to a classified high school student for three hours per week. She will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, effective retroactive from May 15, 2019 through June 26, 2019.**

- +23. Approve the appointment of high school teachers to provide home instruction to a non-classified high school student. They will be paid as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, effective retroactive from May 16, 2019 through June 26, 2019, as follows:

Jaclyn DeMagistris	Algebra II CP
Paul Marino	US History II CP, PE 11
Kori Smith	Spanish II, English III CP
Drew Strohmeyer	Physics CP, Art II

- +24. Approve the mid-year longevity retroactive payments for employees, as per the attached appendix.

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- +25 Approve a paid medical leave for Employee No. 0866, effective retroactive from May 6, 2019 through May 22, 2019.

Roll Call: All Yes

B. Finance Committee – (J. Canellas, Chairperson)

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. McCourt...

1. Approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), we certify that as of April 30, 2019, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section), and upon consultation with the appropriate District officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year, subject to the conditions of P.L. 1701.

2. Approve the following block motion:

- a. April 2019 direct pays in the amount of \$433,028.15.
- b. April 2019 Midland Park Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$46,582.86.
- c. April 2019 Cafeteria claims in the amount of \$35,320.34.
- d. May 2019 claims in the amount of \$394,882.02.
- e. Second April 2019 payroll in the amount of \$616,612.83.
- f. First May 2019 payroll in the amount of \$635,572.07.

3. Approve the cash reports and the Board Secretary's Report for the period April 1 – 30, 2019, as per the attached appendix.

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4. Approve the transfers between accounts for the period April 1 – 30, 2019, as per the attached appendix. B-4

5. Approve the following resolution:

 Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Midland Park Board of Education intends to renew, award, or permit to expire contracts previously awarded by the Board of Education. These contracts are, have been, and will continue to be in full compliance with all state and federal statutes and regulations; in particular, New Jersey Title 18A:18. et seq, NJAC Chapter 23, and Federal Uniform Administrative Requirements 2CFR, Part200, as per the attached appendix. B-5

6. Approve the list of Educational Data Services vendors for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix. B-6

7. Approve the recommendation for the reimbursement to the Municipal Alliance, in the sum of \$713.52 towards the Municipal Alliance Summer Program hours for Craig Rush, Student Assistance Counselor, during July and August.

8. Approve the renewal of the Joint Purchasing Agreement for Out of Region Services between Region V Council for Special Education and the Midland Park Board of Education to perform evaluations, on an as needed basis, for the 2019-2020 school year, as follows:

 Speech
 Occupational Therapy
 Physical Therapy
 Home Programming and Parent Training
 SCOPE Summer Program

9. Approve the renewal of the Student Accident Insurance Policy through Monarch Management Corporation, effective August 1, 2019 through July 30, 2020.

10. Approve the use and rental of the High School Gym to Hoop Heaven for Youth Basketball, sponsored through Midland Park Continuing Education on Saturday, June 1, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

 Roll Call: All Yes

 Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. Triolo...

- +11. **Approve the schedule of tax payments request from the Borough of Midland Park for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix.** B-11

 Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Ms. Dell’Aglia...

- +12. **Approve the Annual IDEA Agreement between Bergen County Special Services School District and Midland Park Public School District for the provision of educational services for non-public school students through IDEA funding for the 2019-2020 school year.**

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Dr. Thomas...

- S-1. **Approve the rental of the Highland School Gym to Hoop Heaven, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education, for a youth basketball game on May 31 from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.**

Roll Call: All Yes

Mr. Canellas stated there has been some confusion from one of the reports distributed at public hearing on the budget and we would like to clarify. Ms. Garvey addressed the Expenditure Summary spread sheet and reviewed an updated version distributed to the public. The original report did not have the Extraordinary Aid spread in the accounts for the 18-19 year comparison. This skewed the administrative accounts causing an appearance of large increases for the 19-20 budget. In fact, the administrative costs have decreased for the upcoming school year. Additionally, in recent years we have decreased two administrative positions and combined positions, doing what is best for education and what is economically sound.

C. Curriculum Committee – (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Dr. Thomas...

- +1. **Approve the submission of the Comprehensive Equity Plan for School Years 2019-2020 through 2021-2022 to the New Jersey Department of Education.**

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Ms. Dell’Aglia...

- +2. **Approve the recommendation for the placement of a non-classified high school student on home instruction, effective retroactive from May 16, 2019 through June 26, 2019.**

Roll Call: All Yes

D. Policy Committee – (M. Thomas, Chairperson)

No Report

E. Legislative Committee – (Administration)

- Mr. McCourt commented on the bill to regionalize school districts. Marie added that our district is not on the list of districts being reviewed for regionalization.

F. Buildings & Grounds Committee – (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

No Report

G. Negotiations Committee - (P. Triolo, Chairperson)

- Waiting to schedule a meeting with the MPEA

H. Technology & Public Relations Committee – (P. Fantulin, Chairperson)

- Graduation mailer will be sent out after graduation

I. Town Council – (R. Formicola, P. Triolo)

No Report

J. Liaison Committee

High School PTA - (J. Canellas)

No Report

Elementary School PTA- (C. Dell’Aglia)

- New officers sworn in
- Teacher of the year

Booster Club – (B. McCourt)

- Hoops mania was a big hit
- Developing a new fundraiser
- Review of guidelines created for scholarship distribution
- Home football game
- Boys and Girls advanced to States
- The Golf team won the States
- Track is still going on

Performing Arts Parents – (P. Fantulin)

- Plant sale
- Scholarships being awarded
- Finalizing officers

Special Education – (M. Thomas)

No Report

Education Foundation – (S. Criscenzo)

- New slate of officers sworn in

Board of Recreation – (N. Eliya)

- Basketball registration
- Changes in the snack bar
- Soccer registration

Continuing Education Program – (P. Triolo)

No Report

Student Representative to the Board – (Samantha Padovano)

- Drop everything and walk – 5/21
- Madrigals concert – 5/21
- All AP exams are over
- Blood drive – 5/23
- Interact healthy bake sale – 5/23
- Spring band concert – 5/29
- Glen Rock and Midland Park collaborated to create a special senior assembly. The students listened to survivors of the 2000 Seton Hall dormitory fire – 5/20
- During the PARCC testing, the seniors were watching Hunting Ground,

K. Old Business

No Report

L. New Business

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Mr. McCourt...

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of June 4, 2019, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel, updates on legal cases and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Roll Call: All Yes

Open to the Public - general **COMMENTS** only at this time.

Mr. Formicola invited the public to address the Board.

No one chose to speak at this time.

Motion – Mr. Eliya, seconded – Ms. Dell’Aglione...
To Adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stacy Garvey".

Stacy Garvey
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary