

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, New Jersey
May 7, 2019**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Peter Triolo 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

Excused: Richard Formicola

OTHERS PRESENT

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

BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Midland Park Public School District 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

Presentation of the proposed 2019-2020 School Budget and Public Hearing.

Mr. Canellas, Dr. Cirasella and Ms. Garvey presented the proposed budget to the public and Board for their consideration.

Open to the Public

Mrs. Peet questioned the \$300,000 from capital reserve and if the door and soffit replacement projects were part of the referendum. Ms. Garvey replied not the soffits, but yes to the doors. Other projects ran over, it was pulled from the referendum and spread over 3 years to be paid by Capital Reserve, as to not affect the tax levy. This was discussed at many past board meetings.

Motion to close the Public Hearing

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

1. Resolution to Approve the 2019-2020 School Year Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education, County of Bergen, approves the 2019-2020 School Year Budget, as follows:

Current General Expense (Funds 11)	\$22,322,688
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	\$ 323,275
Special Schools (Fund 13)	\$ 756,498
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$23,402,461
SPECIAL REVENUE (Fund 20)	\$ 577,213
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 935,325
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS	 \$24,914,999

Included in budget line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve- Excess Costs & Other Capital Projects is \$300,000 for other capital project costs for the second phase of a door replacement and installation project district-wide. We will be replacing interior and exterior doors throughout the buildings that are in most need of replacement. Funds will also be used for the roof/soffit replacement project at the high school. The total costs of these projects represent expenditures for renovation elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the CCCS.

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GENERAL FUND tax levy \$20,421,875 is approved to support Current General Expense and \$935,325 to support Debt Service, for the 2019-2020 school year budget.

Roll Call: All Yes

Open to Public – COMMENTS only for action items on the May 7, 2019 agenda.

No one chose to speak at this time.

BOARD MOTIONS

Action Items:

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 – Dr. Thomas, seconded – Mr. Criscenzo...

1. Approve the reappointment and salaries of all non-tenured certificated staff for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix: A-1

2. Approve the reappointment and salaries of all tenured certificated staff for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached appendix. A-2

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- S-1. Approve the recommendation for Catherine Prinsell, .6 School Psychologist, to work up to an additional 8 days for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year to provide case management services and conduct evaluations. She will be paid at her per diem rate of \$373.75.

Roll Call: All Yes

C. Curriculum- (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)

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

1. Approve the recommendation for the continued placement of a classified elementary school student on home instruction, retroactive from April 26, 2019 through June 26, 2019.

Roll Call: All Yes

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/Review of May 21, 2019 agenda items

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

- Thank you for supporting the 2019-2020 Budget

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

No Report

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

No Report

E. Legislative Committee- (Administration)

- Senate President Steve Sweeney recently announced he intends to introduce legislation to merge the School Employees Health Benefits Program with the State Health Benefits Program, stating that this merger would save school districts and their employees millions of dollars. Participation in the school employees plan has declined significantly over the last several years due to increased premiums and some districts have opted out of the state program. The non-partisan Office of Legislative Services is conducting an analysis of the financial savings inherent in Sweeney's proposal and we will watch for further updates.

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

No Report

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

No Report

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

- List of college of acceptances and profiles to start the next newsletter

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

No Report

J. Student Representative- (Samantha Padovano)

- May is Wellness Month
- Digitally Distracted assembly was 5/1
- Walk or ride your bike to school day was 5/6
- Today the 1st grade held a bicycle and pedestrian safety assembly
- The horticulture classes plant and vegetable sale is 5/9
- School picnic/BBQ day is 5/15
- Senior assembly "After the Fire" from Seton Hall at Glen Rock HS is 5/20
- AP's are starting

OLD BUSINESS

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

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

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of May 21, 2019, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Roll Call: All Yes

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC- general **COMMENTS** only at this time.

Mr. Triolo invited the public to address the Board.

No one chose to speak at this time.

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

To adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Stacy Garvey
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary