

# MIDLAND PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Midland Park, New Jersey 07432

Godwin School

Highland School

Midland Park Jr./Sr. High School

# ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MAY 19, 2020 PUBLIC MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT 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 2020 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** 

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 21<sup>st</sup> 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

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

### **BOARD MOTIONS**

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

April 14, 2020

2. Approve the establishment of Petty Cash funds for the 2020-2021 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
Curriculum Office	\$100.00

- +3. Approve the revised School Health Related Closure Plan, which was submitted to the Bergen County Interim Executive County Superintendent on May 18, 2020.
- A. Personnel (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2020-2021 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.

1. Approve the non-tenured reappointment of the following individual staff members for the 2020-2021 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

2. Approve the reappointment of the following non-tenured Central Office staff members for the 2020-2021 school year:

a. Virginia Calero Payroll and Benefits Coordinator

b. Lisa Green Confidential Secretary to the Business Administrator

3. Approve the reappointment of the following tenured Central Office staff, for the 2020-2021 school year:

a. Trina Bradley Confidential Secretary to Director of Special Education &

Child Study Team

b. Eileen Pomianek Assistant to the Business Administrator

c. Anne Schaper Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools

- 4. Approve the tenured and non-tenured reappointment of all clerk-secretaries for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix.
- <u>A-4</u>
- 5 Approve the reappointment of all non-tenured Instructional Aides for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix.
- <u>A-5</u>
- 6. Approve the reappointment of all non-tenured full-time Custodial/Maintenance personnel for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix.
- A-6
- 7. Approve the non-aligned salary schedule for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix.
- <u>A-7</u>
- 8. Approve the reappointment of all non-aligned staff for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix.
- A-8
- +9. Accept the retirement resignation of Barbara Makela, Basic Skills teacher in the elementary schools, effective June 30, 2020.
- +10. Accept the retirement resignation of Susan Williams, Instructional Aide in the Godwin School, effective June 30, 2020.
- +11. Approve the non-renewal of Employee No. 1857, effective June 30, 2020.
- +12. Approve the maternity leave for Employee No. 1887, effective approximately September 8, 2020 through approximately September 17, 2020; a paid child care leave, effective approximately September 18, 2020 through approximately October 14, 2020 and an unpaid family care leave, as per the NJ Family Leave Act, effective October 15, 2020 through January 13, 2021.
- B. Finance Committee (B. McCourt, Chairperson)
- 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, 2020, 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 2020 direct pays in the amount of \$99,090.96.
  - b. April 2020 Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$39,694.36.
  - c. April 2020 Cafeteria claims in the amount of \$8,781.87.

e. Second April 2020 payroll in the amount of \$607,564.61. f. First May 2020 payroll in the amount of \$621,407.48. g. May 2020 claims in the amount of \$483,489.70. 3. Approve the cash reports and the Board Secretary's report for the period April 1-30, 2020, as per the attached appendix. B-3 Approve the transfers between accounts for the period April 1 - 30, 2020, as per the 4. attached appendix. B-4 5. Approve the Cafeteria price list for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix. B-5 Approve the renewal of the dental plan through Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of NJ, 6. effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 at a 0% increase. **+7.** Approve the schedule of tax payments request from the Borough of Midland Park for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix. B-7 +8. **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-8 +9.** Approve the list of Educational Data Services vendors for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the attached appendix. **B-9** +10. 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 2020-2021 school year. Approve the contract for In School Nursing Services between Bayada Home Health +11. Care, Inc. and the Midland Park Board of Education, effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. **Approve the following resolution:** +12. WHEREAS, Senate Bill 2392 and Assembly Bill 3969, currently pending in the state Legislature, would authorize the Department of Community Affairs to permit

d. First April 2020 payroll in the amount of \$657,854.03.

municipalities to delay or alter the transmission of property tax revenue to school districts during gubernatorial-declared emergencies; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's public schools are highly dependent on property tax revenue to support education programs; and

WHEREAS, on average, local property taxes constitute close to 60% of public school revenue, with the percentage even greater in a significant number of districts; and

WHEREAS, delaying or altering the transmission of property tax revenue from municipalities would result in a financial crisis for school districts, seriously disrupting the educational process; and

WHEREAS, although public school buildings are closed during the current health emergency, the education of our students is taking place through remote instruction and, therefore, continued timely transmission of all property tax revenue due to the school district is critical for the educational process to continue without interruption; and

WHEREAS, under our state's current structure, municipalities are designated as the authorities to collect property taxes, but those taxes are levied for specific purposes—e.g., municipal, school, county, fire district—and these obligations must continue to be met; and

WHEREAS, municipal governing bodies are empowered under current law to borrow in order to ensure that full payments to school districts are made;

WHEREAS, the Midland Park Board of Education recognizes the impact of the current public health emergency on the state and local governments, as well as local school districts, but believes that this legislation would only worsen the situation for our communities; and

WHEREAS, while S-2392/A-3969 would require a municipality to pay a percentage of the revenue due to a school district based on consultation between the state Departments of Community Affairs and Education, the amount of taxes collected at the time and the financial condition of the municipality and school district, it does not address subsequent payment to the school district to make up the full shortfall amount; and

WHEREAS, as currently written, S-2392/A-3969, which is designed to ease a financial burden on municipalities, would place a severe strain on school districts and the students and families that they serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Midland Park Board of Education urges the State Legislature and Governor to oppose S-2392/A-3969; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be delivered to Governor Philip D. Murphy, State Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, and the 40th Legislative District's representatives in the state Senate and General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

C.	<u>Curriculum Committee</u> – (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)
D.	Policy Committee – (M. Thomas, Chairperson)
E.	<u>Legislative Committee</u> – (Administration)
F.	<u>Buildings &amp; Grounds Committee</u> – (P. Fantulin, Chairperson)
G.	Negotiations Committee - (P. Triolo, Chairperson)
Н.	<u>Technology &amp; Public Relations Committee</u> – (C. Dell'Aglio, Chairperson)
I.	<u>Town Council</u> – (R. Formicola, P. Triolo)
J.	<u>Liaison Committee</u>
	High School PTA - (J. Canellas)
	Elementary School PTA- (C. Dell'Aglio)
	Booster Club – (N. Eliya)

Performing Arts Parents – (P. Fantulin) Special Education – (P. Triolo) Education Foundation – (S. Criscenzo) Board of Recreation – (B. McCourt) Continuing Education Program – (M. Thomas) Student Representative to the Board – (Samantha Padovano) K. Old Business L. **New Business** Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of June 16, 2020, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel, legal updates and confidential student HIB case reviews. Open to the Public - general **COMMENTS** only at this time are to be directed to the Board President. Motion to Adjourn