

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MIDLAND PARK, NEW JERSEY
MARCH 3, 2020**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. 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 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

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

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 *Dr. Marie Cirasella*

1. Two health updates have been shared with the community .
2. Today, I participated in a Coronavirus Briefing Call with Governor Murphy and the chair of the Governor’s Coronavirus Task Force, Judith Persichilli.
3. We are involved in communications with county superintendents and state health officials and have reviewed as much information as currently available, including the CDC’s interim guidance for public health management and guidance for schools to plan, prepare, and respond to Coronavirus disease.
4. We are further guided by Midland Park Board of Education Mandated Policies 8451: Control of Communicable Disease K-12, and 2412, which speaks to home instruction due to health issues.

5. This situation is one that is quickly evolving and we anticipate frequent updates, and we will keep our community informed in days to come.
6. Future plans at this time include daily briefings with administrative staff, continued monitoring of absences and causes, increased attention to cleaning and disinfecting school environments.
7. We are planning for a proactive emergency management articulation meeting with identified local officials and administrators in the next week, where we will discuss any and all information related to this serious health issue, as well as recent FEMA guidance.

Open to Public – COMMENTS only for action items on the March 3, 2020 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 – Mr. Triolo, seconded – Dr. Thomas...

1. Approve the appointment of Andreina Vilorio-Herrera as a part-time Bus Driver. She will be paid at the approved rate, effective March 9, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

Roll Call: All Yes

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (P. Fantulin, Chairperson)

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

1. Approve school bus evacuation instruction provided to Godwin and Highland School students by informational video, meeting the requirements set forth in NJAC 6A:27-11.2.

Roll Call: All Yes

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/Review of March 17, 2020 agenda items

B. Finance Committee- (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

- Next meeting on 3/17, will introduce tentative budget 2020-2021 for approval

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

No Report

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

- Keeping track of policies mentioned, no new policies

E. Legislative Committee- (Administration)

No Report

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (P. Fantulin, Chairperson)

No Report

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

- Working on setting up the next meeting

H. Technology & Public Relations Committee- (C. Dell'Aglio, Chairperson)

- Minutes went out from the last meeting

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

No Report

J. Student Representative- (Samantha Padovano)

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Motion – Mr. Eliya, seconded – Mr. McCourt...

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of March 17, 2020, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel, legal updates and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Roll Call: All Yes

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC- general **COMMENTS** only at this time are to be directed to the Board President.

Mr. Formicola invited the public to address the Board.

No one chose to speak at this time.

Motion – Mr. Triolo, seconded – Mr. McCourt...

To Adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stacy Garvey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stacy Garvey
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary