

MIDLAND PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Midland Park, New Jersey

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR DECEMBER 16, 2008 PUBLIC MEETING

District policy states that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item prior to its vote by the full Board will have an opportunity to do so without prior notice.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT STATEMENT

“Adequate notice of the meeting was provided as specified in the Open Meeting Act. Notices of the Meeting were sent to the HERALD-NEWS, BERGEN RECORD, RIDGEWOOD NEWS, and to the Midland Park Borough Clerk for the 2008 elective year. A notice was also posted outside the office of the Midland Park Board of Education in a place reserved for such announcements.”

ROLL CALL

BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Board Secretary’s Certification

Approval of Minutes

Approve the minutes of the following regularly scheduled public meeting held on November 18, 2008.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mission Statement

The Midland Park School District as part of a strong, dedicated community, provides students with a comprehensive, adaptive education in a positive environment by maximizing all resources and empowering them to realize their individual worth and responsibility with the expectation that all students achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT



Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2008-2009 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.

A. Personnel – (W. Heebink)

1. Accept the resignation of Elizabeth Veneziano as the Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Staff Development, effective February 6, 2009 (support material attached).
2. Approve the appointment of Christina Marinaro as a Social Worker for the district. She will be paid a salary of \$52,219 (MA Step 6 of the MPEA salary guide) prorated effective January 5, 2009 through June 30, 2009 (support material attached).
3. Approve the appointment of Sarah Berninger and Maureen Kelley as Language Arts SRA Graders at the high school. They will be paid at the approved rate of \$33.18 per hour for 10 hours each, for a total of \$331.80 each.
4. Approve the following changes to the list of coaches at the high school for the 2008-2009 school year (support material attached):

Stipend

Delete: Michael Walker Assistant Baseball Coach
Christine Jakobsen Assistant Softball Coach
Jack Ferriday Assistant Spring Track Coach

Add: Jack Ferriday Head Spring Track Coach \$5,051
John Follo Head Softball Coach \$5,104
Rosemary Ferullo Assistant Spring Track Coach \$4,038
Brian DeCarlo Assistant Baseball Coach \$4,149

5. Approve the following additions to the list of advisors to activities and clubs at the elementary school, for the 2008-2009 school year (support material attached):

Stipend

Add: Carol Carlisle PAC Club Advisor \$408.50
Helen Snyder PAC Club Advisor \$408.50

6. Approve the appointment of Connor McGlade and Patrick Weaver as substitute custodians. They will be paid at the approved hourly rate, on an as needed basis during the school year and vacation periods, effective December 17, 2008 through June 30, 2009 (support material attached).

7. Approve the following additions to the list of substitute teachers for the 2008-2009 school year (support material attached):

(s) Michael Bucci (previously on list)

* Amy Giovanetti

* Nancy Hafers

* Kathryn Kakolyris (employed as a .5 Instructional Aide in Highland School)

(s) Andrew Tucci (employed as a summer custodian and truck driver for the Marching Band)

(s) = County Substitute Certificate

* = NJ certification

8. Approve the following additions to the list of homebound instructors for the 2008-2009 school year (support material attached):

* Colleen Deyo

* Sarah Sless (employed as a .5 Instructional Aide in Godwin School)

* = NJ certification

B. Finance Committee – (R. Schiffer, Chairperson)

APPENDIX

1. Approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), we certify that as of October 31, 2008, 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. November 2008 Midland Park Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$73,616.38.

b. December 2008 supplemental claims in the amount of \$179,098.00.

3. Approve the following block motion:

a. November 2008 cafeteria direct pays in the amount of \$79,536.58.

b. November 2008 direct pays in the amount of \$193,419.02.

4. Approve the transfers among accounts, according to prescribed accounting procedures, for the period October 1, 2008 through October 31, 2008, which are attached as an appendix.

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5. Approve the financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Moneys for the period October 1, 2008 through October 31, 2008, which are attached as an appendix. B

6. Accept the anonymous donation of \$900 for Knox Boxes to be installed on the outside of the school buildings, as per Board Policy 7230.

7. Approve the 403B Plan Document, which is attached as an appendix. C

8. Approve the following tax sheltered annuity companies:

AIG/Valic
 AXA/Equitable
 Metropolitan Life

9. Approve the appointment of Eurico Antunes as a technology consultant for the district, for the 2008-2009 school year. He will be paid at the rate of \$80 per hour.

C. Curriculum Committee – (R. Moraski, Chairperson)

1. Approve the recommendation of the Interim Director of Special Services for the placement of one pre-school student with a disability, on home instruction, effective retroactive from September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, including an extended school program during the summer.

2. Approve the textbooks for grade 4 Health: *Health & Wellness*, Meeks and Heit, Macmillan/McGraw Hill, 2008.

3. Approve all courses and related instructors, programs and trips, which are included in the Spring 2009 brochure of the Midland Park Continuing Education program. Support material available.

4. Approve the list of staff members requesting workshop attendance, as follows (support material attached):

	Workshop	Date	Location
Jacqueline Goodell	Holocaust Education	January 6, 2009	Mahwah, NJ
Katie Gordon	Topics & Strategies to Improve Student Performance on the NJ ASK 7-8	January 8, 2009	Piscataway, NJ
Nicholas Capuano	Enhancing Your Effectiveness As an Instructional Coach	January 20, 2009	Newark, NJ
Jennifer Langenfeld	Teaching Mythology : Beyond The Basics	February 5, 2009	Montclair, NJ
Tracy Audino, Jacqueline Goodell, Ethan Grubman, Jennifer Langenfeld, Edward McDonough	Middle Level Education	March 27, 2009	Union, NJ

D. Policy Committee – (P. Lein, Chairperson)

Approve the second reading of the following new/revised bylaws, policies and regulations:

Staff Recognition- Education Hall of Fame	Policy Section 3450 (new)
Cyber-Bullying	Policy Section 5512.02 (revised)
Expenditures for Non-Employee Activities, Meals and Refreshments	Policy Section 6423 (new)
Payment of Claims	Policy & Regulations Section 6470 (revised)
Payroll Authorization	Policy Section 6510 (revised)
Withholding or Recovering State Aid	Policy Section 6831 (new)

E. Legislative Committee – (J. Canellas, Chairperson)

F. Buildings & Grounds Committee – (W. Sullivan, Chairperson)

G. Negotiations – Teachers/Secretaries – (W. Roberts, Chairperson)

H. Public Relations Committee – (J. Canellas, Chairperson)

I. Personnel Committee – (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)

J. Service Review Committee – (W. Roberts, Chairperson)

Approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the law firm of Fogarty & Hara, Esqs. has the expertise and experience to provide professional services to the Midland Park Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”);

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board appoints the law firm of Fogarty & Hara, Esqs, as Board Attorneys, until the next reorganization meeting at the following hourly rates:

\$165.00 partner \$145.00 associate

K. Town Council Special Projects Committee – (R. Moraski, Chairperson)

L. Special Recreation Committee – (W. Sullivan, Chairperson)

M. Liaison Committee:

High School PTA – (S. Criscenzo)

Elementary School PTA – (P. Lein)

Booster Club – (W. Roberts)

Performing Arts Parents – (J. Canellas)

Special Education – (M. Hahn)

Education Foundation – (R. Moraski)

Board of Recreation – (W. Sullivan)

Continuing Education Program – (R. Schiffer)

Student Representative to the Board – (K. Yalli)

N. Old Business

O. New Business

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of January 6, 2008, for the purpose of

Open to the Public

Motion to Adjourn