

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Board of Education**  
**Midland Park, New Jersey**  
April 18, 2017

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by James Canellas, at 8:00 p.m. and the following statement was read:

"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 2017 elective year. A notice was also posted outside of 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:	Sandra Criscenzo	Patricia Fantulin
	Brian McCourt	William Sullivan
	Maryalice Thomas	
	Peter Triolo	

James Canellas

Excused: Richard Formicola  
Timothy Thomas

**OTHERS PRESENT**

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

**BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**Mission Statement**

**The Midland Park School District as part of a strong, dedicated community, provides its students with a comprehensive, adoptive 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.**

Mr. Canellas welcomed all and explained the format of the action meeting.

Mr. Canellas also wished good luck with PARCC testing and thanked everyone for making the school district as great as it is.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Cirasella commented the following presentation will be made during future Board Meetings:

- Holocaust Study Tour
- French Trip to Montreal
- School Performance Report

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

There were no comments made at this time.

## BOARD MOTIONS

## APPENDIX

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

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

March 17, 2017

March 21, 2017

Roll Call: All Yes

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

2. Approve the resolution for the Settlement Agreement and Release, as per the attached appendix:

BM-1

Roll Call: All Yes

- A. Personnel – (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2016-2017 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 . . .

To approve the following block motion:

1. Approve the following addition to the list of Coaches at the high school for the 2016-2017 school year:

Add: Timothy Hamilton	7/8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Baseball Coach	<u>Stipend</u> Volunteer
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2. Approve Daniel Hurley, SUNY Cortland college student, to complete his pre-student teaching field experience in Physical Education with Maureen Donatien from May 15, 2017 through May 26, 2017.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

To approve the following block motion:

- +3. **Approve Diana Spinuzzi, William Paterson University student, to observe the Godwin School Nurse, as part of her School Nursing certification requirements, for one day in April or May.**

- +4. **Approve the appointment of Katy Hartmann as an Aide for the Midland Park Continuing Education After School Child Care Program, effective April 19, 2017 through June 30, 2017.**

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- S-1. Accept the resignation of Catherine Ianni, effective June 30, 2017.

Roll Call: All Yes

B. Finance Committee – (T. Thomas, Chairperson)

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

1. Approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), we certify that as of March 31, 2017, 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.

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

2. Approve the following block motion:

- a. March 2017 direct pays in the amount of \$404,590.19.
- b. March 2017 Midland Park Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$71,600.62.
- c. March 2017 Cafeteria claims in the amount of \$28,994.92.
- d. April 2017 claims in the amount of \$384,548.02.
- e. Second March 2017 payroll in the amount of \$577,311.63.
- f. First April 2017 payroll in the amount of \$590,008.20.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

To approve the following block motion:

3. Approve the financial reports of the Board Secretary for the period March 1 – 31, 2017, as per the attached appendix. **B-3**
4. Approve the transfers between accounts for the period March 1 – 31, 2017, as per the attached appendix. **B-4**

Roll Call: All Yes

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

To approve the following block motion:

5. 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 as needed basis, for the 2017-2018 school year, as follows:

Speech

Occupational Therapy

Physical Therapy

Home Programing and Parent Training

6. Approve the renewal of the Licensing and Maintenance Agreement between Educational Data Services and the Midland Park Board of Education.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

7. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education does hereby approve an agreement with the Region 1/Mahwah Board of Education, a Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the 2017-2018 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the coordinated transportation of public, nonpublic and special education students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the Region 1/Mahwah Board of Education and attached to this resolution.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

8. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education does hereby approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the time period 2017-2018 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation of nonpublic, out of district special education, vocational and summer programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- +9. **Approve the revised high school Cafeteria Prices for the 2017-2018 school year, as per the attached appendix.** **B-9**

Roll Call: All Yes

C. Curriculum Committee – (M. Thomas, Chairperson)

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

1. Approve the following staff member requesting workshop attendance:

Name	Workshop	Location	Cost	Date
Melissa Quackenbush	Feedback that Moves Writers Forward	Paramus, NJ	\$ 35.00	4/27/17

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- +2. **Approve the submission of an Assurance Statement to the New Jersey Department of Education to demonstrate compliance with Part B of the IDEA and N.J.A.C. 6A:14-1.1(b) assuring compliance with the Special Education Policies and Regulations.**

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- +3. **Approve the Extended Spring Courses offered through Midland Park Continuing Education, as a continuation of the Spring 2017 Brochure. Classes will be held at the high school, effective May 4, 2017 through June 29, 2017, as follows:**

**American Sign Language-Basics & Intermediate**  
**Basic Yoga – Level I**  
**English As A Second Language**  
**French for Beginners**  
**Italian for Beginners & Advanced**  
**Basketball for Men and Women**  
**Barre Method Pilates with Mini Balls & Bands**  
**Tahitian Cardio**  
**Private Piano Lessons**  
**Sewing Beginners/Advanced**  
**Classic Zumba/Zumba Gold**  
**Oil Painting for Beginners/Advanced**  
**Yoga Postures to Restore Our Bodies**

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- +4. **Approve the following textbooks at the high school:**

**Liang, Daniel Y. Introduction to Java Programming AP Edition – Tenth Edition. New York, NY: Pearson, 2017**

**Hoisington, Corinne. Android Boot Camp for Developers Using Java – Third Edition.  
Boston, MA: Cengage 2016**

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- S-2. Approve the recommendation of the Director of Special Services for the placement of a classified high school student on bedside instruction through Brookfield Schools/Summit Oaks Program at Summit Oaks Hospital, effective retroactive from April 10, 2017 through approximately April 21, 2017.

Roll Call: All Yes

D. Policy Committee – (B. Sullivan, Chairperson)

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

To approve the following block motion:

+1. **Approve the following new or revised policies, as per the attached appendices:**

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| a. Conduct of Board Meeting (revised)               | Policy Section 0164    | <u>D-1a</u> |
| b. Public Participation in Board Meetings (revised) | Policy Section 0167    | <u>D-1b</u> |
| c. Administering an Opioid Antidote (New)           | Policy Section 5330.04 | <u>D-1c</u> |

Roll Call: All Yes

Mr. Sullivan advised the board the committee reviewed seven mandated policies which will be on the May 16, 2017 meeting.

E. Legislative Committee – (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

No Report.

F. Buildings & Grounds Committee – (R. Formicola, Chairperson)

No Report.

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

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

1. Approve the Employment Contract Between the Midland Park Administrators and Supervisors Association and the Midland Park Board of Education, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020, as per the attached appendix. G-1

Roll Call: All Yes

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

A meeting has been scheduled for May 16, 2017.

I. Town Council – (J. Canellas, R. Formicola, M. Thomas)

There is a meeting scheduled for April 26, 2017.

J. Liaison Committee

High School PTA - (M. Thomas)

Pocketbook Bingo

Elementary School PTA- (J. Canellas)

No Report.

Booster Club – (B. McCourt)

No Report.

Performing Arts Parents – (P. Triolo)

The following items were mentioned:

-Spring Concerts

-Meeting with Mrs. Keenen- Fund raiser in Memorial Hall

-Jazz Band Concerts

Special Education – (B. Sullivan)

Speaker for CPAC on Transition Services to adulthood.

Education Foundation – (P. Fantulin)

The following items were mentioned:

-Chromebooks – two carts for Grades 3 & 4- Looking to find out about COWs

-Sponsorship for Carts-want to get the word out about their donations.

-April 24 is the due date for Scholarships

-Transition to New Board

-5K

-Teacher Appreciation

-B & W Ball final numbers

Board of Recreation – (T. Thomas)

No Report.

Continuing Education Program – (S. Criscenzo)

-Extended Spring Classes are being offered.

Student Representative to the Board – (Tess Steuerwald)

The following items were reported:

- Take Action Late night party.
- Performing Arts Concert will be coming up
- A group of band students are going to see Ms. Saigon
- Holocaust Study Tour

K. Old Business

Nothing was discussed at this time.

L. New Business

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

To go into closed session before the meeting of May 2, 2017, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Roll Call: All Yes

On May 20, 2017 the Borough Hall will be sponsoring a shredding day.

Mr. McCourt asked if there is any resolution regarding the field use.

Ms. Garvey responded that he will have to discuss with Ms. LaMonte.

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

Mr. Canellas invited the public to address the Board.

There were no comments made by the public at this time.

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

To adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All Yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary