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MIDLAND PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Midland Park, New Jersey 07432

Godwin School

Highland School

Midland Park Jr./Sr. High School

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR DECEMBER 14, 2021 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 2021 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 or students.”

ROLL CALL

PRESIDENT’S REPORT Mr. Peter Triolo

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

Report of Student Safety Data System (SSDS) District Violence & Vandalism and Incidents of Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying (HIB) for Reporting Period 1, 2021-2022.

1. Approve the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 101521245 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's Report to the Board and directs the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 102121005 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's Report to the Board and directs the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.

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 November 16, 2021.

A. Personnel – (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2021-2022 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 following High School staff to provide home instruction for a non-classified high school student. They will be paid at the rate of \$36.77 per hour, as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, effective retroactive from November 4, 2021 through approximately January 4, 2022, or sooner.

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| Hanora Bellucco | World Cultures | 1.5 hours per week |
| Donna Halliwell | Chorus | 30 minutes per week |
| Lisa Hayne | Broadcasting 1 | 30 minutes per week |
| Matthew Jimenez | Physical Education | 30 minutes per week |
| Matthew Jimenez | Health | 30 minutes per week |
| Joann Manicone | English | 1.5 hours per week |
| David Marks | Band | 30 minutes per week |
| Deborah Marks | Science | 1.5 hours per week |
| Yana Seminara | French 2 | 1 hour per week |
| Lawry Stein | Math | 1.5 hours per week |

2. Approve the appointment of Jessica Lee, Math teacher in the High School, to provide supplemental instruction for at-risk students at the High School. She will be paid through the ESSER III funds at the rate of \$43.26 per hour, as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, for three days per week during the 2021 – 2022 school year.
3. Approve the following elementary staff to work in the Highland Academic Support Lab to assist at-risk students. They will be paid through ESSER III funds at the rate of \$43.26 per hour, as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, for two days per week, effective January through May, 2022:

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| Tracy Audino | Stephanie Mont |
| Eileen Brown | Maureen O’Hara |
| Kristen Conners | Erin Perkins |
| David Hershberger | Jennifer Stalb |
| Cristina Horuzy | |

4. Approve the following elementary staff to provide one-to-one intense intervention for at-risk students. They will be paid through ESSER III funds at the rate of \$43.26 per hour, as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, effective retroactive from December 6, 2021 through June 23, 2022, not to exceed \$4,326 (100 hours):

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| Kristen Conners | Maureen O’Hara |
| Cristina Horuzy | Amy Tamburri |
| Nicole Marino | |

5. Approve the following addition to the list of Winter Coaches at the High School for the 2021-2022 school year:

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| Add: Peter Kruimer | Varsity Assistant Boys Basketball Coach | <u>Stipend</u> \$5,357.00 |
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6. Approve the extension in the paid medical leave for Employee No. 1674, effective retroactive from December 13 –23, 2021.
7. Approve the increase in position for Amanda Ackerman, elementary school teacher in the Highland School, from a .8 position to a full-time position. This increase will be paid through ESSER III funds. Her salary will be \$61,250.00 (MA Step 10 on the MPEA salary guide) prorated, effective January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.
8. Approve the retirement resignation of Margaret Soto, as the full-time Bus Driver for the district, effective January 31, 2022.
9. Approve the extension in the unpaid child care leave for Employee No. 1310, effective February 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

10. Revise Motion A-11 of the November 16, 2021 Board Agenda to reflect the approval of a paid maternity leave for Employee No. 1560, effective approximately March 14, 2022 through approximately March 25, 2022; a paid child care leave, effective approximately March 28, 2022 through approximately April 22, 2022; an unpaid child care leave, effective approximately May 25, 2022 through June 23, 2022 and an unpaid leave of absence, as per the NJ Family Leave Act, effective September 1, 2022 through November 25, 2022.
11. Approve the maternity leave for Employee No. 1720, effective approximately March 24, 2022 through approximately April 4, 2022; a paid child care leave, effective approximately April 5, 2022 through approximately May 18, 2022; an unpaid child care leave, effective approximately May 19, 2022 through June 23, 2022 and an unpaid leave of absence, as per the NJ Family Leave Act, effective September 1, 2022 through November 25, 2022.
12. Approve the appointment of Jeffrey Peters as a substitute Chaperone for the 2022 MPHS Ski Club, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education on the following dates:

January 5, 12, 19, February 9, 2022

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

1. Approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), we certify that as of November 30, 2021, 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 2021 direct pays in the amount of \$197,551.20.
- b. November 2021 Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$29,065.04.
- c. November 2021 cafeteria claims in the amount of \$35,143.85.
- d. Second November 2021 payroll in the amount of \$651,907.96.
- e. December 2021 claims in the amount of \$516,619.94.

3. Approve the cash reports and the Board Secretary's Report for the period November 1 - 30, 2021, as per the attached appendix.

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- 4. Approve the transfers among accounts for the period November 1 – 30, 2021, as per the attached appendix.
- 5. Approve the agreement with Learn Well to provide 10 hours of educational services per week to a non-classified high school student on bedside instruction, at the rate of \$49 per hour, effective retroactive from November 19, 2021 through approximately December 19, 2021.
- 6. Approve the agreement with Learn Well to provide 10 hours of educational services per week to a non-classified high school student on bedside instruction, at the rate of \$49 per hour, effective from December 9, 2021 through approximately January 24, 2022.
- 7. Approve the acceptance of donations for the outdoor classroom at the Highland School, as follows:

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| Midland Park Elementary PTA | \$8,000 |
| Midland Park Education Foundation | \$6,500 |

- 8. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Midland Park Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement and Release (hereinafter referred to as “Agreement”) between the Board and the Parents of a student whose name is on file in the Superintendent’s office, and which Agreement is located in the student’s file, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement and Release, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

- 9. Approve Power Educational Consultants, LLC to provide professional training for Co-Teaching Pairs on January 17, 2022 at a cost of \$550.
- 10. Rescind Motion B-8 of the November 16, 2021 Board Agenda approving the use and rental of the High School Gym to Hoop Heaven for Youth Basketball games from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Sundays in January and February, 2022
- 11. Approve the use and rental of the High School Gym to Summer Heatt Basketball, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education for youth basketball games from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on the following Sundays:

December 19, 2021; January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2022

- 12. Approve the use and rental of facilities at the High School to KIDZTOPROS, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education to provide STEM, Arts and Sports Enrichment activities from 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. during the following school breaks:

Winter Break – February 23, 24, 25, 2022
 Spring Break – April 11, 12, 13, 14, 2022

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

1. Approve the following staff member requesting workshop attendance:

| Name | Workshop | Location | Cost | Date |
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| Eurico Antunes | NJASA Techspo 2022 | Atlantic City, NJ | \$921.84 | 1/26-28/2022 |

2. Approve the following proposed overnight trip:

Concert Band Students, Grades 7 – 12, to Baltimore, MD from June 10-12, 2022

3. Approve the following request for a new textbook at the High School for 7th & 8th grades:

“Teen Health” by Glencoe/McGraw-Hill, 2021, Columbus, OH

4. Approve the recommendation for the placement of a non-classified high school student on bedside instruction, effective retroactive from November 19, 2021 through December 19, 2021.
5. Approve the recommendation for the placement of a non-classified high school student on bedside instruction, effective retroactive from December 9, 2021 through January 24, 2022.
6. Approve all courses, instructors, programs and trips in the Spring 2022 Midland Park Continuing Education program.

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

1. Approve the following revised Mandated Policies, as per the attached appendices:

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| a. Comprehensive Health and Physical Education | Policy Section 2422 | <u>D-1a</u> |
| b. Surrogate Parents and Resource Family Parents | Policy Section 2467 | <u>D-1b</u> |
| c. Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students | Policy Section 5111 | <u>D-1c</u> |
| d. Eye Protection | Policy Section 7432 | <u>D-1d</u> |
| e. Emergency and Crisis Situations | Policy Section 8420 | <u>D-1e</u> |
| f. School Nutrition Programs | Policy Section 8540 | <u>D-1f</u> |

- g. Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Bill Policy Section 8550 D-1g
- h. Student Transportation Policy Section 8600 D-1h

2. Approve the first reading of the following revised Policy, as per the attached appendix:

- a. Education of Homeless Children Policy Section 5116 D-2a

E. Legislative Committee – (Administration)

F. Buildings & Grounds Committee – (C. Dell’Aglia, Chairperson)

1. Approve the Midland Park Public Schools Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report on the following date and location:

11/17/2021 CTC Academy, Oakland, NJ

G. Negotiations Committee - (N. Eliya, Chairperson)

H. Technology & Public Relations Committee – (R. Formicola, Chairperson)

I. Town Council – (P. Triolo, B. McCourt)

J. Liaison Committee

High School PTA - (N. Eliya)

Elementary School PTA- (J. Canellas)

Booster Club – (B. McCourt)

Performing Arts Parents – (M. Thomas)

Special Education – (P. Fantulin)

Education Foundation – (S. Criscenzo)

Board of Recreation – (R. Formicola)

Continuing Education Program – (C. Dell’Aglia)

Student Representative to the Board – (Sophia Rosenthal)

K. Old Business

L. New Business

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of January 4, 2022, 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