

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MIDLAND PARK, NEW JERSEY
FEBRUARY 1, 2022**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Triolo 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 2022 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

Present:	James Canellas	Sandra Criscenzo
	Christine Dell’Aglio	Nabil Eliya
	Patricia Fantulin	Richard Formicola
	Maryalice Thomas	Brian McCourt

Peter Triolo

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff: Stacy Garvey, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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*

Special Education update by Mrs. Ann Marie Bruder – Mrs. Bruder updated the Board and public with the Special Education program at the three Midland Park Schools.

Open to Public – COMMENTS only for action items on the February 1, 2022 agenda.

No one chose to speak at this time.

BOARD MOTIONS

Action Items:

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.

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

1. Rescind Motion A-4 on the January 18, 2022 Agenda to approving the appointment of Karli Gnehm as a 1st grade maternity leave replacement in the Godwin School. She will be paid a salary of \$49,600 (BA Step 2 on the MPEA salary guide) prorated, effective March 16, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- S-1. Approve the appointment of Neil Moses as a part time Bus Driver, pending criminal history approval and completion of the school bus driver licensing. He will be paid a salary of the approved hourly rate of \$24.15.

Roll Call: All Yes

C. Curriculum-(S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)

APPENDIX

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

1. Approve the Academic Calendar for the 2022-2023 School Year, as per the attached appendix.

C-1

Roll Call: All Yes

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/Review of February 15 , 2022 agenda items

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

- The Budget books were handed out
- A finance committee meeting will be held before the next Board meeting on 2/15

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

- The 2022-2023 academic calendar is listed on the agenda for tonight's meeting

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

- 2nd reading will be on the 1/15 agenda

E. Legislative Committee- (Administration)

No Report

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (C. Dell'Aglio, Chairperson)

- There have been 2 informative meetings regarding the referendum
- Five forums are being held, three are coming up, 2/9 in person at Godwin School at 7:30, 3/1 in person at our next Board meeting at 8:00 and 3/2 via zoom at 7:30
- On the school website, looks for questions and answers regarding the referendum

G. Negotiations Committee- (R. Formicola, Chairperson)

No Report

H. Technology & Public Relations Committee- (P. Fantulin, Chairperson)

- An email went out about the election, ballots were mailed on 1/28
- If your ballot was not received by 2/1, call Board of Election at 201-336-7020, deadline is 3/1

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

No Report

J. Diversity Committee – (J. Canellas, Chairperson)

- Working with administration to get a meeting together to sketch out goals & objectives of the committee and how we can find synergy with the student organizations as well as extend our impact beyond the building to the community.

K. Student Representative- (Sophia Rosenthal)

- Midterms are over
- David Luberoff reached 1,000 point in basketball on 1/21, congratulations to him
- The superbowl fundraiser for the food drive is coming up and some clubs will help with it.
- Seniors have an assembly on 2/3 about drug & alcohol abuse.
- One of our seniors got into the Airforce Academy

OLD BUSINESS

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

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

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of February 15, 2022, 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.

No one chose to speak at this time.

Motion – Mr. Formicola, seconded – Mr. Eliya...
To adjourn the meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stacy Garvey
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary