

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, New Jersey
March 29, 2011

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Robert Schiffer, 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 2010 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."

ROLL CALL

Present:	James Canellas	Sandra Criscenzo
	Richard Formicola	Brian McCourt
	Raymond Moraski	William Sullivan
	Maryalice Thomas	Robert Schiffer

Excused: Paula Lein

OTHERS PRESENT

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

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

Presentation of the proposed 2011-2012 School Budget and Public Hearing

Ms. Garvey presented a Power Point Demonstration on the 2011-2012 Proposed Budget. Items included in this presentation were: Revenue Summary, Expenditure Summary, Tax Levy Impact, and a Proposed Budget Overview.

Open to the Public

Grace Vallone – Questioned why the improvement of instruction area had increased. She asked if it were because of the Director of Instruction.

Ms. Garvey answered yes.

Ms. Vierheilg asked for clarity on school nurse position.

Ms. Vierheilg asked for details on the Tuition area of the agenda.

Motion – Mr. Formicola, seconded –Mr. McCourt . . .

To close the Public Hearing . . .

Motion – Mr. Sullivan, seconded – Mr. McCourt. . .

Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, to approve a school district Budget for the FY 2011-2012 school year for submission to the voters of Midland Park, as follows:

	Budget	Local Tax Levy
Total General Fund	\$19,208,529	\$17,154,828
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 353,543	
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 450,059	\$ 450,059
TOTALS	\$20,012,131	\$17,604,887

Roll Call: All Yes

Mr. Sullivan thanked Ms. Garvey for all of her hard work on building the budget. He also stated that Committee would have liked to put funding toward other things like Building & Grounds, but concentrated on restoring educational items.

A g e n d a

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2010-2011 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 – (S. Garvey)

Motion – Mr. Sullivan, seconded – Mr. Moraski . . .

Approve the appointment of Stacie Millman as a Guidance Counselor (maternity leave replacement) at the high school. She will be paid a salary of \$48,083 (MA Step 3 on the MPEA salary guide), prorated effective the week of April 4 -8, 2011, with an official start date of April 25, 2011 through June 30, 2011 (support material attached).

Roll Call: All Yes

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

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

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

Name	Workshop	Date	Amount	Location
Carole Treta	Schoolwires C2 Orientation	April 13, 2011	\$200	Washington Township, NJ

Roll Call: All Yes

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

2. Approve all courses and related instructors, programs and trips which are included in the Pre Summer 2011 brochure of the Midland Park Continuing Education program (support material available).

Roll Call: All Yes

New Business

Motion – Mr. Formicola, seconded – Mr. McCourt . . .

To go into closed session before the public meeting on 4/12/11 at 7:30 to discuss personnel and negotiation items.

Roll Call: All Yes

Open to the Public

Mr. Schiffer asked if anyone would like to address the Board of Education

Ray and Maureen Borzone addressed the Board regarding their son participation in the athletic program at the high school. The Borzone's home school their children and would like to have their son participate in high school athletics – The Department of Education will allow this but NJSIAA does not allow. The Borzone's asked that the Board permit the director of athletics to submit a proposal to NJSIAA to allow home schooled children to participate in the programs in the town they reside. Ms. Garvey provided information to the Board and will be giving direction to the Athletic Director to send the proposal to NJSIAA.

Grace Vallone – commented on the revised school calendar. She was disappointed in the revised calendar. She asked to know the circumstances which influenced the decision made on the revisions. Mr. Schiffer commented that the calendar has been a major item of debate for 3 years. He will ask the Curriculum committee to take into consideration Mrs. Vallone's thoughts when reviewing next year's calendar.

Ms. Vierheilig commented that support material for the agenda should be given to the public. Ms. Garvey responded that this is not required. Support material is not for public knowledge until after it is approved by the Board vote. Once approved it becomes available for public review and part of the minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary