

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, New Jersey
November 21, 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	Timothy Thomas
	Peter Triolo	

James Canellas

Excused: Richard Formicola

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 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.

There will be a HIB Presentation for the community on November 27.
On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Canellas wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Dr. Marie Cirasella

Dr. Cirasella congratulated everyone involved in "It's a Wonderful Life". Great job done by everyone.

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

1. Approve the following resolution:

- a. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 1012173115 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.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

No one chose to speak at this time.

BOARD MOTIONS

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

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

October 3, 2017
October 17, 2017

Roll Call: All Yes

A. Personnel – (M. Cirasella)

APPENDIX

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2017-2018 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 a paid maternity leave for employee #1506, effective January 2, 2018 through approximately January 15, 2018; a paid child care leave, effective approximately January 16, 2018 through February 9, 2018 and an unpaid leave of absence, as per the NJ Family Leave Act, effective February 12, 2018 through March 23, 2018.
2. Approve the following addition to the list of substitute workers for the 2017-2018 school year:

Marie Theodorides Substitute Bus Aide
3. Approve the appointment of Jenna Abballe as a chaperone for the Midland Park Continuing Education Ski Program for 2018.

+4. Approve three additional lab periods per week for Deborah Marks, Science teacher at the high school. She will be paid an additional salary of \$2,999.97, effective January 29, 2018 through June 30, 2018.

+5. Approve the list Winter Coaches at the high school for the 2017-2018 school year, as per the attached appendix.

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+6. Approve the appointment of the following high school teachers to provide home instruction for a non-classified high school student. They will be paid at the approved rate as per Schedule D of the MPEA contract, effective retroactive from October 20, 2017 through December 22, 2017:

Educere Online program	PE 12/Health 12	5 hours per week
Krystyna Makowski as a Consultant	Forensics, Horticulture, Environmental Science	2 hours per week
Kori Smith	English IV	1.5 hours per week
Emily Walker	Pre-Calculus, Painting, Business Finance	1.5 hours per week

+7. Accept the resignation of Joseph DeMott as a part-time Custodian, effective November 22, 2017.

+8. Approve the appointment of Joseph DeMott as a full-time Maintenance worker. He will be paid a salary of \$42,450.00 (Step 10 on the Maintenance salary guide, including Maintenance stipend) prorated, effective November 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

Motion – Mr. Thomas, seconded – Mr. Mc Court . . .

To approve the following block motion:

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, 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.

2. Approve the following block motion:

a. October 2017 direct pays in the amount of \$91,702.36.

b. October 2017 Midland Park Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$56,464.32.

- c. October 2017 Cafeteria claims in the amount of \$39,404.06.
- d. Second October 2017 payroll in the amount of \$608,157.09.
- e. First November 2017 payroll in the amount of \$672,671.62.
- f. November 2017 claims in the amount of \$655,616.10.

3. Approve the cash reports and the Board Secretary's report for the period October 1 – 31, 2017, as per the attached appendix. B-3

4. Approve the transfers between accounts for the period October 1 - 31, 2017, as per the attached appendix. B-4

5. Approve the Agreement for Consultant Services between the Midland Park School District and Mary Oates, to provide 41 days of on-site professional development during the 2017-2018 school year, as per the attached appendix. B-5

6. Approve purchasing through the following New Jersey State Contracts:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Contract No.</u>
CDW Government	89849
Grainger	79875
Home Depot	43894
HP, Inc.	89974
Stericycle	85389
Verizon Wireless	82583
WB Mason	88839

7. Approve the use and rental of the High School Rear Practice Field to New York NFL Alumni Heroes Youth Football Camps, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education on the following dates and times:

Monday – Friday, July 9 – 13, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

+8. Approve the Rutgers Summer Reading Skills program, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education, to be held at the high school on Thursdays, effective June 28 – July 26, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:45 p.m.

+9. Approve the lease purchase financing of a 54-passenger Type C Bus through U S Bancorp Government Leasing & Finance Inc., as per the terms specified in the attached appendix. B-9

+10. Approve ASL Interpreter Referral Service, Inc. to provide sign language services for a classified high school student on December 15, 19 & 21, 2017 at the rate of \$91 per hour for 7 hours.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

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

To approve the following block motion:

1. Approve the following staff members requesting workshop attendance:

Name	Workshop	Location	Cost	Date
Eileen Ietto Kathleen Lepage	Conference for School-Based Speech/Language Pathologists	Piscataway, NJ	\$259.00 \$290.56	12/1/2017

- +2. **Approve the Middle School Wrestling Agreement between the Walwick and Midland Park School Districts for the 2017-2018 school year, as per the attached appendix.**

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- +3. **Approve the recommendation for the placement of a non-classified high school student on home instruction, effective retroactive from October 20, 2017 through December 22, 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 second reading of the following new/revised policies:

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| a. Public Participation in Board Meetings | Bylaws Section 0167 |
| b. Educational Adequacy of Capital Projects | Policy Section 7101 |
| c. Site Selection and Acquisition | Policy Section 7102 |
| d. Disposition of Property | Policy Section 7300 |

- +2. This item was pulled from the Agenda.

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

No Report.

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

No Report.

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

No Report.

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

There will be a meeting over the weekend to begin layout of Chalk Board.
We are asking for Principals to gather information and images. There will be a template for the next Board meeting.

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

No Report.

J. Liaison Committee

High School PTA - (M. Thomas)

No Report.

Elementary School PTA- (J. Canellas)

Event Update:

- December 5- Holiday Workshop
- December 8-Principal's Forum

Booster Club – (B. McCourt)

The following were reported on:

- Fall sports have ended
- Winter sports beginning Monday
- Meeting next Wednesday
- Fall Sports Awards Dinner is 11/29/2017.

Performing Arts Parents – (P. Triolo)

Event update:

- The Drama – “*It's A Wonderful Life*” went quite well. It was a fun show and everyone did a great job.
- Poinsettia Sale
- Kings discount cards.
- PAPS FIVE BELOW – Midland Park PAPS will get credit for your purchase on December 8 through December 10. Bring a copy of the flyer and present it to the cashier.

Special Education – (B. Sullivan)

A Presentation for parents of students who are contemplating post-secondary education will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Vincent Varrassi is the presenter. The presentation is geared for parents and students from sophomore year to senior year.

Dr. Thomas suggested sending information to other districts.

Education Foundation – (P. Fantulin)

Event update:

-April 14 – Fundraiser-“Revenge of the Nerds! Seaside Soiree”

-Thrift store fundraiser –drop off for Education Foundation.

-Amazon Smile Accounts – set-up for Education Foundation.

Board of Recreation – (T. Thomas)

No Report.

Continuing Education Program – (S. Criscenzo)

No Report.

Student Representative to the Board – (Emma Lein)

The following items were reported on:

-Drama was a success

-Musical started today

-Winter sports started yesterday, all fall sports ended.

-Fall Sports Awards are scheduled for November 29 at 7:30 p.m.

-The High School Concert is scheduled for December 14 at 8:00-9:00.

-The Middle School Concert is scheduled for December 14 at 6:30-7:30.

-Quarterlies-Spanish, Physics, and Pre-Calc.

K. Old Business

There was nothing to discuss at this time.

L. New Business

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

To go into closed session before the meeting of December 5, 2017, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

No comments.

Open to the Public

Mr. Canellas invited the public to address the Board. No one chose to speak.

Motion – Mr. Sullivan, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo . . .
To adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All Yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary