

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, New Jersey
January 7, 2019

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Stacy Garvey at 8:00 p.m. and she 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 2019 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.”

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

REORGANIZATION MOTIONS

- A. Presentation of the Annual School District Election held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018:

For Members of the Board of Education

<u>3 three-year terms</u>	<u>Votes</u>
Patricia Fantulin	1,231
Christine Dell’Aglia	221
Nabil Eliya	172

- B. Administration of Oath of Office to Christine Dell’Aglia and Nabil Eliya.

ROLL CALL

Present:	James Canellas	Sandra Criscenzo
	Christine Dell’Aglia	Nabil Eliya
	Brian McCourt	Maryalice Thomas
	Peter Triolo	Richard Formicola

Excused: Patricia Fantulin

- C. Election of Officers:

1. Dr. Thomas nominated Mr. Formicola for Board President and Ms. Criscenzo seconded the motion.

No other nominations were put forth.

Roll Call: 7 Yes (Canellas, Criscenzo, Dell’Aglia, Eliya, McCourt, Thomas, Triolo)
1 Abstain (Formicola)

2. Dr. Thomas nominated Mr. Triolo for Board Vice President and Ms. Criscenzo seconded the motion.

No other nominations were put forth.

Roll Call: 7 Yes (Canellas, Criscenzo, Dell’Aglia, Eliya, Formicola, McCourt, Thomas)
1 Abstain (Triolo)

Mr. Formicola thanked everyone and stated he hopes he can do as well as the others before him and continue to do good things. He also thanked Mr. Triolo. Mr. Formicola presented a gift to out-going President Mr. Canellas and thanked him for his work and dedication.

The Board Secretary turned the meeting over to the elected Board President Formicola.

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

To approve the following block motion:

- D. Approve the appointment of Stacy C. Garvey as the Board Secretary.
- E. Approve Continuation Under "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised."
- F. Reaffirm the present Board policies.
- G. Reaffirm the standing Board Committees.
- H. Reaffirm the District Affirmative Action Plan.
- I. Reaffirm the K-12 Curricula as outlined in the Course of Study Guides, as per the attached appendix.

RM-I

Roll Call: All Yes

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

To approve the following block motion:

- J. Reaffirm the District Student Code of Conduct Manuals.
- K. Reaffirmation of the following negotiated agreements between the Board of Education and the:
 1. Midland Park Education Association
 2. Midland Park Administrators & Supervisors Association
 3. Individual staff members:
 - a. Superintendent of Schools
 - b. School Business Administrator
 - c. Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent
 - d. Confidential Secretary to the School Business Administrator
 - e. Confidential Secretary to the Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment
 - f. Assistant to the Business Administrator

- g. Payroll & Benefits Coordinator
- h. Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds
- i. Computer Technician
- j. District Technology & Data Coordinator
- k. Computer Media Technician

L. Designate the following as Depositories for School Funds:

Columbia Bank
State of New Jersey Cash Management

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded Mr. McCourt...
To approve the following block motion:

M. Designate the following Tax Shelter Annuity Companies:

AXA Equitable	Metropolitan Life
AIG Valic	Security Benefit
Lincoln Investment Planning	National Life Group

N. Designate the following administrator for Chapter 125 flexible spending accounts services:

Ameriflex

O. Designate the following third-party administrator for 403B plans:

US Omni

P. Designate the following providers of optional employee funded disability, accident and/or cancer care plans:

American Family Life Assurance of Columbus, 'AFLAC'
Prudential Insurance Company of America

Q. Designate the School Architect:

Solutions Architecture

R. Designate the School Attorney:

Fogarty & Hara

S. Designate the School Auditor:

Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. McCourt, seconded – Dr. Thomas...
To approve the following block motion:

T. Designate the school Financial Advisor:

Phoenix Advisors, LLC

U. Designate the School Insurance Brokers:

FIRM, Inc. – Liability

Brown & Brown Advisors – Benefits Coordinator Consultant

V. Designate the Indoor Air Quality Consultant:

ER&M, Inc.

W. Designate the newspapers for Official Notices:

North Jersey Media Group (The Record)
The Ridgewood News

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Mr. Triolo...
To approve the following block motion:

X. Approve the following appointments, effective January 1, 2019:

Affirmative Action & Title IX Officer	Danielle Bache
Qualified Purchasing Agent	Stacy Garvey
Substance Awareness Coordinator	Craig Rush
Integrated Pest Management Coordinator	Scott Collins
Custodian of Records	Stacy Garvey
ADA Officer & 504 Committee Coordinator	Anne Marie Bruder
Asbestos Management & PEOSA Coordinator	Environmental Remediation & Management
Public Agency Compliance Officer	Stacy Garvey
School Safety Specialist	Nicholas Capuano

Y. Approve the authorization to award contracts up to a bid threshold of \$40,000 and to set the quote threshold at \$6,000.

Z. Approve the following officials to sign checks:

Superintendent
Board President
Board Secretary
High School Principal
Elementary School Principals

- AA. Annual discussion of the New Jersey School Board Member Code of Ethics and adoption of the New Jersey School Board Member Code of Ethics, as per the attached appendix. RM-AA
- The Board reviewed the Code and read each to the public.

- BB. Approve the use of the following cooperative purchasing groups:

Educational Data Service
Educational Services Commission
Hunterdon County Services Commission

Roll Call: All Yes

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.

Open to Public – COMMENTS only for action items on the January 7, 2019 agenda.

No one chose to speak at this time.

BOARD MOTIONS

Action Items

- A. Personnel- (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2018-2019 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...

1. Approve the appointment of Lauren Fenning as the Certified School Nurse in the Godwin School. She will be paid a salary of \$61,000 (BA Step 13 on the MPEA salary guide), prorated effective on or before March 8, 2019 through June 30, 2019.

Roll Call: All Yes

B. Finance Committee – (, Chairperson)

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

- S-1 Approve Michael C. Selbst, Ph.D., BCBA-D of Behavior Therapy Associates to perform an Independent Functional Assessment for a classified high school student at a fee of \$4,000.00 effective January 8, 2019 through June 30, 2019.

Roll Call: All Yes

C. Curriculum Committee- (, Chairperson)

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

1. Approve the following staff member requesting workshop attendance:

Name	Workshop	Location	Cost	Date
Eurico Antunes	Techspo '19	Atlantic City, NJ	\$764.50	1/31/19-2/1/2019

Roll Call: All Yes

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/Review of January 22, 2019 agenda items

A. Personnel- (M. Cirasella)

No Report

B. Finance Committee- (, Chairperson)

- Budget season is beginning – Finance Committee will be busy in Winter & Spring.

C. Curriculum Committee- (, Chairperson)

No Report

D. Policy Committee- (, Chairperson)

No Report

E. Legislative Committee- (Administration)

- New law requires financial literacy course in NJ Middle Schools. Signed into law on January. 3, 2019 and goes into effect immediately, and will apply for the school year starting in September. The financial literacy courses will be added to the curriculum for students in grades six through eight.
- The NJ Appellate Court struck down PARCC test graduation requirements. A three judge panel found the requirement doesn't match a state law that requires students to pass just a single test in 11th grade in order to graduate. The State Commissioner said his agency along with the State Attorney General's office are assessing their next steps.

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (, Chairperson)
• Ms. Garvey gave an update on the solar and roof replacement projects.

G. Negotiations Committee- (, Chairperson)

No Report

H. Technology & Public Relations Committee- (, Chairperson)
• A news flyer will be going out shortly.

I. Town Council- ()

No Report

J. Student Representative- (Emma Lein)
• The boys basketball team won 47-44 over Park Ridge.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of January 22, 2019, 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.

Mr. Formicola invited the public to address the Board.

No one chose to speak at this time.

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