

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Board of Education**  
**Midland Park, New Jersey**  
**June 4, 2019**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Richard Formicola at 8:00 p.m. 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 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.”

**ROLL CALL**

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

Richard Formicola

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Staff:	Marie Cirasella, Superintendent of Schools
	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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.***

**Recognition:**

**Education Hall of Fame Induction:**

Mrs. Marilyn DeLuccia  
Mr. August C. DePreker

### **Bergen County Teachers of the Year:**

Mrs. Deborah Kilgore                      Mr. Jason Whelpley  
Mrs. Kelly Scala                         Mrs. Lisa McNerney

### **NJ PTA Outstanding Educator:**

Mrs. Christine Carr

### **Interscholastic North Jersey Conference- Athletic Director of the Year:**

Michael Gaccione

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT *Dr. Marie Cirasella***

- Last night was the Senior Awards Dinner for the Class of 2019. It was a fantastic event to witness the achievements of our amazing students. We shared in the pride of their families and congratulate all the scholarship and award recipients and will miss them very much.
- On June 7, our district along with others from Bergen County will participate in the Hand to Hand Torch Run for Special Olympics. The torch will be passed from one county student to another until the leg of the run is completed. Jayme Kajajian will represent our district and we wish him much luck.

- District Field Status Report

The use of the District Fields was presented.

- Mr. Canellas suggested to explore the use of other areas by Prospect St. Ms. Garvey stated that they were already using that area.
- The piece of property acquired by the Borough was discussed.
- Mr. Canellas stated at the next Council meeting he was going to inquire about the land by Nativity Church. Mr. Formicola answered that 2 years ago, Nativity did not want to sell. It is something the Borough could consider again.
- We would like to work together with the Borough to find other areas to use to allow ours to rest.
- Mr. McCourt stated this is a discussion for the Liaison Committee.
- Mr. Eliya stated that he has been at many fields and ours are the best they have been, big improvement
- Mr. Gaccione stated this has been the worst spring and if it wasn't for our maintenance crew we wouldn't have played half our games. Thank you to Scott and his men.

**Open to Public – COMMENTS only for action items on the June 4, 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 – Dr. Thomas, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo...

1. Approve the appointment of the following high school students as Aides for the Before/After School Child Care program, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education, effective June 5, 2019 through June 30, 2019:

Alejandra Cruz	Eliana Kim
Gabrielle Esposito	Nicholas Statuto

Roll Call: All Yes

#### B. Finance- (J. Canellas, Chairperson)

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. Triolo...

1. Approve the submission of the 2018-2019 Extraordinary Aid application to the New Jersey Department of Education.
2. 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 between the Board and the parents of a student whose name is on file in the Superintendent's office, and which Agreement #00140046 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 to execute the Agreement.

3. Approve Mary Oates as a Consultant to provide professional development sessions for staff members for the implementation of the NJ Student Learning Standards in Mathematics and Assessment Design. She will be paid an amount not to exceed \$5,600.00 for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.

4. Approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the Midland Park Board of Education "SFA" accepts the Food Service Management proposal from The Pomptonian, Inc. "FSMC" for the food service operation for 2019-2020.

The SFA shall reimburse FSMC for all Reimbursable Items. The SFA shall pay to FSMC a management fee of \$.1880 per meal served under the Child Nutrition Programs and for each Meal Equivalent served (the "Management Fee").

The number of program meals served to children shall be determined by actual count. A "Meal Equivalent" provided by FSMC is determined by dividing the total of cash receipts, other than from sales of program meals by the Meal Equivalent Conversion Factor. The Meal Equivalent Conversion Factor used to determine the number of Meal Equivalents served by FSMC shall be \$3.66.

The FSMC guarantees the SFA a breakeven operation for school year 2019-2020.

Roll Call: All Yes

### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/Review of June 18, 2019 agenda items**

- B. Finance Committee- (J. Canellas, Chairperson)
- Meeting scheduled for 6/18
- C. Curriculum Committee- (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)
- There were a couple of items on the agenda
    - New courses
    - School trips
- D. Policy Committee- (M. Thomas, Chairperson)

No Report

- E. Legislative Committee- (Administration)
- On Thursday, May 23, the full General Assembly approved two measures that would impede a board of education's ability to effectively manage district staff and resources. The first, A-3395, would constrain school districts' authority to subcontract various services. The second bill, A-3664, establishes overreaching job protections for school support staff. The bills now head to the Senate, where the Senate versions will be heard by committee. Senate leadership has given no indication that they will hear the bills in this session. The NJSBA continues has asked its members to join them in advocacy efforts by approving resolutions formally opposing both measures. The Board will be considering these resolutions which may be approved at the board meeting of June 18, 2019.
  - A few other noteworthy bills recently signed into law which impact districts are:
    - A bill requiring districts to share school maps with law enforcement officials.
    - A pilot program to recruit male minority teachers.
    - And a four-year pilot program to explore the efficacy of later school start times for high school students. Five districts will be selected for this pilot.

We will keep you posted as to further developments and impact on our district in days to come.

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

No Report

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

- There is no meeting scheduled yet.

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

- The graduation newsletter will be expanded, Mr. Capuano is looking for candidates to interview

I. Town Council- (R. Formicola, P. Triolo)

- A meeting will be scheduled over the summer

J. Student Representative- (Samantha Padovano)

- Senior awards dinner was 6/3
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade graduation at 2:00 p.m. - 6/7
- On June 11 the following events are scheduled:
  - Art show
  - Science fair
  - Underclassman awards
  - Spring sports awards
- Student Government elections – 6/14
- Finals for seniors – 6/13
- Senior prom, with a red carpet at the HS starting at 5:00 – 6/6

OLD BUSINESS

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Motion – Mr. Triolo, seconded – Mr. Canellas...

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of June 18, 2019, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel, updates on legal cases and confidential student HIB case reviews.

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 – Dr. Thomas, seconded – Mr. Canellas...

To Adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stacy Garvey".

Stacy Garvey  
School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary