

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Board of Education**  
**Midland Park, New Jersey**  
**September 4, 2018**

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 2018 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:	Sandra Criscenzo	Patricia Fantulin
	Brian McCourt	William Sullivan
	Maryalice Thomas	Timothy Thomas
	Peter Triolo	Richard Formicola

James Canellas

**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, 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.**

Mr. Canellas welcomed everyone to the Work Session and made the following comments:

- Tonight we will review of the September 18<sup>th</sup> Agenda, as well as take action on items on tonight’s agenda.
- I wish the staff, administration and students the best of luck in the upcoming year.

- In November, there are two open seats on the ballot. A way to fill them is to write in a candidate. Encourage anyone who is interested to reach out to Ms. Garvey to discuss details.

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

Dr. Cirasella commented on the following topics:

- Great opening day convocation and motivating speaker – Bill Riggs.
- Tomorrow there are more in-services and time in the classrooms.
- There will be five newsletters from each school throughout the year
- Presentations at the Board Meeting.
- Highlight – Back to School.
- October 10, 2018 – Assessment Report.

**Open to Public – COMMENTS only for action items on the September 4, 2018 agenda.**

No one chose to speak at this time.

## **BOARD MOTIONS**

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

1. Approve the Shared Services Agreement between the Midland Park Board of Education BM-1 and the Borough of Midland Park for the 2018-2023 school years.

Dr. Cirasella reported Jason Tillson was assigned as our SRO and was here as a guest convocation. We look forward to him starting.

Roll Call: All Yes

## **Action Items:**

- A. Personnel- (M. Cirasella)

APPENDIX

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. Maryalice Thomas, seconded – Ms. Criscenzo...

1. Approve a revised paid medical leave of absence for Employee No. 1728 effective September 1, 2018 through October 3, 2018; and an unpaid child care leave, as per the New Jersey Family Leave Act, effective October 4, 2018 through January 2, 2019.
2. Approve the payment of stipends for Fall curriculum writing, as per the attached appendix: A-2

3. Approve the following addition to the list of Fall Coaches at the high school for the 2018-2019 school year:

		<u>Stipend</u>
Add:	Dylan King                      Assistant Boys Soccer Coach	\$4,300.20

4. Accept the resignation of Employee No. 1831, effective retroactive from June 30, 2018.

5. Approve the appointment of Dylan King as an Instructional Aide at the high school. He will be paid a salary of \$25,000 (Category V, Step 1 on the Secretarial/Clerical salary guide), effective September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

6. Approve the revised salaries for the following Instructional Aides for the 2018-2019 school year:

Kasey Damiano	\$26,100 (Category V, Step 2)
Kathleen McKinless	\$26,600 (Category V, Step 3)
RoseAnn Pollio	\$26,600 (Category V, Step 3)

7. Approve the list of substitute workers for the 2018-2019 school year, as per the attached appendix: A-7

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- S-1 Rescind Board Motion A-13 on the August 21, 2018 Agenda to appoint Ramon Guarton as a part-time Bus Driver.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

- S-2 Approve the appointment of Anthony Papapietro as a part-time Custodian. He will be paid at the approved hourly rate, effective September 5, 2018 through June 26, 2019 (or the last day of school).

Roll Call: All Yes

B. Finance- (P. Triolo, Chairperson)

Motion – Mr. Triolo, seconded – Mr. Sullivan...

1. Approve the decommissioning of the following out-dated item at the high school:

Pitney Bowes Postage Meter, Inventory No. 1847.

2. Accept the New Jersey Department of Education funding for the 2018-2019 school year, as follows:

Services Under Chapters 192 & 193 school year in the amount of \$167,898.00.

3. Approve the revised cash reports and the Board Secretary's report for the period June 1 – 30, 2018, as per the attached appendix. B-3

Roll Call: All Yes

C. Curriculum- (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)

Motion – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Ms. Fantulin...

1. Approve the recommendation for the change in placement and transportation for a classified student previously approved to attend the Windsor Prep, Paramus, NJ to attend the Sage Day School, Rochelle Park, NJ, effective September 4, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

B. Finance Committee- (P. Triolo, Chairperson)

No Report.

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

There are a lot of new and updated curriculum to be approved.

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

No Report.

E. Legislative Committee- (Administration)

Changing weights after Teacher evaluations.

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (T. Thomas, Chairperson)

There has been many apparent upgrades at the three schools.

G. Negotiations Committee- (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

No Report.

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

No Report.

I. Town Council- (J. Canellas, R. Formicola)

No Report.

J. Student Representative- (Emma Lein)

No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing was discussed at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion – Mr. Sullivan, seconded – Mr. Formicola....

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of September 18, 2018, 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 one chose to speak at this time.

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

To adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,  
School Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary