

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

June 3, 2014

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Maryalice Thomas, 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 2014 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. In addition, all questions must be presented to the Board of Education during the public session and prior to the adjournment of the meeting."

**ROLL CALL**

Present:	James Canellas	Sandra Criscenzo
	Richard Formicola	Brian McCourt
	Robert Schiffer	William Sullivan
	Timothy Thomas	

Maryalice Thomas

Excused: Peter Triolo

**OTHERS PRESENT**

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

**BOARD PRESIDENT ITEMS**      *Dr. Maryalice Thomas*

***Midland Park Public School District 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 OF SCHOOLS ITEMS**     *Dr. Marie Cirasella*

Mr. Sam Schaper passed away last night. Sam was the Buildings & Grounds Supervisor until he retired a few years ago. After retirement from his full-time job, Sam drove a school bus for us. He was a life-time resident of Midland Park. He was very much a gentle man and dedicated member of the community. Sam will be missed.

Presentation to the Bergen County Teacher Recognition recipients: Jeffrey Hackett, Donna Halliwell, David Hershberger and Michael Winters.

Dr. Cirasella welcomed Brian Mulligan as Student Representative to the Board for the next school year.

Motion – Mr. Thomas, seconded – Mr. Schiffer . . .

1. Approve the following resolutions:

- a. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 050114213 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.
- b. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 050614214 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

## **AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Review of agenda for Regular Meeting to be held on June 17, 2014.

**Open to Public-** Comments only for action items on the agenda.

## **BOARD MOTIONS**

### **Action Items:**

A. Personnel- (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2013-2014 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 – Ms. Criscenzo, seconded – Mr. Sullivan . . .

1. Approve the revised maternity leave for Katherine Kuperus, high school teacher, effective May 5, 2014 through May 9, 2014; a paid child care leave, effective May 10, 2014 through June 6, 2014 and an unpaid child care leave, effective June 7, 2014 through June 24, 2014.

Roll Call: All Yes

B. Finance- (R. Schiffer, Chairperson) APPENDIX

Motion – Mr. Schiffer, seconded – Mr. Canellas . . .

To approve the following block motion:

1. Approve the use of AccuScan for digital archiving services through RFP #MRESC 12/13-22 in an amount not to exceed \$23,000.
2. Approve the following resolution for the partial roof replacement at the high school, which is attached as an appendix.

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Roll Call: All Yes

Curriculum- (S. Criscenzo, Chairperson)

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

1. Approve the Summer 2014 Assignments for Grades 7 – 12, as per the attached appendix.

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Roll Call: All Yes

**LIAISON/BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

No Report.

E. Legislative Committee- (J. Canellas, Chairperson)

No Report.

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee- (R. Formicola, Chairperson)

No Report.

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

No Report.

H. Public Relations Committee- (P. Triolo, Chairperson)

No Report.

I. Liaison Committee

High School PTA – (S. Criscenzo)

Market Day Orders are due by June 7, 2014.

Elementary School PTA - (P. Triolo)

No Report.

Booster Club – (T. Thomas)

Hall of Fame Trophy case is set up  
June Awards is scheduled for 6/11/2014.

Performing Arts Parents – (J. Canellas)

The Madrigals are scheduled to perform on June 9, 2014.

Special Education – (M. Thomas)

No Report.

Education Foundation – (R. Formicola)

No Report.

Board of Recreation – (B. McCourt)

A Hold Harmless Document was discussed for installation of netting at the Highland School field.

Continuing Education Program – (R. Schiffer)

No Report.

Student Representative to the Board – ( K..Peterson)

No Report.

Borough Town Council – (M. Thomas and J. Canellas)

No Report.

Ad Hoc – (W. Sullivan)

No Report.

### **ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS**

There were no items to discuss at this time.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to discuss at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

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

To go into closed session before the meeting of June 17, 2014, for the purpose of personnel, negotiations and confidential student and association matters.

Roll Call: All Yes

### **Open to the Public**

Dr. Thomas invited the public to address the Board.

No one addressed the Board at this time.

Motion – Mr. Sullivan, seconded – Mr. Schiffer . . .

To adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All Yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,  
School Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary