



USDOE Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
NJDOE Star School

MIDLAND PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Midland Park, New Jersey 07432

Godwin School

Highland School

Midland Park High School

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR OCTOBER 20, 2015 PUBLIC MEETING

District policy states that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item prior to its vote by the full Board will have an opportunity to do so without prior notice.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT 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 2015 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. 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

BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

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'S REPORT

Report on Student Performance on the NJ Standardized testing

+1. Approve the following resolutions:

- a. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 021915368 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. 021215365 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.
- c. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No. 021215366 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.

Open to the Public:

To discuss action items on the Agenda.

BOARD MOTIONS

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

September 1, 2015
September 15, 2015

A. Personnel – (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2015-2016 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.

- +1. **Approve the appointment of Brett Carroll, as a Health & Physical Education teacher in the high school, effective October 21, 2015 through June 30, 2016.**
- +2. **Approve the appointment of George Lambert, as a Special Education teacher in the high school, effective October 21, 2015 through June 30, 2016.**

- +3. **Accept the retirement resignation of Linda Carr, Special Education teacher in the Highland School, effective November 1, 2015.**
- +4. **Approve the appointment of Carolyn Walsh as a Special Education teacher in the Highland School, effective October 21, 2015 through June 30, 2016.**
- +5. **Approve the appointment of Megan Conklin as a maternity leave replacement for Jill Klaussen, effective October 21, 2015 through January 29, 2016.**
- +6. **Approve the following sixth period teaching assignments at the high school. The teachers will each be paid 5% of their base salary, effective October 21, 2015 until such time as a replacement is hired:**

Jessica Lee	Discrete Math	Period 4
Danielle Vandenberghe	Discrete Math	Period 7
Emily Walker	Personal Finance	Period 1

- +7. **Approve the increase in position for Gail Traitz, Math teacher at the high school, from a .2 position to a .4 position. She will be paid a salary of \$19,040 prorated, effective October 21, 2015 until such time as a replacement is hired.**
- +8. **Approve a paid maternity leave for Kimberly Paulhus, School Nurse in the Godwin School, effective approximately January 4, 2016 through January 15, 2016, an unpaid maternity leave, effective January 16, 2016 through January 27, 2016 and an unpaid child care leave, effective approximately January 28, 2016 through February 24, 2016.**
- +9 **Approve the following addition to the list of Advisors to Activities and Clubs at the high school for the 2015-2016 school year:**

Add: Maureen Donatien	Student Senate Advisor	<u>Stipend</u>
		\$2,288

- +10. **Grant approval for Midland Park School District staff members to donate sick days to create a sick bank for Cesar Palacios, full-time Custodian in the Highland School.**
- +11. **Approve the following additions to the list of substitute workers for the 2015-2016 school year:**

Thomas Iandiorio	Maintenance worker
Donna Zeoli	Bus Aide

B. Finance Committee – (R. Schiffer, Chairperson)

1. Approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), we certify that as of September 30, 2015, 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. September 2015 Midland Park Continuing Education claims in the amount of \$48,831.41.
- b. September 2015 cafeteria claims in the amount of \$42,445.29.
- c. October 2015 claims in the amount of \$1,161,974.83.

3. Approve the September 2015 direct pays in the amount of \$484,493.33.

4. Approve the following block motion:

- a. Second September 2015 payroll in the amount of \$570,030.89.
- b. First October 2015 payroll in the amount of \$616,835.82.

5. Approve the transfers among accounts for the period September 1 – 30, 2015, as per the attached appendix.

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6. Approve the financial reports of the Board Secretary for the period September 1 – 30, 2015, as per the attached appendix.

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7. Approve the following resolution and attached appendices:

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Whereas, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting “required” maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and

Whereas, the required maintenance activities as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of the Midland Park Public Schools are consistent with these requirements, and

Whereas, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Midland Park Board of Education hereby authorizes the school business administrator to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for Midland Park in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

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- +8. Approve the acceptance of the Midland Park Public Education Foundation Grants for the 2015-2016 school year, as per the attached appendix.**
- +9. Accept the New Jersey Department of Education Non-Public Security Aid Entitlement funding for the 2015-2016 school year, as follows:**
 - Green Twig School \$200.00**
(to be used to purchase a security camera)
 - Eastern Christian School \$3,975.00**
(to be used on outside lighting, a front door intercom and walkie talkies).
- +10. Approve the use and rental of the Highland School Gym to Ramsey Travel Basketball Association, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education, for Basketball games on Sundays, November 1, 15 & 22, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**
- +11. Approve the use and rental of the Highland School Gym to Summer Heatt, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education, for Goats AAU Basketball Tournaments on Sundays, December 6, 11, 13, 20, 27, 2015 and January 3-31 and February 7, 2016 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.**
- +12. Approve the use and rental of the Midland Park Jr/Sr High School Gym to Ramsey Travel Basketball Association, sponsored by Midland Park Continuing Education for Basketball games on Sundays, December 6, 2015 through March 1, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

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

- 1. Approve the following staff members requesting workshop attendance:**

Name	Workshop	Location	Cost	Date
Nancy LoPresti	AP US History Workshop	Robbinsville, NJ	\$231.75	Nov. 6, 2015
Kira Harder George Lambert	Community-Based Instruction	Morris Plains, NJ	\$203.35 \$203.35	Nov. 12, Dec. 21, 2015; Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 15, April 26, May 2, 2016
Christine Carr	NJASL 2015 Fall Conference	Long Branch, NJ	\$168.40	Nov. 15-17, 2015
Maureen Kelley	NJASL 2015 Fall Conference	Long Branch, NJ	\$151.37	Nov. 16, 2015
Carole Steel	Gifted Programming & Services	Piscataway, NJ		Nov. 19, 2015

+2. Approve the following proposal for a new club:

Brain Busters (6th, 7th & 8th Grades)

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

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

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

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

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

I. Liaison Committee

High School PTA - (S. Criscenzo)

Elementary School PTA- (P. Triolo)

Booster Club – (T. Thomas)

Performing Arts Parents – (J. Canellas)

Special Education – (M. Thomas)

Education Foundation – (R. Formicola)

Board of Recreation – (B. McCourt)

Continuing Education Program – (R. Schiffer)

Student Representative to the Board – (Aidan MacLean)

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

Ad Hoc – (W. Sullivan)

J. Old Business

K. New Business

Motion to go into closed session before the meeting of November 10, 2015, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Open to the Public

Motion to Adjourn