

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, New Jersey
May 3, 2016

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 2016 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
	William Sullivan	Timothy Thomas
	Peter Triolo	

Maryalice Thomas

Excused: Patricia Fantulin

OTHERS PRESENT

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

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.

Working ahead of the curve, the Midland Park Board of Education completed water testing. We are sending the results to Commissioner Hespe in hopes to receive funding.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Presentation of the proposed 2016-2017 School Budget and Public Hearing.

Dr. Cirasella, Ms. Garvey and Mr. Canellas presented the proposed school budget for the 2016-2017 Budget to the Board and the public.

Dr. Cirasella reported that the administration was quite pleased that PARCC Testing went so well. With the exception of one day’s technical issues at the state level (experienced statewide) our procedures ensured testing was uninterrupted.

The 2016 PARCC Testing opt out totals are as follows:

- a. Highland School – 33 students
- b. MP Jr./Sr. HS – 40 students

Open to the Public

Mr. Eliya commented that he felt a fantastic job was done with the budget and he wants the Board and the Administrators to continue to improve the schools.

Mr. Sullivan asked when the 2003 referendum final payment would be. Ms. Garvey will provide.

Closed Public Hearing

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. Thomas . . .

1. Resolution to Approve the 2016-2017 School Year Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education, County of Bergen, approves the final 2016-2017 school year budget, as follows:

Current General Expense (Fund 11)	\$20,739,598
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	\$ 128,275
Special Schools (Fund 13)	\$ 718,460
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$21,586,333
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$ 475,138
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 915,675
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS	\$22,977,146

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GENERAL FUND tax levy \$19,079,363 is approved to support Current General Expense and \$911,236 to support Debt Service, for the 2016-2017 school year budget.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Review of agenda for Regular Meeting to be held on May 24, 2016.

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

No items were brought before the Board

BOARD MOTIONS

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.

Action Items:

A. Personnel- (M. Cirasella)

Board resolutions related to hiring for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years 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. Canellas, seconded – Mr. Triolo . . .

To approve the following block motion:

1. Approve the non-tenured reappointment and salary of Dr. Marie Cirasella as Superintendent of Schools for the 2016-2017 school year, as per the signed Contract of Employment.
2. Approve the reappointment of the following non-tenured administrators for the 2016-2017 school year, salaries to be paid as per Schedule A of the Midland Park Administrators & Supervisors Association contract:

Ann Marie Bruder	Director of Special Services
Jason Cata	High School Assistant Principal
Melissa Quackenbush	Supervisor of Curriculum, Instruction & Staff Development

3. Approve the first tenured appointment of the following administrator for the 2016-2017 school year, salaries to be paid as per Schedule A of the Midland Park Administrators & Supervisors Association contract:

Michael Gaccione	High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director effective October 2, 2016
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4. Approve the reappointment of the following tenured administrators for the 2016-2017 school year, salaries to be paid as per Schedule A of the Midland Park Administrators & Supervisors Association contract:

Danielle Bache	Godwin School Principal
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Nicholas Capuano High School Principal
Peter Galasso Highland School Principal

5. Approve the tenured reappointment and employment contract for Stacy Garvey, as the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2016-2017 school year, as per the attached appendix: A-5

6. Approve the reappointment of all non-tenured certificated staff for the 2016-2017 school year, as per the attached appendix: A-6

7. Approve the first tenured appointment of the following certificated staff for the 2016-2017 school year:

Diane Erdman, effective November 6, 2016
Kristy Victory

8. Approve the reappointment of all tenured certificated staff for the 2016-2017 school year, as per the attached appendix. A-8

9. Accept the resignation of Anna Parke, Certified School Nurse at the Highland School, effective June 30, 2016.

Roll Call: All Yes

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

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

1. Approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a public bid was held on April 22, 2016 where bids were accepted for surplus equipment.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education approve the sale and removal of items at the following highest bids:

2000 GMC pick-up truck	Marczaks, Inc.	\$1,059.00
Gravely Walk Behind Tractor 12 HP	Prout Funeral Home	
Gravely Walk Behind Tractor 14 HP	Prout Funeral Home	
Gravely Snow Blower	Prout Funeral Home	
Gravely Snow Plow	Prout Funeral Home (4 items)	\$1,056.30
1974 John Deere Tractor	Liberty Motors, Inc.	\$1,814.99

2. Approve the award of the 2001 Bluebird 34-passenger bus through Gov-Deals.com in the amount of \$1,000.

3. Approve the resolution for the lease of property for wireless communication facility, as per the attached appendix.

Mr. Sullivan stated he had asked for additional information and felt this was a great project and something that is needed badly to improve cell service. Service is poor for staff and student and especially for emergency services. Plus the district will be making money from this---Great Job!

4. Approve the bid award for auditorium seating through the NJ State Approved Purchasing System 65MCESSCCPS, as follows:

MRESC List Price for (328) Millennium Chairs	\$109,555.28
MRESC 22% Discount:	<u>- 24,102.16</u>
Subtotal:	\$ 85,453.12
20% Additional Manufacturer Discount:	<u>- 17,090.62</u>
TOTAL COST:	\$ 68,362.50

5. Approve the purchase of 200 HP Chromebooks, 4 Datamation Carts with licensing and three- year damage protection in the amount of \$79,204.24 – NJ (NASPO VP PC) (MO483-89974).

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. Thomas . . .

To approve the following block motion:

- S-6. Approve the resolution to award the bid for the Toilet Room Upgrades at the Godwin School to Construction Contractors of NY, Corp., in the amount of \$275,000, as per the attached appendix: S-6
- S-7. Approve the resolution to award the bid for the Toilet Room Upgrades at the Highland School to Construction Contractors of NY, Corp., in the amount of \$269,000, as per the attached appendix. S-7
- S-8. Approve the resolution to award the bid for the Toilet Room Upgrades at the High School to GL Group in the amount of \$305,000, as per the attached appendix. S-8
- S-9. Approve the resolution to award the bid for the Auditorium Alterations Project at the High School to Pharos Enterprises, LLC, with a base bid in the amount of \$447,000, together with Alternate #1, cost to modify, repair and paint the Stage front, in the amount of \$2,000 and Alternate #2, cost to provide a portion of the Gypsum Board Accent Bands, in the amount of \$4,000, for a total contract sum in the amount of \$453,000, as per the attached appendix. S-9
- S-10. Approve the resolution to award the bid for the Mechanical Upgrades at the High School to Pennetta Industrial Automation with a base bid in the amount of \$1,174,000, together with Alternate #1 in the amount of \$72,000 and Alternate #3 in the amount of \$194,000 for a total sum of \$1,440,000, as per the attached appendix. S-10
- S-11. Approve the resolution to award the bid for the Mechanical Upgrades at the Godwin School to TEO Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$904,700, as per the attached appendix. S-11

Roll Call: All Yes

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

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

1. Approve the following revised curricula:

- a. Physical Education – Grades 3-4
- b. Physical Education – Grades 5-6
- c. Health – Grades 3-4
- d. Health – Grades 5-6
- e. Art – Grades 3-5
- f. Art – Grade 6
- g. French – Grade 4
- h. French – Grade 5
- i. French – Grade 6
- j. Computers – Grade 4
- k. Computers – Grade 5
- l. Introduction to Computers
- m. Digital Photography
- n. Sculpture
- o. Study Skills – Grade 7
- p. Study Skills – Grade 8
- q. Study Skills – Grade 9-12

Roll Call: All Yes

LIAISON/BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

D. Policy Committee - (B. McCourt, Chairperson)

There will be a 2nd Reading at the next meeting.

E. Legislative Committee - (P. Fantulin, Chairperson)

No Report.

F. Buildings and Grounds Committee - (P. Triolo, Chairperson)

The following items were reported on as jobs completed or as on-going:

- Repaired several leaking sink faucets district wide
- Unclogged several sink drains district wide
- Installed 12 Smart Boards at Highland School
- Installed a water spigot rear of Highland School
- Repaired leaking pipes for hot water heater at MPHS
- Repaired toilets district wide
- Repaired several locks and doors district wide

- Lined practice field for Marching Band
- Installed new plywood floor – green storage container at MPHS
- Installed clay Varsity Baseball field
- Grass cutting district wide
- Baseball and softball field maintenance

In addition, thank you for the support on S6-S11- a continuation of referendum projects. Graduation will be on the Stadium Field.

G. Negotiations Committee - (W. Sullivan, Chairperson)

The committee met with the Association last week
Tentative meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night.

H. Technology & Public Relations Committee - (R. Formicola, Chairperson)

The following items have been reported as started or as completed:

- Preparing Highland School Wireless network for 200 Chromebooks
- In the process of having 12 new Smartboards installed at Highland School
- Configured 12 newer model HP computers for the Highland School Smartboards
- Upgraded all computers that are being used for PARCC testing
- Continue to virtualize older server to the new VMWare Server
- Updating the Technology Plan for the 2016-2019 school years.
- Prepare PowerSchool for the End-of-year State reporting.

I. Liaison Committee

High School PTA – (S. Criscenzo)

The following events have been planned:
Plant sale pick up is from 3:00-5:00
Scholarship handed in for the Seniors
Combination general meeting is scheduled for 5/12/16.
Interview scheduled for next week.

Elementary School PTA - (R. Formicola)

Event schedule:
PTA will have their Appreciation Lunch at Savini's
There will be a No Cook Fundraiser which will be through Parkwood Deli.

Booster Club – (T. Thomas)

It was reported that all teams are doing well.
Girls' javelin relay team doing quite well.

Performing Arts Parents – (P. Triolo)

Starting fundraisers for:

Plaques on auditorium slat winners on 5/10

Band car wash 5/7

Magicals on 5/13

Band concerts on 5/18

Special Education – (W. Sullivan)

Special Education meeting on May 16, 2016.

Fran Renshaw will speak on Behavior Therapy.

Education Foundation – (P. Fantulin)

No Report.

Board of Recreation – (B. McCourt)

VanderMere field renovation will start soon.

Continuing Education Program – (M. Thomas)

The spring programs are finishing.

Student Representative to the Board – (Aidan MacLean)

No Report.

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

Board members and Administrators will be walking in the Memorial Day Parade with the Town Council on 5/28/2016.

Ad Hoc – (W. Sullivan)

No Report.

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS

No other items needed to be discussed at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Thomas read a Proclamation for Teachers and a letter for Teacher Appreciation Week.

NEW BUSINESS

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

To go into closed session before the meeting of May 24, 2016, for the purpose of reviewing the hiring of personnel and confidential student HIB case reviews.

Roll Call: All Yes

Open to the Public

Dr. Thomas invited the public to address the Board.

Mr. Eliya vs. Field – Sprinklers are broken and running all day. I pass this on because I am interested in maintenance of fields.

Dr. Thomas replied that the information will be passed along to our Maintenance Department.

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. Thomas . . .

To adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary