

MINUTES OF THE PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP
MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 19, 2016

Time and Place of Meeting:

Pursuant to notices sent to each member of the Board of Education, the pre-meeting workshop was held on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 in the High School North Library, 63 Tindall Road, Middletown, New Jersey.

1. Call to Order – at 7:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

2. Sunshine Notice - *"Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by sending such notice to the Asbury Park Press, the Middletown PATCH, the Middletown Township Public Schools District website, and the posting of such notice at the August T. Miner Administration Building and each elementary, middle, and secondary school in the district."*

3. Roll Call

Present: Vincent Brand, Michael Donlon, Ernest Donnelly, Sue Griffin, Joan Minnuies, Andrew Nicholes, Danielle Walsh, Bob Banta and James Cody

Absent:

Also Present: William George, Amy Gallagher and Jeff Merlino and Nicholas Savio, Esqs.

4. Resolution for Executive Session – At 7:01 p.m. motion made by Mr. Brand and seconded by Mr. Banta to adjourn to closed session to discuss; student matters, personnel, negotiations and Student Services. Motion carried on a voice vote.

5. Call to Order by the Board President and Re-Reading of the Sunshine Notice – At 8:42p.m. the meeting was called to order.

6. Roll Call

Present: Vincent Brand, Michael Donlon, Ernest Donnelly, Sue Griffin, Joan Minnuies, Andrew Nicholes, Danielle Walsh and James Cody

Absent: Bob Banta

Also Present: William George, Amy Gallagher and Jeff Merlino and Nicholas Savio, Esqs.

7. Pledge of Allegiance

8. Committee of the Whole

A. Technology Committee (Dave Siwiak)

1. Information items

a. District data retention project

b. Google Leadership Academy/Symposium

B. Student Services (Bob Dunn)

1. Voting agenda items

a. Approval for Home Instruction

b. Approval for Out of District Placements

c. Contracted services

d. Settlement Agreement

- C. Facilities (Amy Gallagher)
 - 1. Voting agenda items
 - a. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Facilities Checklist
 - b. Approval of submission of solar PPA's
 - 2. Updates
 - a. Energy Savings Plan

- D. Curriculum & Instruction (Kim Pickus / Charlene O'Hagan / Marjorie Caruso)
 - 1. Standardized Testing Data (PARCC) presentation
 - 2. Voting agenda items
 - a. Curriculum Committees, Workshops, Home schooling
 - 3. Information items
 - a. IReady middle school ELA reading assessment
 - b. GLP seminars – October and December
 - c. New Business, Technology and Social Studies course proposals

- E. Finance (Amy Gallagher)
 - 1. Voting agenda items
 - a. Financial reports and bill list
 - b. Non-public technology agreement
 - 2. Information items
 - a. FEMA funding

- F. Policy (Amy Gallagher)
 - 1. Voting agenda items – Second Reading
 - a. Policy 9160.1 – Civility (New)
 - 2. Information items
 - a. Regulation 2340 – Field Trips (revised) - **Pending**

- G. Operations/Co-Curricular & Athletics (Mary Ellen Walker)
 - 1. Voting agenda items
 - a. Ice rental contract 2016-2017
 - b. Heroes & Cool Kids
 - c. Nursing plan
 - d. Eastwick College OT
 - e. Brookdale nursing students
 - f. Research study
 - 2. Information items
 - a. Security update

- H. Negotiations (Dr. George/Amy Gallagher)

- I. Personnel (Dr. Magistro)

9. **Joint Resolution – Monmouth County Reliability Project**
The Board discussed the proposed Joint Resolution with Hazlet, Holmdel, Matawan-Aberdeen, Middletown and Red Bank Boards of Education expressing concern of the JCP&L's proposed Monmouth County Reliability Project.
10. **Old Business – Mrs. Minnuies** inquired about recognition of the Ocean Avenue teaching staff for their involvement with the summer reading program, and commented on the Middletown Township recognition event at the High School South football game on 10/21/16. Mrs. Minnuies also asked about recess, and the adjacent property to River Plaza Elementary School.
11. **New Business – Mr. Donlon** informed the Board that the Facilities and Planning Ad Hoc Committee is putting together their findings and recommendations for the Board in time for the next board meeting. Mrs. Griffin discussed the NJSB Delegate's Assembly in December and expressed an interest in attending. Mrs. Griffin reported on her Board Goals and Action Plan, and reported on a new Board Member orientation book that was discussed at a recent County Meeting which is available on the County website. Mr. Cody stated that the Board can begin with the required training in November, including a one day retreat for all Board Members to attend. Mrs. Griffin inquired on the potential effect the gas tax increase will have on our transportation budget. Mrs. Gallagher discussed factors involved in bidding transportation routes and contracts already awarded. Mrs. Minnuies commented on the safety concerns for the River Plaza students who walk to school. Mrs. Gallagher discussed programs that the River Plaza community tried to facilitate to fund a project that would create a safer walking route for the students in their community. Mr. Cody suggested that this issue go to the Shared Services Committee to discuss. Mrs. Gallagher will follow up with the Township to see if there are any new developments on this topic. Mrs. Gallagher reported on a pre-construction meeting with T&M with regard to the turf field at Crydon Hall with anticipated construction start up on November 1st.
12. **Public Comment**
- Jamie Curcio and Dorothy Ginda commented on school security and facility use permits.
 - Sherry Gevarter commented on the JCP&L project, facility use permits, and committee information.
13. **Motion to Adjourn – Motion** made by Mr. Brand and seconded by Mr. Donnelly at 11:44 p.m. to adjourn the pre-meeting workshop. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy P. Gallagher
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

