

MINUTES OF THE PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP
MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 19, 2011

Time and Place Pursuant to notices sent to each member of the Board of Education, the pre-meeting workshop was held
Of Meeting: on Wednesday, October 19, 2011 in the High School North Library, 63 Tindall Road, Middletown, New
Jersey.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – at 6:35 p.m. the pre-meeting workshop was called to order.

2. **SUNSHINE NOTICE** - *“Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by sending such notice to the Asbury Park Press, the Independent, the Two River Times, and the Hub 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: Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon, Sue Griffin, Gerald Wexelberg and Joan Minnuies.

Absent: Chris Aveta, Vincent Brand and Michael Mascone.

Also Present: Ernest Donnelly, Amy Gallagher and Christopher Parton, Esq.

4. **RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION** – At 6:36 p.m. motion made by Mr. Donlon and seconded by Mrs. Caminiti to adjourn to closed session for matters of negotiations, personnel and confidential student issues. The Board will be discussing: a student residency hearing, a complaint regarding a special education student, administrative appointments and organization, personnel recommendations for the supplemental state aid, and a sick leave bank request.

5. **CALL TO ORDER AND RE-READING OF SUNSHINE NOTICE** – Reconvene Workshop Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

7. ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Aveta, Vincent Brand, Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon, Sue Griffin, Michael Mascone, Jerry Wexelberg and Joan Minnuies.

Absent:

Also Present: Ernest Donnelly, Amy Gallagher and Christopher Parton, Esq.

8. **PRESENTATION – Violence and Vandalism** (presented by Mary Ellen Walker)

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following members of the public spoke:

- Sam Altland commented on the location of the high school junior proms, and the Bottlecapper charter.
- Karen Antone commented on Sylvan Learning Center services, and EWEG system.
- Stan Wyckoff commented on Transportation.
- Susie Woods and Lori Stanziale commented on homecoming football game tradition.
- Diane and Tom Koehler discussed freshman wrestling.

10. REPORTS

A. Report of the President – Mrs. Minnuies addressed emails she has received regarding the Thanksgiving Day football game. Mr. Donnelly reported that the traditions of the High School North and South football games on Thanksgiving Day will remain the same for 2011. Mrs. Minnuies gave an update on the hiring process for all District teaching staff and administrators. Mrs. Minnuies asked Mr. Donnelly for clarification on the placement of paraprofessionals in the kindergarten classrooms. Mr. Donnelly reported that based on regulations and policy at the County level, paraprofessionals may not be placed in kindergarten classrooms unless there is a classified student requiring an aide or if the class size exceeds 25 students.

B. Report of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary

C. Report of the Superintendent – Mr. Donnelly discussed the Agreement to Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS – updates were given by the chairperson from recent committee meetings:

- A. **Curriculum Committee** (Sue Griffin, Chairperson). Committee met on 10/17/11.
- B. **Finance Committee** (Chris Aveta, Chairperson). Committee met on 10/18/11. Mr. Aveta discussed items that will be on the Voting Meeting agenda.
- C. **Policy Committee** (Vincent Brand, Chairperson). Committee met on 10/18/11.
- D. **Co-Curricular/Athletic Committee** (Jerry Wexelberg, Chairperson). Committee met on 10/17/11.
- E. **Negotiations Committee** (TBD, Chairperson). Mrs. Minnuies reported that the next meeting will be held on 11/2/11.
- F. **Facilities Committee** (Michael Mascone, Chairperson). Committee met on 10/17/11.
- G. **Student Services Committee** (Joan Minnuies, Chairperson). Committee met on 10/11/11.
- H. **Technology Committee** (Michael Donlon, Chairperson). A meeting date has not yet been determined.
- I. **Personnel Committee** (Leonora Caminiti, Chairperson). Committee will meet on 10/20/11.

12. OLD BUSINESS – Mrs. Minnuies reminded everyone that the Great Race is on Saturday, October 22nd at High School South, with over 3500 participants. Mrs. Minnuies also mentioned that on Friday, October 21st, at 4:00 p.m. the Middletown High School South Band parents have invited the Board Members to attend their annual band event.

13. NEW BUSINESS – No new business.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN - Motion made by Vincent Brand and seconded by Mike Donlon at 9:45 p.m. to adjourn the pre-meeting workshop to return to executive session to continue discussion of the items listed in the earlier executive session resolution. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy P. Gallagher
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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