

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VOTING/RE-HIRE MEETING
MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020

Pursuant to notices sent to each member of the Board of Education, the regular voting meeting was held virtually on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 using a Zoom platform.

1. **Call to Order** by the Board President and Reading of Sunshine Announcement – at 7:03 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
Present: Nick DiFranco, Tom Giaimo, John Little, Deborah Wright, Robin Stella and Pam Rogers
Absent: Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon and Joan Minnuies
Also Present: Dr. George, Amy Doherty and Lester Taylor, Esq.
3. **Resolution for Executive Session at 7:06 p.m.** – Motion made by Mrs. Stella, seconded by Mr. DiFranco to go into executive session for; personnel and Superintendent replacement.
4. **Call to Order by the Board President and Re-Reading of Sunshine Announcement at 8:44 pm**
5. **Roll Call**
Present: Nick DiFranco, Tom Giaimo, John Little, Deborah Wright, Robin Stella and Pam Rogers
Absent: Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon and Joan Minnuies
Also Present: Dr. George, Amy Doherty and Lester Taylor, Esq.
6. **Pledge of Allegiance**
7. **Opportunity for Public Comment on Agenda Items Only (limited to thirty minutes)**
 - Michele Pitzer commented on pandemic
 - Lydia Loscharo commented on pandemic and personal protective equipment
 - Jessica Verdiglione commented on staff transfers and scheduling
8. **Proclamation**
 - A. Approval of Proclamation – Special Education Week in New Jersey
WHEREAS, for the 35th consecutive year, The New Jersey School Boards Association is sponsoring Special Education Week in New Jersey;
WHEREAS, we recognize the achievements of students with disabilities and their teachers;
Now, THEREFORE, I, Pamela Rogers, Serving as Board President, and on behalf of the Middletown Board of Education, Do hereby proclaim May 11 – May 16, 2020 as ***Working Together to Build a Special Future for All*** Special Education Week in New Jersey.

Motion made by Mr. DiFranco seconded by Mrs. Wright for approval of **item #8A**. Motion carried on a voice vote:

Ayes: (6) Mr. DiFranco, Mr. Giaimo, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stella and Mrs. Rogers

Noes: (0)

9. **Reports**

A. **Superintendent**

- 1) The Superintendent of Schools recommends approval of submission of the Virtual Home Instruction Plan for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year to the Executive County Superintendent.
- 1a) Virtual Home Instruction Plan – *Attachment Superintendent-1 VHIP*

Motion made by Mr. DiFranco seconded by Mrs. Stella for approval of **item #9A1-1a**. Motion carried on a voice vote:

Ayes: (6) Mr. DiFranco, Mr. Giaimo, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stella and Mrs. Rogers

Noes: (0)

10. Recommendations of the Superintendent of School

A. Finance (Amy Doherty)

- 1) Approval of the revised 2019-2020 schedule of payments, previously approved 5/22/19:
(Transfer of collected taxes from the Township of Middletown to the Board of Education)

Be it Resolved that the following Draw Schedule, as developed by the School Business Administrator and accepted by the Business Administrator, Township of Middletown, be approved:

<u>Date Due</u>	<u>Current Expense</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
July 31, 2019		\$4,629,536
August 12, 2019	\$28,723,649	
September 10, 2019	\$8,617,095	
November 13, 2019	\$17,952,280	
December 10, 2019	\$17,952,280	
February 11, 2020	\$17,952,280	\$1,000,000
March 11, 2020	\$17,952,280	
May 11, 2020	\$10,000,000	
June 1, 2020	\$7,234,191	
June 10, 2020	\$17,234,191	
	<u>\$143,618,246</u>	<u>\$5,629,536</u>

Note: The May 11, 2020 payment amount has been prorated between May 11, 2020 and June 1, 2020.

- 2) Approval of contract for the replacement of paging/intercom system and digital clock system at Thorne Middle School to CM3 Building Solutions, Fort Washington, PA covered under the Camden County ESCNJ cooperative bid #FY17-02 in the amount of \$97,577.70.
- 3) Approval of contract for the replacement of digital clock system at Thompson Middle School to CM3 Building Solutions, Fort Washington, PA covered under Camden County ESCNJ cooperative bid #FY17-02 in the amount of \$85,319.43

Motion made by Mrs. Stella seconded by Mr. Giaimo for approval of **item #10A1-3**. Motion carried on a voice vote:

Ayes: (6) Mr. DiFranco, Mr. Giaimo, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stella and Mrs. Rogers

Noes: (0)

B. Personnel (Kim Pickus)

Note: All appointments of District staff are contingent upon satisfying the requirements of the Criminal History Review Unit

- 1. Approval of Retirements:
 - a. Dr. William O. George III – Superintendent of Schools, District effective 9/1/20
 - b. Lynn McBride – Paraprofessional, Nut Swamp effective 7/1/20
 - c. Lisa McCabe – Grade 2, Lincroft effective 7/1/20
 - d. Maureen Parks – Paraprofessional, Thompson effective 7/1/20
 - e. John Smith – Custodian, Middletown Village effective 7/1/20
 - f. Joan Muso – Paraprofessional, HS South effective 6/1/2020

2. Approval of Resignations:
 - a. Jenna Rockwell – Special Education, Bayview effective 7/1/20

3. Approval of New Hires:
 - a. William Hutton – Night Custodian (Part-Time), Harmony
Salary: \$17,391 (Night Differential)(pro-rated)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/20
Salary: \$17,423 (Night Differential)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/21
Acct #: 11-000-262-100-20-023
 - b. Gene Marinan – Night Custodian (Part-Time), Nut Swamp
Salary: \$17,391 (Night Differential)(pro-rated)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/20
Salary: \$17,423 (Night Differential)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/21
Acct #: 11-000-262-100-20-023
 - c. Benjamin Sanford – Night Custodian (Part-Time), River Plaza
Salary: \$17,391 (Night Differential)(pro-rated)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/20
Salary: \$17,423 (Night Differential)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/21
Acct #: 11-000-262-100-20-023
 - d. Marc Tremari – Night Custodian (Part-Time), New Monmouth
Salary: \$17,391 (Night Differential)(pro-rated)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/20
Salary: \$17,423 (Night Differential)
Effective: Pending Fingerprints – 6/30/21
Acct #: 11-000-262-100-20-023

4. Approval of Reemployment of Staff for the 2020-2021 school year:
 - a. Non-Bargaining Unit Personnel – *Attachment HR 1 Non-Bargaining Unit Personnel*
 - b. Administrators – *Attachment HR 2 Administrators*
 - c. Certificated Staff – *Attachment HR 3 Certificated Staff*
 - d. Secretarial Staff – *Attachment HR 4 Secretarial Staff*
 - e. Facilities Staff – *Attachment HR 5 Facilities Staff*

5. Approval of Leave of Absence:
 - a. Anthony Dura – Night Custodian, HS South effective:
5/7/30 – 7/30/20 – unpaid by District, NJ Family Leave Act
 - b. Lisa Geronimo – Co-Teacher, Bayview effective:
10/19/20 – 11/20/20 – paid leave
11/21/20 – 2/18/21 – unpaid by District, NJ Family Leave Act
Acct #: 11-213-100-101-00-000, 11-120-100-101-20-035
 - c. Margaret Merone – Paraprofessional, HS South effective:
5/8/20 – 6/18/20 – partially paid by District, Federal FFCR Act

6. Approval to Adjustment of Leave of Absence:
 - a. Joan Muso – Paraprofessional, HS South effective:
2/20/20 – 6/30/20 – unpaid leave
 - b. Sarah Flaim – Language Arts, Bayshore effective:
5/1/20 – 6/30/20 – paid leave
9/1/20 – 11/30/20 – unpaid by District, NJ Family Leave Act
12/1/20 – 6/30/21 – unpaid leave
Acct #: 11-130-100-101-03-000

- c. Joan Muso – Paraprofessional, HS South effective:
2/20/20 – 5/31/20 – unpaid leave
7. Approval of Adjustment of Salary, Assignment, and/or Dates of Employment:
- a. Curtis Barradale – Maintenance Mechanic, District
Salary: \$48,531
Effective: 7/1/20 – 6/30/21
Acct #: 11-000-261-100-31-026
8. Approval for the following Facilities members to receive additional positional stipends effective 7/1/20 – 6/30/21:

Name:	Location:	Position:	Stipend:
Acker, Helen	Fairview	Day Chief Custodian	\$3149
Alessi, Charles	New Monmouth	Day Chief Custodian	\$3371
Bane, James	Thorne	Day Chief Custodian	\$3827
Bartlett, Richard	Thorne	Night Chief Custodian	\$3827
Casey, Raymond	Bayshore	Day Chief Custodian	\$3827
Czlapinski, Gary	HS North	Day Chief Custodian	\$5205
Emery, Paul	Ocean Avenue	Day Chief Custodian	\$3035
Florio, Paul	District	Chief Groundskeeper	\$3444
Ford, Michael	HS South	Day Chief Custodian	\$5205
Fuentes, Raul	HS South	Night Chief Custodian	\$5205
Goodbody, Daniel	District	Chief Maintenance Mechanic	\$5205
Goodbody, Patricia	Leonardo	Day Chief Custodian	\$3035
Goscinski, Michael	Harmony	Day Chief Custodian	\$3596
O’Sullivan, Patrick	Bayshore	Night Chief Custodian	\$3827
Pariso, Joanne	HS North	Night Chief Custodian	\$5205
Rubino, John	Navesink	Day Chief Custodian	\$3035
Somers, Edward	River Plaza	Day Chief Custodian	\$3035
Soto, Carlos	Nut Swamp	Day Chief Custodian	\$3371
Wells, Charles	Lincroft	Day Chief Custodian	\$3149
Woods, Vincent	Middletown Village	Day Chief Custodian	\$3149
Wyman, Richard	Thompson	Day Chief Custodian	\$3827
Yennella, Benedict	Bayview	Day Chief Custodian	\$3371

ADDENDUM

Name:	Location:	Position:	Stipend:
Murphy, August	District	Chief of Shipping and Receiving	\$2359
Steed, Robert	Thompson	Night Chief Custodian	\$3827

9. Approval of Job Descriptions:
- a. Personalized Learning Teacher, K-5– *Attachment HR 6 Personalized Learning Teacher K-5*
- b. Head Computer Technology Specialist – *Attachment HR 7 Head Computer Technology Specialist*
- c. Digital Literacy and Design Teacher – *Attachment HR 8 Digital Literacy and Design Teacher*
- d. Reading Development Teacher (Revised) – *Attachment HR 9 Reading Development Teacher*
10. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the transfer of Maureen McCormack from Principal of Port Monmouth Elementary School to Principal of Middletown Village Elementary School effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

11) Approval of Increase in Assignment:

a. Effective 7/1/20 – 6/30/21:

Name:	From:	To:	Acct #:
Halliday, Joanne	Part-Time Custodian – HS North Salary: \$13,972.50	Custodian – HS North Salary: \$28,383 (50% Night)	11-000-262-100-01-023

b. Effective 9/1/20 – 6/30/21:

Name:	From:	To:	Acct #:
Cassidy, Elizabeth	Math Specialist (45%)- Village Salary: \$34,870.05	Grade 4, (100%) – New Monmouth Salary: \$77,489	11-120-100-101-20-000
Holsey, Lauren	ESL (80%) – Fairview Salary: \$61,991.20	Grade 5 – New Monmouth \$77,489	11-120-100-101-20-000
Sanford, Deanna	Reading Development Teacher (80%) - Lincroft Salary: \$70,909.60	Kindergarten (100%) -Harmony Salary: \$88,637	11-110-100-101-21-000

12) Approval of Transfers of Assignment effective 9/1/20 – 6/30/21 – *Attachment HR 10 Transfers of Assignment*

Motion made by Mrs. Stella seconded by Mr. Giaimo for approval of **item #10B1-12**. Motion carried on a voice vote:

Ayes: (6) Mr. DiFranco, Mr. Giaimo, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stella and Mrs. Rogers

Noes: (0)

C. Student Services (Michele Tiedemann)

1) Approval of revised ESY dates for the 2020-2021 school year:

- July 22 through August 20, 2020, Monday through Friday

Motion made by Mr. DiFranco, seconded by Mrs. Stella for approval of **item #10C1**. Motion carried on a voice vote:

Ayes: (6) Mr. DiFranco, Mr. Giaimo, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stella and Mrs. Rogers

Noes: (0)

D. Curriculum (Kim Pickus)

1) Approval of SOAR dates for the 2020-2021 school year:

- July 27 through August 21, 2020

Motion made by Mrs. Stella seconded by Mr. Giaimo for approval of **item #10D1**. Motion carried on a voice vote:

Ayes: (6) Mr. DiFranco, Mr. Giaimo, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stella and Mrs. Rogers

Noes: (0)

11. Old Business – Mrs. Walker discussed the timeline for the strategic plan goals and committees.

12. New Business – Mrs. Rogers read a letter from the Board to Governor Murphy with regard to returning to the academic school year 2020-2021 safely, and state aid reduction. Mr. DiFranco commented on the start time of upcoming Board Meetings.

13. Public Comment – *Limited to thirty minutes*

- Holly Vogt thanked the staff at Fairview Elementary, and commented on grading for elementary students.
- Lisa Baker commented on 180 day requirement, staff transfers, and replacement of the Superintendent.
- Lydia Loscharo commented on physical education during virtual learning, the demographic survey, staffing from Port Monmouth, and school day requirements.
- Kristen Drenan commented on virtual learning for the 2020-21 school year.
- Michele Pitzer commented on alternative learning plan options.
- Julie Porcella commented on the strategic planning process and redistricting.
- Erin Winters commented on the consolidation of Port Monmouth and New Monmouth schools.
- Jessica Verdiglione commented on student learning loss.
- Email Inquiries regarding children’s safety with regard to the Covid-19 virus:
 - Colleen and Shannon Malloy

14. Motion to Adjourn - at 10:05 p.m. motion made by Mr. Giaimo, seconded by Mrs. Stella to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted



Amy P. Doherty

/vrn May 14, 2020