

MINUTES OF THE PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP MEETING
MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2021

Pursuant to notices sent to each member of the Board of Education, the pre-meeting workshop was held on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 using the Zoom meeting platform and in person at the High School North Library, 63 Tindall Road, Middletown, NJ.

1. **Call to Order by the Board President and Reading of the Sunshine Announcement at 7:00 p.m.**
"Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by sending such notice to the Asbury Park Press, The Middletown Patch, and the Middletown Twp. Public Schools District Website and the posting of such notice at the August T. Miner Administrative Offices and each elementary, middle, and secondary school website in the district".
2. **Roll Call**
Present (in person): Michael Donlon, Barry Heffernan, Jacqueline Tobacco, Deborah Wright, Frank Capone and Joan Minnuies
Present (virtually):
Absent: Leonora Caminiti, Thomas Giaimo, John Little
Also present (in person): Mary Ellen Walker, Amy Doherty and Bruce Padula, Esq.
3. **Resolution for Executive Session at 7:00 p.m.** – Motion made by Mr. Capone, seconded by Mr. Heffernan to go into executive session for; personnel and confidential contract matters. Motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Call to Order by the Board President and Re-Reading of Sunshine Notice at 8:00 p.m.**
5. **Roll Call**
Present (in person): Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon, Barry Heffernan, Jacqueline Tobacco, Deborah Wright, Frank Capone and Joan Minnuies
Present (virtually): Thomas Giaimo
Absent: John Little
Also present (in person): Mary Ellen Walker, Amy Doherty and Bruce Padula, Esq.
6. **Pledge of Allegiance**
7. **Superintendent's Update**
 - Mrs. Walker announced that all summer programs were successfully underway.
8. **Committee Reports**
 - B. Legislative (Frank Capone/Mary Ellen Walker)
 - Information Items
 - i. Committee Meeting 7/19/2021
 - C. Technology (Mike Donlon/Dave Siwiak)
 - Information Items
 - i. Committee Update
 - D. Student Services (Deborah Wright/Michele Tiedemann)
 - E. Facilities/Finance (Frank Capone /Amy Doherty)
 - Information Items
 - i. Committee Meeting 7/15/2021
 - F. Policy (Jacqueline Tobacco/Amy Doherty)
 - Information Items

- G. Curriculum & Instruction (John Little /Kim Pickus)
 - Information Items
- H. Student Activities/Co-Curricular (Leonora Caminiti/Pat Rinella)
 - Information Items
- I. Shared Services (Joan Minnuies/Amy Doherty)
 - Information Items
- J. Strategic Planning (Frank Capone/Joan Minnuies)
 - Information Items
- K. Personnel (Joan Minnuies/Kim Pickus)
 - Information Items

9. Review Draft of Voting Meeting Agenda

10. Old Business

- Mrs. Minnuies stated that BOE meetings should be fully in person, eliminating the Zoom option for members and public comment. The Board discussed the benefit of using Zoom for public participation, with a final consensus being that Zoom would be eliminated and meetings will be livestreamed via YouTube for viewing only.
- Mrs. Minnuies reminded everyone that the Board Retreat scheduled for August 2 would have a public comment portion prior to the closed retreat.

11. New Business

- Mrs. Minnuies and Mrs. Doherty discussed having an August meeting between the Food Service Committee and Whitson's to discuss their plan for food service. A public presentation for the September workshop is tentative.

12. Opportunity for Public Comment (limited to thirty minutes)

- Heather Mutto commented on the safety of the route her child must walk to get to High School South and requested courtesy bussing.
- Roseann Secondino commented on the safety of the route her children must walk to get to High School South and requested courtesy bussing.
- Julie Rizov commented on the safety of the route her child must walk to get to High School South and requested courtesy bussing.

10. Motion to Adjourn meeting at 8:48 p.m. – motion made by Mr. Capone, seconded by Mr. Heffernan to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted



Amy P. Doherty