

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VOTING / PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP  
MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022

Pursuant to notices sent to each member of the Board of Education, the special voting / pre-meeting workshop was held in person on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 in the Library at Middletown High School North, 63 Tindall Road, Middletown, NJ.

1. **Call to Order by the Board President and Reading of the Sunshine Announcement at 7:02 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: Kate Farley, John Little, Joan Minnuies, Deborah Wright, Jacqueline Tobacco and Frank Capone  
Absent: Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon, Barry Heffernan,  
Also present: Mary Walker, Amy Doherty, and Bruce Padula, Esq.
3. **Resolution for Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.** – Motion made by Mrs. Tobacco, seconded by Mrs. Farley to go into executive session for; personnel and confidential student matters. Motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Call to Order by the Board President and Re-Reading of Sunshine Notice at 8:15 p.m.**
5. **Roll Call**  
Present: Leonora Caminiti, Michael Donlon, Kate Farley, Barry Heffernan, John Little, Joan Minnuies, Deborah Wright, Jacqueline Tobacco and Frank Capone  
Absent:  
Also present: Mary Walker, Amy Doherty, and Bruce Padula, Esq.
6. **Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**
  - *It is with sadness that we share the passing of Dr. Jack DeTalvo on March 7, 2022. Dr. DeTalvo served as Superintendent of Schools for the Middletown Township Public Schools, retiring in 2002. On behalf of the school community, we extend our deepest condolences to the DeTalvo and Crimaldi families.*
7. **Presentation**
  - 2022-2023 Tentative Budget
8. **Opportunity for Public Comment on Agenda Items Only - limited to thirty minutes**
  - Mike Craig commented on the intent to hire a special education Transition Specialist, suggesting that the school community needs more than one position be created for that role.
9. **Report of the Superintendent of Schools - Special Voting Meeting Item**
  - 1) The Superintendent of Schools recommends approval to adopt the Tentative Budget for FY 2022-2023:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the tentative budget be approved for the 2022-2023 School Year using the 2022-2023 state aid figures and the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	TOTAL
2022-2023 Total Expenditures	\$176,468,828	\$4,960,217	\$6,478,918	\$187,907,963
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$23,686,597	\$4,960,217	\$1,288,470	\$29,935,284
Taxes to be Raised	\$152,782,231	-0-	\$5,190,448	\$157,972,679

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Asbury Park Press in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a public hearing be held at the Middletown Township board of Education meeting located at Middletown High School North, 63 Tindall Road, Middletown, NJ on March 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2022-2023 School Year.

**Capital Reserve Account Withdrawal - Other Capital Projects**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that included in the general fund appropriations, budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve - Other Capital Projects in the amount of \$2,216,064 for other capital project costs of \$2,216,064. The total cost of these projects is \$2,216,064 which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards

*District intends to utilize these funds for the following projects:*

Project #		Cost
1	Asbestos removal and tile replacement - Bayview	\$ 70,000
2	Flooring replacement - Bayshore/Thompson	\$ 120,000
3	Door replacement - Bayshore/Thompson/Thorne	\$ 50,000
4	RTU replacement - Bayview/Ocean Ave	\$ 155,000
5	Fire alarm system replacement - Lincroft/Navesink	\$ 80,000
6	Ceiling replacement - Harmony APR	\$ 12,000
7	Asphalt var. areas-Thompson/Thorne/Bayview/Harmony	\$ 78,000
8	Bathroom renovations - HSS/River Plaza	\$ 60,000
9	Generator hookups - Bayshore	\$ 20,000
10	Turf Field/Track renovations - HSN	<u>\$1,571,064</u>
<b>TOTAL COST:</b>		<b>\$2,216,064</b>

**Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement**

**WHEREAS**, the Middletown Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.2 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to

receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Middletown Township Board of Education established \$200,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year (2021-2022) and has expended \$15,875 as of this date; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$200,000 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion made by Mr. Heffernan, seconded by Mrs. Tobacco for approval of **item #9.1**. Motion carried on a roll call vote:

Ayes: (6) Mrs. Caminiti, Mr. Heffernan, Mr. Little, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Tobacco and Mr. Capone  
Noes: (3) Mr. Donlon, Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Minnuies

#### **10. Committee Reports**

- A. Legislative (Barry Heffernan/Mary Ellen Walker)
- B. Co-Curricular/Technology (Leonora Caminiti/Pat Rinella/David Siwiak)
- C. Student Services (John Little/Michele Tiedemann)
  - Committee Meeting 3/14/2022
- D. Facilities/Finance (Frank Capone/Amy Doherty)
  - Committee Meeting 3/2/2022
- E. Policy (Jacqueline Tobacco/Patrick Rinella)
- F. Curriculum and Instruction (Kate Farley/Kimberly Pickus)
- G. Shared Services (Frank Capone/Amy Doherty)
- H. Strategic Planning (Frank Capone)
- I. Personnel (Joan Minnuies/Kimberly Pickus)
  - Committee Meeting 3/14/2022
- J. Negotiations (Jacqueline Tobacco/Kimberly Pickus)
  - Committee Meeting 3/16/2022

#### **11. Review Draft of Voting Meeting Agenda**

#### **12. Old Business**

- Mr. Little requested the Board revisit placing Class 3 Officers in secondary schools.

#### **13. New Business**

- Mrs. Minnuies positively reviewed the theater performances at Thompson and High School North.
- Mr. Donlon reported on upcoming fundraising events in district elementary schools.
- Mrs. Wright positively reviewed theater performances at district schools.

- Mrs. Walker shared the plan for a student band performance immediately preceding the Board's voting meeting on March 29.
- Mr. Little commented on restorative practices.

**14. Opportunity for Public Comment - limited to thirty minutes**

- Susan Cerbo commented on coaching.
- Ann Marie Lusquinos commented on student prepared blessing bag donations.

**15. Motion to Adjourn meeting at 9:25 p.m. – motion made by Mr. Heffernan, seconded by Mrs. Tobacco to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted



Amy P. Doherty

APD/tn  
March 23, 2022