

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP/VOTING MEETING
HIGH SCHOOL NORTH LIBRARY
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2022 7:00 PM
PUBLIC MEETING APPROXIMATELY 8:00 PM**



Middletown Township Board of Education

Frank Capone, President

Jacqueline Tobacco, Vice President

Leonora Caminiti

Michael Donlon

Kate Farley

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Student Representative, High School North - Brandon Chuisano

Student Representative, High School South - Kaylea Hallam

Mary Ellen Walker
Superintendent of Schools

Amy P. Doherty, CPA
Business Administrator / Board Secretary

Mission Statement

The Middletown Township Public School District will work as a united community to empower each student by providing an engaging, inclusive, and safe educational environment. The District will utilize available resources, responsibly and effectively, to enable students to reach their full potential as life-long learners and responsible citizens. The District will encourage students to develop their imagination and creativity, aspire to greatness, value diverse perspectives, and demonstrate cultural competence as global citizens to prepare for future academic, career, and personal success.

Guidelines for Public Comment

Please remember this is a public meeting. Anything you say will be a public record. As a result, pursuant to law, the Board of Education cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private concerning personnel or students, please contact the Superintendent's office. Public comment periods shall also be governed by the following rules:

1. A participant must be recognized by the Board President or presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, address or municipality of residence, and group affiliation, if applicable;
2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to THREE minutes' duration;
3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;
4. All statements, questions, or inquiries shall be directed to the Board President and any questions or inquiries directed by a participant to another Board member shall be redirected to determine if such statement, question, or inquiry shall be addressed on behalf of the Board or by the individual Board member; and
5. Questions requiring investigation shall be referred by the Board to the Superintendent's office for consideration and later response. A participant may be asked to submit such questions in written format.

Code of Ethics for School Board Members (Statute 18A:12-24.1):

- I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
- I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
- I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

1. **6:30 PM Student Recognition - High School North Auditorium**

2. **7:00 PM Opening of Meeting - Call to Order by Board Secretary and Reading of the Sunshine Announcement:**

“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 in the district”.

3. **Roll Call**

4. **Resolution for Executive Session**

5. **Call to Order by the Board President and Re-Reading of Sunshine Announcement**

6. **Roll Call**

7. **Pledge of Allegiance**

8. **Student Speakers**

- High School North - Brandon Chuisano
- High School South - Tessa Cigolini

9. **Recognition of Athletic Director**

The Board of Education and the Middletown School Community congratulate our Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Carroll, on being named the Directors of Athletics Association of New Jersey Award of Merit Recipient, representing the Central Section. Throughout his career as an athletic director, Mr. Carroll has demonstrated professionalism, strong leadership, and an unwavering commitment to our student-athletes.

To promote the safety and success of our student-athletes, he works tirelessly to ensure that our student-athletes receive a positive school experience through high-quality athletic and leadership opportunities. Our Middletown school community is fortunate to have Mr. Carroll. We commend and congratulate him for serving our students with continued dedication and for modeling a sense of pride and honor in our athletic programs and student achievements. Thank you, Mr. Carroll!

10. **Presentations**

- Spring 2022 NJGPA Results Presentation - Dr. John Kerrigan
- SLE & Mental Health Programs in MTPS 2022-2023 - Dr. Margaret Young

11. **Committee Reports**

- A. Negotiations (Jacqueline Tobacco/Patrick Rinella)
- B. Curriculum and Instruction (Kate Farley/Jessica Alfone)
 - Committee Meeting 11/21/2022
- C. Student Services (John Little/Michele Tiedemann)
 - Committee Meeting 11/21/2022

- D. Facilities/Finance (Frank Capone/Amy Doherty)
 - Committee Meeting 11/21/2022
- E. Policy (Jacqueline Tobacco/Matthew Kirkpatrick)
- F. Co-Curricular/Technology (Leonora Caminiti/Pat Rinella/David Siwiak)
- G. Shared Services (Frank Capone/Amy Doherty)
- H. Strategic Planning (Frank Capone)
- I. Personnel (Joan Minnuies/Patrick Rinella)
 - Committee Meeting 11/21/2022
- J. Legislative (Barry Heffernan/Mary Ellen Walker)

12. Opportunity for Public Comment on Agenda Items Only - limited to thirty minutes

13. Motion to Approve Minutes

- Executive Session 10/19/2022
- Workshop/Voting Meeting 10/19/2022

14. Reports

A. Report of the President

B. Board Secretary's Monthly Certification

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, I certify that as of October 31, 2022 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

Amy P. Doherty
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

C. Report of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary

- 1) Motion to approve Bill List for the period of October 20, 2022 through November 29, 2022 as per *Attachment BA-3 Bill List*.
- 2) Approval of transfers for October 2022, as per *Attachment BA-2 Transfers*.
- 3) Motion to accept the Report of the Secretary for the month of October 2022, as per *Attachment BA-1 Report of Secretary*.

D. Report of the Superintendent

- 1) Superintendent's update.
- 2) The Superintendent Report on Harassment Intimidation and Bullying is affirmed by the Board of Education, as per *Attachment Superintendent-1 HIB*.

- 3) The Superintendent Report on incidents of Violence, Vandalism, Weapons & Substance Abuse is affirmed by the Board of Education for the month of October:

	<u>2022</u>				<u>2023</u>					
District Tally	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Violence	2	3								
Vandalism	0	1								
Weapons	0	3								
Substance Abuse	8	1								

- 4) Approval of the 2022-2023 Organization Chart, as per *Attachment Superintendent-2*.
- 5) The Superintendent of Schools recommends approval for Jessica Gornall, Lebanon Valley College graduate student, to investigate the thought process and decision making of speech-language pathologists (SLP) when treating speech sound disorders in a school based setting. Participation in the study is voluntary and includes surveys to be completed by speech-language pathologists.
- 6) Appointment of Director of Social Studies, James Rasmussen, as Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Coordinator for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.
- 7) The Superintendent of Schools recommends approval for Randi Trehwella, Thorne Middle School Science Teacher and graduate student at William Woods University, to investigate middle school gender differences in self-efficacy in STEM. The purpose of the study is to measure and compare middle school girls' perspective of middle school science to that of middle school boys' perspective. This study seeks to identify factors that contribute to the gender gap in STEM related fields and higher education. Participation in the study is voluntary and will include a survey conducted with 7th grade science students at Thorne Middle School. Surveys will be completed at home, responses will be anonymous and parental permission will be required for participation.

15. Recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools

A. Technology (*David Siwiak*)

B. Student Services (*Michele Tiedemann*)

- 1) Recommend approval for home instruction:

<u>Student ID</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>
311549	9/9/22	11/9/22
22370	9/27/22	10/10/22
11955	10/14/22	11/14/22
13916	10/6/22	11/7/22
18870	10/20/22	1/12/23
24837	10/26/22	11/23/22

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14757	10/24/22	11/23/22
17337	10/31/22	11/28/22
12004	11/1/22	11/8/22
11985	11/2/22	12/17/22
10900	10/27/22	11/27/22
11716	10/13/22	12/5/22
21536	10/31/22	12/1/22
24889	11/5/22	12/14/22
15791	11/6/22	12/6/22
16647	11/3/22	2/3/23
12004	11/14/22	12/12/22
25026	11/2/22	11/30/22
13715	11/14/22	12/12/22
12107	11/15/22	1/24/23
309409	11/7/22	1/7/23
10041	11/7/22	1/7/23
14952	11/7/22	1/7/23

2) Approval of new out of district placement for 2022-2023:

<u>Student ID</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Cost per diem</u>
12249	Coastal Learning Center	10/19/22	12/22/22	\$343.53
25025	CPC High Point Schools	11/14/22	6/14/23	\$468.90
19875	Harbor School	11/14/22	6/22/23	\$379.96

3) Approval for continuous out of district placement for 2022-2023:

<u>Student ID</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Cost per day</u>
14041	Willingboro High School	9/7/22	6/23/23	\$109.34

4) Approval of Contracted Service Providers for 2022-2023:

Delta-T Group Paraprofessionals \$26.00 per hour

5) Approval of Tuition Contract Agreements to attend Middletown Public School District for the 2022-2023 School Year:

Student	Sending District	Tuition
SN	Henry Hudson Regional School District	\$16,220.69

6) Approval of Settlement Agreements

- a. Settlement Agreement for student # 18448
- b. Settlement Agreement for student # 18410

C. Facilities (Amy Doherty)

D. Policy (Matthew Kirkpatrick)

- 1) Second Reading - Adoption:
 - P5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying

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E. Curriculum & Instruction (*Jessica Alfone*)

- 1) Recommend approval of staff to attend conferences, workshops, in-services and seminars, as per *Attachment Curriculum-1 Professional Development*.
- 2) Recommend approval of additional field trip destinations for the 2022-2023 school year as per *Attachment Curriculum-2 Field Trips*.
- 3) Recommend approval of additional curriculum guides for the 2022-2023 school year as per *Attachment Curriculum-3 Curriculum Guides*.

F. Finance (*Amy Doherty*)

- 1) Approval of bus evacuation drills for the first half of the 2022-2023 school year as per *Attachment Finance-1*.
- 2) Approval of the use of CRRSA ESSER II funded salaries for the 2022-2023 school year as follows:

Teacher Building/Position/Account	Salary Amount* subject to change due to contract	Amount Funded CRRSA ESSER II
Arielle Bousanti HSN/English 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$57,548	\$34,295.39
Austin Cooke Thorne/English 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$69,536	\$41,439.57
Jillian Crosby Leonardo/Co-teacher 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$68,536	\$40,843.63
Tyler Tomanek HSS/Special Ed ICR/RR 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$69,036	\$41,141.60
James Cochran Fairview/Co-teacher 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$56,548	\$33,699.45
Ashley Quardt River Plaza/Co-teacher 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$56,548	\$33,699.45
Samantha Seliga N. Monmouth/Kindergarten 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$56,548	\$33,699.45

Nicole Susino River Plaza/Co-teacher 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$69,036	\$41,141.60
Meghan Cranwell HSS/Mathematics 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$70,036	\$41,737.54
Stacey Mindel HSS/Special Ed ICR/RR 20-483-100-100-00-000-YR21	\$99,276	\$59,162.95
Salary Totals for CRRSA ESSER II Funding		\$400,860.63

- 3) Request approval pursuant to 18A:18A-4.1 et seq. and 40A:11-4.5 of RFP 23-01 Student Information System to the vendor who met the evaluation criteria (four RFPs received 10/27/2022) to Genesis Educational Services, Inc.

G. Student Activities (*Matthew Kirkpatrick*)

- 1) Approval of suspension report as per *Attachment Student Activities-1*

H. Negotiations (*Patrick Rinella*)

- I. **Personnel** (*Patrick Rinella*) – See Personnel Report

16. Old Business

17. New Business

18. Public Comment - *limited to thirty minutes*

19. Motion to Adjourn