

RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING
APRIL 9, 2013

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – 7:32 p.m. – Middle School Media Center

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was advertised as directed by resolution adopted January 7, 2013. Notice of this meeting was published in the *Asbury Park Press* newspaper per code and sent to the Municipal Clerk, Red Bank Borough, within 7 days per code.

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ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ben Forest, Marjorie Lowe, Carrie Ludwikowski, Peter Noble, Ann Roseman, Fred Stone, Suzanne Viscomi

ABSENT: Janet Jones; One Board Seat Vacancy

ALSO PRESENT: Laura C. Morana, Superintendent; Peter Sokol, Esq.; Debra Pappagallo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Forest led the Salute to the Flag.

RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:34 pm Dr. Stone motioned, seconded by Ms. Viscomi, to convene in Executive Session.

VOICE VOTE:

AYES: Forest, Lowe, Ludwikowski, Noble, Roseman, Stone, Viscomi

NAYS: None **ABSTENTIONS:** None **ABSENT:** Jones; One Board Seat Vacancy

- A. Attorney/Client Privilege
- B. Personnel
- C. HIB Update
- D. Special Education

CALL TO ORDER – 8:02 p.m.

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I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Primary School Principal Search Update

Dr. Morana reported on the status of the Primary School Principal Search. She reviewed the process of the committee.

B. Achieve New Jersey Overview

Dr. Morana presented the Power Point Presentation from The State Department of Education on Achieve NJ.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. CSA Evaluation Update – Mr. Forest reminded everyone of the April 12th deadline to file the CSA evaluation on-line.

B. Mr. Forest noted he attended the screening of “The Road to Nowhere” at Red Bank Regional HS. He felt it was very interesting and stated Dr. Morana represented the District well.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

Two application letters from interested candidates to interview for the Board seat vacancy were received.

IV. HEARING OF PUBLIC - NONE

Bylaw #060 reads . . . “Any individual deciding to speak shall sign the speaker’s sheet before the business of the meeting has begun. Please include your name, address and group or organization you represent. All comments will be directed to the Chair. Speakers shall be limited to one (1) turn of five (5) minutes.”

V. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases a unanimous vote. Almost without exception, before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate committee. The members of

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the board committee work with Administration and the Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

VI. ACTION AGENDA

Ms. Viscomi motioned, seconded by Ms. Roseman, to approve the following:

BUSINESS – 3000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following FINANCE resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

3270. TRAVEL

Name	Date/Time	Location	Fee	Theme	Account #
Laura Morana	05/03/13 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Suffern, NY	\$0.00	AVID District Directors' Meeting	NA
Mary Valdivia	05/03/13 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Monroe Township, NJ	\$45.00	PreK Leadership Conference	20-218-200-580-P13

3271. DONATION

That the Board accepts with gratitude the generous donation from an anonymous donor in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be used towards District initiatives.

PERSONNEL – 4000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following PERSONNEL resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

4614. That the Board approves the appointment of Bertha Mercedes Wall as a Bilingual Grade 1 long-term replacement teacher, at a BA Step 5-6 prorated annual salary of \$46,915.00, effective April 11, 2013 through June 30, 2013. Account #11-240-100-101-001

4615. That the Board approves the transfer of Melissa Musso from Grade 1 long-term replacement teacher to Primary School Spanish/Writing teacher, no change in salary, effective April 11, 2013 through June 30, 2013. Account #11-120-100-101-WL1

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4616. That the Board accepts with regret the resignation of Elizabeth Smith, Primary School Instructional Assistant, for the purpose of retirement, effective April 29, 2013.

CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM – 6000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

6264. That the Red Bank Board of Education deems student participation in curriculum related field trips to be educationally beneficial. Pursuant to regulation 6A:23A-5.(c)(1), the Board hereby approves the resolution.

Funding Source	Location	Date(s)
NA	Student Leadership Day – Grade 8 To Various locations in Red Bank, Middletown, and Shrewsbury. Transportation provided by parents.	04/12/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (MDCC PreK classes)	05/01/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (Acelero PreK classes)	05/03/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (2 RBR PreK classes – J. Tyson and L. Russo)	05/08/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (2 RBR PreK classes – C. Berger and K. Hogan)	05/10/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (CYMCA Tinton Falls PreK classes)	05/15/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (CYMCA Lincroft PreK classes)	05/17/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (CYMCA St. Thomas PreK classes)	05/22/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (2 PS PreK classes – M. Van Utrecht and V. Vazquez)	05/29/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (2 PS PreK classes – C. Olivero and P. Moss)	05/31/13
PreK Grant	Red Bank Public Library, Red Bank, NJ (Middletown PreK classes)	06/05/13
Students, Fundraiser, & Donation	Constitution Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA (Grade 7 class trip)	06/11/13

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6265. That the Board authorizes the Superintendent to submit the 2012-2013 Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) Statement of Assurance, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:30.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Forest, Lowe, Ludwikowski, Noble, Roseman, Stone, Viscomi

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Jones; One Board Seat Vacancy

VII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - NONE

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- Ms. Ludwikowski reported that the Essays from Black History Month contest winners will be sent to the White House, upon Mr. Noble's recommendation.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Roseman reported that the Red Bank Education Foundation will be offering Mini Grants. The Foundation has approximately \$2,500 slated for the grants.
- Ms. Viscomi asked if any of the district children were selected to open the Count Basie Park at its opening ceremony. Dr. Morana stated she was not aware of it.
- Ms. Viscomi stated that she witnessed children riding their bikes around the Primary School without helmets, and asked if we could do anything about it and if it was a liability issue. Dr. Morana and Ms. Pappagallo stated that we could ask the Principal to follow up, but we did not have any control over the situation. Mr. Noble stated that wearing helmets comes under the jurisdiction of the DMV.

Mr. Forest left the meeting at 9:06 pm

- Ms. Roseman reported that Little Silver banned cell phone and camera use in school. Students had been taking pictures and posting them on-line of other students whose parents did not sign a permission release form. Dr. Morana stated that we did not have that problem here. Cell phone use is already not permitted. Ms. Lowe stated she had seen a group of students having their picture taken in the Primary School. Dr. Morana stated it was probably for the yearbook or for a function. There is no evidence of cellphone or camera use by students in the hallways or cafeteria.

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X. ADJOURNMENT 9:16pm

Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Ms. Viscomi, to adjourn

VOICE VOTE:

AYES: Lowe, Ludwikowski, Noble, Roseman, Stone, Viscomi

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

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Respectfully submitted,

Debra Pappagallo
Business Administrator/Board Secretary