

**Magnolia School District
Board of Education
Special Meeting
Minutes
October 19, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Nick D’Amico opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Oath of Office

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Roll Call

Mrs. Joyce Albrecht	Present
Mrs. Rebecca Ammen	Present
Mrs. Vazquez-Colon	Present
Mr. Nick D’Amico	Present
Mr. Mark Godfrey	Present
Mrs. Rebecca Lang Staffieri	Present
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present

Other Attendees

Mrs. Karen Macpherson, Superintendent
Mr. Greg Gontowski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Frank P. Cavallo, Jr. Solicitor

Mission Statement

Mission Statement was read by Nick D’Aminco.

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on September 21, 2021.

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Karen Sorbello

Vote: To approve Minutes

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved (7-0-0)

**Open Audience
Participation I**

Open Audience Participation I – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Seconded by Mark Godfrey

Vote: To approve opening of Audience Participation I

Voice Vote. All in favor

None

Close Audience Participation I

Close Audience Participation I

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

**Vote: To approve closing of Audience Participation I
Voice vote. All in favor**

Board of Education Business

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

State and Local School Board Association

Nick D'Amico – Camden/Gloucester Counting Meeting

Presentation: Jennifer Pontarelli will give a brief overview of standardized test results for Start Strong, Dynamic Learning Maps and Access for English Language Learners

Presentation

NJ QSAC & DIP results presentation by Jennifer Pontarelli

Superintendent's Report

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Information Items:

A. Curriculum/Programs

1. As per N.J.S.A. 18A:36-5.1 the week of October 18th through October 22nd will be designated as School Violence Awareness Week

B. Interdistrict – None

C. Public Relations/Liaison – None

D. Student/Parental Issue and Concerns - None

E. Buildings and Grounds –

1. A fire drill was conducted on September 16, 2021
- 2.. A shelter in place was conducted on September 20, 2021

F. Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session)

G. Misc.

1. Leader In Me activities
2. Substitutes

H. HIB

1. Four HIB's to report (2 founded and 2 unfounded)

I. Principal's Report

Items for Board Approval: **Motion to approve:**

Board Actions

Personnel

Motion to Approve, on the Recommendation of the Superintendent, Personnel Items 1 through 7

**Sandra Marlys -
\$25.00 an hour for
Extra Hours Incurred
Relating to Covid**

1. Ratification of Sandra Marlys to be paid \$25.00 an hour for extra hours incurred relating to Covid (not to exceed \$2000 for the year) (to be taken out of ESSR Grant).

**Carly Bond – Disable
Teacher – 12/13/2021**

2. Carly Bond as special education multi disable teacher as a BA+15 at a starting salary of \$56,812 with an anticipated start date of December 13, 2021.

**Zachary Camerieri - -
Family Medical Leave
11/29/21 – 2/28/21**

3. Zachary Camerieri to invoke the Family Medical Leave Act beginning November 29, 2021 with a return date of February 28, 2022 (**attachment**).

**Zachary Camerieri –
Coach Girl's
Intramural Basketball**

4. Zachary Camerieri to coach girl's intramural basketball at the contracted stipend of \$2800.

**Susan Anastasi –
Coach Boy's
Intramural Basketball**

5. Susan Anastasi to coach boy's intramural basketball at the contracted stipend of \$2800.

**Jennifer Pontarelli –
Maternity Leave
10/20/21 –4/1/22 –
Medical Leave Act**

6. Jennifer Pontarelli to take maternity leave effective October 20, 2021 and invoke the Family Medical Leave Act with an anticipated return date of April 1, 2022.

**Magnolia School's
Long Term Substitute
Rate \$200.00 a day**

7. Magnolia Public School's long term substitute rate at \$200.00 a day, no benefits up to 12 weeks.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello Second by Mark Godfrey

Vote: To approve Personnel Items 1 through 7

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Mrs. Ammen, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello and Mr. D'Amico (7-0-0)

Plans

QSAC Performance Review 21-22

Motion to Approve, on the Recommendation of the Superintendent, Plans Items 1 through 4

QSAC Improvement Plan 21-22

1. Magnolia Public Schools QSAC District Performance Review for the 21-22 school year.

Self Assessment Statement – Anti Bullying Bill of Rights Act 2021-2022

2. Magnolia Public Schools QSAC District Improvement Plan for the 21-22 school year.

Virtual/Remote Instruction Plan 21-22

3. Magnolia Public School's Self-Assessment statement of assurance for determining grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for the 2021-2022 school year.

4. Magnolia Public School's Virtual/Remote Instruction Plan for the 2021-2022 school year submission to the County Office of Education

Motioned by Karen Sorbello Second by Mark Godfrey

Vote: To approve Plans Items 1 through 4

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved (7-0-0)

Activities/Trips

Motion to Approve, on the Recommendation of the Superintendent, Activities/Trip Items 1 and 2

Renaissance Trip- Johnson Farm 10/22/21

1. The Renaissance trip to Johnson Farm in Medford NJ on October 22, 2021 (no expense to the board).

Renaissance Trip – Flyers Skatezone 12/22/21

2. The Renaissance trip to the Flyers Skatezone on December 22, 2021 (no expense to the board).

Motioned by Karen Sorbello Second by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve Activities/Trips Items 1 and 2

Voice Vote. All in favor

Policies

The following updated policies and regulations from Strauss Esmay Associates (Approval was given at the Special Meeting on May 25, 2010 to allow the Superintendent to update policy alerts from Strauss Esmay Associates.).

Revision of Policy and Regulations 5751

First Reading of Policy #2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction

First Reading of Policy #1648.14 Safety Plan for Healthcare Setting in School Buildings COVID 19

Second Reading of Police 1648-13 School Employee – Vaccination Requirements

Board Secretary Report

Board Actions

1. Revision of policy and regulation 5751.
2. First reading of Policy #2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction (**attached**).
3. First reading of Policy #1648.14 Safety Plan for Healthcare Setting in School Buildings COVID-19 (**attached**).
4. Second reading of the following policies (**attachments**)
1648.13 School Employee Vaccination Requirements.

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri Second by Mark Godfrey

**Vote: To approve Plans Items 1 through 4
Voice Vote. All in favor**

BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Informational Items:

Board Actions:

Motion to approve Items A through E

A. Monthly Reports

The Budget Summary and Revenue Summary for the month of June 2021 (**Attachment A1 & A2**).

B. Transfer of Funds

The attached transfer list, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, for the month of June 2021 (**Attachment B1**).

C. Financial Reports

1. Board Secretary’s Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of June 2021. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient

funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. **(Attachment C1)**

- 2. Treasurer’s Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of June 2021. The Treasurer’s Report and Secretary’s report are in agreement for the month of June 2021. **(Attachment C2)**
- 3. Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 2 certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.
- 4. Board of Education Certification – pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4 We certify that after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Bill List

D. Warrants

The attached bill lists:

- September 2021 payroll **(Attachment D1)**
- September through October 2021 warrants **(Attachment D2)**

Void Checks

E. Void Checks

Approval to void the following warrant account checks:

#4389	07/28/21	\$2,259.00	Committee for Children
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Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Second by Karen Sorbello

Vote: To approve Personnel Items A through E

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: **Mrs. Albrecht, Mrs. Ammen, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello and Mr. D’Amico (6-0-1)

****Nick D’Amico Abstained with regards to payments to ESSL**

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Items F through J

**GCSSSD Tuition
Contract Student
#2647263793**

F. Tuition Contract – To approve tuition contract with Gloucester County Special Services School District for student #2647263793 in the amount of \$41,130.00 for tuition and \$3,150.00 for out of county surcharge for the 2021-2022 school year.

**GCSSSD Tuition
Contract Student
#2104768697**

G. Tuition Contract – To approve tuition contract with Gloucester County Special Services School District for student #2104768697 in the amount of

\$41,130.00 for tuition and \$3,150.00 for out of county surcharge for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Kingsway Learning –
Tuition Contract
#3375903109**

H. Tuition Contract – To approve tuition contract with Kingsway Learning Center for student #3375903109 in the amount of \$64,213.80 for tuition and \$36,120.00 for a 1:1 aide for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Haddon Heights
Tuition Contract –
Student #3375903109**

I. Tuition Contract – To approve tuition contract with Haddon Heights Board of Education for student #9141913049 in the amount of \$33,500.00 for tuition, \$2,026.00 for ESY tuition, and RBT services for the 2021-2022 school year.

**ARP-IDEA Grant
2021-2022**

J. ARP IDEA Grant – To approve submission and acceptance of the 2021-2022 ARP IDEA Grant in the following amounts:

ARP IDEA Basic - \$18,012.00

ARP IDEA Preschool - \$1,533.00

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Second by Mark Godfrey

Vote: To approve Personnel Items F through J

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Mrs. Ammen, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello and Mr. D’Amico (7-0-0)

Motion Approved

**Open Audience
Participation II**

Open Audience Participation II

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Karen Sorbello

Vote: To approve opening of Audience Participation II

Voice Vote. All in favor (7-0-0)

None

**Close Audience
Participation II**

Close Audience Participation II

Motioned by Mark Godfrey Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve closing of Audience Participation II

Voice vote. All in favor

Motion Approved (7-0-0)

Motion Approved

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:39 pm by Mark Godfrey Seconded by Karen Sorbello

**Vote: To Adjourn meeting
Voice Vote. All in favor (7-0-0)**

Respectfully submitted,

**Greg Gontowski
Board Secretary**

