

**Magnolia School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
November 21, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Nick D'Amico opened the regular meeting at 7:06 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Roll Call

Mrs. Rebecca Ammen	Present
Mr. Nick D'Amico	Present
Mr. Mark Godfrey	Present
Mrs. Rebeca Lang Staffieri	Present
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present
Mrs. Alyssa Vazquez-Colon	Present
Mr. Dale Martin	Present

Other Attendees

Mrs. Karen Macpherson, Superintendent
Mr. Bill Morlock, Solicitor

Mission Statement

Mission Statement was read by Nick D'Amico.

1. Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on October 17, 2023

Approval of Minutes

Motioned by Dale Martin, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen

**Vote: To approve Minutes
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Motion Approved

**Audience
Participation I**

Open Audience Participation I – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – None

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

**State and Local School
Board Association**

None

**Superintendent's
Report**

Information Items:

A. Curriculum/Programs

1. Leader In Me is progressing nicely in our building. Each classroom is completing their [WIG](#) and their horse is moving around the track. (**Attached**)

B. Interdistrict

1. Discuss Inter-district Regionalization Study

C. Public Relations/Liaison

1. Meeting on Monday, November 27th at 7 pm

D. Student/Parental Issue and Concerns

E. Buildings and Grounds.

1. A fire drill was conducted on October 12, 2023
2. A lockdown was conducted on October 20, 2023

F. Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session)

G. Misc

1. Campout for Hunger
2. New book club for middle school students

H. HIB

No HIB to report at this time

Principal's Report

1. Mr. Sorrentino's report is (**Attached**)
2. Mrs. Marly's Nurses report is (**Attached**)

Personnel

**Tyler Clark and Jared
Clark – Unpaid
Volunteers Boy's
Basketball 23-24**

**Jazmine and Jecenia
Johnson – Unpaid
Volunteers Girls
Basketball 23-24**

Motion to Approve Personnel Items 1 through 3

1. Ratification of Tyler Clark and Jared Clark as unpaid volunteers to help coach the 23-24 Magnolia boy's basketball team.
2. Jazmine and Jecenia Johnson as unpaid volunteers to help coach the 23-24 girl's basketball team.

**Lezley Turnbull to
Chair a Book Club**

3. Lezley Turnbull to chair a Book Club for middle school students on Tier 1 to be paid \$625.00 (as per contract) .

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Second by Rebecca Ammen

Vote: To approve Personnel Items 1 through 3

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

Motion Approved

Plans

Motion to Approve Plans Items 1 and 2

PEA Grant 24-25

1. The Magnolia PEA Grant for 2024-2025 school year.

**Submission of PEA
2024**

2. Submission of the Magnolia PEA fiscal year 2024 projected preschool enrollment application.

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Second by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To approve Plans Items 1 and 2

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

Motion Approved

Workshops

Motion to Approve Workshop Items 1 and 2

**CST Members to
Attend the winter
Inclusion Leadership
Conference 1/19/24**

1. The following CST members to attend the Winter Inclusion Leadership conference on January 19, 2024 in Williamstown, NJ at a rate of \$175.00 per person (to be taken out of Title II) Marisa Greenberg, Susan Ortiz, Emily Green-Hamilton and Kim Armellino.

**Erin Sorrentino to
Attend a Webinar o
Dyslexia Early
Intervention**

2. Erin Sorrentino to attend a webinar on Dyslexia Early Intervention: Practical Strategies for Intercepting and Correcting Reading Difficulties at a cost of \$279.00 (to be taken out of Title II).

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To approve Workshops tems 1 and 2

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

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Policies Items 1

Policies

**Revision - Wellness
Policy/#8505**

1. The following revision to our Wellness Policy #8505 (**Attached**)

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Seconded by Mark Godfrey

**Vote: To approve Policies Item 1
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Motion Approved

**Board Secretary
Report**

BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Informational Items: Governance

Board Actions

Board Actions:

Motion to Approve Items A through D

A. Monthly Reports

The Budget Summary and Revenue Summary for the month of July 2022 through June 2023 (**Attachment A1 & A2**).

B. Transfer of Funds

The attached transfer list, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, for the month of July 2022 through June 2023 (**Attachment B1**).

C. Financial Reports

1. Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of July 2022 through June 2023. 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 July 2022 through June 2023. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's report are in agreement for the month of July 2022 through June 2023. (**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:

- November 2023 warrants (**Attachment D1**)
- Payroll – July 2022 through June 2023 (**Attachment D2**)

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Second by Rebecca Ammen

Vote: To approve Items A through D

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

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Items E through N

**Lindenwold – Tuition
#3409695607 23-24**

E. Tuition - To approve a tuition contract with Lindenwold Board of Education for student #3409695607 in the amount of \$14,263.47 for tuition for the 2023-2024 school year (Note: Sending student).

**Lindenwold – Tuition
#2354690142 23-24**

F. Tuition - To approve a tuition contract with Lindenwold Board of Education for student #2354690142 in the amount of \$14,319.16 for tuition for the 2023-2024 school year (Note: Sending student).

**GCSSSD –
Tuition/Out of County
#5157456913 23-24**

G. Tuition - To approve a tuition contract with Gloucester County Special Services School District for student #5157456913 in the amount of \$64,080.00 for tuition and \$3,330.00 for out of county surcharge for the 2023-2024 school year (Note: Starting 11/13/23).

**Katzenbach –
EXY/Tuition
#5368036857 23-24**

H. Tuition - To approve a tuition contract with Katzenbach for student #5368036857 in the amount of \$58,461.00 for tuition and \$4,000.00 for ESY tuition for the 2023-2024 school year (Note: To be prorated).

NJDA Emergent

I. NJSDA - To submit application to the state for NJSDA Emergent Project and Capital Maintenance Program funding.

**Comprehensive
Maintenance Plan**

J. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan – To approve the 2024-2025 comprehensive maintenance plan for submission to the county. (**Attachment G1**)

**M-1 Submission to
the County 24-25**

K. M-1 – To approve the 2024-2025 Form M-1 for submission to the county. (**Attachment H1**)

**Grant Amendment –
ESEA and American
Rescue Plan**

L. Grant Amendment – To approve amendments of the following grant applications:

-ESEA Consolidated

-American Rescue Plan

**Salaries Charged to
Grants 22-23**

M. Salaries Charged to Grants – To approve the salaries charged to grants during the 2022-2023 school year. (**Attachment J1**)

**Salaries Charged to
Grants 23-24**

N. Salaries Charged to Grants – To approve the salaries charged to grants during the 2023-2024 school year. (**Attachment K1**)

Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Dale Martin

Vote: To approve Items E through N

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

Motion Approved

**Audience
Participation II**

Audience Participation II None

Executive Session – None

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:25 pm by Mark Godfrey Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To Adjourn meeting

Voice Vote. All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

**Greg Gontowski
Board Secretary**

