

The business meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of New Providence was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on November 13, 2014, at the New Providence High School/Middle School Media Center, 35 Pioneer Drive, by the Board President, Mr. Wolak.

Present on roll call were Bernadette Cuccaro, William Dibble, Robert Dinerman, David Hasenkopf, Ira Krauss, Adam Smith, and John Wolak. Also present were Dr. David Miceli, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Deborah Feinberg, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; James E. Testa, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Sandra Searing, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Supervision; and 9 members of the public.

Mr. Wolak led in the salute to the flag.

Mr. Wolak read the following statement:

This is a public meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of New Providence. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with PL 1975, Chapter 231, in that an annual notice was made in conformance with Section 13 of the Act.

Whenever the business of the Board requires it to convene to Closed session, the session will begin no later than 10:00 p.m. At the conclusion of the need for Closed Session, the Board will reconvene to the public portion of the meeting. At that time the Board will complete any other business that may be before it and the public will then be given an opportunity to be heard before the meeting is adjourned.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Miceli reported on the enrollment numbers. The District enrollments are: 662 students at the High School, 378 at the Middle School, 664 at AWR, 638 at Salt Brook and 38 students out of district; for a total of 2,380.

Dr. Miceli commented that Strategic Planning Session #3 is scheduled on November 20, 2014 and will cover STEM K-12. He is looking forward to a great turn out. Dr. Miceli commented that there will be a presentation to start off the session.

Dr. Miceli was happy to report the Senior Citizen Day was a success. There were approximately fifty senior citizens that came out for the thanksgiving feast. The Drama and Music Department performed solos and a dress rehearsal of the play.

Dr. Miceli announced that the Booster Club donated a new golf cart as well as covered the cost to renovate an existing golf cart. This will give the District a total of two golf carts. He thanked the Booster Club for their generous donation.

Student Report

Katie Vigilante, Senior Class President, reported on activities at the High School. She reported that 18 year old students went to the polls this year and the poll workers were happy to see so many come out to vote for the first time.

Katie reported that Mr. Tracey, Department Head, took a trip to the senior citizen center with his sociology class. The seniors were interviewed and were happy to answer all their questions. Mr. Tracey received many thank you notes for making their day an exciting one.

As for sports, Katie sadly reported the end of soccer for boys and girls, but commented on the football team's win on Friday night.

Katie commented that swimming practices commenced, and the winter sports is soon to begin, with basketball starting after Thanksgiving. She also commented that the long break is welcomed by all.

Presentation of 2014/2015 Grant Awards by the New Providence Education Foundation

Mr. Gene Castagna, Voting Member of the New Providence Education Foundation and a twelve year resident of New Providence, presented the District a check in the amount of \$63,333.01 for the 2014/2015 Grant Awards.

Dr. Miceli accepted the check and thanked Mr. Castagna and the New Providence Education Foundation for their generous donation. He commented that this amount funded a large portion of the submitted grant applications.

Mr. Wolak thanked the New Providence Education Foundation for their donation this year and every year for the last ten years, helping the community, students and staff.

Mr. Wolak commented that the NPEF had donated over half a million dollars to the school district.

Presentation of 2013/2014 Audit Report by School District Auditor, Jason Gironda, CPA, of Donohue, Gironda, and Doria.

Dr. Miceli introduced the Auditor for the School District, Jason Gironda, CPA of Donohue, Gironda, and Doria, Certified Public Accountants Firm to present the 2013/2014 Audit Report.

Mr. Gironda thanked the Board for the opportunity to present the 2013/2014 Audit Report. He thanked Dr. Miceli, Mr. Testa and their staff for being so accommodating.

Mr. Gironda noted that there were two reports this year, the Comprehensive Financial Annual Report (CAFR) and the Auditor's Management Report (AMR).

Mr. Gironda discussed the different sections of the CAFR. He focused on the financial section

of the CAFR and the results for the year as well as the affect that had on fund balance and the various sub-categories of fund balance. Mr. Gironda answered a few questions from the Board. He discussed the AMR and how there were no comments or recommendations this year. Mr. Gironda noted that it was a testament to the hard work of the staff and that it was another good year for the district.

Comments

Mr. Krauss commented that there were no comments or recommendations. He commended on the job well done by the Administrative Staff.

Mr. Smith thanked the Administration but especially Mr. Testa and the business office for their work. Mr. Smith commented on the easy process given by the business office to help the auditors complete their audit smoothly. Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Gironda for his work. Lastly, he commented how important it is to have a good firm complete the District's audit.

Mr. Wolak thanked Mr. Gironda and re-iterated Mr. Smith's comments.

Approve the 2013/2014 Audit Report

Mr. Krauss moved to approve the 2013/2014 Audit Report.

Seconded by: Mr. Smith

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Hasenkopf
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dibble	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Krauss
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dinerman	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Smith
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Wolak	

Public Hearing

Mr. Wolak opened the meeting to the public at 7:50 p.m.

There being no comments from the public, Mr. Wolak declared the public portion of the meeting closed at 7:51 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Dinerman moved to approve the minutes as follows:

Work Session	October 9, 2014
Closed Session	October 9, 2014

Seconded by: Mrs. Cuccaro

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Hasenkopf
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dibble	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Krauss
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dinerman	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Smith
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Wolak	

Mr. Krauss moved to approve the minutes as follows:

Regular Meeting	October 27, 2014
Closed Session	October 27, 2014

Seconded by: Mr Hasenkopf

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Hasenkopf
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dibble	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Krauss
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dinerman	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Smith
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Wolak	

ACTION ITEMS

FINANCE ACTION

Mr. Smith, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve items 1 through 6 as listed below:

Board Secretary Report Approved

1. After review, we hereby accept the Board Secretary and Treasurer reports for October, 2014. There is no major account or fund which has been overexpended in violation of financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Bills List Approved

2. Approve the payment of bills listed for November 2014, in the amount of \$2,847,896.28.

Reimbursement for Services Per Pupil Fees for 2014/2015 Approved

3. Approve the Reimbursement for Services Per Pupil Fees, (New Providence School District's tuition rates for members of MUJC), as a Member of the Morris-Union Jointure Commission for 2014/2015 as follows:

Pre-School Handicapped (Half Day Program)	\$27,988
Pre-School Handicapped Full-Day	\$34,998
Early Primary LLD-1	\$21,598
Primary LLD-2	\$24,875
Primary LLD-3	\$15,899
LLD-4	\$25,087
LLD-5	\$24,309
High School Resource Center	\$22,111
Middle School Resource Center	\$25,783
Elementary Resource Center	\$27,157

Dr. Jane Sennett, M.D. , in Association with e+Medical Offices Approved

4. Approve Dr. Jane Sennett, M.D., in association with e+Medical Offices (EMO), to provide services of medical inspector and sports physician, for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year.

Auditor's Recommendations Accepted

5. Accept the auditor's recommendations as outlined below and the corrective action plan for the 2013/2014 school year by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary:

THERE WERE NO RECOMMENDATIONS AND NO CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS.

Acceptance of the 2014/2015 Grant Awards from the New Providence Education Foundation Approved

6. Approve the acceptance of the 2014/2015 Grant Awards from the New Providence Education Foundation in the amount of \$63,393.01.

Seconded by: Mr. Dinerman

Mr. Smith commented on the New Providence Education Foundation grant awards.

Roll Call Vote:

 Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

 Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

 Yea Mr. Dibble

 Yea Mr. Krauss

 Yea Mr. Dinerman

 Yea Mr. Smith

 Yea Mr. Wolak

FACILITIES ACTION

Mr. Smith, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve items 1 through 4 as listed below:

Indoor Air Quality Plan for the New Providence School District Approved

1. Approve the Indoor Air Quality Plan for the New Providence School District. (copies in the hands of all Board Members)

Disposal of Textbooks from Salt Brook and Allen W. Roberts Schools Approved

2. Approve the disposal of textbooks from Salt Brook School and Allen W. Roberts School, as they are outdated and no longer deemed useful for school needs. **(EXHIBIT A)**

Donation of an Area Rug from the New Providence Music Boosters to Allen W. Roberts School Approved

3. Approve the donation of an area rug from the New Providence Music Boosters to Allen W. Roberts vocal music room E21, valued at approximately \$675. **(EXHIBIT B)**

Donation of an Area Rug from the New Providence Boosters to Salt Brook School Approved

4. Approve the donation of an area rug from the New Providence Music Boosters to Salt Brook School vocal music room, valued at approximately \$675. **(EXHIBIT C)**

Seconded by: Mr. Dinerman

Roll Call Vote:

 Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

 Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

Yea Mr. Dibble Yea Mr. Krauss
Yea Mr. Dinerman Yea Mr. Smith
Yea Mr. Wolak

EDUCATION

Mr. Hasenkopf, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve items 1 through 7 as listed below:

Recommendations of the Superintendent Regarding the Following 2014/2015 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Investigations Approved

1. Per the 2011 Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, approve the recommendations of the Superintendent regarding the following 2014/2015 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying investigations:

<u>School</u>	<u>Incident Report Number(s)</u>
Middle School:	#1
Allen W. Roberts:	#2

Enrollment of Student #10692 at Shepard Preparatory High School Approved

2. Approve the enrollment of Student #10692 at Shepard Preparatory High School, at a tuition cost of \$37,814.60, effective 10/29/14, for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year.

Enrollment of Student #10233 at the Jefferson Primary Center Approved

3. Approve the enrollment of Student #10233 at the Jefferson Primary Center, at a tuition cost of \$59,451, effective 9/1/14, for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year.

Pyramid Healthcare for Educational Instruction for 2014/2015 School Year Approved

4. Approve Pyramid Healthcare at a rate of \$126/day for educational instruction for the 2014/2015 school year.

Submission of the 2014/2015 School Nursing Services Plans Approved

5. Approve the submission of the 2014/2015 School Nursing Services Plans for the New Providence School District to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools, as per Superintendent's Memo #10 in the hands of each Board member.

Allen W. Roberts School Progress Target Action Plan Approved

- 6. Approve the Allen W. Roberts School Progress Target Action Plan per Superintendent's Memo #12, in the hands of each Board member.

Curriculum Guides and Addenda Approved

- 7. Approve the following curriculum guides and addenda as per Superintendent's Memo #11 in the hands of each Board member:

CURRICULUM GUIDES

Fine, Performing, & Practical Arts
Drama Multi-level (Grades 9-12)

New

Language Arts
British Literature (Grades 11-12)

Revision

World Languages
French 1 Grade 9)
French 2 (Grade 10)
French 3 (Grade 11)
AP French (Grade 12)

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ADDENDA

Language Arts
Addendum 7th and 8th Grade Exploratory
Addendum AP Literature and Composition
Addendum Journalism and Creative Writing

Seconded by: Mrs. Cuccaro

Roll Call Vote:

 Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

 Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

 Yea Mr. Dibble

 Yea Mr. Krauss

 Yea Mr. Dinerman

 Yea Mr. Smith

 Yea Mr. Wolak

PERSONNEL ACTION

Mr. Dibble, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve Items 1 through 3 as listed below:

Appointment of the Following People with the Subject to the Requirements of Chapter 116 of P.L. 1986 for the 2014/2015 School Year Approved

1. Approve the appointment of the following people with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools subject to the requirements of Chapter 116 of P.L. 1986 for the 2014/2015 school year:
 - a. Christine Miskulin, teacher aide, \$14,774 (base \$20,066), effective 11/17/14
 - b. Edward Barnes, teacher, 3/5ths time, \$22,476 (base \$63,001), effective 1/5/15 (subject to criminal history review procedures)
 - c. Edward Barnes, HS Model United Nations advisor, \$1,827 (subject to criminal history review procedures)
 - d. Robert Gartner, game worker
 - e. Jenna Stickle, Middle School Title 1 language arts instructor, 34.5 hours @ \$54.87/hr
 - f. Cathleen White, Middle School Title 1 language arts instructor, 23 hours @ \$54.87/hr
 - g. Sebastiaan de Voogd, Middle School Title 1 language arts instructor, 11.5 hours @ \$54.87/hr
 - h. Gina Bellitti, Middle School Title 1 mathematics instructor, 23 hours @ \$54.87/hr
 - i. Holly Pizzonia, Middle School Title 1 mathematics instructor, 23 hours @ \$54.87/hr
 - j. Zachary Cohane, HS Model United Nations advisor, \$1,827
 - k. Kathleen Joyce, substitute teacher/teacher aide

Revision for the 2014/2015 School Year Approved

2. Approve the following revision for the 2014/2015 school year.
 - a. Revise resignation date of Desiree DeNourie, teacher aide, from 12/6/14 to 11/14/14

Rescind Appointments for the 2014/2015 School Year Approved

3. Rescind the following appointments for the 2014/2015 school year:
 - a. Nancy Scarola, boys tennis first assistant
 - b. Michelle Barone, middle school Title I language arts instructor, 23 hrs. at \$54.87/hr.

Seconded by: Mrs. Cuccaro

Dr. Miceli introduced Mr. Barnes, teacher, who is on the agenda to be approved tonight.

Roll Call Vote:

<u> </u> Yea Mrs. Cuccaro	<u> </u> Yea Mr. Hasenkopf
<u> </u> Yea Mr. Dibble	<u> </u> Yea Mr. Krauss
<u> </u> Yea Mr. Dinerman	<u> </u> Yea Mr. Smith
<u> </u> Yea Mr. Wolak	

The Board welcomed and greeted Mr. Barnes.

BOARD POLICY

Mr. Krauss, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve items 1 and 2 as listed below:

1. Approve the following Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations on second reading:

Bylaws and Policies:

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| Policy No. 5610
(Mandated) | Suspension (Revised)
(Mr. Krauss) |
| Policy No. 5611
(Mandated) | Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses (New)
(Mr. Krauss) |
| Policy No. 5612
(Mr. Krauss) | Assaults on District BOE Members or Employees (Mandated)
(New) |
| Policy No. 5613
(Mandated) | Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons
Offenses (New)
(Mr. Krauss) |
| Policy No. 5620 | Expulsion (Revised)
(Mr. Krauss) |

Administrative Regulations:

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| Regulation No. 5610
(Mandated) | Suspension (Revised)
(Mr. Krauss) |
| Regulation No. 5611
(Mandated) | Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses (New)
(Mr. Krauss) |
| Regulation No. 5612 | Assaults on District BOE Members or Employees |

(Mandated) (Mr. Krauss) (New)

Regulation No. 5613 Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons
 (Mandated) Offenses (New)
 (Mr. Krauss)

2. Approve the following Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations on first reading:

Bylaws and Policies:

Policy No. 5305 Health Services Personnel **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Hasenkopf)

Policy No. 5306 Health Services to Nonpublic Schools **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Krauss)

Policy No. 5308 Student Health Records **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Hasenkopf)

Policy No. 5310 Health Services **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Krauss)

Policy No. 5339 Screening for Dyslexia **(New)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Hasenkopf)

Policy No. 5530 Substance Abuse **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Krauss)

Policy No. 8441 Care of Injured and Ill Persons **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Hasenkopf)

Administrative Regulations:

Regulation No. 5306 Health Services to Nonpublic Schools **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Krauss)

Regulation No. 5308 Student Health Records **(New)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Hasenkopf)

Regulation No. 5310 Health Services **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Krauss)

Regulation No. 5530 Substance Abuse **(Revised)**
 (Mandated) (Mr. Krauss)

Seconded by: Mr. Hasenkopf

Mr. Krauss reviewed the policies and regulations.

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Hasenkopf
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dibble	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Krauss
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Dinerman	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Smith
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Wolak	

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum, Instruction and Technology

Mr. Hasenkopf, Committee Chairperson, commented that the committee continues to work hard in reviewing the curriculum guides. He commented that he attended the most recent Strategic Planning Session.

Finance, Facilities and Safety/Security

Mr. Smith, Committee Chairperson, had nothing new to report.

Personnel, Management and Communication

Mr. Dibble, Committee Chairperson, had nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS

No new business to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

No old business to report at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Wolak opened the meeting to the public at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Roxanne Giacalone, New Providence Resident:

Mrs. Giacalone commented that she is present in support of Karen Magliacano. She noted that she sent an email to all board members. Mrs. Giacalone noted that her daughter was a witness to the situation. Mrs. Giacalone commented that in five years she had no problems with Karen.

Mr. Wolak commented that it is a personnel matter that cannot be discussed in public. Mr. Wolak noted that he received her email.

Allisandra Lamhing, Senior, New Providence High School:

Allisandra Lamhing commented that she had a petition with sixty signatures from peers in support of Karen Magliacano. She submitted the petition to Mr. Wolak.

Mr. Wolak thanked Allisandra.

Mr. Patsy Caprara, New Providence Resident:

Mr. Caprara commented that he is a resident of New Providence for eleven years and had no problem with Karen Malgiacano and supports her. He noted that a trainer's job has a lot of responsibilities and is a hard job. Mr. Caprara noted that his two daughters played soccer and his son played football. They were always taken care of and taped when needed. He commented that she is not a doctor and she was always there to help. Mr. Caprara commented that he questions the students that complained, and does not want to see anyone lose their job. Lastly, he re-iterated that she does a good job and supports her.

Mr. Wolak thanked Mr. Caprara.

Mrs. Mary Misiukiewicz, New Providence Resident:

Mrs. Misiukiewicz asked about the grant check from the NPEF. She wanted to know if it was the amount raised from their 5K fund raiser.

Dr. Miceli commented that it was a combination of fall donations and the 5K run.

Mrs. Misiukeiwicz asked how the amount compares to prior year's grant amount.

Dr. Miceli commented that prior years were between approximately \$50,000 to \$65,000.

Mrs. Misiukeiwicz noted the great job by the NPEF.

Mr. Wolak declared the public portion of he meeting closed at 8:09 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Cuccaro moved to adopt the following resolution:

This body shall on November 13, 2014 at 8:10 p.m. in the New Providence High/Middle School Media Center, 35 Pioneer Drive, discuss in closed session, pursuant to Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act, specific matters which may generally be described as follows:

- Student matters related to HIB

The minutes of the discussion in closed session of the aforementioned matters may be disclosed to the public after final determination of action has been reached.

Mr. Dinerman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened to public session at 8:25 p.m. Mr. Wolak called the Board to order.

Members present were Bernadette Cuccaro, William Dibble, Robert Dinerman, David Hasenkopf, Ira Krauss, Adam Smith, and John Wolak.

There being no other business before the Board, on a motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Krauss, the President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.



James E. Testa
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
11/13/14