

The business meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of New Providence was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on October 26, 2015, at the New Providence High School/Middle School Media Center, 35 Pioneer Drive, by the Board President, Mr. Hasenkopf.

Present on roll call were Bernadette Cuccaro, William Dibble, David Hasenkopf, Ira Krauss, Mary Misiukiewicz, and Adam Smith. Also present were Dr. David Miceli, Superintendent of Schools; Scott Hough, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; James E. Testa, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Sandra Searing, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Supervision, and 10 members of the public.

Mr. Hasenkopf led in the salute to the flag.

Mr. Hasenkopf 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: 683 students at the High School, 365 at the Middle School, 671 at AWR, 656 at Salt Brook and 35 students out of district; for a total of 2,410.

Dr. Miceli commented that we have a lot to celebrate in the month of October. One week to celebrate is a week of respect, which kicked off our Character Ed Program with a theme of "Take a Stand Lend a Hand".

Dr. Miceli commented that there were a number of meetings regarding PARCC with the DOE over the past two weeks and the State has provided some data globally in terms of state averages, but we have not received our District scores. He is anticipating high school scores in mid November and elementary and middle school scores at the end of November. He commented that he is looking forward to sharing that information.

Dr. Miceli commented that on October 12th, we had the first Professional Day of the year. It was a success and he thanked Mrs. Searing, the Professional Development Team, Administrators and Department Heads for putting together a great day for the staff.

Dr. Miceli commented that we have one National Merit Semifinalist, congratulations to Matthew Scharf. He also congratulated Sihui Dai, Lloyd Goldstein, Archit Gupta, David Hua, Joanna

Messineo, Elise Minto, Amulya Mummanani, Jordan Price, Jillian Turner, Alan Wang and Mingyao Xiao for being named National Merit Commended Scholars. He commented that their pictures will be posted on our website, congratulations to them and their families.

### **Student Report**

Claudia Lucciola the High School Student Representative reported on school events:

- Girls and boys cross country both won their conference
- Varsity football team had an amazing comeback last Friday night against Bound Brook. "Neer Magic"
- Boys soccer beat our rivals (GL), 1-0
- Future Civic Leaders club are doing a food drive
- NP Marching Band has states competition this Saturday at Rutgers High Point Stadium and nationals the following weekend at J. Birney Crum Stadium in Allentown, PA.
- The fall play opening night is Nov. 13th at 7:30pm. The show this year features six diverse, hysterical, romantic, one-act comedies, called "All in the Timing".
- Spring musical: Mary Poppins
- Spirit Week this week
  - Monday: PJ Day
  - Tuesday: Neon Beach Day
  - Wednesday: Pink Out-Breast Cancer Awareness
  - Thursday: Class colors
  - Friday: Halloween
- Seniors have their first big college application deadline this Sunday, November 1st.
- STEM club kicked off in September. Students are actively planning and preparing labs and solutions to potential competition questions. First competition is tomorrow, hosted at NPHS
- Relay for Life: Bringing the worlds largest cancer fundraiser to New Providence, making NPHS more involved

Claudia commented that she's been involved on the Relay for Life committee since 7th grade. In 8th grade, she was on the planning committee and the past two years as committee chair. She is looking to have the high school more involved this year.

### **Public Hearing**

Mr. Hasenkopf opened the meeting to the public (on specific Agenda items) at 7:40 p.m.

There being no from the public wishing to be heard, the President declared the public portion of the meeting closed at 7:41 p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Misiukiewicz moved to approve the Work Session Minutes as follows:

Work Session

September 10, 2015

Closed Session

September 10, 2015

Seconded by: Mr. Smith

Roll Call Vote:

Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

Yea Mr. Dibble

Abstain Mr. Krauss

Absent Mr. Dinerman

Yea Mrs. Misiukiewicz

Yea Mr. Smith

Mr. Krauss moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes as follows:

Regular Meeting:  
Closed Session

September 24, 2015  
September 24, 2015

Seconded by: Mrs. Cuccaro

Roll Call Vote:

Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

Yea Mr. Dibble

Yea Mr. Krauss

Absent Mr. Dinerman

Yea Mrs. Misiukiewicz

Yea Mr. Smith

**ACTION ITEMS**

**FINANCE ACTION**

Mr. Smith, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve items 1 through 8 as listed below:

**Transfers for the 2015/2016 School Year Approved**

1. Ratify the action of the Superintendent in making the following transfers for the 2015/2016 school year:

**September 2015**

To:

Account	Description	Amount
11-000-230-334	Purchased Professional Services	\$11,000.00

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Total: \$11,000.00

From:

Account	Description	Amount
11-000-230-590	Other Purchased Services	\$11,000.00

Total: \$11,000.00

**Board Secretary Report Accepted**

2. After review, we hereby accept the Board Secretary and Treasurer reports for September, 2015. 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**

3. Approve the payment of bills listed for October 2015, in the amount of \$3,312,502.86.

**Preschool Tuition Refund Approved**

4. Approve the refund in the amount of \$61.08 to Mrs. Orband due to the withdrawal from the preschool program on September 29, 2015.

**Capital Reserve Account Approved**

5. The New Providence School District (LEA 3560) has eighty one (81) projects identified in its Five Year Long Range Facility Plan. The eighty one (81) projects have an estimated total cost over the five-year period of \$24,387,140.00. Six (6) projects have been completed, initiated or advanced. Seventy five (75) remaining projects, with a total cost of \$24,109,512.00, are currently identified in the plan for initiation. The local share would be funded from bond proceeds and current expense (based on needs as dictated by the availability of funds). The District may be eligible for state debt service or EDA grant funds for the identified projects in the amount of \$9,643,805.00. The local share amount of \$14,465,707.00 for the identified projects represents the maximum amount the New Providence School District may deposit in its capital reserve fund for the 2015-2016 school year.

**(EXHIBIT A)**

**Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Prunesti Donation Approved**

6. Accept the generous donation to the John O'Neill Memorial Scholarship Fund from Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Prunesti, in the amount of \$100.00.

**Mr. and Mrs. James Prunesti Donation Approved**

- 7. Accept the generous donation to the John O'Neill Memorial Scholarship Fund from Mr. and Mrs. James Prunesti, in the amount of \$50.00.

**2015/2016 School Year Nonpublic School Security Aid Program Agreements Approved**

- 8. Approve the Nonpublic School Security Aid Program Agreements for the participating schools located within the District for the 2015/2016 school year.

Seconded by: Mr. Krauss

Roll Call Vote:

Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

Yea Mr. Dibble

Yea Mr. Krauss

Absent Mr. Dinerman

Yea Mrs. Misiukiewicz

Yea Mr. Smith

**FACILITIES ACTION**

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

**Resolution Adopted**

- 1. Adopt the following resolution:

**Submission of Comprehensive Maintenance Plan 2015-2016**

**Whereas**, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting "required" maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and

**Whereas**, the required maintenance activities as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of the New Providence School District are consistent with these requirements, and

**Whereas**, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid,

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved**, that the New Providence School District hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to submit the attached

Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the New Providence School District in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

(EXHIBIT B)

**Bike Racks Donation by Salt Brook PTA, 6th Grade Committee Approved**

- 2. Accept the generous donation of bike racks from the Salt Brook School PTA, 6th Grade Committee, with an approximate value of \$1,300.00, to be used at Salt Brook School.

(EXHIBIT C)

**Disposal of Miscellaneous Textbooks from AWR Approved**

- 3. Approve the disposal of miscellaneous textbooks from Allen W. Roberts School which are outdated and no longer deemed necessary for school use.

(EXHIBIT D)

**Donation from Mr. Consulmagno Approved**

- 4. Accept the generous donation of three (3) - 3 ft. handmade wooden benches, from Mr. Consulmagno, to be used in rooms S-2, S-7, and S-8 at Allen W. Roberts School, with an approximate value of \$30.00.

(EXHIBIT G)

Seconded by: Mrs. Cuccaro

Roll Call Vote:

Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

Yea Mr. Dibble

Yea Mr. Krauss

Absent Mr. Dinerman

Yea Mrs. Misiukiewicz

Yea Mr. Smith

**EDUCATION ACTION**

Approve Items 1 through 6 as listed below:

**2015/2016 School Year Enrollment at Garden Academy Approved**

- 1. Approve the enrollment of Student #12151 at Garden Academy, at a tuition cost of \$90,772.20, effective 9/8/15, for the 2015/2016 school year.

**Educere Virtual Education Approved**

- 2. Approve Educere Virtual Education for Student #999, at a cost of \$399 for the 2015/2016 school year.

**2015/2016 School Nursing Services Plans Submission Approved**

- 3. Approve the submission of the 2015/2016 School Nursing Services Plans for the New Providence School District to the Executive County Superintendent Schools, as per Superintendent's Memo #5 in the hands of each Board member.

**2015/2016 School Year Submission of the Statement of Assurance**

- 4. Approve the submission of the Statement of Assurance--School Year 2015/2016, for the New Providence School District, in compliance with the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) Monitoring Process. (EXHIBIT E)

**2015/2016 School Year Additional Field Trip Destination Approved**

- 5. Approve the attached list of additional field trip destinations for the 2015/2016 school year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.8. (EXHIBIT F)

**2015/2016 School Year Enrollment at Cranford School District Primary Autistic Class Approved**

- 6. Approve the enrollment of Student #10250 at Cranford School District Primary Autistic Class, at a tuition cost of \$79,072.56, effective 9/8/15, for the 2015/2016 school year.

Seconded by: Mrs. Misiukiewicz  
Roll Call Vote:

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

**PERSONNEL ACTION**

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

**Appointments 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 2015/2016 school year:

- a. Holly Pizzonia, middle school 7<sup>th</sup> grade class advisor, \$999 \*
- b. Jennifer Muraview, high school culinary arts club advisor, \$1,827 \*
- c. Amanda Taylor, high school Model United Nations advisor, \$1,827\*
- d. Michelle Testa, Title I AWR FastForward/Reading Assistant Teacher Leader (40 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- e. Carol Zimmerman, Title I AWR FastForward/Reading Assistant Teacher (66 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- f. Michelle Testa, Title I AWR FastForward/Reading Assistant Teacher (66 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- g. Kristen Witte, Title I AWR FastForward/Reading Assistant Teacher (66 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- h. Katherine Blanco, Title I AWR FastForward/Reading Assistant Teacher (66 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- i. Kristie Arnold, Title I AWR Literacy Intervention/Leveled Literacy Program Teacher Leader (40 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- j. Samantha Goodstein, Title I AWR After-School Literacy Intervention Teacher (13 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- k. Kristen Witte, Title I AWR After-School Literacy Intervention Teacher (13 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- l. Katherine Blanco, Title I AWR After-School Literacy Intervention Teacher (13 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- m. Katherine Blanco, Title I AWR Lexia Teacher Leader (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- n. Brandee Conover, Title I AWR Evening Events Child Care Teacher Leader (10 hrs) Nov thru May, \$54.87/hr \*
- o. Susan Shallcross, Title I AWR Math Programs Teacher Leader (20 hrs) Nov thru Feb, \$54.87/hr \*
- p. Kimberly Wantz, Title I AWR Family Math Night Teacher Grade 4 (4 hrs) Nov thru Feb, \$54.87/hr \*
- q. Susan Shallcross, Title I AWR Family Math Night Teacher Grade 6 (4 hrs) Nov thru Feb, \$54.87/hr \*
- r. Elaine Berman, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Leader (33 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- s. Diana Efros, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Grade 3 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- t. Rosalie Mannino, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Grade 3 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- u. Bonnie Cabezas, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Grade 4 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- v. Kimberly Wantz, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Grade 4 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- w. Susan Shallcross, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Grade 6 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- x. Stefania Forcella, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Grade 6 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*

- y. Brittany Miller, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Mixed Grades 3 to 6 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- z. Kristen Witte, Title I AWR Homework Support Teacher Mixed Grades 3 to 6 (30 hrs) Nov thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- aa. Stefania Forcella, Title I AWR 6<sup>th</sup> Grade LA After-School Teacher (20 hrs) Jan thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- bb. Susan Shallcross, Title I AWR 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math After-School Teacher (20 hrs) Jan thru April, \$54.87/hr \*
- cc. Daniel Barletta, baseball second assistant, \$4,631
- dd. Alexandra Graham, substitute teacher/teacher aide
- ee. Debra Mandaglio, substitute teacher/teacher aide
- ff. Elizabeth Spiegel, substitute teacher/teacher aide
- gg. Christopher Matear, custodian (night), \$23,925\* (base \$40,162\* + \$495\* night differential), effective 12/1/15 (subject to criminal history review procedures)
- hh. Cindy MacKinnon, long term substitute teacher, \$26,032\* (base \$54,727\*), effective 11/9/15 thru 3/28/16 (subject to criminal history review procedures)
- ii. Anna Rita Falco, Assistant Elementary Principal (10.5 mo.), \$53,833 (base \$95,000), effective 1/4/16 (subject to criminal history review procedures)

(\*) subject to completion of negotiations for 2015/2016

### **Resignations Accepted**

2. Accept the resignations of the following employees:
  - a. Dominick Mammone, custodian, effective 1/1/16, due to retirement
  - b. Grace Kovenklioglu, teacher, effective 1/1/16, due to retirement
  - c. Michael Consulmagno, custodian, effective 11/6/15
  - d. Erik Yates, assistant elementary principal, effective 11/23/15
  - e. Kelly Wolfe, playground/lunchroom aide, effective 10/30/15

### **FMLA Absence for Kaitlin Manning Approved**

3. Approve the request for a family medical leave act (FMLA) absence for Kaitlin Manning, assistant to the SBA/BS, for the period commencing 9/8/15 and ending 10/23/15 with continued health insurance benefits pursuant to law.

### **Tracey Blanchard's Extended Leave Rescinded**

4. Rescind the approved request for Tracey Blanchard's extended leave.

**Ratification of the Agreement with the New Providence Custodian and Maintenance Association Approved**

- 5. Approve the ratification of the agreement with the New Providence Custodian and Maintenance Association for the duration of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. The Board President and Board Secretary are authorized to execute the final agreement.

**FMLA Absence for Celeste Zazzali Approved**

- 6. Approve the request for a family medical leave act (FMLA) absence for Celeste Zazzali, teacher, for the period commencing 11/2/15 and ending 1/3/16 with continued health insurance benefits pursuant to law.

Dr. Miceli introduced Anna Rita Falco, the new Assistant Elementary Principal at AWR. He commented that she worked in the District for three years, has experience as a Reading Specialist Teacher, Supervisor, Assistant Principal and Principal. He is looking forward to her contribution to the District as soon as possible.

Seconded by: Mrs. Misiukiewicz  
 Roll Call Vote:

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

**BOARD POLICY**

Mr. Krauss, Committee Chairperson, moved to approve item 1 as listed below:

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

**Bylaws and Policies:**

Policy No. 5330 (Mandated)	Administration of Medication (Revised) (Mr. Krauss)
Policy No. 5339	Screening for Dyslexia (Revised) (Mr. Krauss)

**Administrative Regulation:**

Regulation No. 5330  
(Mandated)

Administration of Medication (Revised)  
(Mr. Krauss)

Seconded by: Mrs. Misiukiewicz  
Roll Call Vote:

Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

Yea Mr. Hasenkopf

Yea Mr. Dibble

Yea Mr. Krauss

Absent Mr. Dinerman

Yea Mrs. Misiukiewicz

Yea Mr. Smith

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Curriculum, Instruction and Technology

Mrs. Cuccaro, Committee Chairperson, commented that the committee is meeting later this week to discuss 2016/2017 STEM plan.

Finance, Facilities and Safety/Security

Mr. Smith, Committee Chairperson, had nothing to report at this time.

Personnel, Management and Communication

Mr. Dibble, Committee Chairperson, had nothing to report at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There are no old business to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There are no new business to report.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Hasenkopf opened the meeting to the public at 7:48 p.m

**Donna Zane, New Providence Resident:**

Mrs. Zane commented that every September, emergency contact information is required to be filled out. She commented that she believes her personal information has been provided to Jostens, who is the vendor for the yearbook. She is receiving emails twice a week to remind her to order her son's yearbook. She commented that she didn't know what information is being

shared to vendors and her information should not be provided until she gives permission.

Dr. Miceli asked if she has spoken to Mr. Richter.

Mrs. Zane commented that she is in contact with Mr. Richter. She commented that she would like it to stop and asked what the District's policy is on sharing our student's personal information.

Dr. Miceli commented that it is the District's policy not to share a student's information. He commented that it is hard for him to address this issue without knowing all the information and if she would follow up with him by giving him a call so that they can discuss it.

Mrs. Zane thanked Dr. Miceli.

Mr. Hasenkopf declared the public portion of the meeting closed at 7:52 p.m.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Hasenkopf moved to adopt the following resolution:

This body shall, on October 26, 2015 at 7:52 p.m., in the New Providence High/Middle School, 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.

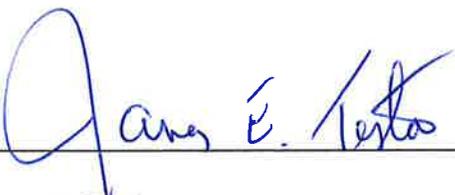
Mrs. Cuccaro seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

### **RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

The Board reconvened to public session at 9:23 p.m. Mr. Hasenkopf called the Board to order.

Members present were Bernadette Cuccaro, William Dibble, David Hasenkopf, Mr. Krauss, Mary Misiukiewicz and Adam Smith.

There being no other business before the Board, on a motion by Mr. Krauss and seconded by Mr. Smith, the President declared the meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.



James E. Testa  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary