

TOWN OF CLINTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 29, 2009

Amanda DiRienz called the meeting together at 7:50 p.m. by announcing this meeting is held in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law. The Town of Clinton Board of Education has given the public adequate notice by having the date, time, and place of the meeting published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Hunterdon Review, and by having duly posted the same information in the Board Office, the school bulletin board, the faculty room, and the Town Hall.

ROLL CALL: Present: Amanda DiRienz, Cara Morris, Robert Pyle
Marie Kisch, and Deborah Broslawski

Absent: John Romagna

Also Present: John Alfieri, Superintendent;
Lisa Craft, Business Administrator/Board Secretary;
Richard Katz, Principal

COMMITTEE REPORTS:*CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE*

Report Provided.

FINANCE/FACILITY COMMITTEE

Amanda DiRienz provided report.

POLICY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Cara Morris provided report.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Marie Kisch provided report.

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report.

GENERAL INFORMATION: SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

John Alfieri thanked the PTA for their endorsement of the budget and for getting the word out to the public.

- A. Enrollment and Monthly Data
- B. Student Suspensions:
 - In-School Suspensions: 1
 - Out-of-School Suspensions: 1
- C. School Nurse’s Report
- D. NJ QSAC Update (Components)
 - Instruction and Program:
 - Personnel:
 - Fiscal Management:
 - Operations:
 - Governance:
 - Facilities:
- E. School Highlights
- F. Update on Goals/Objectives/Initiatives
- G. Violence and Vandalism (EVVRS Data)
- H. Fire Drill Report

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 237

ACCEPT SCHOOL DATA REPORTS

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by Marie Kisch, to accept the monthly school data reports. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Rich Katz gave literacy work update and schedule information.

CLINTON TEACHERS’ ASSOCIATION (CTA) UPDATES

Liz Hedden reported on grade level activities.

GLEN GARDNER BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE

Deborah Broslawski announced Board appointments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Karen Insel – Inquired about field trips.

PERSONNEL REPORT**RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 238****EXTEND CORDERO LEAVE**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to extend the medical leave of absence for Jackie Cordero from April 1, 2009 until June 30, 2009 as per medical request. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 239**ACCEPT PETERSON RESIGNATION**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept the resignation of Kellie Peterson, LDTC, effective June 8, 2009. Mrs. Peterson has accepted a position in another school district. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

**RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 240
RETIREMENT****ACCEPT EMERY**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept the resignation, for the purposes of retirement, of Betty Emery, effective July 1, 2009. Mrs. Emery has served the CPS learning community for thirty years with honor and distinction. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 241**ACCEPT BLECK RETIREMENT**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept the resignation, for the purposes of retirement, of Doreen Bleck, effective August 30, 2009 (due to summer school). Mrs. Bleck has served the area students for 34 years, 24 at CPS and 10 at Glen Gardner School. Her passion for all that is good in the world permeated every aspect of CPS. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

**RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 242
STIPEND****TRANSFER SUB-CALLER**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to transfer 15% (\$450) of the annual stipend for district substitute caller (\$3,000/yr) from Tonya Reese to Lily Epstein. Lily acting in Tonya's stead during her maternity leave. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 243 ACCEPT BERGAMO-ARENA RESIGNATION

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept the resignation of Joanne Bergamo-Arena as Interim Supervisor of Student Services effective June 30, 2009. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 244 ACCEPT EARHART RESIGNATION

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept the resignation of Terry Earhart, Lunch Aide, effective April 10, 2009 for personal reasons. A replacement for this position will not be sought for the remainder of this school year. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, ASSESSMENT, & TECHNOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 245 APPROVE OUTSIDE TESTING SVCS.

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by Robert Pyle, to approve the use of outside testing services including Hunterdon County ESC, Morris-Union Jointure Commission, Hunterdon Medical Center, Mrs. Lynn Frauman (Learning Consultant), and any other as deemed appropriate by the Superintendent, for the purposes of Child Study Team evaluations. Motion carried with all "ayes" with Marie Kisch abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 246 APPROVE K-CARE PROGRAM

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to add a component to the current ChildCare Program which begins at the end of AM Kindergarten and ends at 3:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

POLICY

GENERAL INFORMATION: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 247 BOARD MINUTES

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve the Board of Education Meeting minutes from February 4 and March 4, 2009 Special Budget Sessions, and March 17, 2009 Regular and Executive Sessions. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 248 SECRETARY AND TREASURER’S REPORTS

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve the Secretary’s and Treasurer’s reports as the cash receipts, cash expenditures, and cash balances of \$545,055.45 for February 2009, are in agreement and further approve that in compliance with NJAC 6:20-2.13E, that no major account or fund has been over-expended and that as of the date of their reports there are sufficient funds available to meet financial obligations for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 249 BILL LIST

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve final payment of bills in the amounts specified below. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

Bill List

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| 1. | General Account: | \$ 658,102.77 |
| 2. | Cafeteria Account: | \$ 14,398.37 |

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 250 ACCOUNT BALANCES

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept account balances as of February 2009 as specified below. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

Checking Account Balances for February, 2009:

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| 1. | Student Activities: | \$47,660.73 |
| 2. | Cafeteria: | \$25,159.94 |
| 3. | Payroll Agency: | \$ 6,935.99 |
| 4. | Unemployment: | \$12,586.47 |

**RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 251
GRANT**

APPROVE SCHOOL SAFETY

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to approve the School Safety Grant from NJSBAIG for the replacement of entrance mats in the amount of \$1,459. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 252**ACCEPT BID**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by Robert Pyle, to accept the bid and award a contract to Aramark as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$276,478 for 2009/10 and \$276,478 for 2010/11 for Custodial and Maintenance Services, and to accept alternative bids #1 & #2 at \$5,300 per year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 253**PERS PENSION PAYMENT**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Cara Morris, not to exercise the right to defer a portion of the 2008/09 PERS pension liability to the future as offered by the State of NJ, and make full payment by 4/30/09 in the amount of \$37,236. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 254**APPROVE FINANCE-RESOLUTION**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to approve the resolution prepared by Lisa Gorab for the terms and selection of financing agents in the refinancing of 2001 bonds. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Memo to BOE from Superintendent in regards to 2009 Curriculum Audit (see attached).
2. Memo to BOE from Superintendent in regards to Enrichment v. Gifted & Talented Programming with recommendations for discussion and review.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Board of Education Self-Evaluations.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Elimination of Non-Operating School Districts Discussion. Letters received in response to State letter. Regionalization Meeting with Mike Kaliber.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 255**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to adjourn to executive session at 9:20 pm. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 256

ADJOURNMENT

Marie Kisch moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to adjourn the Board Meeting at 11:00 pm.
Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Craft
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Robert Pyle, President