

TOWN OF CLINTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 17, 2009

Amanda DiRienz called the meeting together at 7:30 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
John Romagna, Marie Kisch, and Deborah Broslawski

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:*CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE*

Robert Pyle reported and distributed minutes from the March 6, 2009 meeting.

FINANCE/FACILITY COMMITTEE

John Romagna reported that Gym roof repairs were ongoing.
Lisa Craft gave update that repairs had been completed.

POLICY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

No report.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

No report

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report.

GENERAL INFORMATION: SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- A. Enrollment and Monthly Data
- B. Student Suspensions:
 - In-School Suspensions: 0
 - Out-of-School Suspensions: 0
- 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: 177

ACCEPT SCHOOL DATA REPORTS

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

ANNUAL ASSESSMENT DATA PRESENTATION

John Alfieri and Richard Katz presented.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

CLINTON TEACHERS’ ASSOCIATION (CTA) UPDATES

Doreen Bleck stated that the CTA supports the Budget and Board of Ed/Administration.

GLEN GARDNER BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE

Deborah Broslawski reported that the Glen Gardner Board had met on March 16, 2009 to discuss the elimination of non-operating districts.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Bruce Michelsen - Elimination of Glen Gardner Board would be a loss of \$1.1 million in state aid.
2. Laura Brinkerhoff – expressed concern over increase in class size and its effects on assessment scores. Also concern regarding future of $\frac{3}{4}$ Multiage.
3. Caryn Tomljanovich – Questions related to salaries in Budget. Reduction in $\frac{3}{4}$ Multiage vs 5-6th grade.
4. Janine Casey – Why elimination of Academic Assist. vs clubs when Academic Assist. could improve assessment scores.
5. Karen Insel – Determination of which students will be in $\frac{3}{4}$ Multiage SY09/10.
6. Holly Lione – Questions related to $\frac{3}{4}$ Multiage.
7. Jill Hermann – Question regarding class size and Aides. Also impact of current 3rd graders in $\frac{3}{4}$ Multiage.
8. Dave Kelly – Procedure next year for Multiage voluntary opting out.
9. Christine Duval – Questioned how curriculum is currently taught in Multiage
10. Karen Tomljanovich – Concern over possible involuntary move of students from Multiage.
11. Rich Devanzo – Consider State Health Benefits. Questioned CST Adm. Assist. Salary.
12. Karen Insel – Acknowledged that hard work done by the Board and Administration and urged parents to vote.

PERSONNEL REPORT

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 178

APPOINT KELLY

John Romagna moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to approve the appointment of Laurel Kelly to the position of Maternity Leave Replacement, Administrative Assistant to the Principal/CST Effective Monday, March 23, 2009 and ending Friday, May 15, 2009 at the rate of \$80.00 per diem. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 179 DEVELOPMENT

APPROVE PROFESSIONAL

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to approve the attached requests for professional development and travel related mileage in accordance with NJAC 18A: 11-12.

Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes."

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 180

APPROVE WALK NEW JERSEY

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to approve Jessica Latanzio-Crespo's 4th grade class to participate in the Get Moving/Get Healthy NJ research project conducted by the Family & Community Health Sciences Department at Rutgers University. Non-monetary motion, just to allow the teacher and a her students to participate in this program. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes."

POLICY

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 181

ADOPTION OF STUDENT TEACHERS POLICY

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Cara Morris, to approve the adoption of Policy #9541, Student Teachers, effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes."

GENERAL INFORMATION: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 182

BOARD MINUTES

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve the Board of Education Meeting minutes from February 18, 2009 Regular Session. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 183

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 \$492,866.69 for January 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: 184

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".

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| 1. | General Account: | \$ 673,587.31 |
| 2. | Cafeteria Account: | \$ 11,899.33 |

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 185

ACCOUNT BALANCES

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

Checking Account Balances for January, 2009:

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| 1. | Student Activities: | \$42,842.76 |
| 2. | Cafeteria: | \$20,683.15 |
| 3. | Payroll Agency: | \$ 3,195.34 |
| 4. | Unemployment: | \$23,416.78 |

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 186

TRANSFERS

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve Transfers for the month of February in the amount of \$4,000.41. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 187

ACCEPT FEDERAL GRANT

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to accept the funds for the Basic/Preschool IDEA Grant and the NCLB Consolidated Grant for the 2008/2009 school year for the allocations below. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

IDEA Basic	\$124,794
IDEA Preschool	\$ 5,464
NCLB Title I	\$ 29,129
NCLB Title II Part A	\$ 12,346
NCLB Title II Part D	\$ 242
NCLB Title IV	\$ 1,147

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 188

AUTHORIZATION TO BID

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to authorize bidding of Custodial and Maintenance Services, with anticipated contract award on April 29, 2009. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 189**ADOPT PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve the resolution to adopt the preliminary 2009/2010 school budget, and submit to the Interim Executive County Business Administrator for approval. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes" by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 190**APPROVE 2001 BOND REFUNDING**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by Robert Pyle, to approve the resolution to proceed with refunding of the 2001 Bonds. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes" by roll call vote.

*CORRESPONDENCE**NEW BUSINESS**OLD BUSINESS***RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 191****EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Robert Pyle moved, seconded by Deborah Broslawski to adjourn to executive session. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

RESOLUTION 2008-2009: 192**ADJOURNMENT**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes".

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Craft
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Amanda DiRienz, President