

TOWN OF CLINTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 23, 2008

Board Secretary Lisa Ayars 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: John Romagna, Amanda DiRienz, Marie Kisch
and Cara Morris.

Absent: Robert Pyle

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

REORGANIZATION MEETING

A. Oath to New Members

Lisa Ayars administered Oaths to Cara Morris and John Romagna.

B. Election Results

Cara Morris and John Romagna were each elected for 3 year terms.

It was announced that the Budget was approved: 137 for and 134 against.

C. Nominations for President

Amanda DiRienz was nominated for Board President.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 156

DIRIENZ BOARD PRESIDENT

John Romagna moved, seconded by Marie Kisch, to approve Amanda DiRienz as School Board President. Motion carried unanimously with all "ayes" on roll call vote.

D. Board Secretary Lisa Ayars turns meeting over to newly elected Board President, Amanda DiRienz.

E. Nominations for Vice President

Robert Pyle was nominated for the position of Board Vice President.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 157**PYLE VICE PRESIDENT**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to appoint Robert Pyle as Board Vice President. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 158**IMPLEMENT BUDGET**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to authorize the Superintendent and Business Administrator to implement the 2008-2009 approved budget. Motion carried unanimously with all ‘ayes’.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 159**INITIATE TRANSFERS**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to authorize the Superintendent and the Business Administrator to initiate any line item transfers as may be necessary to facilitate any unanticipated encumbrances/expenditures that may arise between Board meetings, with disclosure to the Board at subsequent meetings. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 160**BOARD MEETINGS**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to set the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Clinton Public Library as the day, place, and time for all regular Board meetings during the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 161**OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to approve the following publications as official newspapers: Hunterdon Review, Hunterdon County Democrat (alternate), and Courier News (alternate). Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 162**LEGAL COUNSEL**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve Adams, Stern, Gutierrez & Lattiboudere, LLC (ASG&L) as general legal counsel at \$160 per hour for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 163**SCHOOL AUDITOR**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve William M. Colantano, Jr. CPA as the auditor for school accounts at the maximum rate of \$125 for principal for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 164 GIANFORCARO ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve Gianforcaro Architects and Engineers for consulting services at \$100 per hour as needed for facility projects. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 165**BROKER OF RECORD FOR MEDICAL**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to name ELES, Inc. as the Board’s Broker of Record for medical insurance for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 166**SCHOOL COMMERCIAL INSURANCE**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to appoint G.R. Murray as our school commercial package insurance agent for 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 167**ATTENDANCE OFFICER**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to appoint the Town of Clinton Police Chief to be Attendance Officer. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 168**AUTHORIZED CHECKING ACCOUNT SIGNERS**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve attached list of checking accounts and authorized check signatures for school funds for 2008-2009. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 169**APPROVED DEPOSITORIES**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to designate the following banks as approved depositories, while authorizing the School Business Administrator to select the depository offering the most lucrative program of services: Commerce Bank, PNC Bank, Bank of America, Unity Bank, and Peapack Gladstone Bank. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 170**CURRICULUM GUIDES**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to adopt the existing curriculum guides for 2008-2009 and Curriculum Evaluation Schedule (on file in Main Office). Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 171**POLICY MANUAL**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to adopt the Town of Clinton Board of Education Policy Manual for 2008-2009 (on file in Main Office). Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 172**TEXTBOOK LIST**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to adopt the textbook list for 2008-2009 (on file in Main Office). Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 173**PETTY CASH**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to set the 2008-2009 petty cash account amount at \$150 and to appoint the Business Administrator as disbursing agent, funds to be reviewed by another administrator before paid. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 174**REGULAR ED. PRIVATE TUITION**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to approve 2008-2009 private tuition rates at \$6,240 for first child and \$5,668 for the second child in regular education. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 175**SCHOOL FUNDS INVESTOR**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to designate the Business Administrator/Board Secretary as school funds investor for 2008-2009. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 176**PAYMENT BETWEEN BOARD MEETINGS**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Amanda DiRienz, to authorize Business Administrator to remit payment, as deemed necessary, between scheduled Board Meetings, for financial obligations that are contractual in nature, are considered emergency needs or are to be paid timely to avoid late fees. All such expenditures shall be approved by the Superintendent or his designee. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 177**AFFIRMATION ACTION OFFICER**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to appoint the Superintendent, as the district Affirmation Action Officer, for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 178**HUNTERDON COUNTY ESC**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to approve purchase of 2008-2009 general supplies through the Hunterdon County ESC Cooperative Purchasing Program with an administrative fee of 6%. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes” except Marie Kisch abstained.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 179**WARREN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to participate, if deemed necessary, in the Warren County Special Services Transportation Consortium for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 180**HUNTERDON COUNTY ESC TRANSPORTATION**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to appoint Lisa Ayars as the 2008-2009 Public Agency Compliance Officer for the purpose of affirmative action with public contracting. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 187**LEGAL COUNSEL**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to approve Barger & Bolger, LLC as legal counsel (limited to matters of IDEA) at \$145 per hour for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 188**PRIOR RESOLUTIONS**

Amanda DiRienz moved, seconded by John Romagna, to adopt all other resolutions still in force as policy of the Board. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

RESOLUTION 2007-2008: 189**ADJOURNMENT**

John Romagna moved, seconded by Marie Kisch, to adjourn the re-organization board meeting at 7:45 PM. Motion carried unanimously with all “ayes”.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ayars
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Amanda DiRienz, President