#### Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education

November 13, 2019

#### **BUSINESS SESSION MINUTES**

The Clinton-Glen Gardner School District is a community who values traditions. Our MISSION is to nurture and cultivate each child to be a compassionate, curious, and creative thinker, entrusted and empowered to build and lead the future.

Adopted 3/2016

#### **Opening Statement:**

Brendan McIsaac called the meeting together at 7:00 pm by announcing this meeting is held in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law. The Clinton-Glen Gardner 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:

Mr. Brendan McIsaac, Mrs. Lorraine Linfante, Dr. Ashutosh

Tewari, and Mr. Craig Sowell

Also Present: Seth Cohen, Superintendent/Principal

Bernadette Wang, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Absent:

Mr. Carl Sabatino

#### RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 69

#### ACCEPT SCHOOL DATA REPORTS

Mrs. Linfante moved, seconded by Mr. Sowell, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to accept the following monthly school data reports.

#### **Monthly School Data:**

- A. Enrollment Data Report (Attachment #1)
- B. Student Suspensions:
  - 1. In-School Suspensions: 0
  - 2. Out-of-School Suspensions: 0
- C. School Nurse's Report (Attachment #2)
- D. Violence and Vandalism (EVVRS Data), HIB 0 investigation 0 confirmed
- E. Fire Drill and Bus Evacuation Drill Report (Attachment #3)

#### SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL REPORT:

- Recognition of Andrew Plumpton Cross Country Champion
- Christmas parade CPS participation, shirts and hats for sale
- Veterans Day assembly, Mr. Scott Blazure presented
- Thanks to Town of Clinton for accommodating for Halloween schedule adjustments regarding parade to town
- Hunterdon Safety Summit 11/19/19

# a. Student Representative Report NONE

#### b. Clinton Education Association Report

Mrs. Merrigan reported on each grade levels current focuses.

### c. Assistant Principal-Curriculum Coordinator Report

- The 8th graders are scheduled to take the English Reading Comprehension and Writing Assessments for high school placement during the first week of December. The assessments are being scored by the North and Voorhees 9th grade English teachers and will help to inform 9th grade class placement along with each student's 7th grade final grade in English, 1st trimester grade in 8th grade English, teacher recommendation, and an assortment of Markers of Student Success.
- High School Lessons Starting with Guidance Counselor in preparation for high school
- 8th Grade Michael Fowlin Trip and Hellerick's Farms successful
- Kindergartners received their T-Shirts and are now officially considered Upstanders
- A few examples of what Holocaust and Amistad Lessons look like in the lower grades K-4

# d. Special Services Report

Mrs. Kastner updated the Board on the Unified Sports soccer event with Lebanon Township. She also was happy to report on the Walmart grant presented to CPS in the original amount of \$1000, then increased to \$1500 which will be used towards the sensory room. PTO is going to be funding efforts as well.

#### e. Public comment - NONE

#### PERSONNEL REPORT:

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 70**

#### APPROVE MATERNITY LEAVES

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to approve a Maternity Leave of Absence and Federal Family Leave for listed staff:

Employee #	Effective	Att.	
2060	November 1, 2019		
2110	expected due date 2/8/2020		

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 71**

#### APPROVE BEFORE/AFTER CARE STAFF

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to approve the following staff members for 2019-2020 Before & Aftercare program:

Position	Name	Rate/Salary
Before & Aftercare	Denise Grimm	\$16.50
Before & Aftercare	Kelly DeJesus	\$16.50
Before & Aftercare	Alexa Tropeano	\$12.00

#### RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 72 APPROVE COCURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to approve the following staff member(s) for the following co-curricular appointments for 2019-20:

Position	Name	Rate/Salary
Art Club	Suzanne Lauricella	\$1005.00

#### RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 73

#### APPROVE SUBSTITUTES

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to approve the following substitutes for the 2019-2020:

Position	Name	Rate/Salary
Substitute Teacher	Colleen Gregory	\$95.00 day

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 74**

#### APPROVE STUDENT TEACHER

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to approve Christopher Tavaglione for Spring 2020 Practicum and Fall 2020 Student Teaching from Centenary University--Middle School Math & Special Education

# CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, ASSESSMENT & TECHNOLOGY:

**RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 75** 

#### APPROVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Mrs. Linfante moved, seconded by Dr. Tewari, and passed unanimously by roll call vote, 4-0, to approve the following requests for professional development and travel related mileage in accordance with NJAC 18A: 11-12:

Program Name	Date	#	<b>Event Cost</b>	Substitute	Total
		Employees		Pay	Cost
CAR NJ DOE Workshop	11/18/19	Jackie	\$0 + mileage		
		Turner			mileage
Help Your Students Who	11/20/19	Denise Rella	\$259 (each)	\$85 each	\$1,032 +
Struggle with Mathematics		Judy Liptak	+ mileage		mileage
		Deb Nolan			
Medical and Legal	11/25/19	Brandon	\$129 +		\$129 +
Marijuana in NJ: Practice		Rauchbach	mileage		mileage
and Policy Issues					
Conference for School	12/5/19	Amanda	\$289 (each)		\$578 +
Based Speech Language		Thomas	+mileage		mileage
Pathologists		Nicole			
		Vazquez			

#### FIELD TRIPS -NONE

#### POLICY AND REGULATIONS - NONE

General Information: Business Administrator's Report

# A. Tuition Agreement for The Center School

**Motion**: request authorization for tuition to be paid to The Center School for out of district placement in the amount of \$67186.80 for the 19-20 school year, to be prorated from start date of 11/18/19. (Student #11227)

Motion to be moved to after executive session

RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 76 APPROVE MONTHLY MINUTES & FINANCIALS Mrs. Linfante moved, seconded by Mr. Sowell and passed unanimously by roll call vote, 4-0, to approve the Minutes and accept monthly financial transactions and reports, following items 1-5.

- 1. Approval of Board of Education Minutes from the October 16, 2019 Business Sessions. (Attachment #4)
- 2. Certification of the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports that the cash receipts, cash expenditures, and cash balances in the specified amounts, are in agreement and further approve that in compliance with NJAC 6:20-2.13E, that no major account or fund has been overexpended and that as of the date of their reports there are sufficient funds available to meet financial obligations for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

(Attachment #5, #5A)

Sept 2019

\$1,068,930.27

3. Approval of the Bill List in the specified amounts (Attachment #6)

a. General Account: \$\$828,351.69

b. Cafeteria Account: \$ 0

4. Checking Account Balances – September, 2019

a. Student Activities \$ 68,627.93

b. Cafeteria: \$ 17,079.54

c. Payroll Agency: \$ 17,929.84

d. Unemployment: \$ 58,272.37

Cafeteria account balance revised for August 2019 to \$6432.56 (adjusted for Payschool deposits incorrectly recorded to August instead of September.)

5. Transfers in the amount of \$7,592.74 for October, 2019. (Attachment #7)

## **Correspondence NONE**

#### **New Business**

Computer Science for all – Mr. McIsaac informed Board of Governor Murphy's plan to require education in Computer Science to grades K-12. The Board will monitor these requirements as they plan for next 5 years.

**Old Business** Board Roundtable notes will be brought to next meeting regarding Shared services.

- A. Dear Parents expected to be distributed end of November prior to Thanksgiving break
- **B.** Board Liaison Reports Mrs. Linfante advised of PTO grants and Holiday Outreach numbers of needy at a low.
- C. CEA Contract update Mrs. Wang informed Board of the request for current salary snapshot and proposed availability of that information in the next couple of weeks.

#### Clinton Glen Gardner Board of Education Goals 2019-2020

To support the CPS mission and 2019-2020 strategic district goals via policy, budget, and guidance in the governance of programs, personnel, and facilities.

Represent and advocate for the district by building bridges with the community and surrounding cluster districts and engaging in appropriate DOE and legislative processes.

Enrich the strategic plan through ongoing self-education on trends and acting as liaisons to district, county, and state organizations supportive of education.

#### Clinton Public School Goals 2019-2020

Increase teacher skill and use of questioning and discussion strategies to build curious and creative thinkers.

Ensure that all curricula provide opportunities for students to create and explore using inquiry based and project based learning.

Increase learning opportunities by utilizing outside resources for STEAM learning experiences.

Institute an enrichment/remediation program that improves academic skills through interesting topics, such as sharpening math skills through architecture

Provide personalized enrichment such as mentorships or on-line learning opportunities.

#### Public Comment -NONE

# 15. Executive Session RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 77

#### ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Linfante moved, second by Dr. Tewari and passed unanimously by roll call vote, 4-0, to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:09 .in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, to discuss Personnel and Negotiations. The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

Special education

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 78**

#### RESUME BUSINESS SESSION MEETING

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante at 8:19 pm and passed unanimously by roll call vote, 4-0, to resume regular business session meeting.

# RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 79 AUTHORIZE OUT OF DISTRICT TUITION PAYMENT

Mr. Sowell moved, seconded by Mrs. Linfante, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote, 4-0, to request authorization for tuition to be paid to The Center School for out of district placement in the amount of \$67,186.80 for the 19-20 school year, to be prorated from start date of 11/11/19. (Student #11227)

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-2020: 80**

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Mrs Linfante moved, seconded by Dr. Tewari and passed unanimously by roll call vote, 4-0, to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Wang

**Business Administrator** 

Brendan McIsaac Board President