# CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS Cherry Hill, New Jersey

#### SPECIAL ACTION MEETING MINUTES

## May 2, 2017

A Special Action Meeting of the Cherry Hill Township Board of Education was held at the Malberg Administration Bldg. on May 2, 2017.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Dickinson at 7:00 P.M. who read the following notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THIS MEETING PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE BOARD SECRETARY IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- (A) POSTING WRITTEN NOTICE ON THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN BOARD AT THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON APRIL 21, 2017.
- (B) TRANSMITTED NOTICE TO THE COURIER POST AND THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER ON APRIL 21, 2017.
- (C) TRANSMITTED NOTICE TO THE CLERK OF CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP ON APRIL 21, 2017.

A roll call recorded the following Board Members as present:

Mr. Eric Goodwin
Mrs. Kathy Judge
Mr. Ken Tomlinson
Mrs. Carol A. Matlack
Mrs. Lisa Saidel
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Mrs. Jane Scarpellino
Mrs. Ken Tomlinson
Dr. Edward Wang
Dr. J. Barry Dickinson

Mrs. Ruth Schultz – absent

Student Representatives:

None

Also in attendance were: Dr. J. Meloche, Mr. P. Green, Esq., Mrs. L. Shugars, Dr. J. Campisi, Ms. N. Adrian, Mr. D. Bart, Mrs. L. Ridgway, Mrs. L. Weathington, Dr. F. Mahan, Mrs. B. Wilson and Mr. T. Carter.

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Dr. Dickinson read the following notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

RESOLVED, PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT THAT THE BOARD MEETS AND CONDUCTS THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2017/2018 BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING AND VOTING ON THE ITEMS PRESENTED ON THE SPECIAL ACTION AGENDA.

Dr. Dickinson read the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Dickinson opened the floor for public discussion.

## **Public Discussion:**

A speaker expressed concerns over the use of banked cap in the budget.

A speaker commented on Capital Reserve Projects.

Dr. Dickinson called the meeting to order from public discussion at 7:10 P.M. for the purpose of considering and voting on the items presented in the Special Action Meeting.

## A. <u>CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION</u>

#### **Board Goals**

- Continue to improve student achievement at all grade levels for all students and close achievement gaps where they exist.
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- Establish a strategic plan that identifies and categorizes the district's needs through the development of "Cherry Hill Public Schools 2020: A clear vision for the future"

**NO ITEMS** 

## **B.** BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

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## The Superintendent recommends the following:

- 1. Adoption of the 2017/2018 Budget
- 2. Maximum Travel Expenditure
- 3. Motion to Approve Use of Capital Reserve to Fund Approved Projects for the 2017/2018 School Year

## ITEM 1. ADOPTION OF THE 2017/2018 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, to adopt the budget for the 2017/2018 school year and submit to the County Superintendent of Schools for Department of Education as follows:

The District has used all allowable automatic adjustments; and

Utilizes the Adjustment for Increase in Health Care Costs in the amount of \$1,582,952; and

Also utilizes \$294,160 of Banked Cap, the total amount available from 2015/2016, in order to continue the educational program in the District of Cherry Hill at its current level.

	<u>Budget</u>	Local Tax Levy
General Fund	\$194,085,006	\$169,765,548
Special Revenue Fund	4,112,317	
Debt Service Fund	<u>3,543,500</u>	2,528,210
Total Base Budget	\$201,740,823	\$172,293,758

**Resolution #168-5'17** 

## B. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

## ITEM 2. MAXIMUM TRAVEL EXPENDITURE

WHEREAS, pursuant to  $N.J.S.A.\ 18A:11-12(p)$ , the District Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year that may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount will include all travel that is supported by federal, state and local funds; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Education has determined that the total maximum travel expenditure for the 2016/2017 school year is \$160,460 and the district has spent \$43,077 as of March 8, 2017 now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the District Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2017/2018 school year as \$151,730 in the general fund and estimated \$25,000 in the special revenue fund.

### **Resolution #169-5'17**

# ITEM 3. MOTION TO APPROVE USE OF CAPITAL RESERVE TO FUND APPROVED PROJECTS FOR THE 2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion to approve the use of \$2,500,000 from Capital Reserve to fund fourteen (14) Capital Projects for the 2017/2018 School Year.

Capital Projects List-0800 (CHERRY HILL TWP)			
Project Number	Description/Activity	Cost	
8112	Crawl Space Work Barton	\$500,000	
8113	Canopy Replace Repair Marlkress	\$40,000	
8114	EIFS Replacement Repair Mann & HS West	\$50,000	
8115	Electrical & Generator Upgrades Knight, Mann, East	\$900,000	
8116	Exterior Door Replacement Carusi & Rosa	\$125,000	
8117	Interior Courtyard Upgrade & Repairs Carusi	\$30,000	
8118	Site Work Kilmer & HS East	\$105,000	
8119	HVAC Replacement & Upgrade Kilmer & HS East	\$345,000	
8120	Roof Replace/Repairs Kingston Mann Carusi Barclay	\$95,000	
8121	Upgrade repair Rooftop Utilities Carusi	\$35,000	
8122	Rooftop Ductwork Barclay	\$10,000	
8123	Track Replacement/Repair Carusi	\$50,000	
8124	Repair/Demolition Canopy Mann & HS East	\$85,000	
8125	Exterior Door Replacement HS East	\$130,000	
		\$2,500,000	

#### **Resolution #170-5'17**

Motion: Mr. Goodwin Second: Mrs. Matlack Vote: Ayes - 8 No - 0

Mrs. Schultz – absent

## C. HUMAN RESOURCES/NEGOTIATIONS

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#### **NO ITEMS**

## D. POLICY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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### E. STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

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**NO ITEMS** 

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The floor was opened again for a second public discussion at 7:23 P.M.

# Second Public Discussion:

Speakers commented on changes to policies as they relate to special education students and Kindergarten centers.

Mrs. Judge made and Mrs. Matlack seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:30 P.M. All Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn E. Shugars Assistant Superintendent

**Business/Board Secretary** 

Lynn E. Shujaro