

MOONACHIE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

Robert L. Craig School

Cafeteria

April 8, 2014

Call to order by Board President      Meeting opened at 6:00

Roll Call

Members Present: David Vaccaro, Sheila King, Charles Pallas and Melissa Rose

Members Absent: James Campbell

Also Present: Sue Anne Mather, Frank Scarafile, Allison Stager and Dennis McKeever, Board Attorney

Pledge of Allegiance

State of Compliance:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights for the public to have advance notice of, and to attend, the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be sent, announcing time and place thereof, and, to the extent know, the agenda of this meeting to the following: Borough of Moonachie and the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

In addition, please be aware that employees of this School District retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public and, in order to protect the privacy rights of employees in the District, the Board shall not respond to statements made by the public of or about District employees.

1.

- Acceptance of Minutes of March 25, 2014 closed session and regular session, and Superintendent Report Minutes– Attachment 1.1

Motion: Charles Pallas

Seconded: Sheila King

Absent: James Campbell

Action taken: All Ayes

- Acceptance of Correspondence –  
 Motion: None  
 Seconded: None  
 Action taken: None

Superintendent’s Report

Motion: Melissa Rose  
 Seconded: Sheila King  
 Absent: James Campbell  
 Action taken: All Ayes

- Students of the Month – March

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Misha Panchal	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Brandon Coral	5 <sup>th</sup>
Ethan Ciannamea	8 <sup>th</sup>

- Curriculum Expo – April 9, 2014 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm
- WRHS Jr./Sr. Chorus – Friday, April 11, 2014

- Public Comments(Agenda Items Only)

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2. Finance

Motion: Charles Pallas  
 Seconded: Sheila King  
 Absent: James Campbell  
 Action taken: All Ayes

1. Resolution to approve the Bills and Claims against the Board of Education for equipment, materials and supplies furnished and delivered, and for work done and performed for the month ended April 2014 – Attachment 2.1
2. Resolution to approve the budgetary line-item transfers to March 2014 – Attachment 2.2

3. Resolution to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for March 2014 that no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Moonachie Board of Education – \* Attachment 2.3 - \* Except on Sandy related items
4. Resolution to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for March 2014 that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the Moonachie Board of Education’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year \* – Attachment 2.4 - \* Except on Sandy related items
5. Resolution to approve check register for month of March 2014 – Attachment 2.5
6. Resolution to approve March 2014 Bills List for Milk and Lunch Account – Attachment 2.6
7. Resolution to accept the Report of Secretary to the Moonachie Board of Education for March 2014 – Attachment 2.7
8. Resolution to approve Treasurer’s Report for month ending March 31, 2014 – Attachment 2.8
9. Resolution to approve contract between the Moonachie Board of Education and the South Bergen Jointure Commission for Special Education Tuition for the 2013-2014 school year commencing March 24, 2014 - Attachment 2.9
10. Resolution to approve the transportation contract between the Moonachie Board of Education and the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the school year 2014-2015. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, The Coordinated Transportation for non-public, out of district special education, vocational and summer programs. Be it further resolved, that the Moonachie Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution – Attachment 2.10
11. Resolution to approve Moonachie Board of Education Flexible Benefits Plan through Wameworks, Inc. – Attachment 2.11
12. Resolution to approve the transportation contract between the Moonachie Board of Education and the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in accordance

with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the school year 2013-2014. – Attachment 2.12

3. Policy  
 Motion: None  
 Seconded: None  
 Action taken: None

4. Personnel  
 Motion: Charles Pallas  
 Seconded: Melissa Rose  
 Absent: James Campbell  
 Action taken: All Ayes

1. Resolution to approve the maternity leave for Natasha Dillon from May 19, 2014 through June 24, 2014 – Returning in September for the 2014-2015 school year – Attachment 4.1
2. Resolution to accept the resignation for retirement purposes from Susan Barrise effective June 30, 2014. – Attachment 4.2 – Sheila King, Board Trustee, thanked Ms. Barrise for her many year of devoted service to the Students of Moonachie and wished her well in her retirement.
3. Resolution to approve the following workshop.

<b>Workshop</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Cost &amp; Travel Expense</b>
SBJC – STEM Science Workshop	March 21, 2014	Ms. Val Kenny	No Cost

5. Curriculum  
 Motion: Sheila King  
 Seconded: Melissa Rose  
 Absent: James Campbell  
 Action taken: All Ayes

1. Resolution to approve the revised 2013-2014 school year calendar – Attachment 5.1
2. Resolution to approve the Wood-Ridge High School Chorus to perform at the Robert L. Craig School for the 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

6. Facilities  
 Motion: None  
 Seconded: None  
 Action taken: None

7. Old Business  
Motion:  
Seconded:  
Action taken:  
David Vaccaro will call Simmons Recovery Consultants to ascertain further Information and answer some Board questions.
8. New Business  
Motion:  
Seconded:  
Action taken:  
Frank Scarafile informed the Board regarding shingled roof replacement. David Vaccaro recommended we contact Henry Ossi to see if the roof issue would be a Sandy related expense.
9. Information Items  
NOTE - Next Board of Education Meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 24, 2014** in lieu of Tuesday, April 22, 2014 due to timeline for Public Hearing on 2014-2015 Budget.
1. Average monthly attendance from 3/1/14 – 3/31/14– Attachment 9.1
  - 2 Monthly report of attendance officer for the month ending March 2014 Attachment 9.2
10. Discussion Items
11. Public Comments
12. Adjournment at 6:55 p.m.  
Motion: Sheila King  
Seconded: Melissa Rose  
Absent: James Campbell  
Action taken: All Ayes

Return to closed session at 7:00 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Anne Mather  
Board Secretary