MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

July 6, 2021

I, Elliot Honigfeld, President, call this meeting to order under the Open Public Meeting Act at 7:01 p.m. Sunshine List: The Merchantville Board of Education meeting is called to order. The board of education is in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," Board of Education located at 130 S. Centre Street, Merchantville, New Jersey, and advertised in The Retrospect, Borough Hall, Merchantville School and the Reading Center at Merchantville School.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present	Members Absent	Also Present
Mrs. Aaron		Mr. J. Scott Strong, CSA
Mrs. Gaskins		Mr. Greg Gontowski, Business Administrator
Mrs. Kroot		
Mr. Licata		
Mrs. Meisner		
Mrs. Perno		
Mr. Honigfeld		
Mr. Carcanague		
Mr. Iannucci		

Approval Minutes

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT I – None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Meisner and seconded by Carcanague for the board of education to approve the following board minutes:

- Regular Meeting and Executive Session Minutes June 15, 2021

Vote: To approve minutes
Board Voted All in Favor **Ianucci – Abstained

New Business

NEW BUSINESS

- Re-Opening 2021-2022 Update
- Revisit CSA evaluation

Motioned by Carcanague seconded by Perno that the Merchantville Board of Education reopen CSA Evaluation

CSA Evaluation

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Roll Call Vote: Voting Yes: Aaron, Carcanague, Gaskins, **Iannucci, Kroot, Licata, Meisner, Perno, and Honigfeld.

Motion carried 8-0-1 ** Iannucci – Abstained

Unfinished Business

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Board Meetings Return In-Person – Discussion about Streaming Options starting in September
- School Boards Convention will be held virtually on October 26-28, 2021 (if interested in attending you will need to be signed up)

Communication

COMMUNICATIONS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Policy and Community Relations (Aaron) – PPP Open Meeting (June 30)
- Personnel (Perno)
- Education (Licata)
- Finance (Carcanague)
- Facility (Iannucci)
- Haddon Heights Update (Perno)

CSA Report

CSA REPORT

- June Monthly Report
- Emergency Drills – Fire Drill (June 1 at 11:35) and Active Shooter Drill (June 4 at 9:40)

CSA RECOMMENDATIONS

Motioned by Carcanague seconded by Kroot that the Merchantville Board of Education approve Items 1 through 9

Co-Curicular, Advisors and Coaching Positions 2021-2022

1. That the Board of Education approve the following co-curricular, advisors and coaching positions for the 2021-2022 school year:

Coach, Field Hockey	Ms. Daniella Cucunato	($2048)
Coach, Cheerleading	Ms. Alyssa Cardona (Jackson)	($2427)
Coach, Soccer	Ms. Sindy Bonilla	($2088)
Volunteer	Mr. Alvaro Jessy Bonilla	
Coach, Spring Track	Mr. Michael Dailey	($2431)
Coach, Basketball Boys	Mr. Andrew Korn	($2431)
Coach, Basketball Girls	Mr. Andrew Korn	($2431)
Advisor, National Junior Honors Society	Ms Daniella Cucunato, Mrs. Jenifer Smith & Mrs. Abbie Wence	($1594) ($531.33 each)
Advisor, Student Council	Ms. Alyssa Cardona (Jackson) & Ms. Jamie Bertini	($1594) ($797 each)
Advisor, Yearbook	Ms. Alyssa Cardona (Jackson)	($1594)
Advisor, Band	Mrs. Vanessa Van Sciver	($1594)
Advisor, Choir	Mrs. Vanessa Van Sciver	($1594)
Advisor, Musical Director	Mrs. Vanessa Van Sciver	($1594)
Advisor, Garden Club	Ms. Aleesha Langston (Lopez)	($1594)

Advisor, Stage Crew	Mr. Shawn Waldron	($1594)
Advisor, Assistant Music Director	Mrs. Terry Turner	($1040)
Advisor, Art Club	Ms. Karen Baker	($1594)
Advisor, Running Club	Mr. Michael Dailey & Mrs. Andrea Gleeson	($1594)
Advisor, Model UN	Mr. Shawn Waldron	($1594)
Advisor, Junior Green Team	Mrs. Adrienne Browne	($1594)
Advisor, Newsletter	Mrs. Sherry Iannucci & Mrs. Margaret Hood	($330 each vol) ($165 per advisor)
Minimum of 3 and maximum of 6 for the school year		
Advisor, Gay-Straight Alliance	Mrs. Abbie Wence	($1594)
Advisor, Battle of the Books	Mrs. Jenifer Smith	($1594)
Coordinator, Renaissance Program	Mrs. Jeanne Leise & Mrs. Rachel Spahr	($1594) ($797 each)
Coordinator, Athletic Director	Mr. Michael Dailey	($2760)
Coordinator, Safety Patrol	Mr. Shawn Waldron	($2760)

Sidebar Agreement – Salary Guide

2. That the Board of Education approve the Sidebar Agreement with the Merchantville Education Association denoting the qualifications of advancement on the salary guide.

Y. Tsypenyuk Professional Development

3. That the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator for attendance at the following Professional Development Workshops:

Attendee	Event	Place of Event	Date	Cost
Yuliya Tsypenyuk	Catching Up Students Who have Fallen Behind in Math	Virtual	July 28, 2021	$279

Alternate Toilet Room Facility 2021-2022- Room 108 Kindergarten Classroom

4. That the Board of Education approve the Alternate Toilet Room Facility for the 2021-2022 School Year. (Room 108 will be a Kindergarten classroom that does not have a toilet in the classroom.)

Policy 2224.1 Title IX – Sex Based Discrimination

5. That the Board of Education approve the first reading of the new policy
   - 2224.1 – Title IX – Sex Based Discrimination.

First Reading Policy 6140 and 3542.2

6. That the Board of Education approve the first reading of the changes to following policies:
   - 6140 – Curriculum Adoption
   - 3542.2 – School Meal Program Arrears

With Regret Accept the Resignation of Patrick O'Drain 6/25/21

7. That the Board of Education approve the letter of resignation from part time custodian Patrick O'Drain as of June 25, 2021.

Ashley Duckworth – Special Education Teacher 9/1/21

8. That the Board of Education approve Ashley Duckworth as a Special Education teachers starting September 1, 2021 at BA Step 1 ($60,196). (New Pre-School Special Education Class)

Krista Travaglini – Title 1 Stipend 21-22

9. That the Board of Education approve the Title I stipend of $3,932 to Krista Travaglini for the 2021-2022 school year. These funds will come directly from the Title I grant.

Roll Call Vote Items 1 through 8: Voting Yes: Aaron, Carcanague, Gaskins, **Iannucci, Kroot, Licata, Meisner, Perno, and Honigfeld.

Motion carried 8-0-1 ** Iannucci – Abstained

Roll Call Vote Item 9: Voting Yes: Aaron, Carcanague, Gaskins, **Iannucci, Kroot, Licata, Meisner, Perno, and Honigfeld.**

Motion carried 7-0-2 **Licata & Iannucci-Abstained

Motioned by Licata seconded by Aaron that the Merchantville Board of Education approve Items A through F.

IDEA Grant

A. IDEA Grant

To approve submission and acceptance of the 2021-2022 IDEA grant in the following amounts:

IDEA Basic - $152,422.00
IDEA Preschool - $6,575.00

ESEA Grant

B. ESEA Grant

To approve submission and acceptance of the 2021-2022 ESEA grant in the following amounts:

Title I - $78,636.00
Title IIA - $14,992.00
Title III - $3,196.00
Title IV - $10,000.00

CM3-HVAC – Installation Bipolar Ionization Units

C. CM3 – HVAC

To approve purchase through CCESC Contract #66CEPS with CM3 for the installation bipolar ionization units in the amount of $52,480.00 (funded through ESSER II).

CM#-HVAC – Installation of New Motor Fan Assemblies

D. CM3 – HVAC

To approve purchase through CCESC Contract #66CEPS with CM3 for the installation of new motor fan assemblies in the amount of $65,185.00 (funded through ESSER II).

Ben Shaffer Playground Equipment

E. Ben Shaffer – Playground

To approve purchase through ESCNJ 20/21-22 Co-op #65MCESCCPS with Ben Shaffer Recreation, Inc. for the purchase and installation of playground equipment in the amount of $174,910.99.

Heinemann – Non-fair and Open

F. Non Fair and Open – Heinemann
To award non fair and open contract to Heinemann for the 2021-2022 school year forbenchmark assessments and LLI's in an amount to exceed $17,500.00.

Roll Call Vote: Voting Yes: Aaron, Carcanague, Gaskins, Iannucci, Kroot, Licata, Meisner, Perno, and Honigfeld.

Motion carried 9-0-0

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT II – None

Executive Session

Motion to recess into Executive Session at 7:49 p.m. by Perno second by Licata

Motion carried 9-0 -0

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Merchantville Board of Education has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Board of Education will reconvene at the conclusion of closed session, at approximately **8:25** p.m. this evening.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Merchantville Board of Education will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting (Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under *South Jersey Publishing*, 124 N.J. 478, the employee(s) and nature of discussion is CSA Evaluation) ;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Board Attorney advises the Board of Education that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the School District or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Board Secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

Action will not be taken

Mark Iannucci – Left at 7:49 p.m.

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Exit Executive Session and return to regular session

Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:27 P.M. and return to regular session by Perno second by Gaskins.

Motion carried: 8-0-0

Adjourn Meeting

Adjourn Moved by Perno seconded by Kroot that the board of education approve to adjourn this meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Motion carried 8-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg Gontowski

MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

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Moved by Jennifer Perno and seconded by Daniel Licata adjourn, into Executive Session, from which the general public is excluded, any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party.

Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting (Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under *South Jersey Publishing*, 124 N.J. 478, the employee(s) and nature of discussion is CSA Evaluation) ;

The results of this session will not be made public immediately after or as soon thereafter as a decision is reached, if permitted, by law.

Unanimously Approved 7:49 PM

Members Present: Mrs. Aaron, Mrs. Gaskins, Mr. Carcanague, Mr. Licata, Mr. Honigfeld Mrs. Kroot Mrs. Perno, and Mrs. Meisner

Members Absent – Mr. Iannucci

Topic: Discussion took place regarding CSA Evaluation.

Return to Open Session – Moved by Jennifer Perno and seconded by Melanie Gaskins that the board of education approve to return to open session at 8:27p.m.

Motion carried: 8-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Gontowski

Board Secretary