

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

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

Robert L. Craig School

Cafeteria

February 10, 2015

Call to order by Board President

Meeting opened at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Sue Anne Mather, Frank R. Scarafile, Dennis McKeever, Esq. and Scott Zucker, Esq. Board Attorneys

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 known, the agenda of this meeting to the following: Borough of Moonachie and Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

- Acceptance of Minutes of January 20, 2015 closed session and regular session and Superintendent Report Minutes – Attachment 1.1

Motion: Charles Pallas

Seconded: Sheila King

Action taken: All Ayes

- Acceptance of Correspondence

Motion: None

Seconded: None

Action taken: None

- Superintendent’s Report

Motion: Sheila King

Seconded: James Campbell

Action taken: All Ayes

- Students of the Month

January

Grade

Izabella Druciak

Kindergarten

Caroline Nieto

4th

Lizbeth Bermejo

7th

Joana Peralta

8th

- Submission of HIB Cases – January 2015

Investigations

Confirmed Cases

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- STARS Testing – Math and Language Arts

- Public Comments - (Agenda Items Only)

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.

2. Finance

Motion: Melissa Rose

Seconded: Charles Pallas

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 February 2015– Attachment 2.1
2. Resolution to approve the budgetary line-item transfers for January 2015- Attachment 2.2
3. Resolution to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for January 2015 that no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the amount appropriate by the Moonachie Board of Education
4. Resolution to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for January 2015 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

5. Resolution to accept the Treasurer's Report for January 2015 – Attachment 2.5
6. Resolution to accept the Report of the Secretary of the Moonachie Board of Education for January 2015 – Attachment 2.6
7. Resolution to approve Check Register for the month of January 2015 – Attachment 2.7
8. Resolution to approve Tuesday, April 28, 2015, as the date for the Moonachie Board of Education public budget hearing to be held in the Robert L. Craig School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.
9. Resolution to approve the 2015 Budget/Election calendar – Attachment 2.9
10. Resolution to approve Legal Services Agreement between the Moonachie Board of Education and Anthony P. Sciarrillo, Esq., Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper, P.C. for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 – Attachment 2.10
11. Resolution to approve contract between the Moonachie Board of Education and the South Bergen Jointure Commission for special education tuition for the 2014-2015 school year commencing January 8, 2015 – Attachment 2.11
12. Resolution to adopt waiver of compliance with respect to the districts participation in Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI Program for the 2015-2016 school year – Attachment 2.12
13. Resolution to approve Moonachie Board of Education Guide for Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls – Available for review at the Board Office.
14. Resolution to accept donation from Better Education Institute, Inc. in the amount of \$6,000.00 specifically earmarked for after school transportation for the 21st Century YMCA program
15. Resolution to approve the quoted contract of transportation between Leckie Bus Company and the 21st Century YMCA Program for Grades 4-8th After School Program from February 3, 2015 to June 30, 2015 – Attachment 2.15

3. Policy

Motion: Sheila King

Seconded: James Campbell

Action taken: All Ayes

1. Resolution to approve the HIB/Violence and Vandalism Report for September 1 – December 31, 2014 – Attachment 3.1

4. Personnel

Motion: Melissa Rose

Seconded: Sheila King

Action taken: all Ayes

1. Resolution to approve Nicole Wohlrab for tenure for school year 2015-2016
2. Resolution to approve Frank Gabriele as substitute custodian for the period February 10, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at a rate of \$15.00 per hour.
3. Resolution to approve Melissa Moscone as School Aide for Patricia Little effective March 2, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at a rate of \$20,000 prorated – less than 30 hours per week

5. Curriculum

Motion: Melissa Rose

Seconded: Charles Pallas

Action taken: All Ayes

1. Resolution to approve the following field trip:

Destination	Date	Cost
9/11 Field Trip New York, NY 8 th Grade Students plus teachers and Parents	June 5, 2015	\$442.00 (34) Students \$52.00 (4) Teachers \$120.00 (5) Parents Plus Bus - TBD Cost to be Determined by Donations
Band Festival - Wood- Ridge High School Grades 4-8	February 6, 2015	Bus Expense Only – \$200.00

2. Resolution to approve the following workshops and expenses

Workshop & Location	Date	Attendee	Cost
Flipped Learning: Practical Strategies to Successfully “Flip” your Classroom Instruction	1/29/2015	Greg Keelen	\$235.00 Travel - \$17.36

Increase Student Learning with Mobile Devices and the Best, New Apps – West Orange, NJ	3/18/2015	Greg Keelen and Val Kenny	\$235.00 each Total - \$470.00 Travel – (GK) \$26.60 (VK) \$12.54
Math Workshop Rutgers K-12, Piscataway, NJ	3/26/2015	Christine Lomio and Michael Kushnir	\$390.00
The Most Effective Strategies to Help Struggling Readers Meet the Common Core Standards for Reading – Parsippany, NJ	2/23/2015	Nicole Wohlrab	\$229.00
Achieve Greater Success with Your Difficult to Reach Students – Parsippany, NJ	2/27/2015	Stacie Katz	\$229.00 plus travel expense \$12.02

3. Resolution to approve implementation of the 2015 Summer Extended School Year Program Calendar:

Program Calendar

June 29, 2015 – July 23, 2015

8:30 a.m. – 12 noon (M-Th only)

Staff Schedule

June 22, 2015 (Set-up)

June 29, 2015 – July 23, 2015

8:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. (M-Th only)

6. Facilities

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Security film has been installed on cafeteria doors and windows.

7. Old Business

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

8. New Business

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

9. Information Items

1. Average Monthly Attendance from 1/1/15 – 1/31/15 – Attachment 9.1

2. Monthly Report of Attendance officer for the month ending January 2015
– Attachment 9.2

10. Discussion Items

- Frank Scarafile explained evacuation that took place on February 4, 2015. Everything went smoothly. Moonachie Fire Department reported that a power failure in Little Ferry caused a power surge that burnt out a heater above exit doors in gym hallway.

11. Public Comments

- Charles Morra asked the Board for their policy on incident between his child and a school aide. Scott Zucker, Esq. explained that this is a personnel matter and cannot be discussed. He was satisfied that the matter was addressed.
- Greg Keelen commended Mrs. Samarelli on her outstanding job as a first grade teacher.

12. Adjournment at 7:15 pm

Motion: James Campbell

Seconded: Charles Pallas

Action taken: All Ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Anne Mather

Board Administrator/Board Secretary

