

**FLORHAM PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Public Meeting, April 11, 2011  
Board of Education Conference Room  
67-71 Ridgedale Avenue

**MINUTES**

6:30 p.m.

Mission Statement: We are committed to the achievement of individual academic excellence through high quality teaching, learning and community involvement, which results in students being well prepared to meet future educational challenges and to contribute to society. They will achieve these goals in accordance and alignment with the New Jersey Core Content Curriculum Standards which guide our academic instruction.

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**SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Morristown Daily Record and the Madison-Florham Park Eagle. In addition, notices were posted at the Municipal Clerk's Office, Public Library, and the Board Administration Office at 67-71 Ridgedale Ave at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

<b>BOARD MEMBER</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mrs. Tobias (Joanne)	X	
Mr. Gaffney (John)	X	
Mrs. Haynes (Marianne)	X	
Mrs. Michalowski (Linda)	X	
Mr. Montuore (Patrick)		X
Dr. Carollo (John)	X	
Mr. DeCoursey (Kevin)	X	

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the Florham Park Board of Education seeks to adjourn to Executive Session in full compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.: and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act provides that a public body may exclude the public from that portion of the meeting at which it discusses matters pertaining to personnel, negotiations, and /or litigation; now

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Florham Park Board of Education adjourns to Executive Session; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the discussion of any of these items will be disclosed to the public when matters have been determined and confidentiality is no longer required.

Mr. Gaffney motioned to convene the Executive Session. Said motion was seconded by Mrs. Tobias and carried by unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Gaffney to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting at 7:01 pm. Said motion was seconded by Dr. Carollo and passed by unanimous vote.

**In attendance:** District Administrators. There were no members of the general public.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- Dr. Ronzitti reported the district’s enrollment is currently 1033 students.
- Dr. Ronzitti reported that the following drills were conducted since the last regular board meeting.
  - RMS – 2/7 Fire Drill, 2/18 Active Shooter
  - BLK – 2/7 Fire Drill, 2/23 Shelter in Place, 2/24 Bomb Threat
  - BWD – 2/17 Fire Drill, 2/23 Evacuation Drill
- Dr. Ronzitti stated that there has been no communications regarding school district consolidation.
- Dr. Ronzitti congratulated the winners of the district recycling contest; Briarwood the classes of Mrs. Palmisano, Mrs. Phillips and Miss Califati; Brooklake the classes of Mrs. Karl, Miss Fellipello and Mrs. Franklin; Ridgedale students Megan Lucas, Samantha Lewis and Jenna Pizzi. Dr. Ronzitti thanked Mr. DeCoursey and the firm of O’Toole and Couch again for their donation of \$300.00 toward the event.
- Dr. Ronzitti stated that he had been selected to participate to examine the clinical practice of student teachers as part of a task force established by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.
- Dr. Ronzitti stated that the district’s transportation fleet had its semi-annual inspection by the NJMVC today. All vehicles passed inspection. Dr. Ronzitti praised the maintenance work of the Hanover Park Regional High School District and the wonderful shared service relationship.



6. Approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011 Executive Session.

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Motion; JC      Second; JG

6 yes, 0 no

**PERSONNEL**

1. Approve Stephanie Phipps, Part-Time Staff Assistant from 4.5 hours to 3.9 hours in Briarwood Elementary School, effective March 22, 2011.

Motion; JC      Second; JT

6 yes, 0 no

2. Approve the following substitute teachers for the 2010-2011 School Year:

Kayla Kays  
Andrea French  
Kara Pagan

Motion; JC      Second; JT

6 yes, 0 no

3. Approve posting for the following positions for the 2011 Extended School Year Program (ESY11):

**CST-ESY Summer 2011 Positions:**

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DAYS</u>
1-LDT-C	(not to exceed 15 Days)
1-Psychologist	(not to exceed 15 Days)
1-Psychologist	(not to exceed 15 Days)
1-Social Worker	(not to exceed 10 Days)
1-Spec.Ed/Behaviorist	(not to exceed 10 Days)
1-Speech/Language	(not to exceed 5 Days)

**ESY 2011 Teacher and Staff Positions:**

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DAYS</u>
Teacher(s)	(5.5 hours/day 30 Days)
Teacher(s)	(3.0 hours/day 30 Days)
Staff Assistant(s)	(5.5 hours/day 30 Days)(AM/PM Bus for sec. Students)
Staff Assistant(s)	(4.0 hours/day 30 Days)
Staff Assistant(s)	(3.0 hours/day 30 Days)
Speech/Language	(4.0 hours/day 30 Days)
Speech/Language	(2.0 hours/day 12 days) (Out of District Services)
Nurse	(5.5 hours/day 30 Days)
Occupational Therapy	(4.0 hours/day 30 Days)
Physical Therapist	(4.0 hours/day 10 Days)

**ESY 2011 Bus Aide Positions:**







4. Professional Development/Travel:

The Florham Park Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 and 18A:12-24 to approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members that is educationally necessary and financially prudent.

The following list of workshops, seminars, conferences and other travel-related staff development has been reviewed by the Florham Park Board of Education and found to be (1) educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; (2) directly related and within the scope of the district employee or board members' current responsibilities; (3) critical to the instructional needs of and furthers the efficient operation of the Florham Park School district; & (4) is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1.

	Name	Position	Description	Date(s)	Approx. Cost	Funding Source
<b>A</b>	Charles Murray	Special Ed Teacher	Workshop	3/11/11 & 3/12/11	N/A	Local
<b>B</b>	Lisa Van Way	Teacher	Workshop	2/22/11	N/A	Local
<b>C</b>	Daria Avanzato	Teacher	Workshop	2/22/11	N/A	Local
<b>D</b>	Brian Silkensen	Teacher	Workshop	2/24/11 & 2/25/11	N/A	Local
<b>E</b>	Gina Cicarelli	District PT	Workshop	3/1/11	\$199.00	Local
<b>F</b>	Danielle Manger	OT	Workshop	3/1/11	\$199.00	Local

Motion; JG      Second; JC      6 yes, 0 no

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Florham Park Board of Education certify, that as of February 28, 2011 after reviewing the Business Administrators/Board Secretary's financial report, to the best of our knowledge no major account of fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

Motion; JG      Second; JC      6 yes, 0 no

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Florham Park Board of Education accept the certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that as of February 28, 2011, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d), no budgetary line item has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.10(b).

Motion; JG      Second; JC      6 yes, 0 no

7. Approve Emerald Health Care Services to provide substitute nursing services for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year.

Motion; JG      Second; JC      6 yes, 0 no



4. Approve the scheduling of the field trip for Ridgedale Middle School, grades 6-8 to Pompeii: The Exhibit Times Square, NY, NY.
5. Approve the scheduling of the field trip for Ridgedale Middle School, grades 7-8 to Mennen Arena, Morris Township, NJ.
6. Approve the scheduling of the field trip for Ridgedale Middle School, grade 8, to Washington, DC.
7. Approve the scheduling of the field trip for Briarwood Elementary School, grades K-2, to Brooklake Elementary School, Florham Park, NJ.
8. Approve the scheduling of the field trip for Ridgedale Middle School, grades 6-8, to Wynwood Brookdale Senior Living, Florham Park, NJ.
9. Approve the scheduling of the field trip for Ridgedale Middle School, grades 6-8, to New Providence Middle School, New Providence, NJ.

Motion; MH      Second; JG

6 yes, 0 no

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mr. DeCoursey stated he received a thank you letter from Mrs. Palmisano's class who were one of the recycling grant winners. Mr. DeCoursey congratulated the class again and thanked them for the kind gesture.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Move to adjourn the meeting at 7:17p.m

6 yes, 0 no

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. John Csatos  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary