

FLORHAM PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Public Meeting, January 19, 2015
Administrative Office - Conference Room
67-71 Ridgedale Avenue

MINUTES

(Formal action will be taken on the following)

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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A.SUNSHINE STATEMENT

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), 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.

B.CALL TO ORDER

C.FLAG SALUTE

D.ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. Thomas (Alita)	X	
Mrs. Heinold (Kristina)	X	
Ms. Haynes (Marianne)	X	
Mrs. Michalowski (Linda)		X
Mr. Gaffney (John)	X	
Dr. Carollo (John)	X	
Mr. DeCoursey (Kevin)	X	

In attendance; FPEA members and members of the general public.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Rubano reported on the following;

- The district enrollment is 998 students as of this meeting date. The following drills were conducted in compliance with State Regulations;
BWD: 12/12/14 fire drill, 12/17/14 shelter in place drill;
BK: 12/1/14 code orange drill, 12/16/14 shelter in place drill, 12/22/14 fire drill;
RMS: 12/15/14 code orange drill, 12/18/14 fire drill

Mr. Rubano reported there was only one incident reported and investigated under the HIB policy since the last meeting and the incident was found not to rise to that level. The district was visited on 10/6 by the State of NJ DOE as part of the QSAC monitoring program. The district received a designation of "high performing" for the three year period. This is the third time the district has gone through QSAC and has received the same designation in all three reviews. Mr. Rubano highlighted the "Pennies for Patients" program that will be conducted in Brooklake School by Mrs. Bernstein and Dr. Caponegro. The funds from this program benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Last year the program raised over \$2,000.00. Mr. Rubano reported on the status of the Superintendent search. Mr. Rubano stated the Board interviewed candidates on three consecutive nights last week; 1/13, 1/14 and 1/15. The Board will conduct second round interviews this evening.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

(Petitioners who have requested to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting will be allotted three (3) minutes.)

Mrs. Ayree-Price mentioned an upcoming event at the Madison Public Library where individuals can take a practice PARCC test. Mrs. Ayree-Price presented the Superintendent and Board Members with information packets. Mrs. Ayree-Price asked the board to consider policy/resolutions regarding PARCC that have passed in Bloomingdale and a few other districts. Mrs. Ewing commented on the satisfaction she has with her children's teachers and asked the board to consider further negotiations with the FPEA. Mrs. Cave presented her experience with and concerns about the PARCC test. There were no further comments.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy- Dr. Carollo stated the committee has not met since reorganization but will be meeting shortly with numerous items.

Curriculum- Mrs. Haynes stated the committee has not met since reorganization.

Personnel- Mrs. Thomas stated the committee has not met since reorganization.

Finance/Facility- Mr. Gaffney stated the committee has not met, however bids have been received on the RMS Window and Door Project. Mr. Csatlos provided detail regarding the scope of the project, the budget and the construction time frame. Project is under budget with 40% ROD Grant funding from the SDA and will start day one after school ends. All windows and doors will be changed on the 1932 building as well as 6 points of keyless entry on the entire facility.

Transportation - Mrs. Haynes reported the committee has not met since reorganization, however the new 24 passenger bus has been delivered and is in operation.

H.P.R.H.S Articulation- Mrs. Haynes stated that she has not met with regional high school.

Dr. Carollo put a motion on the floor to approve the resolutions on the agenda this evening by consent. The motion on the floor received a second from Mr. Gaffney.

Motion; JC Second; JG

6 yes, 0 no

H.RESOLUTION:

POLICY

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. **Approve** the minutes of the December 15, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
2. **Approve** the minutes of the December 15, 2014 Executive Session of the Regular Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
3. **Approve** the minutes of the January 5, 2015 Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
4. **Approve** the minutes of the January 5, 2015 Executive Session of the Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
5. **Approve** the minutes of the January 13, 2015 Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
6. **Approve** the minutes of the January 13, 2015 Executive Session of the Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
7. **Approve** the minutes of the January 14, 2015 Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
8. **Approve** the minutes of the January 14, 2015 Executive Session of the Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
9. **Approve** the minutes of the January 15, 2015 Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
10. **Approve** the minutes of the January 15, 2015 Executive Session of the Special Public Board Meeting.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no

PERSONNEL

1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:
Approve the following Personnel Items:

AGENDA DATE	SORT CODE	NAME	ACTION	LOCATH ON CODE	POSITION/UPC	FTE	DEGREE / STEP	SALARY	GAAP CODE	DATE EFFECTIVE	DATE TERMINATED
1/19/15	B	Dolan, Lori-Jane	Movement on guide	BK	LDTC / SED.001.LDT.01	1	MA + 30 / 14	\$72,832.00	11-000-219-104	9/1/14	
1/19/15	D	Callifri, Rocco	Add to 14/15 sub list	DIST	per diem sub custodian					1/20/15	6/30/15
1/19/15	D	Esposito, Nicole	Add to 14/15 sub list	DIST	per diem sub					1/20/15	6/30/15
1/19/15	F	Abrams, Margaret	Field experience	BK	FDU: Gr 5 (Perlee)		N/A	N/A		2/2/15	3/27/15
1/19/15	F	Correagan, Rebecca	Student Teaching Placement	BK	WPU: Gr 4 (Lazorko), PSD (Volpe)		N/A	N/A		1/13/15	4/30/15
1/19/15	F	Yee, Lauren	Field experience	BK	FDU: Gr 5 (Perlee)		N/A	N/A		2/2/15	2/27/15

Motion; JC Second; JG

6 yes, 0 no

CURRICULUM

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. **Accept and Approve** the Superintendent's current to date bullying report.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
2. **Approve** the amendment to the NCLB Title III Immigrant dated 12/18/14. (On file in Administration Office)
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
3. **Approve** reimbursement of related services cost as part of settlement for student case #557-38.
Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no

FINANCE

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. **Approve** the check register submitted by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills and claims through December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$2,157,255.09. (On file in Administration Offices)

Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
2. **Approve** the following District financial reports and submission to the Executive County Business Administrator.

Board Secretary's (A148) Report for the Month(s) of December 2014. Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

Treasurer's (A149) Report for the Month(s) of December 2014. Business Administrator /
Board Secretary
(On file in Administration Office)

Motion; JC Second; JG 4 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain (AT, KH)
3. **Approve** the Report of Transfers submitted by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$37,051.04. (On file in Administration Office)

Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no
4. **Be It Resolved**, that the Florham Park Board of Education approve, that as of December 31, 2014 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; JC Second; JG 4 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain (AT, KH)

5. **Be It Resolved**, that the Florham Park Board of Education approve the certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that as of December 31, 2014 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; JC Second; JG 4 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain (AT, KH)

6. **WHEREAS**, the Florham Park Board of Education advertised for public bids on Dec. 17, 2014 for the project known as SDA Project#1530-030-14-G2FM Ridgedale Middle School Exterior Window and Door Replacement, and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2015, the Board of Education received two (2) bids for the Project, as reflected on the attached bid tabulation sheet; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid for this Project was submitted by R.D. Architectural Products, Inc. Fair Lawn NJ, with a base bid in the amount of \$598,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by R.D. Architectural Products, Inc. is responsive in all material aspects upon review of the district Architect of Record, LAN Associates, LLC and the board is desirous of awarding the contract for the project to R.D. Architectural;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Florham Park Board of Education hereby awards the contract for the project known as SDA Project#15300-030-14-G2FM Ridgedale Middle School Exterior Window and Door Replacement to R.D. Architectural Products, Inc. in the amount of the base bid of \$598,000.00 and Alternate #2 in the amount of \$12,000.00 and

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Board President execute a contract with R.D. Architectural Products, Inc. consistent with this resolution and compliant with terms and language specified by in the SDA Agreement.

Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no

7. **Approve** the acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$250.00 from The Work Family Connection for supplemental mathematics manipulatives at both Brooklake and Briarwood Elementary Schools.

Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no

FACILITIES

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. **Approve the following facility requests:**

2014-2015 Facility Use-January Agenda			
55	Enrich and Grow	BWD Various Rooms	Jan-March 2015
56	Enrich and Grow	BKL Various Rooms	Jan-March 2015
57	Florham Park Baseball Club	RMS Gym	March 2015

Motion; JC Second; JG 6 yes, 0 no

TRANSPORTATION

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. **Approve** the following field trips;
 - a. Forensics Consortium to the College of Saint Elizabeth, Florham Park, NJ.
 - b. Ridgedale Middle School, grades 6-8 Chorus to The Izod Center, Meadowlands Complex, NJ.
 - c. Brooklake Elementary School, grade 5, to the Florham Park Roller Rink, Florham Park, NJ.

Motion; JC

Second; JG

6 yes, 0 no

I. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS: - Mr. DeCoursey stated that at the recent reorganization meeting on January 5, 2015, committee assignments were made post executive session recognizing the wishes of the members. Subsequently to that, information that was shared by Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Heinold questioned the ability of both to serve on the FPEA Negotiations Committee. Mr. DeCoursey provided Mrs. Thomas with the floor. Mrs. Thomas reported that upon attending the NJSBA's weekend trainings, extensive time was spent on the School Board Code of Ethics. Upon returning to the district and being proactive, she sought a meeting with Mr. DeCoursey and district legal counsel for clarification and determination about her ability to serve on the FPEA Negotiations committee that Mr. DeCoursey approved. Legal counsel has advised that both Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Heinold are prohibited from serving on the FPEA Negotiations Committee and voting on a contract for a period of one year. Mrs. Thomas has asked to serve as Borough Liaison in replacement of her committee assignment. Dr. Carollo has agreed to go from alternate to standing member on the FPEA Negotiation Committee and step down as Borough Liaison to provide this opportunity to Mrs. Thomas.

J. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS: No communications.

K. 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 renewals, non-renewals and tenure, negotiations FPBOE/FPEA, and /or current and potential 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 applicable.

Motion; JC Second; KH 6 yes, 0 no

Motion by Mrs. Thomas to adjourn the Executive Session for the purposes of negotiations, legal issues, personnel issues and reconvene the Regular Meeting at 11:07 p.m. The motion received a seconded from Mrs. Heinold.

Dr. Carollo made a motion to adjust the committee assignments of January 5, 2015 as follows:
Mrs. Thomas From FPEA Negotiations To Borough Liaison and Dr. Carollo From Borough Liaison to FPEA Negotiations. Motion received a second from Mrs. Thomas

Motion; JC Second; AT 6 yes, 0 no

L. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Thomas made a motion to adjourn the regular public meeting of January 19, 2015 at 11:09pm. The motion received a second from Dr. Carollo.

Motion; AT Second; JC 6 yes, 0 no

Respectfully submitted,



John Csatlos, Board Secretary