

FLORHAM PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Public Work Session December 9, 2019

Board Conference Room

67-71 Ridgedale Avenue

MINUTES

Public Work Session - 5:30pm

Mission Statement: The Florham Park Schools are committed to the achievement of individual academic excellence through high quality teaching, learning and community involvement. This 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 Student Learning Standards, which guide our academic instruction.

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2019-2020 Board Goals

- Monitor the effectiveness of all of our instructional programs, including but not limited to Special Education, based on student achievement data.
- Ensure that all funds are used in an effective and efficient manner to achieve the Board and District goals and meet the long-range facilities and curricular needs.
- Support effective and transparent communication with the community to develop an engaged, connected community, and a growing environment of local organizations and businesses.
- Support the development/implementation of the district's Social-Emotional Learning initiative.
- Recognize the accomplishments of staff and students.

2019-2020 District Goals

- Increase achievement of all students in the district including those who are not meeting grade-level benchmarks. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 1)
- Continue to provide for the emotional well being and support for our students. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 1)
- To assist in developing an engaged and connected environment within the community. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 4)
- To create a learning environment that maximizes student access to 21st Century Tools. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 3)

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Perillo (Brian)	X	
Ms. Crimi (Fabienne)	X	
Ms. Cali (Yvonne)	X	
Ms. Rozek(Linda)	X	
Ms. Heinold (Kristina)	X	
Ms. Thomas (Alita)		X
Mr. Ritriivi (Nicholas)	X	

C. FLAG SALUTE:

D. 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.

Dr. Caponegro presented a certificate of appreciation to Retiring Lt. Scott Bartell.

Lt. Bartell thanked Dr. Capongero and the Board for their support over the years. He stated his love for the district and serving the community.

E. WORK SESSION UPDATES: Ms. O'Connor reported the following:

- ELA update
 - Teachers are entering their third unit of the year.
- LLI Update
 - Brooklake and Ridgedale are starting their second cycle of LLI.
 - At the end of each cycle Christy O'Connor meets with each special education teacher, the BSI teacher, LDTC, and the case manager to review strategies and growth for each individual student and enroll students in the appropriate LLI group for the following cycle.
- Professional Development Update
 - Teachers engaged in a two day professional learning cycle on shared reading in Briarwood.
 - Teachers in Brooklake engaged in a two day professional learning cycle around Content Area Literacy, Learning Progressions, and Tool kits.
 - Brooklake math teachers received one on one coaching with Dennis Sheeran.
- Math Update
 - Teachers set individual goals to work on and taught a lesson and received feedback and resources to strengthen their practice.
- Subgroup Modifications and Accommodations

F. PUBLIC COMMENT-AGENDA ITEMS

(Petitioners who have requested to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting will be allotted three (3) minutes.) Mr. Zuckerman was interested in test score comparisons to neighboring districts. Dr. Capongro stated they have yet to do that comparison, however reported our district

continued to show growth. Mr. Zuckerman asked for information on how the district deals with serious student issues surrounding suicide. Dr. Caponegro responded with interventions and resources used by the district, and additional curriculum material added to address social-emotional learning.

G. CURRICULUM

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. **Be It Resolved**, that the board accepts and approves the Superintendent's current to date bullying report.

Motion; Second; BP FC YC LR KH AT NR

H. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

I. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS:

J. PUBLIC COMMENT-OPEN: Dr. Caponegro reported to the Board and Councilman Zuckerman that he had spoken with the County of Morris regarding the installation of a traffic signal in proximity to Ridgedale Middle School. The County stated that while the maintenance of the road is a county responsibility, all traffic lighting is that of the municipality. Mr. Zuckerman thanked Dr. Caponegro for his efforts.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Rozek moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. The motion received a second from Ms. Cali and passed by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,



John Csatos
Business Administrator/Board Secretary