

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2014

The monthly Business Meeting of the Piscataway Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, January 9, 2014, at the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by the Board President, Mr. Irwin.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Salute to Flag – Board President
Roll Call - Board Secretary

<u> </u> P	Mr. Connors	<u> </u> P	Ms. King	<u> </u> P	Mr. Nazir
<u> </u> P	Mr. Irwin	<u> </u> P	Ms. Lopez	<u> </u> P	Mr. Okamoto
<u> </u> P	Mr. Johnson	<u> </u> P	Mr. Mosier	<u> </u> P	Mr. Stern

II. NOTIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

HEREBY BE IT KNOWN that the Piscataway Township Board of Education has complied with the notification requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for the announcement of this meeting date and place on June 29, 2013 in the following manner:

- ◆ Posting of the public notice on the posting board for the Board of Education in the Administration Building
- ◆ Email notification to the newspaper serving Piscataway, *The Home News Tribune*
- ◆ Email notification filed with the Municipal Clerk at the Municipal Building on Hoes Lane

This meeting is being digitally recorded. This recording is not an official record or supplement to the minutes and is intended only as a source of information that the public might utilize at a later date to familiarize themselves with the Board's activities.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of review and discussion of the personnel agenda, litigation, HIB monthly reports, and other matters pursuant to law N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b).

Motion to adjourn: 8:05pm

Moved	<u> </u> Mr. Connors	Seconded	<u> </u> Ms. King
	Yea <u> </u> 9		Nay <u> </u> 0

IV. PUBLIC SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reconvenes public session.

Motion to reconvene: 8:20pm

Moved	<u> </u> Mr. Okamoto	Seconded	<u> </u> Mr. Nazir
	Yea <u> </u> 9		Nay <u> </u> 0

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Community Ed – Playground installed
- High School Experience – Open House for 8th graders

VII. PERSONNEL & LABOR RELATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items “A” through “C”, be approved as presented:

A. RESIGNATIONS, TERMINATIONS AND/OR RETIREMENTS

Christopher Kechula, HVAC Technician/Ethel Road	Effective: 1/9/14 Reason: Termination with cause
Jaclyn Lucarelli, Elementary Teacher/Randolphville	Effective: 3/7/14 Reason: Personal
Jeffrey Conway, Health & Physical Education Teacher/Eisenhower	Effective: 3/9/14 Reason: Personal

B. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS - STAFF PERSONNEL

OTHER

The following Extra Duty Contract, as indicated for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>High School Athletics</u>	<u>Account# 11-402-100-111-36-02</u>		
<u>Tennis</u>			
Vilmos Kiraly	Boys Spring Head Coach	G-1	\$4,754

*The following staff will attend Handle with Care Training on Saturday, 1/25/14 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Participants will be paid \$30.00 per hour for up to 6 hours.
Account #11-000-223-590-00-36*

<i>Matthew Culkin</i>	<i>Denise Washington</i>	<i>Susan Manley</i>	<i>Sarah Yi</i>
<i>Kate Tkac</i>			

*The following staff will attend Handle with Care Training on Saturday, 1/25/14 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Participants will be paid \$30.00 per hour for up to one hour.
Account #11-000-223-590-00-36*

<i>Sherri Russo</i>	<i>Maureen Micales</i>	<i>Nigma Rangra</i>	<i>Claire Thomas</i>
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*The following staff will attend Handle with Care Training on Saturday, 1/25/14 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Participants will be paid \$30.00 per hour for up to 4 hours.
Account # 11-000-223-590-00-36*

The following unsupervised volunteers for the Piscataway High School Barcelona World Language trip for the 2013-2014 school year:

Charles Ecklin Noris Saintil

C. CHANGE OF STATUS - STAFF PERSONNEL

TEACHERS

Kelly Burns, Health & Physical Education Teacher/Quibbletown, covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act 3/10/14 – 4/21/14 with pay and with benefits. Account #11-130-100-101-15-04

Danielle Stanley, LDTC/Grandview/Randolphville, change in Federal Family Medical Leave Act FROM: 12/9/13 – 1/13/14 am with pay and with benefits, 1/13/14 pm – 3/24/14 without pay and with benefits, 3/25/14 – 6/19/14 without pay and without benefits. TO: 12/9/13 – 1/13/14 am with pay and with benefits, 1/13/14 pm – 3/28/14 without pay and with benefits, 3/29/14 – 6/19/14 without pay and without benefits. Account #11-000-219-104-00-35

Ruth Partyka, Language Arts/Literacy Teacher/Schor, covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act 2/4/14 – 3/18/14 with pay and with benefits. Account #11-130-100-101-11-05

Carmela LaMarsh, Elementary Teacher/Arbor, change in Federal Family Medical Leave Act/New Jersey Family Leave/Child Care Leave Act FROM: 12/2/13 – 2/2/14 with pay and with benefits, 2/3/14 – 3/30/14 without pay and with benefits, 3/31/14 – 6/30/14 without pay and without benefits. TO: 12/2/13 – 1/26/14 with pay and with benefits, 1/27/14 – 3/23/14 without pay and with benefits, 3/24/14 – 6/30/14 without pay and without benefits. Account #11-120-100-101-01-06

Megan Higgins, RP Teacher/Randolphville, change in Federal Family Medical Leave Act/New Jersey Family Leave FROM: 12/2/13 – 1/31/14 with pay and with benefits, 2/1/14 – 3/2/14 without pay and with benefits. TO: 12/2/13 – 2/4/14 with pay and with benefits, 2/5/14 – 3/18/14 without pay and with benefits. Account #11-213-100-101-00-37

Keith Guarino, Industrial Arts Teacher/High School, Medical Leave of Absence 12/16/13 – 1/9/14 with pay and with benefits, 1/10/14 – 1/20/14 without pay and with benefits. Account #11-140-100-101-22-02

The following change in salary effective 2/1/14 for the 2013-2014 school year. Account #11-120-100-101-16-11

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Steven Plesnarski, Music-Instrumental Teacher/ML King	Step 1-BA \$49,537	Step 1-BA+15 \$50,507 - prorated

AIDES

The following changes in status, effective 1/11/14 for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Carmen Braxton, Noontime Aide/Grandview	Probationary	Regular
Anita Patel, Noontime Aide/Grandview	Probationary	Regular
Barbara Lullo, Noontime Aide/ML King	Probationary	Regular

TRANSPORTATION

Ycenia Velasquez, Bus Driver/Ethel Road/Transportation, Medical Leave of Absence 12/17/13 – 1/9/14 am with pay and 1/9/14 pm – 1/20/14 without pay. Account #11-000-270-160-60-00-01

<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>
<u>S</u>	Mr. Connors	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>
	Mr. Irwin	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>
	Mr. Johnson	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>Y</u>
		<u>Yea</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>0</u>	

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and school matters of community interest. In support of this position, the law establishes a period of public comment at every Board meeting.

Individuals wishing to speak must state their name and address. Comments are limited to three minutes' duration, but an individual may speak a second time after all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. The Board may require that individuals register to speak prior to the beginning of the meeting. Participants may submit written material in support of their position.

All statements and/or questions shall be directed to the presiding officer and no participant may address or question Board members individually. All speakers are requested to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy rights of others whose legal rights may be affected.

Please note: While it is not the Board's intention to stifle comment on matters of legitimate concern to the school community, the public should be aware that if their statements violate the rights of others under the law governing defamation or invasion of privacy, they may face personal liability to the injured party. If speakers are uncertain of the legal ramifications of their comments, the Board urges them to seek guidance beforehand from their own legal advisor.

Motion to close:

Moved Mr. Nazir Seconded Mr. Okamoto
 Yea 9 Nay 0

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

X. REVIEW OF JANUARY 16, 2014 BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- Comments from the Board

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved	<u>Ms. King</u>	Seconded	<u>Mr. Okamoto</u>
Yea	<u>9</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>

- - - Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Puleio
Interim Board Secretary