MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION

MADISON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MADISON, NEW JERSEY 07940

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES **06/13/2017**

The Public Meeting of the Madison Board of Education, Morris County, New Jersey, was called to order by President Ellis at **6:12 p.m.** on **June 13, 2017** in the Alice Perlaw Library Media Center of Madison High School, Ridgedale Avenue, Madison, NJ

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:
Lisa Ellis, President
Shade Cronan, Vice President
Dave Arthur
Debra Coen
Johanna Habib
Leslie Lajewski
Thomas Piskula
Abi Singh-Harding Rep.

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present:
Dr. Thomas Ficarra, Interim Superintendent
Gary S. Lane, Business Administrator, Board Secretary

2. RECESS TO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Dave Arthur, seconded by Shade Cronan, to approve as follows:
Resolved: that the Board of Education move into closed executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel/legal issues. It is anticipated that the Board will be in closed session for 1 hour(s) and action may be taken in public session afterward. Discussion conducted in closed executive session shall be disclosed to the public to the extent that making such matters public shall not be inconsistent with the Open Public Meeting Act.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS 8-0 TIME: 6:12 p.m.

3. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:12 p.m. the Board reconvened from closed session with all members present.

4. FLAG SALUTE

5. NOTICE OF MEETING

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of New Jersey, 1975, notice of this meeting has been sent to the Madison Eagle, the Daily Record and has been posted in the Board of Education Office, the Borough Hall, the Madison Railroad Station, the YMCA, the Madison Library, all school buildings and on the district's website. The public is invited to attend. This evening's meeting constitutes an official Public Meeting of the Board of Education. Action may be taken.

If needed, the Board will convene into Executive Session to discuss matters permitted pursuant to NJSA 10:4-12. Upon conclusion of the Executive Session, the Board will return to Regular Session at which time public action may be taken.

6. CALL TO ORDER

Board Members Present:
Lisa Ellis, President
Shade Cronan, Vice President
Dave Arthur
Debra Coen
Johanna Habib

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present:
Dr. Thomas Ficarra, Interim Superintendent
Gary S. Lane, Business Administrator, Board Secretary

Leslie Lajewski
Thomas Piskula
Abi Singh-Harding Rep.

From 7:12 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. there was a recess for refreshments to acknowledge staff.

The Board reconvened for regular business at 7:30 p.m.

7. REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Mrs. Ellis congratulated the Boys Lacrosse team for winning the championship noting this was the first time for Madison. Mrs. Ellis also noted the Golf Team's championship.

From 8:15 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. there was a second break.

8. REPORT OF THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

a. Recognition of the Teachers of the Year and the Retirees – each principal recognized their staff members. Mrs. Ellis echoed the comments, appreciation and congratulations.

b. Violence and Vandalism Report (EVVRS) and HIB-ITP Report – Dr. Ficarra reported on this item, read accounting of the incidents, noting that it was a very good report. Comparing to last year: violence, 8 this year, 7 last year; vandalism, zero last year, 1 this year; weapons, 1 last year, zero this year; substance abuse, 5 last year, zero this year. Dr. Ficarra commented that this speaks very well for the children and the schools environment.

9. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Policy – Chair: L. Lajewski, Members: J. Habib, T. Piskula, Alternate: S. Cronan
Mrs. Lajewski noted that the next Policy Committee meeting will be on 6/27/17.
b. Finance – Chair: J. Habib, Members: L. Ellis, T. Piskula, Alternate: D. Arthur
Mrs. Habib reported on the Finance Committee meeting that took place on 6/5/17. Mrs. Habib noted that the district is $400k ahead of reserves complementing our new Assistant Business Administrator for her hard work on the ROD grants.
c. Curriculum – Chair: S. Cronan, Members: D. Arthur, D. Coen, Alternate: L. Ellis
Ms. Cronan reported on the Curriculum Committee meeting that took place on 5/30/17. Mrs. Cronan thanked Diane Schulthes for her excellent services and talents this past year.
d. Buildings & Grounds – Chair: D. Coen, Members: L. Ellis, L. Lajewski, Alternate: S. Cronan
Mrs. Coen reported on the recent Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting.
e. Shared Services – Chair: D. Arthur, Members: J. Habib, D. Coen, Alternate: L. Ellis
f. Negotiations/Personnel – Chair: L. Ellis, Members: S. Cronan, L. Lajewski, Alternate: D. Arthur

10. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC *(Agenda Items Only)*

From 8:44 p.m. until 9:44 p.m. the meeting was open to the public. There were comments regarding the appointments, bus drivers, the facility upgrades and health and safety issues.

11. PERSONNEL AGENDA

Moved by Debra Coen, seconded by Leslie Lajewski, to approve, as per the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years as follows: a-e

a. Resignations/Retirements

Approve Resignations

1. **Rachel Bonnema** – Technology Specialist, effective June 30, 2017
2. **John Connolly** – High School Assistant Principal, effective June 30, 2017
3. **Michelle Velasco –** Grade 1 Torey J. Sabatini School, effective June 30, 2017
4. **Janet Silverstein** - Teacher Assistant, Torey J. Sabatini School, effective June 30, 2017

b. Appointments

Approve appointments:

1. **Colleen Owens** – Pre-School Disability Teacher (new position) CAS – account11-216-100-101, Step 8 MA, Salary $61,793, effective 9/1/17 to 6/30/18.
2. **Meghan Kentsbeer** – Preschool ABA CAS replacing Kady Lubin – account 11-216-100-101 - Step 3 BA, Salary $54,513, Effective 9/1/17 to 6/30/18.
3. **Margaret Martino** – Grade 4 CAS replacing Valerie Delli Paoli (maternity leave) – account 11-120-100-101, Step 1 BA, Salary $52,993, Effective 9/1/17 to 6/30/18.
4. **Daniella Delaney** – Grade 2 CAS replacing Mary Gibbons – account 11-120-100-101, Step 3 MA, $59,363, effective 9/1/17 to 6/30/18.
5. **Daniel McManus** – ELA MJS replacing Caitlin Young (maternity leave) – account 11-130-100-101, $110/day (days 1-40); $262/day (starting day 41), effective 9/1/17 to 11/24/17.
6. **Nicholas Bellanich** –Science Teacher MJS for leave replacement Catherine Tahlmore - account 11-130-100-101 - $110/day (days 1-40); $262/day (starting day 41), effective 9/1/17 to 3/15/18.
7. **Ethel Minchello** - Acting Principal, Madison Junior School - replacing David Coster - account 11-000-240-103 - $566/day - effective 7/1/17 to 8/31/17
8. **Jane Mullins-Jameson** – Acting Director of Curriculum & Instruction - replacing Diane Schulthes - account 11-000-230-100 - $566/day - effective 7/1/17 to 8/31/17
9. **Dawn McNichol** – Acting Supervisor of Special Services – replacing Chris Kenny – account 11-000-223-102 - $492/day – effective 6/24/17 to 8/31/17
10. **Kara DuRie** – Grade 2 CAS Teacher Replacing Elizabeth O'Neill – account 11-120-100-101 – Step 1 BA – Salary $52,993 – effective 9/1/17 to 6/30/18
11. **Danielle Dalassio** – Grade 6 MJS replacing Hainer Fallas – account 11-130-100-101 – Step 5 MA – Salary $60,178 – effective 9/1/17 to 6/30/18

c. District Substitutes

Approve district substitutes for 2017-18:

	Name	**Appointment**	**Salary**
1	Reginald Coke	Custodian	$17/hour
2.	Gail George	Custodian	$17/hour
3	Jose Hernandez	Custodian	$17/hour
4.	Kevin Humes	Custodian	$17/hour
5	Zachary Lipinski	Custodian	$17/hour
6	Michael Mello	Custodian	$17/hour
7	Fauzia Noori	Custodian	$17/hour

8	Charles Smiley	Custodian	$17/hour
9	Darrel Turner	Custodian	$18/hour

d. Tuition Reimbursement

Approve Tuition Reimbursements:

1. **Kathleen Koop** - In accordance with the Administrator Contract – Summer 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017 – Doctorate in the amount of $10,000

e. Summer 2017 Curriculum Writing

Approve 2017 Madison K-5 Summer Curriculum Writers**

1. K-5-All full curriculum rewrites to updated Standards-$1200/person

	Literacy	**Work with Literacy Consultant Day**	**Science**	**Work with Science Consultant Day***
K	Jen Herring	6/20	Sally Lembo	6/26
1	Kelly Dacey Victoria Koehler		Anne Marie Mastaglio Karen Smith	
2	Elizabeth O'Neill Kathie Spelker	6/22	Teresa Giordano Stephanie Attilio	6/27
3	Kristin Doran Jenna Bulzacchelli	6/27	Francesca Frosoni Sara Kolesar	6/28
4	Erin Logue Gina Sloginski	6/26	Judy Bletcher Kate Lade	6/29
5	Anthony Cyrana Marisa Caruso	6/23	Becki Sullivan Tina Smith	6/30
	Gifted and Talented			
6	Kathleen Wallace			

**Harding School District teachers have been invited to join the workshops as they are also using TCI Science beginning in 2017-18.*

**Exact dates/times of curriculum writing will be determined jointly by writers and the project supervisor.

In addition to the compensation above, all new curriculum writers will be paid $100 to attend training on Monday, June 19th from 8am-3pm.

K-5 Classroom Teachers who spend the one day with either the Literacy or Science consultant will be paid $100 to attend the training and support to begin the new curriculum project.

Approve 2017 Madison 6-12 Summer Curriculum Writers**

2. NEW COURSE PROJECTS-$1200/person

Course	**Writers**
Applied Mathematics (9-12)	Mark Fisher
AP Human Geography (9-12)	Christine Hladky
Holocaust Curriculum (9-12)	Steve Bernich

iSTEM 7	Jason Erdreich
iSTEM 8	Jason Erdreich
Graphic Design/Photography	Jason Erdreich

3. REWRITES-$1200/person except those with an asterisk (*) Asterisked courses are half year courses. $800/person

Course	**Writers**
Italian 5	Silvana Berardo
AP French	Penny Scheer
AP Italian	Silvana Berardo
Chinese 3	Yong Sun
Pre AP/Honors Art Studio	Heather Sokolowski
Art Studio*	Heather Sokolowski
Advanced Ceramics*	Mary Ann St. Jacques
3D Design*	Mary Ann St. Jacques
6th grade Art	Kate Gebstaedt
7th grade Art	Kate Gebstaedt
6th grade Chorus	Ariana Ciolino

4. REVISION PROJECTS-$250/person

Course	**Writers**
Grade 7 Social Studies	Rich Newberry
Grade 7 Social Studies	Erik Lih
Grade 8 Social Studies	Matt Millichap
Grade 8 Social Studies	John Ciferni
AP Psychology	Linda Wagner
USI	Steve Bernich
USI	Hugh Singerline
USII	Bob Grundfest
USII	Joe Cecala
AP Government and Politics	Christine Hladky
World History	Christine Hladky
	Felicia Fellows
History and Hollywood	Joe Cecala
Current Affairs/Debate	Joe Cecala
Economics	Felicia Fellows
Human Behavior	Linda Wagner
Math 6/ Accelerated Math 6	Stefania Lambusta
Math 6/ Accelerated Math 6	Andrea Olsen
Math 7/Accelerated Math 7	Amanda McPeek
Math 7/Accelerated Math 7	Anna Hatziemanuel
Math 8	Pete Bovee
Math 8	Deb Botto
Intermediate Algebra	Marcia Prill
Physical Education, Health,	Jacquleen Calabrese

Driver's Ed	Jessica Rosella
6-8 Science	
Grade 6	Patrice Donnelly
Grade 7	Allison Friedman
Grade 8	Monica Brady
9-12 Science	
Biology	Sue Monkemeier
AP Biology	Karen DeTrolio
Environmental Science	Carolyn McCarthy
AP Environmental Science	Jen Freeman
Ecology	Carolyn McCarthy
Forensics	Ashley Tamkutonis

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ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 8-0

12. EDUCATION AGENDA

Moved by Shade Cronan, seconded by Dave Arthur, to approve, as per the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, for the 2016-17 & 2017-18 school years as follows: a-d

a. Field Trips

Approve field trips:

#	Sch	Gr	# Stud	Class/ Group	Field Trip	Date	Location/Town
1	JS	7-8	15	Unified Sports/ Autistic	To ECLC-bus not needed, students taking train as part of Life Skills class	6/14/17	Chatham NJ

b. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report

WHEREAS, the Madison Board of Education has been received the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Report of the Superintendent on;

1) 5/31/17
2) 6/5/17

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Madison Board of Education does hereby affirm the Superintendent's recommendation on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying regarding the HIB report(s);

1) Dated 5/16/17 incident number MJS 20 Confirmed
2) Dated 5/23/17 incident number MJS 21 Confirmed
3) Dated 5/23/17 incident number MJS 22 Confirmed
4) Dated 5/11/17 incident number MJS 23 Unconfirmed
5) Dated 5/19/17 incident number TJS 4 Unconfirmed
6) Dated 5/22/17 incident number KRS 5 Unconfirmed

c. Policies

Approve first reading of policies:

1. Policy 2460 Special Education
2. Policy 8550 Unpaid Meal Charges

d. Professional Services

Approve professional services (by outside organization):

	Name	Subject	Service
1	P. G. Chambers	Assistive Technology Assessment	Student 1680399115 - $1,081 (corrected amount due to P.G. Chambers rate change as of February 2017)
2	Family Health and Wellness	Family Skills Coaching once per week 6/7-8/20/17; individual therapy once per week 6/7-8/20/17	Student 1629264761 - $5,900

ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 8-0

13. BUSINESS AGENDA

Moved by Leslie Lajewski, seconded by Debra Coen, to approve as follows: a-m *except for item 13.k-4, which was tabled*

Moved by Leslie Lajewski, seconded by Shade Cronan, to table *item 13.k-4, MJS lighting project for $105,092*

ROLL CALL: VOTE 7-0-1, Mr. Arthur abstained

a. Minutes

Approve the Minutes of:
May 23, 2017 Public and Closed Session Meetings

b. Kindergarten Classroom Facilities

Authorize the Madison Board of Education to submit an application to the Department of Education for annual certification of alternate method of compliance for toilet facilities for K- Wrap, Kindergarten and Preschool special education rooms for toilet facilities for the 2017-18 school year as follows:

School	Grade	Rooms
TJS	K-Wrap	211
CAS	K-Wrap	102
CAS	Pre-K Resource	16
KRS	K-Wrap	202
KRS	K-Wrap	8

c. Chapter 47 Report of Awarded Contracts

Approve the acceptance of the Chapter 47 Report and Memo from the Superintendent and the Business Administrator to the Board of Education

d. Home Instruction Settlement

Approve the Home Instruction settlement for 8026232752 to reimburse parents in the maximum amount of $914 for chemistry and algebra sessions, as set forth in the terms of the settlement agreement

e. Subscription Bus Rate

Approve subscription bus rate – available seats only – for 2017-18 school year - $650 for round trip only (no one-way busing); further approve that no refunds provided after 10/1/17

f. Tuition Rates

1. Approve the 2017-18 tuition rates:

School/Grade	2017-18 Rate
High School 9-12	$15,000
Junior School 6-8	$14,000
Elementary School 1-5	$14,000
Pre-K/Kindergarten	$11,000

g. Tuition Students

Approve the 2017-18 tuition students

	Student	School	Grade	Rate
1	TK4324759043	JS	8	$14,000
2	JK6266035030	HS	11	$15,000
3	ALZ04292014	HS	11	$15,000
4	MP9769326068	HS	12	$15,000
5	AP06242015	HS	11	$15,000
6	IP06242015	HS	11	$15,000
	Total			**$89,000**

h. Morris County Vocational/Technical School & Academy

Approve the placement, tuition and transportation for students attending Morris County Vocational/Technical School & Academies for the 2017-18 school year:

	Student	Grade	Tuition	School
	Vo Tech Shared:			
1	FA6750642294	12	$4,600	vo tech
2	PD1336116018	12	$4,600	vo tech-Harding pays
3	MD7318381753	12	$4,600	vo tech
4	LS5748227595	12	$4,600	vo tech
5	OP6041998414	12	$7,000	vo tech
6	RL8286562263	11	$4,600	vo tech
7	MO5106052998	11	$4,600	vo tech
8	KG3178892218	11	$4,600	vo tech
9	TG6678055648	11	$4,600	vo tech
10	NA6330854434	11	$4,600	vo tech
11	CD4833635141	11	$4,600	vo tech
12	KS2105342396	11	$4,600	vo tech
	CCM Engineering/Design:			
13	TM2891682339	12	$4,600	CCM Engineering
14	GH7962717517	12	$4,600	CCM Engineering
	Sports Medicine:			
15	SK5219379691	9	$9,200	Sports Medicine
	Dance:			
16	GS9248432681	9	$9,200	Dance
	Health Care Science:			

17	IC8184417129	9	$9,200	Health Care Science

i. Transportation Agreements/Renewals

Approve transportation agreements/renewals for the 2017-18 school year as follows:

1 First Student - as prescribed under A2465 (P.L. 2003. c 69) and the 0.3% CPI:
a.-Renewal number 24, Multi-contract number Nat-1:

Route	Destination	2015-16 Renewal	A2465 (P.L. 2003, c 69)	Total 2016-17
#1	MHS	$25,107.44	75.32	$25,182.76
#3	MJS	$25,107.44	75.32	$25,182.76

b.-Renewal number 23, Multi-contract number Nat-2:

Route	Destination	2015-15 Renewal	A2465 (P.L. 2003, c 69)	Total 2016-17
#2	St. V's, CA, KR	$25,146.82	75.44	$25,222.26
#4	TJS	$25,146.82	75.44	$25,222.26

2 MUJC (Morris Union Jointure Commission) – Approve participation in the coordinated transportation agreement for special education, athletic and field trip transportation – per the rate schedule for 2017-18
3 Florham Park - Approve special education joint transportation agreement to Spectrum 360 (2 students)
4 Hanover Township - Approve special education joint transportation agreement to Sage Day (1 student)
5 Approve transportation contract renewal for the in-district bus route (4a) to Torey J. Sabatini School (2nd route to TJS), with the Morris County Educational Services Commission - $33,300 (last year $32,760, 1.6% increase)
6 Hanover Park Regional High School District - Approve joint transportation agreement for athletic and field trip transportation - $78/hour

j. Special Education Placement

Approve the placement and transportation costs for one resident special education pupil (2688799510) at Sage Day School, Boonton NJ for the 2017-18 school year, effective 6/26/17 through 7/28/17; tuition $3,200; transportation by MCESC

k. Repairs, Improvements, Upgrades

Approval of the following district-wide repairs, improvements and upgrades from budgeted funds in accordance with the cooperative purchasing of Educational Data Services (EDS), Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ-formerly Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission MRESC): *item 13.k-4 was removed*

1-American Tennis Court – resurface track	$92,450	EDS
2-American Tennis Court – tennis courts restoration	$194,664	EDS
3-Tat-Bit – MJS auditorium infrastructure	$174,604	EDS
~~4-Tat-Bit – MJS auditorium lighting~~	~~$105,092~~	~~EDS~~
5-Tat-Bit – MHS stadium sound system	$52,600	EDS
6-Open Systems – District intercom upgrades	$55,000	ESCNJ

Mrs. Coen noted that the lights at the tennis courts will remain as is for now.

l. Transfers

Authorize the transfer of funds

m. Bill List
Approve the June 13, 2017 bill list

ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 7-0-1 except for 13.k, Dr. Piskula abstained

14. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
From 9:52 p.m. until 10:01 p.m. the meeting was open to the public. There were comments regarding music equipment, air conditioning and temperature control.

17. ADJOURNMENT
Moved by Dave Arthur, seconded by Leslie Lajewski to adjourn the meeting:

VOICE VOTE: APPROVED 8-0 Time: 10:01 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Gary S. Lane, Board Secretary