MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION

MADISON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MADISON, NEW JERSEY 07940

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES **01/28/2014**

The Public Meeting of the Madison Board of Education, Morris County, New Jersey, was called to order by President Ellis at **6:39 p.m.** on **January 28, 2014** in the Alice Perlaw Library Media Center of Madison High School, Ridgedale Avenue, Madison, NJ.

1. ROLL CALL

Board members present:
Lisa Ellis, President
Kevin Blair, Vice President
Dave Arthur
Shade Grahling
Johanna Habib
Leslie Lajewski

Board members absent:
Thomas Haralampoudis
James Novotny

Also present:
Dr. Michael A. Rossi, Superintendent
Mr. Gary S. Lane, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

2. RECESS TO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Dave Arthur, seconded by Kevin Blair, 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 6-0 TIME: 6:39 p.m.

3. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:43 p.m. the Board reconvened from closed session with six 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
Kevin Blair, Vice President
Dave Arthur
Shade Grahling

Johanna Habib
Leslie Lajewski
James Novotny – arrived at 7:55 p.m.
Board members absent:
Thomas Haralampoudis
Also present:
Dr. Michael A. Rossi, Superintendent
Mr. Gary S. Lane, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

7. REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT – No report.

8. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
Dr. Rossi stated that the new TV show is on the air and the new district newsletter has been published. Dr. Rossi also noted that the World Language presentation will take place at the next Board of Education meeting.

9. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC *(Agenda Items Only)*
From 7:46 p.m. until 7:47 p.m. the meeting was open to the public. There were no comments.

10. EDUCATION AGENDA
Moved by Leslie Lajewski, seconded by Dave Arthur, to approve as follows: a-j

a. **Appointments**
Approve **Appointments** as per the recommendation of the Superintendent for the **2013-14** school year:

	Name	Position	Loc	Replace	Step	Effective Date	Account #	Salary
1	Kaitlyn Buonocore	Teacher Assistant	MHS	New Position	Step 1	**REVISED** 1/9/2014	11000217 100	**REVISED** $20,800 1/9-1/31/2014 $21,022 effective 2/1/2014 (to be pro-rated)
2	Laura Cluff	Teacher Assistant	KRS	New Position	Step 3	1/8/2014	11000217 100	**REVISED** $21,259 1/8-1/31/2014; $21,485 effective 2/1/2014 (to be pro-rated)
3	Yukun Sapio	20% Chinese Teacher	MHS	Jonathan Evans	BA/ Step 7	1/27/2014	11140100 101	**REVISED** $10,670 1/27-1/31/2014; $10,736 effective 2/1/2014 (to be pro-rated)
4	Joseph Cecala	40% Social Studies Teacher	MHS	Jonathan Evans	MA/ Step 1	1/27/2014	11140100 101	$22,010 1/27-1/31/2014; $22,134 effective 2/1/14 (to be pro-rated)
5	Melissa Antolovich	Leave Replacement /English Teacher	MHS	Margaret O'Rourke	NA	Revised 2/3/2014 – 5/20/2014 plus two overlap days prior to 2/3	11140100 101	$110/day days 1-40, $253/day starting day 41
6	Tracey Autrey	Leave Replacement /Special Education	CAS	Erin Thompson	NA	1/23/2014-5/21/2014	11213100 101	$110/day days 1-40, $253/day starting day 41
7	Francis Wiley	Long Term Substitute /Spanish Teacher	MHS	Cathy Gotliffe	NA	1/27/2014 – until position is filled	11140100 101	1/27 to 1/31-$252/day, starting 2/1-$253/day
8	Beth Fissel	Leave Replacement /Teacher Assistant	CAS	Tracey Autrey	NA	1/27/2014-5/21/2014	11000217 100	$100/day

b. **Resignations**
Approve the resignation(s) as per the recommendation of the Superintendent

	Name	Position	School	Effective Date
1	Lisa Spielman	Leave Replacement/Special Education Teacher	CAS	1/27/2014

c. **Courses of Study**
Approve revisions to the following **Courses of Study:**

Grade 6, 7, 8 Math – MJS
Algebra I – MJS and MHS
English 9 Honors - MHS

d. **District Substitutes**

Approve the **District Substitutes,** as per the recommendation of the Superintendent, for the **2013-14** school year:

	Name	Appointment	Salary
1	Catherine Dowling	Teacher/Teacher Assistant	$90/day, $80/day
2	Elaine Tang	Teacher/Teacher Assistant	$90/day, $80/day
3	Raymond Piccolo	Bus Driver	$20/hour
4	Rebecca Casey	Nurse	$175/day
5	Erin Davidove	Teacher/Teacher Assistant	$90/day, $80/day
6	Daniel Harris	Teacher/Teacher Assistant	$90/day, $80/day

e. **Extra Compensation**

Approve the **Extra Compensation** as per the recommendation of the Superintendent for the following:

	Position	Name	Extra Amount
1	**Revised** All State Band, Chorus and Orchestra (maximum 2 days each – 7 hours/day)	Caryn Elefante	$40/hour = total $1,680 max
2		Michael Silverstri	
3		Russ Batsch	
4	Teacher Assistant to assist during rehearsal for KRS Musical (1/28-1hr; 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4-1.25hrs; 3/11,3/18 – 1.5hrs; 3/26,3/27, 3/28 – 2hrs)	Colleen O'Brien	1/28-$15/hour, starting 2/4-$18/hour = total $267
5	JS – additional Friday detention proctors 2:50pm - 4:15pm; 1/10, 1/24, 1/31, 2/28, 3/14, 3/28, 4/25, 5/9, 5/30, 6/13 – detention will be held based on need and number of students	Kate Gebstaedt	1/10, 1/24, 1/31- $39/hour, starting 2/28- $40/hour = total $397
6		Kate Russo	
7		Elizabeth Troullos	
8		Monica Brady	
9		Maryana Kolinchak	
10	JS – additional Saturday detention proctors 8:00am - 11:00am; 1/11, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/29, 4/5, 5/3, 5/10, 5/24, 5/31, 6/7 – detention will be held based on need and number of students	Paige Henry	1/11,1/25,-,$39/hour, starting 2/1-$40/hour = total $598
11		Kate Russo	
12		Charles Diamante	

f. **Extracurricular Appointments 2013-14**

Approve the **Extracurricular Appointments** as per the recommendation of the Superintendent for the **2013-14** school year:

	Last Name	Position	Step	Stipend	Longevity
1	Jessica Plsek	Appoint HS Girls Lacrosse Volunteer Coach		N/A	N/A
2	Samantha Kenny	Appoint HS Girls Lacrosse Assistant Coach	4	$6,341	N/A
3	Megan Niper	Revise HS Drama Director from step 3 to	2	$3,672	N/A
4	Rayna Caruso	Revise from HS Softball Volunteer to Head Coach	2	$6,744	N/A
5	Kiera Chiarino	Appoint JS Musical Assistant Director	4	$2,370	N/A

g. **Field Trips**

Approve **Field Trips** for **2013-14** school year:
(the following field trips are self-funded, including transportation)

	School	Grade	# of Students	Field Trip	Date	Location/Town
1	JS	6-8	40	Robotics Club-State Tournament @ Mt. Olive HS	3/8/14	Flanders NJ
2	JS	8	40	Community Food Bank	2/13/14	Hillside NJ
3	HS	10-12	5+	Rain date for trip on 5/7/14-Emmis Broadcasting Transmitter Room-Empire State Building	5/28/14	New York NY
4	HS	9-11	19	Robotics Tournament @ Wayne Hills HS	1/26/14	Wayne NJ
5	JS	7-8	20	Conflict Resolution @ KRS	3/10/14	Madison NJ
6	JS	7-8	20	Conflict Resolution @ TJS	3/13/14	Madison NJ
7	HS	9-11	20	Marching Band will perform at Dun & Bradstreet	1/31/14	Short Hills NJ
8	KR	5	58	Lewis Morris Park	6/9/14	Morristown NJ
9	JS	6-8	15	Somerset Patriots Minor League Baseball	6/4/14	Bridgewater NJ

h. **Policy/Regulation**

Approve **second reading** of the following revised policies and regulations:

	Policy/Regulation	Name

1	Policy 0142	Board Member Qualifications, Prohibited Acts, and Code of Ethics
2	Policy 0142.1	Nepotism
3	Policy 0155	Board Committees
4	Policy 1110	Organizational Chart
5	Policy 1620	Administrative Employment Contracts
6	Regulation 8220R	School Closings
7	Policy 8310	Public Records
8	Regulation 8310R	Public Records
9	Policy 8601	Pupil Supervision After School Dismissal
10	Policy 8635	Pupil Transportation Vehicles and School Buses
11	Policy 8660	Transportation by Private Vehicle
12	Policy 9700	Special Interest Groups

It was noted that for Regulation 8220R, going forward, no lunch will be served when schools are closed for early dismissal.

i. **Professional Services**

Approve professional services for the **2013-14** school year:

	Vendor	Service
1	The Assistive Tek	Training on iPads – 1/6/2014 - $500
2	The Newgrange Education Center	Wilson Training, tuition increase from $2,000 to $2,300, effective 1/1/2014
3	Cumberland Therapy Services of Chicago IL	Speech Therapy Services-minimum of 30 hours/week, not to exceed 40 hours/week @ $85/hour, effective on or about 1/27/14 through 6/20/14 (replacing E. Zuckerman maternity leave) and an additional 10 hours during the week of 1/23/2014 – (potential maximum cost $65,450 for 1/23/14 to 6/20/14).
4	East West Math	Singapore Math Training Sessions. 6 half-day workshops for a total of 3 full days – 2/20/2014 AM and PM; 2/21/2014 AM and PM; 3/14/2014 AM and PM, at the rate of $2,100/full day=$6,300
5	Harriet Meyer	Denver CO - Onsite education/academic instruction services for student #1276968, 10 hours per week @ $65/hour 1/9/2014-3/7/2014 = $5,850

j. **Staff Advancement**

Approve **Staff Advancement** as per the recommendation of the Superintendent for the **2013-14** school year:

	Name	From	To	Effective
1	Francis Nunez	BA/Step 12 - $63,465	MA/Step 12 - $68,186	February 1, 2014
2	Maryana Kolinchak	MA/Step 2 - $56,096	MA+30/Step 2 - $65,540	February 1, 2014
3	Shannon Lavelle	BA/Step 5 - $52,140	MA/Step 5 - $56,861	February 1, 2014
4	Debra Wahle	MA/Step 17 – 87,524	MA+30/Step 17 - $95,090	February 1, 2014

ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 6-0, except for 10.a-4: Mr. Blair abstained

11. BUSINESS AGENDA

Moved by Kevin Blair, seconded by Shade Grahling, to approve as follows: a-i

a. **Minutes**

Approve the **Minutes** of:
January 7, 2014 Regular Meeting

b. **Travel**

Approve the school district travel

c. **Donations**

Approve the following **donation**:

Organization	Donation
1-Diane Bennett	One Snare Drum, to the music department
2-Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance	$500, to MJS for maintenance and support in the area of Math and /or Science
3-JS PTO	$10,000 for 12 Acer Tablets w/ Office 2010 and one Lockable Charging Cart for use in the JS
4-HS Soccer Booster Club	$1,447 to purchase an Apple Computer for use by the boys and girls soccer teams for video production and editing

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Blair thanked all for their generous donations.

d. **Tuition Reimbursement**
Approve Tuition Reimbursements, as per the recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the Administrator Contract:

	Name	Credits	Amount
1	Thomas Liss	9 credits-Fall 2013	$7,500

e. **Agreement – Dun & Bradstreet**
Approve agreement with between the Madison Board of Education and Dun & Bradstreet for Marching Dodgers to perform at D & B Corporate Offices on 1/31/2014.

f. **Board Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report**
The Board of Education accepts the reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Moneys (**December**). Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d), the Board of Education has obtained certification from the Board Secretary that no major account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation and hereby certifies pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(e) that no major account or fund has been overexpended

g. **Transfers**
Authorize the transfer of funds

h. **Bill List**
Approve the **January 21, 2014** bill list

i. **Settlement Agreement**
Approve settlement agreement for special education student - reference number S1276619

ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 6-0

12. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Shade Grahling stated that the Curriculum Committee met and she will report next meeting.
b. Kevin Blair stated that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met this afternoon. He will report at the next Board meeting.

13. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

From 7:54 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. the meeting was open to the public. There were comments regarding a full-time teacher, lunch on early dismissal days, security, a sink for the autistic class, a physics class and the Dun and Bradstreet contract.

Jim Novotny arrived at 7:55 p.m.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Dave Arthur, seconded by Kevin Blair, to adjourn the meeting:

VOICE VOTE: APPROVED 7-0 Time: 8:31 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Gary S. Lane, Board Secretary