MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION

MADISON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MADISON, NEW JERSEY 07940

BOARD MINUTES **11/03/2015**

The Public Meeting of the Madison Board of Education, Morris County, New Jersey, was called to order by President Ellis at **7:30 p.m.** on **November 3, 2015** 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
Debra Coen
Shade Grahling
Johanna Habib
Leslie Lajewski
John Flynn-Harding Rep.

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present:
Mr. Gary S. Lane, Business Administrator, Board Secretary
Mr. Matthew Mingle, Asst. Superintendent/Curriculum

Absent:
Dr. Michael A. Rossi, Superintendent (ill)

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. 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.

4. CALL TO ORDER

Board Members Present:
Lisa Ellis, President
Kevin Blair, Vice President-left 9:13 p.m.
Dave Arthur
Debra Coen
Shade Grahling-left 8:47 p.m.
Johanna Habib
Leslie Lajewski
John Flynn-Harding Rep.

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present:
Mr. Gary S. Lane, Business Administrator, Board Secretary
Mr. Matthew Mingle, Asst. Superintendent/Curriculum

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5. REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Mrs. Ellis discussed the Junior School Principal's resignation. Ms. Sherrin will be moving on to Kipp Charter School in Newark. The Board will likely need to hire an interim principal.

Mrs. Ellis congratulated the Marching Dodgers as they finished fifth of 26 bands in the Hershey Competition this past weekend.

Mrs. Ellis also noted that the following teams are in the state tournament: boys soccer, girls soccer, field hockey, and volleyball. The football team will likely be in the state tournament. Girls tennis lost in the state finals. Cross country is in state sectionals this weekend.

6. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

a. In Dr. Rossi's absence, Mr. Lane provided the Superintendent's report:

- Update on the Student Information Systems
- Update on the Special Education Director search
- High School auditorium update
- Chromebook rollout update

Mr. Lane also gave an update on the Budget Advisory Committee.

b. Matthew Mingle, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum, gave a presentation on PARCC. Mr. Mingle explained how the district is preparing for the results, and how we will use the results. After year two, we will have comparable data.

The Board of Education discussed PARCC.

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

From 8:16 p.m. until 8:36 p.m. the meeting was open to the public. There were comments regarding field trips that are self-funded or BOE funded, PARCC and other standardized tests to be taken next year, which are NJ ASK grades 4 and 8 and HS Biology.

8. EDUCATION AGENDA

Moved by Kevin Blair, seconded by Leslie Lajewski, to approve, as per the recommendation of the Superintendent, for the 2015-16 school year as follows:

a. Resignations/Retirements

Accept Resignations:

1- **Caroline Bottone**, Elementary Teacher, CAS, effective January 1, 2016
2- **Nicole Sherrin Kessler**, Principal, MJS, effective January 4, 2016

b. Appointments

Approve Appointment:

1- **Jenna Fay** – TJS – Leave Replacement/Kindergarten Teacher (replacing Meredith Waryha) – $260/day (BA/Step 1), 11-110-100-101 – effective on or about December 7, 2015 through May 11, 2016
2- **Michael Johnson** – MJS – Leave Replacement/Health & PE Teacher (replacing Jessica Rosella) – $110/day days 1-40, $260/day starting at day 41 (BA/Step 1), 11-130-100-101 – effective on or about November 16, 2015 through February 5, 2016

c. District Substitutes

Approve District Substitutes:

1- Paige Diamond (TA) - Teacher - $90/day, Teacher Assistant - $80/day
2- Carlene Fook-Kinsale (TA) - Teacher - $90/day, Teacher Assistant - $80/day
3- Eloise Mulvihill (TA) - Teacher - $90/day, Teacher Assistant - $80/day
4- Katherine Newburg – Teacher $90/day, Teacher Assistant - $80/day
5- Meghan-Leigh Manaut - Teacher $90/day, Teacher Assistant - $80/day
6- David Wilson - Teacher $90/day, Teacher Assistant - $80/day

d. Extra Compensation

Approve Extra Compensation:
Approve the extra compensation for additional 6th grade Boot Camp staff member, September 2, 2015 – maximum of 2 hours for 2015-16 for Michelle Brennan at $45.87/hour - maximum $91.74

e. Extracurricular Appointments/Revisions

Approve the ECA Appointments/Revisions:

	Name	Position	Step	Stipend
1	Michael Tollin	Appoint – MHS – Robotics - Lead		$3,000
2	Martin Fennell	Appoint – MHS – Robotics - Assistant		$2,000
3	Monica Brady	Appoint – MJS – Musical Set Design/Builder		$1,625
4	Patricia Saltarelli	Appoint – MHS – Senior Class Advisor	3	$3,441
5	Vanessa Morgenthaler	Appoint – MHS – Peer Group Connections (PGC)	2	$5,834
6	Jamie Conroy	Appoint – MHS – Drama Lighting Design		$750*
7	Pasquale DeNegri	Appoint – MHS – Drama Sound Design		$800*
8	Inez Morrisey	Appoint – MHS – Drama Set Design		$500*
9	Rayna Caruso	Rescind/Resign – MHS – Head Softball Coach		
10	Amy Pearce	Rescind/Resign – MHS – Assistant Softball Coach		
11	Kevin Lynott	Appoint – MHS – Talent Show Coordinator		$289
12	Stephen Bernich	Appoint – MHS – Debate Club		$500
13	Frank Dasti	Appoint – MHS – Head Baseball Coach	4	$7,789

*Stipends are paid from the proceeds of the show

f. Field Trips

Approve Field Trips:

	Sch	Gr	# Stud	Class/ Group	Field Trip	Date	Location/Town
1	CAS	K	59	3 K Classes	Crayola Crayon Factory	6/8/16	Easton, PA
2	HS	11-12	30	Harvard Model Congress Participants	Harvard Model Congress, Boston Sheraton Hotel, Boston, MA	2/18 – 2/21/16 ***(Over-night)***	Boston, MA
3	CAS	5	85	5th grade	Junior Achievement Biztown	2/24/16	Edison, NJ
4	JS	6	213	6th grade	MAYO Performing Arts Center	12/1/15	Morristown, NJ
5	HS	10-12	20	Intro to Business	MetLife Stadium, Jets Org. behind the scenes "Sports Business"	11/10/15	MetLife Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ
6	HS	10-12	17	Global Marketing Class	MKTG, Inc &Times Square Marketing Scavenger Hunt	12/3/15	MKTG, Inc 32 6th Ave, NYC
7	KRS	5	54	5th grade	NJ Center of Excellence	3/31/16	Raritan Center, Edison, NJ
8	JS	6-8	20	MJS – Robotics Club	Robotics Tournament – Qualifying Event @ Clifton High School	11/21/15	Clifton High School Clifton, NJ
9	JS	8	185	8th grade	The Gravity Vault	11/25/15	Chatham, NJ
10	CAS	4	21	Science	Thomas Edison Lab	3/4/16	West Orange, NJ
11	CAS	4	21	Science	Thomas Edison Lab	3/10/16	West Orange, NJ
12	CAS	4	21	Science	Thomas Edison Lab	3/9/16	West Orange, NJ

13	CAS	4	21	Science	Thomas Edison Lab	3/11/16	West Orange, NJ
14	TJS	4	25	4th grade	Thomas Edison Lab	3/9/16	West Orange, NJ
15	TJS	4	25	4th grade	Thomas Edison Labs	3/10/16	West Orange, NJ
16	MJS	6	4	Autism class	Jungle Juice-walk	11/13/15	Madison, NJ
17	MJS	6	4	Autism class	Stop and Shop-walk	11/5/15, 11/9/15, 11/20/15	Madison, NJ
18	MJS	6	4	Autism class	Walgreens-walk	11/17/15	Madison, NJ
19	MJS	6	4	Autism class	Whole Foods-walk	11/24/15 12/1/15	Madison, NJ
20	MJS	6-8	200	Orchestra, Band & Chorus	Broadway play, New York City * Theater Venue to be determined	4/27/16	New York City, NY *Venue address will be provided once confirmed

g. Google Expeditions Event Agreement

Approve agreement with Google Inc., for piloting virtual reality field trips at the Junior School (no cost to district)

h. Home Instruction

Approve Home Instruction:

1- Robert Grundfest - World History; Leslie Gentile – Geometry; Luis Largo – Spanish 3 & Physics; Karen DeRosa - English: 2 hours/week/instructor – continue from October 24, 2015 – November 13, 2015 for student S1276938 at $46/hour (3 weeks, 10 hours/week = additional $1,380)

i. Leave of Absence

Approve Leave of Absence:

1- Alicja Moszczynski, Teacher Assistant – CAS, Family Leave of Absence for disability period commencing on or about February 5, 2016 through March 11, 2016 and unpaid Family Leave commencing on March 14, 2016 through April 11, 2016

j. Professional Services

Approve Professional Services:

1- Video Continuing Education – Speech Therapy Professional Development for Dana Finn and Jessica Brudette – Subscription to 12 months of unlimited access of speech therapy courses for the 2015-16 school year - $189/instructor = $376 (paid for from IDEA)

2- Reading Recovery – via Flemington Raritan Regional Schools - On site and off site continuing consultations for Reading Recovery Teachers: Marlene Ryan – TJS; Joanne Sims – KRS; Katherine Spelker – CAS; Kelly Stern – CAS - $900/each, $3,600 total

k. Travel

Approve the School District Travel

ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 8-0

9. BUSINESS AGENDA

Moved by Debra Coen, seconded by Shade Grahling, to approve as follows:

a. Minutes

Approve the Minutes of:
October 13, 2015 Public and Closed Session Meetings

b. Disposal of Textbooks

Approve disposal of the obsolete and unusable textbooks:

Book Title	ISBN #	Publisher	Year	Quantity
Precalculus, 6th Edition	0-618-31435-0	Houghton Mifflin	2004	73

c. Donations

Approve the following donations:

	Organization	Donation
1	George Ledwith	One TRUE 550 HRC S.O.F.T. Select treadmill, for use in our athletic department

On behalf of the Board of Education, Mrs. Lajewski thanked Mr. Ledwith.

d. Annual Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Annual Maintenance Worksheet (M1)

Be it resolved that the Madison Board of Education, as required by statute, hereby approves the Annual 3-Year Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Annual Maintenance Worksheet (Form M1 per NJAC 6A:26A)

At the behest of Mrs. Lajewski, Mr. Lane explained the above.

e. Transportation Agreement

1 Approve participation in the coordinated transportation agreement with Union County Educational Services Commission for special education transportation for S1276562, to Shepard High School, Morristown NJ, effective 10/7/15 for the 2015-16 school year, cost $31,500

2 Approve revised out of district special education transportation for S2236, to attend an after school math program at Shepard High School, Morristown NJ, one day per week (Mondays) effective 11/9/15 for the 2015-16 school year, cost $90/day

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 (**September**). 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 November 3, 2015 bill list

ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS 8-0

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Policy – Chair: L. Lajewski, Members: L. Ellis, J. Habib, Alternate: S. Grahling
b. Finance – Chair: J. Habib, Members: L. Ellis, L. Lajewski, Alternate: D. Arthur
c. Curriculum – Chair: S. Grahling, Members: D. Arthur, D. Coen, Alternate: K. Blair
d. Buildings & Grounds – Chair: K. Blair, Members: L. Ellis, D. Coen, Alternate: L. Lajewski
e. Shared Services – Chair: D. Arthur, Members: K. Blair, J. Habib, Alternate: L. Ellis
f. Negotiations/Personnel – Chair: L. Ellis, Members: S. Grahling, L. Lajewski, Alternate: D. Arthur

11. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

From 8:45 p.m. until 9:12 p.m. the meeting was open to the public. There were comments regarding substance abuse and teacher negotiations.

Mrs. Habib heard complaints from parents that grades have not been entered yet for summer homework. Mr. Mingle responded. Mrs. Habib also questioned why not everyone at the high school is using Google Classrooms; what are the expectations. Mr. Mingle responded that it is not a requirement for this year.

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOICE VOTE: APPROVED 8-0 Time: 9:18 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Gary S. Lane, Board Secretary