

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Special Meeting - June 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
Clinton Township Middle School Auditorium
34 Grayrock Rd, Clinton, NJ 08809**



CALL TO ORDER: Lana Brennan called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE:

Ms. Brennan read the following statement:

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was provided through public notice on May 20, 2022

- a. Notice was sent to two newspapers designated by the Board: Express Times and Hunterdon Review.
- b. Notice was posted on the District Website, the main bulletin board in the Administration Offices and in each Clinton Township School.
- c. Notice was sent to the municipal clerk of Clinton Township.
- d. Please note that this meeting will be streamed.

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS:

During the public comment portions of the meeting, any member of the public who is participating virtually that wishes to comment may press the “raise hand” icon on Zoom video. This can be found by clicking the Participants button at the bottom of the Zoom window, then the Blue Hand at the bottom of the Participant window. Until recognized, the members of the public will be kept muted.

ROLL CALL:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Time of arrival after meeting called to order:
Dr. Michael Blumenfeld		X	
Ms. Stacie-Ann Creighton		X	
Ms. Catherine Mary Emery	X		
Mr. Scott Hornick	X		
Ms. Jennifer Kaltenbach	X		
Ms. Alyssa Oliver	X		
Mr. Daniel Rosa	X		
Dr. Catherine Riihimaki	X		
Ms. Lana Brennan	X		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ms. Oliver led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS/REPORT

- Took a moment to remember the students and staff who died last week in Texas.
- This special meeting focused on personnel actions.
- Thanked Dr. Stager for reassuring students of the safety processes and procedures set to keep students safe
- Wished all 8th graders best of luck in high school and continued wishes of success to the rest of the students in the District.
- Board member candidate kit on the district's website. School board election petition deadline is in July.
- Retirees will be acknowledged at the June 27 board meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mission Statement
 - *The Clinton Township School District, in partnership with the community, achieves excellence for each child by ensuring a meaningful and challenging educational experience in a supportive environment; developing life-long learners who are responsible and productive citizens.*
- Overview of significant personnel actions.
- Thanked staff for their work and families for participating in multiple recent school events.
- Congratulated middle school student Jianna Marina for her participation in the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

FIRST RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC:

- Kim Gordon, 12 Sheridan Road, Lebanon - Disturbed by the new state mandated curriculum relating to health standards. Requested the board to pass a resolution not to approve the new standards.
- Christopher Stadulis, 4 Briar Lane, Lebanon - Expressed concerns with the new state mandated curriculum relating to health standards in a public school setting. Requested the Board to not adopt the curriculum.
- Kathleen Crane, 99 Haytown Road, Lebanon - Expressed the curriculum is out of control with its sexual content and will create a wedge between parents and children.

- Cynthia Stadulis, 4 Briar Lane, Lebanon - Expressed the curriculum topics will cause a division and that all parents have different values and beliefs. Requested the board to pass a resolution not to approve the new standards.
- Florence Forlini, 175 Stanton Mountain Road - Has not heard any discussion about other curriculum topics in two years.
- Pedro Lopes, 11 Prescott Circle Lebanon - (via written comment read by Ms. Brennan), Requested the Board to not adopt the health curriculum.
- Christopher Stadulis, 4 Briar Lane, Lebanon - Social and political issues are being put into schools. Expressed that sexual identity and politics not be highlighted in schools.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Hornick - Chair; Ms. Creighton, Ms. Emery

Mr. Hornick provided information that was discussed at the Personnel Committee on May 25, 2022. Ms. Brennan and Dr. Stager acknowledged Christina Steffner in the audience, who is listed for approval as the middle school interim principal for the upcoming school year.

Ms. Brennan requested a motion and a second on the following resolutions, 22-P-142 through 22-P-160.

Action Item 22-P-142

Motion to accept, with regret, resignation of the following employee(s):

Name	Position	Years of Service	Effective Date	PCR#
Bostock, Thomas	Custodian	1	6/30/2022	0000099
Brenycz, Cathleen	Teaching Assistant	2.6	6/30/2022	0000116

Action Item 22-P-143

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Jennifer Paccione to serve as the Acting Director of Special Services for the Clinton Township School District from June 15, 2022 to July 15, 2022 at an annual salary rate of \$118,000 (prorated).

Action Item 22-P-144

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Jennifer Paccione to serve as the Acting Director of Special Services for the Clinton Township School District from July 15, 2022 to August 30, 2022 at an annual salary rate of \$125,000 (prorated).

Action Item 22-P-145

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Joanne Filus to serve as the Acting Supervisor of Instruction, Data and Assessment for the Clinton Township School District from June 15, 2022 to August 30, 2022 at a per diem rate of \$469.42.

Action Item 22-P-146

Motion to approve the following substitute(s) for the 2021-2022 school year:

Substitute Teacher(s)	Daily Rate	Half-Day Rate	Effective Date
Treanor, Bridget*	\$140.00	\$ 70.00	6/2/2022
Galarza, Elizabeth	\$140.00	\$ 70.00	6/2/2022

** Pending receipt of certification credentials*

Substitute Teaching Assistant(s)	Daily Rate	Half-Day Rate	Effective Date
Treanor, Bridget	\$140.00	\$ 70.00	5/19/2022
Galarza, Elizabeth	\$140.00	\$ 70.00	6/2/2022

Substitute Custodian(s)	Hourly Rate	Effective Date
Bostock, Thomas	\$17.00	7/1/2022

Action Item 22-P-147

Motion to approve the following certificated employee(s) for horizontal movement across the salary guide:

Name	From	To	Effective Date
Simonelli, Susan	BA	BA+15	9/15/2022
Knapp, Kristina	BA	BA+15	9/15/2022

Action Item 22-P-148

Motion to offer employment for the 2022-2023 school year to the following at the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools:

Name	Position	Guide	FTE	Effective Date	Annual Salary (Based on 1.0 FTE)	Tenure Date	PCR#
Chiulli, Hannah	Sp. Ed Teacher	BA, Step A	1.0	8/29/2022	\$58,285.00	8/30/2026	0000259
Frey, Amy	Occupational Therapist	MA in F, Step H	1.0	8/29/2022	\$68,620.00	8/30/2026	0000165
Graham, Jennifer	Sp. Ed Teacher	BA+15, Step D	1.0	8/29/2022	\$62,335.00	8/30/2026	0000266
Jekel, Karolina	ELA Teacher	MA in F, Step L	1.0	8/29/2022	\$71,885.00	8/30/2026	0000068

Kaplan, Alex	Technology Teacher	MA+15, Step J	1.0	8/29/2022	\$70,185.00	8/30/2026	0000043
Mastrobattista, Kaitlin	Teacher	MA in F, Step I	1.0	8/29/2022	\$70,185.00	8/30/2026	0000227
McRae, Kristin	Literacy Support Teacher	BA, Step P	1.0	8/29/2022	\$74,435.00	9/02/2012	0000088
Moore, Katherine	Sp. Ed Teacher	MA in F, Step K	1.0	8/29/2022	\$71,885.00	8/30/2026	0000289
Rockafellow, Tina	Library/Media Specialist	BA+45 /MA+15 /MA in F, Step T	1.0	8/29/2022	\$89,385.00	9/02/1996	0001000
Rosa, Stephanie	Teacher	BA+90 /MA+60 Step Q	1.0	8/29/2022	\$85,685.00	9/02/2009	0000272
Rothbard, Lina	Teacher	BA+60 /MA+30, Step K	1.0	8/29/2022	\$74,385.00	8/28/17	0000114
Stiansen, Kari	Sp. Ed Teacher	BA, Step D	1.0	8/29/2022	\$61,385.00	8/30/2026	0000204
Spann, Katherine	Library/Media Specialist	MA+15, Step T	1.0	8/29/2022	\$91,885.00	8/30/2026	0000125
Steffner, Christina	Interim Principal	N/A	1.0	7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023	\$510.00 per diem (not to exceed \$132,600 per annum.)	N/A	0000009
Stoffers, Christina	Part Time Nurse	Step E	0.5	8/29/2022	\$62,485.00 (prorated)	8/30/2026	0000076
Yersak, Erika	Teacher	BA+15, Step J	1.0	8/29/2022	\$67,385.00	8/30/2026	0000159

**Final employment status approved pending successful completion of criminal history background check and requested employment information pursuant to PL 2018, c.5 for all new staff.*

Action Item 22-P-149

Motion to approve the following individual(s) seasonal employment beginning on or about July 1, 2022 through August 26, 2021:

Name	Position	FTE	Compensation	PCR#
Fitzpatrick, William	Summer Technology Help	1.0	\$15.00/hour	0000738
Patuto, Michael	Summer Technology Help	1.0	\$15.00/hour	0000739

Action Item 22-P-150

Motion to amend start date for the following employee(s):

Name	Position	Guide	FTE	Original Effective	Amended Effective	Annual Salary	PCR#
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				Date	Date	(Based on 1.0 FTE)	
Pierson, Alexandra	Leave Replacement Teacher	BA, Step A	1.0	5/2/2022	5/6/2022	\$57,715.00	0000228

Action Item 22-P-151

Motion to approve the following teachers for summer curriculum work for the 2022-2023 school year, to be paid at the specific rate of \$37.74 per hour, not to exceed 750 hours total, or \$28,305.00.

PMG	RVS	CTMS
Erin Evans	Lisa Beatrice	Sonia Abrams
Joy Mitariten	Susana Correia	Dean Greco

Action Item 22-P-152

Motion to approve the following leaves of absence:

Employee ID	Paid Dates	Unpaid Dates	Return to Work Date	PCR#
49865116	5/6/2022 - 6/19/2022	N/A	6/20/2022	0000050
20425468	5/31/2022 - 6/3/2022	6/6/2022 - 6/10/2022	6/13/2022	0000224
75452342	5/24/2022-5/31/2022	N/A	6/1/2022	0000278

Action Item 22-P-153

Motion to amend/extend the following leave of absence:

Employee ID	Original LOA Dates	Revised LOA Dates	Return to Work Date	PCR#
52963501	8/30/2021 - 12/17/2021	8/30/2021 - 6/30/2023	Start of 23-24 School Year	0000029
49918287	Intermittent weeks between 3/21/2022 - 6/13/2022	Intermittent weeks between 3/21/2022 - 5/6/2022	5/9/2022	0000158
49804594	7/26/2021 - 6/27/2022	7/26/2021 - 8/31/2022	N/A	0000009

Action Item 22-P-154

Motion to amend the step and salary for the following staff member(s), as noted in Action Item 22-P-113:

Name	Position	Guide, Step	FTE	Effective Date	Amended Salary Amount	PCR#
Vasile, Jill	Custodian	Custodial, Step 5	1.0	7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023	\$49,780.00	0000101

Action Item 22-P-155

Motion to amend the salary for the following staff member(s) as noted in Action Item 22-P-137:

Name	Position	Guide, Step	FTE	Effective Date	Amended Salary Amount	PCR#
Bolognini, Frank	Supervisor, Building & Grounds	N/A	1.0	7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023	\$90,433.00	0000014

Action Item 22-P-156

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clinton Township Board of Education acknowledges receiving the following job description, in accordance with board policy 1400, Job Descriptions, which requires the superintendent to prepare, approve and disseminate job descriptions to the board, effective June 2, 2022:

- Head Teacher - Special Services - Extended School Year Program

Action Item 22-P-157

Motion to rescind the offer of employment for the 2021-2022 school year to the following, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, as noted in Action Item 22-P-113:

Name	Position	Guide	FTE	Effective Date	Annual Salary (Based on 1.0 FTE)	Tenure Date	PCR#
Holmes, Thomas	Custodian	Custodial, Step, 6	1.0	On or about 6/15/2022	\$49,820.00	N/A	0000094

Action Item 22-P-158

Motion to amend the hourly rate for the following approved FY2023 Extended School Year Program staff, as noted in Action Item 22-P-126.

NAME	POSITION	AMENDED HOURLY RATE
Bury, John	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Chauvette, Alina	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Chroback, Colleen	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Collins, Kathleen	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Graham, Jennifer	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Greco, Dean	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
James, Stacy-Ann	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00

Pisani, Barbara	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Tavares, Susan	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Treanor, Bridget	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00
Zundel, Kimberly	Teaching Assistant	\$20.00

Action Item 22-P-159

Motion to approve the following staff to serve as the Extended School Year (ESY) Head Teacher for five (5) weeks for the Clinton Township School District from June 15, 2022 to July 28, 2022.

NAME	STIPEND AMOUNT	PCR
Rosa, Stephanie	\$ 5,500.00	0000291

Action Item 22-P-160

Motion to approve an hour of work a day for the following staff for the supervision of the District's Extended School Year SEL Enrichment Program from July 5 - July 28, 2022. Salary to be paid with ESSER III/ARP Mental Health Grant funds.

NAME	HOURLY RATE
Ferri, Ronda	\$ 67.42

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Action Items 22-P-142 through 22-P-160

	Dr. Blumenfeld	Ms. Creighton	Ms. Emery	Mr. Hornick	Ms. Kaltenbach	Ms. Oliver	Mr. Rosa	Dr. Riihimaki	Ms. Brennan
Motion					Motioned			2nd	
Aye			x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent	x	x							

7 Yes Votes, 2 Absent - Motion Carries

ADJOURNMENT:**Action 22-AJ-057**

Motion made by Dr. Riihimaki, seconded by Ms. Kaltenbach to adjourn the meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Education at 6:41 p.m.

By Consensus: 7 Ayes, 2 Absent

NEXT MEETING DATES:

June 27, 2022

October 17, 2022

August 22, 2022

December 12, 2022

September 19, 2022

January 4, 2023 (Organization Meeting)

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Kramer, Interim Business Administrator