

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting – May 9, 2005

TIME AND PLACE: A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on May 9, 2005, by the Board of Education of the Clinton Township School District, Hunterdon County, in the All Purpose Room of the Round Valley Middle School, 128 Cokesbury Road, Lebanon, New Jersey 08833.

**PUBLICATION OF
NOTICE:**

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, the Clinton Township Board of Education has provided adequate notice of the date, time, and location of this meeting. Such notice has been posted in the Clinton Township Board of Education Office and each of the district schools, has been filed with the Clinton Township Clerk, and was faxed to the *Hunterdon County Democrat, Hunterdon Review, Courier News, Star Ledger and Express Times* on Tuesday, May 3, 2005.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Board President Roger Straight at 7:37 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Thomas Marron	Patricia Schwartz
	Kevin Cosgrove	Roger Straight-President
	Margaret Connors	Robert Sabattis
	Elaine Mayat-Vice President	

Absent: Sandra Kotter and Christopher Yula

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

PRESENT: Elizabeth A. Nastus, Chief School Administrator

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

REPORT: Dr. Nastus introduced Elaine Studnicki who gave a presentation on technology, learning and future directions of Technology. Ms. Studnicki noted that on May 25, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Round Valley Middle School cafeteria there will be a workshop on Internet Safety.

PUBLIC

Don Sherblom – Spoke about moving forward from where we are with costs of farmhouse. Questioned as to what will we do with the Stoffel Vought house.
Adam Wengryn – Spoke about preserving the house as an Educational museum for the community and state.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

No minutes to approve at this meeting.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE
REPORT OF SECRETARY AND
REPORT OF TREASURER:**

No report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to discuss at this time.

FINANCE/FACILITIES: Christopher Yula, Sandra Kotter, Thomas Marron

Action 05-433

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment of bills in the amount of \$379,390.78.

Moved by Mr. Marron, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-434

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Capital III payments:

Spiezle Architectural Group (New Middle School)	\$52,997.10
Spiezle Architectural Group (SRS Renov.)	\$2,123.64
Spiezle Architectural Group (RVMS Renov.)	\$3,283.92
Spiezle Architectural Group (PMS Renov.)	\$1,040.40

Moved by Mr. Marron, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-435

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the contractual agreement between the Clinton Township Board of Education and Therapeutic Intervention, Inc. for the 2005/2006 school year for physical therapy services at a cost as follows:

<u>Name of Grant</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Foundation</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<i>Spruce Run Goes Back To The One Room Schoolhouse</i>	SRS	EP-11/1/04	11/10/04	\$ 720.00
<i>Seventh Grade Poetry Library</i>	RVMS	EP-10/28/04	11/10/04	\$1,000.00
<i>Seventh Grade Poet In Residence</i>	RVMS	EP-10/28/04	11/10/04	\$1525.00
<i>Seventh Grade Artist In Residence</i>	RVMS	EP-11/8/04	11/10/04	\$1250.00
<i>Pat Hunt CD Burner</i>	RVMS	Via Middleton	/10/04	\$1800.00*
<i>*Pat Hunt to speak to Neil Charles before ordering</i>				
<i>Pat Hunt Bells</i>	RVMS	Via Middleton	11/10/04	\$ 550.00
<i>Search for a Healthy Benthic Ecosystem School-Wide</i>	PMGS	EP-11/16/04	Jan. 2005	\$1,472.00
<i>Wellness Program</i>	PMGS	EP-11/16/04	Jan. 2005	\$1500.00
<i>Music For Strings</i>	PMGS	EP-11/16/04	Jan. 2005	\$345.00
<i>Here We Come Philadelphia</i>	PMGS	EP-1/11/05	Jan. 2005	\$1800.00
<i>The Keyboard Connection</i>	SRS	EP-1/25/05	Feb. 2005	\$500.00
<i>Almost Human-Hero Figures</i>	PMGS	EP-1/25/05	Feb. 2005	\$610.00
<i>You Don't Know Me Until You Know Me</i>	RVMS	Sent directly to Foundation	Jan. 2005	\$800.00
<i>Dvorak and NJSO Concert</i>	PMGS	Sent directly to Foundation	Jan. 2005	\$1500.00
<i>Putting Our 'Arts (Hearts) Into Field Trips</i>	SRS	EP – 1/26/05	March 2005	\$1,000.00
<i>More Ducks Rule At SRS</i>	SRS	EP – 4/20/05	**	\$1,484.00
<i>Mobile Digital Photo Lab</i>	CO	EP – 4/20/05	**	\$3,500.00
<i>Growing Together: A Garden for Learners</i>	SRS	EP – 5/2/05	**	\$3,724.00
<i>Spruce Run Beautification</i>		Sent Directly		
<i>Eagle Scout Project</i>	SRS	To Foundation**		\$500.00
<i>**Pending Trustee Approval</i>				

Moved by Mr. Marron, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Mr. Marron stated a resolution regarding the 2005-2006 budget will be presented to the Town Council on May 11, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-444

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Joanne Filus as a Kindergarten teacher (replacement for Christine Ritt) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$49,980 (BA+30, Step 8) effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-445

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Marygrace Flynn as a Grade 3 teacher (replacement for Erika Underkoffler) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$41,940 (BA+15, Step 2) effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-446

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Jamie Holloway as a Grade 2 teacher (replacement for Juliette Romano) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$43,640 (MA, Step 2) effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-447

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Kathleen O'Shea as a .5 Teacher Assistant for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$16,957 (BA, Step 1) prorated effective May 10, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-448

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Jessica Russell as a Grade 5 teacher (replacement for Kristin Schenkel) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$41,090 (BA, Step 2) effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-449

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Ellen Sulpy as a Grade 4 Special Education teacher (replacement for Stephanie Yager) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$48,240 (BA, Step 8) effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-450

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Denise Burger as a substitute teacher for the 2004-2005 school year.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-451

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Caroline Haynes as a substitute teacher for the 2004-2005 school year.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-452

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Tomas Gonzales as a substitute teacher for the 2004-2005 school year.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-453

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Jillian Feder as Student Council Advisor (replacement for Kimberly Sandorff) for the 2005-2006 school year at a stipend as per negotiated contract effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-454

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Jessica Russell as Destination Imagination Coordinator (replacement for Pamela Lester) for the 2005-2006 school year at a stipend as per negotiated contract.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-455

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following administrative appointments/stipends for the 2005-2006 school year:

<i>Debbie Krupp – Transportation Coordinator</i>	<i>\$10,500.00</i>
<i>Patricia Buongiorno – Substitute Caller</i>	<i>\$7,500.00</i>
<i>Ulrich Steinberg – Treasurer of School Monies</i>	<i>\$6,000.00</i>

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-456

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grant an unpaid leave of absence to Suzanne E. Gitomer for the 2005-2006 school year effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-457

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves movement on salary guide for Patricia Comly for the 2005-2006 school year from BA+45 to BA+60 effective September 15, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-458

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves movement on salary guide for Julie Mooney for the 2005-2006 school year from MA in F to MA in F+15 effective September 15, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-459

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Anna Murphy effective June 30, 2005.

Action 05-460

RESOLUTION

Motion to approve payment of a \$2,500 stipend to Matt Cirigliano for work performed on putting together the database system was tabled until further information is provided to Personnel committee.

Action 05-461

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Craig Ashley as a Grade 5 teacher (replacement for Erin Sutherland) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$43,640 (MA+15, Step 2) effective September 1, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Posting of anticipated opening for teachers was discussed.

POLICY/CURRICULUM – Patricia Schwartz, Margaret Connors, Robert Sabattis, Roger Straight

Mrs. Schwartz stated that the Policy committee met with Mrs. Wasserbach and Mr. Tishuk with regard to a Facilities Policy. A rough draft of the policy will be ready for the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS/N.J.S.B.A. – Elaine Mayat, Margaret Connors, Kevin Cosgrove

Mrs. Mayat stated that we are bombarded with ads; will work with Elaine Studnicki to either delete or send on the appropriate groups.

Regarding letter or email from Community members the Board was instructed not to respond. Mrs. Mayat will be the point person for such communications.

Mr. Marron reported with regard to email addresses these inquiries will be forwarded to Dr. Nastus to obtain. He also stated that positive replies make a difference and that a Board members response is fine.

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

No one wished to speak at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Straight will be attending the hearing regarding the 2005-2006 budget. A new proposal for Windy Acres will also be made at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Action 05-462

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourns the regular meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Straight, seconded by Mr. Marron.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Elizabeth A. Nastus
Chief School Administrator*

*Roger Straight
Board President*