

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting – June 27, 2005

TIME AND PLACE: A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on June 27, 2005, by the Board of Education of the Clinton Township School District, Hunterdon County, in the Library of the Spruce Run School, 27 Belvidere Avenue, Clinton, NJ 08809

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 Wednesday, June 22, 2005.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Board President Roger Straight at 7:35 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Thomas Marron	Patricia Schwartz
	Margaret Connors	Roger Straight-President
	Robert Sabattis	Sandra Kotter
	Elaine Mayat-Vice President	Chris Yula (7:45 p.m.)

Absent: Kevin Cosgrove

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

PRESENT: Elizabeth A. Nastus, Chief School Administrator
Daria A. Wasserbach, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

REPORT: Dr. Nastus introduced Joanne Untamo who is our representative from Maschio's Food Service. Ms. Untamo discussed plans for the upcoming year. Dr. Nastus then extended thanks to Gerard Dalton and Bobbie Felip for the Class of 2005 celebration. With regard to school closing, she stated that she received positive feedback

supporting shortened days. Lastly, she related that the Board retreat is scheduled for August 25th with Cathy Weber. The retreat will be held at the Courtyard Marriott in Lebanon from 11:30 – 5:30.

PUBLIC No one wished to speak at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Action 05-531 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 9, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Mayat. On a roll call vote, with Mrs. Kotter and Mr. Yula, abstaining, resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-532 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 16, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Marron, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote, with Mrs. Schwartz and Mr. Yula, abstaining, resolution was ADOPTED.

SECRETARY'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Wasserbach commented on the audit, transfer report and surplus analysis.

**REPORT OF SECRETARY AND
REPORT OF TREASURER:**

Action 05-533 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12 (d), I certify that as of April 30, 2005 no budgetary line item account has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12 (a)**

Daria A. Wasserbach, Board Secretary

Monday, June 27, 2005

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20 (e), we certify that as of April 30, 2005 respectively after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12 (a)* and that*

sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Moved by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mrs. Mayat. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED to approve the Board Secretary Report and Report of the Treasurer for the Month of April 2005.

OLD BUSINESS: Video and permission slips were discussed.

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

Mr. Marron reported on the DEP permit, renovation bid and Clinton Township Middle School project. He also announced that Mr. Gagliardi would be present at the July meeting to discuss the feasibility study.

Action 05-534 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment of bills in the amount of \$285,795.17.

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

Action 05-535 RESOLUTION

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

Turner Construction (Period ending 4/30/05)	\$6,500.00
Turner Construction (Period ending 5/31/05)	\$6,500.00
Treasurer, State of New Jersey (New Middle School)	\$315.00

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

Action 05-536 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

Whereas the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities administers a Renewal Energy Grant Program for solar photovoltaic systems, and,

Whereas the Clinton Township Board of Education has submitted the required Grant Application(s) for the review and grant funding approval of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, and,

Whereas the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has asked those public entities submitting grant applications to affirm their intentions to procure, within 180 days of the notification of grant award, and install, within one year of same, the associated solar photovoltaic system,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Clinton Township Board of Education affirms its intention to procure and install the grant funded projects within the timeframes required of the grant awards.

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

Action 05-537

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between Clinton Township School District and AEL (Atlantic Engineering Laboratories, Inc.) for New Middle School Testing and Inspection Services.

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

Action 05-538

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts a donation check in the amount of \$1,000.00 from The Spiegle Architectural Group to offset the costs of the groundbreaking ceremony.

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

Action 05-539

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

***WHEREAS** New Jersey School Board Association insurance fund will best represent the district and generate our lowest net cost of coverage and highest level of support services in the long term.*

***WHEREAS** Membership is approximately 378 districts across New Jersey*

***WHEREAS** Annual revenue is \$76 million*

***WHEREAS** the fund has been in operation for more than 20 years*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton Township Board of Education awards the 0506 contract for multi-peril and workers compensation insurance to New Jersey School Board Insurance Group in accordance with the attached proposal.

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

Action 05-540 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Agreement Between the Clinton Township Board of Education and Clinton Township Administrators Association for the period July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2008.

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

Action 05-541 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Foundation Grants for the 2004-2005 school year:

2004-2005 Foundation Small Grant Proposals

Name of Grant	Forward To		Approved	
	School	Foundation	Date	Amount
Fabulous (or Frivolous) Fifty Funding	SRS		6/1/05	\$1000.00

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

Action 05-542 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the establishment of a capital reserve account in the amount of \$1.

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

Action 05-543 RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves appropriating 2003-2004 deferred extraordinary aid award in the amount of \$27,955 to 2004-2005 expenditure account 11-000-217-100 (Extraordinary Svcs Salaries).

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

Action 05-544

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves appropriating 2003-2004 deferred transportation aid to 3rd class counties award in the amount of \$6,314 to 2004-2005 expenditure account 11-000-270-517 (Reg to-and from school transportation).

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

Action 05-545

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2005-2006 annual per pupil receiving tuition rates as follows: (This represents an increase of 2.5% over 0405)

Regular School Year

Pre-K/K \$6,575

Grades 1-5 \$8,348

Grades 6-8 \$7,963

Extended School Year

Pre-K/K \$1,096

Grades 1-5 \$1,391

Grades 6-8 \$1,327

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

Action 05-546

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2005-2006 shared administrative services agreement between the Boards of Education of Clinton Township Lebanon Borough in the amount of \$77,368. (+4% over 0405).

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

Action 05-547

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2005-2006 transportation contract between the Boards of Education of Lebanon Borough and Clinton Township to provide transportation for 7th and 8th grade Lebanon Borough students attending Round Valley Middle School in the amount of \$10,000.

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

Action 05-548

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves transfer of 2004-2005 excess surplus to operating account 11-000-230-331 (legal expenses).

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

Action 05-549

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves authorizing use of 2004-2005 Capital project interest to offset debt service in the 2006-2007 budget.

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

Action 05-550

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves award for the renovations at Spruce Run School, Patrick McGaheran School and Round Valley Middle School (pending Attorney Review) as follows:

WHEREAS the solicitation of bids for renovations at the Spruce Run, Round Valley and Patrick McGaheran schools yielded the following results:

1. Grafas Painting Contracts
20 East Willow Street
Millburn, NJ 07041
Lump Sum Price \$2,950,000.00
2. The Bennett Company
148 Dayton Avenue
Passaic, NJ 07055
Lump Sum Price \$3,248,000.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education awards the contract for the renovations at the Spruce Run, Round Valley and Patrick McGaheran schools to Grafas Painting Contractors, pending attorney review.

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

Action 05-551

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Stipulation of Settlement between Clinton Township and J. Mooney in the gross amount of \$1,066.65.

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

Action 05-552

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Stipulation of Settlement between Clinton Township and M. Bigsby in the gross amount of \$1,308.35.

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

Action 05-553

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2005-2006 regular education tuition contract for 7th and 8th grade Lebanon Borough students to attend Round Valley Middle School, Clinton Township, in the amount of \$238,890 (30 students @ \$7,963 per student).

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

PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS – Robert Sabattis, Kevin Cosgrove, Patricia Schwartz

Action 05-554

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Sharon Flannery as a Librarian (change from 20 hours per week to full-time) at the Patrick McGaheeran School for the 2005-2006 school year effective September 1, 2005 at a salary of \$67,060 (MA in F, Step 14).

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-555

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves movement on salary guide for Gregory James 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 with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-556

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves movement on salary guide for Heather Stanley for the 2005-2006 school year from BA+45/MA+15 to MA in F effective September 15, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-557

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment of stipend to Matthew Cirigliano in the amount of \$2,500 for technology program.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-558

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment to the following personnel for summer curriculum work:

*Language Arts – 10 hours each at a rate of \$33.90 per hour
Jean Allen
Kristin MacRae
Jessica Russell*

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-559

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment for the following summer curriculum work:

*Math - 10 hours each at a rate of \$33.90 per hour
Jessica Russell
Jean Allen
Kristin MacRae
Debra Tackney*

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-560

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2005-2006 employment contract to Russell Hoffman, Custodian, in accordance with the attached resolution.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-561

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment to the following personnel for one day at their contracted per diem rate for moving classroom over the summer as per their contract:

<i>T Rockafellow</i>	<i>J Melitsky</i>
<i>J Russell</i>	<i>J Feder</i>
<i>J Allen</i>	<i>J Kepniss</i>
<i>D Yaros</i>	<i>E Ashe</i>
<i>A Ashley</i>	<i>C Moore</i>
<i>K Newgarde</i>	<i>J Hunt</i>
<i>M Postma</i>	<i>T Barton</i>

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-562

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves amending the employment contract of Ellen Jacobsen for the 2005-2006 school year from 15 hour per week to 17.5 hours per week.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-563

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment to the following people for working at the Grade 5 Sleepover:

<i>John Melitsky</i>	<i>- \$160</i>
<i>Renee Sielaff</i>	<i>- \$160</i>
<i>Jeff Reilly</i>	<i>- \$160</i>
<i>Jean Allen</i>	<i>- \$160</i>
<i>Jessica Russell</i>	<i>- \$160</i>
<i>Tracy Shoudt</i>	<i>- \$160</i>
<i>Jennifer Kepniss</i>	<i>- \$160</i>

<i>Jessica Hunt</i>	- \$160
<i>Rosemarie Arnold</i>	- \$160
<i>Dennis Stinner</i>	- \$160
<i>Barb Keim</i>	- \$100
<i>Kelly Newgarde</i>	- \$100

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-564 **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Dianne Flanigan for 1.25 days for summer Child Study Team evaluations at her per diem rate.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-565 **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Meridian Avcor, Inc. to do extra sessions of speech/language therapy at their per diem rate (\$307.40) not to exceed 5 hours.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-566 **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Child Study Team members to work addition time during the summer at their per diem rate of pay.

<i>Susan Reynolds</i>	<i>1 day for case management</i>
<i>Kathy Collins</i>	<i>2.50 days for evaluation</i>
<i>Cindy Zayko</i>	<i>2.50 days for evaluation</i>

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-567 **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following administrative stipends for Clinton Township employees providing services to Lebanon Borough for the 2005-2006 school year representing +4% over 2004-2005:

<i>Superintendent (E. Nastus)</i>	<i>\$15,080</i>
<i>SBS/BS (D. Wasserbach)</i>	<i>\$15,080</i>

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-572

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the hiring of John Nastus for summer help at a rate of \$10.00 per hour effective June 28, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-573

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to employ staff members during the summer for the 2005-2006 school year.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-574

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Susan Rader, teacher at Round Valley Middle School, effective June 30, 2005.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 05-575

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2005-2006 salary for Matthew Cirigliano, Assistant Director of Technology in the amount of \$67,000.00.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz with Mr. Marron voting no. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

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

Action 05-576

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves on second reading the following regulation:

R1330 – Use of School Facilities

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

Mrs. Schwartz stated that community members are currently reviewing the Science curriculum. She also noted that Mrs. Wasserbach would be working on development of a Hazardous Route policy. It is expected to have full approval by September 2005.

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

Mrs. Mayat mentioned the Clinton Township Newsletter asking whether there were any project updates. Project information to be posed on website.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Action 05-577

RESOLUTION

Motion by Mrs. Mayat, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz and carried in a roll call vote to move to Executive Session at 9:40 p.m.

Resolved by the Board of Education of Clinton Township as per Chapter 231, P. L. 1975:

- a. That it is hereby determined that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session on Monday, June 27, 2005 to discuss personnel.*
- b. The matter discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.*
- c. Length of meeting thought to be approximately 45 minutes.*

Motion by Mrs. Mayat, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz and carried to return to the regular session at 10:36 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

No one wished to speak at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to discuss at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Action 05-578

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourns the regular meeting at 10:36 p.m.

Moved by Mrs. Mayat, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Roger Straight
Board President*

*Daria A. Wasserbach
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary*