

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting – MAY 8, 2006

TIME AND PLACE: A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on May 8, 2006, 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 2, 2006.

CALL TO ORDER: President Roger Straight called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

	Michael Belinski	Robert Sabattis
	Margaret Connors (7:45 p.m.)	Patricia Schwartz
Present:	Frank Dincuff	Roger Straight
	Donna Gregory (8:00 p.m.)	Christopher Yula

Absent: Thomas Marron

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

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

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Dr. Nastus recognized Sandra Kotter and Elaine Mayat as retiring Board members. Dr. Nastus thanked them for their time and dedication served on the Board of Education. A plaque for years of service along with a framed picture of the Little Red School House were presented to Sandy and Elaine.

Dr. Nastus then introduced Mrs. Goad, Principal of the Patrick McGaheeran School. Mrs. Goad thanked Jessica Russell, Destination Imagination Coordinator, for their achievements in being tied for 1st place in Reading Olympics for Book Shredders and Page Turners and Rip Roaring Readers for their 3rd place achievement. A skit was then presented to the Board by Destination Imagination students entitled “The Cathedral of Notre Dame.”

PUBLIC: No one wished to speak at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Action 06-036

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education tables approving the minutes of the Regular Sessions held on April 3, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mrs. Connors. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski, Mr. Dincuff, Mr. Yula and Mrs. Gregory abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-037

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education tables approving the minutes of the Executive Session held on April 3, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mrs. Connors. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski, Mr. Dincuff, Mr. Yula and Mrs. Gregory abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-038

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular/Organizational Session held on April 24, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

SECRETARY’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report at this time.

REPORT OF SECRETARY AND REPORT OF TREASURER:

Action 06-039

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the January 2006 transfers.

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mrs. Connors. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining, resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-040

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 January 31, 2006 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, April 8, 2006

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20 (e), we certify that as of January 31, 2006 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. Connors. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Yula commented on field obligations – School and Township arrangement for field maintenance and facility use.

PUBLIC:

Jeannine Gorman – Congratulated Board of Education members, “We’re relying upon you.” You are role models – importance of being a team. Thanks to all Board members.

Hillary Garzillo – Work Family Connection/Family United Network – would like to submit proposal.

Daria Wasserbach – Stated that the 2006-2007 contract was awarded to Work Family Connection.

Mark Hashey – Staffing (Primarily support – Guidance, L.D.T.C., Librarian) Comparisons. Dr. Nastus responded to Mr. Hashey.

Mina Hashey – Budget update on cuts, order of reductions – Extra-curricular/athletics? Role of librarian in Middle School.

Action 06-045

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2006/2007 tuition contract agreement by and between the Clinton Township Board of Education and the Lebanon Borough Board of Education for 7th and 8th grade students in the amount of \$202,900 based upon a cost per pupil of \$8,116 and an average daily attendance of 25 pupils.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Mr. Straight commented on shared services between Clinton Township schools and Lebanon Borough School and the benefits to taxpayers.

PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS – Robert Sabattis, Jim Dincuff and Christopher Yula

Action 06-046

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Ben Cozin as a Teacher at Round Valley Middle School (maternity replacement for Laurie Chiodo) for the 2006-2007 school year at a salary of \$43,110 (MA, Step 1) effective September 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-047

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Diane Hanley as Payroll Coordinator (replacement for Sandy Pill) for the 2006-2007 school year at a salary of \$45,000 effective July 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-048

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Brooke Linder as a Teacher (replacement for James Manning) at Spruce Run School for the 2006-2007 school year at a salary of \$43,110 (BA, Step 2) effective September 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-049

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Susan Rivers as a Grade 4 Teacher at Patrick McGaheran School (maternity replacement for Jean Anderson) for the 2006-2007 school year at a salary of \$43,110 (BA, Step 1) effective September 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-050

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Jessica Saide as a Resource Room Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year at a salary of \$43,110 (BA, Step 2) effective September 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-051

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Debra Schaible as a Teacher (replacement for Steve Gimson) for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$40,125 (BA, Step 1) pro-rated effective April 20, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-052

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Paula Stanwick as a Teacher Assistant for the 2005-2006 School year at a salary of \$19,911 (BA, Step 6) effective May 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-053

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves increase for Norrie Zaret from .6 to 1.0 FTE for the 2006/2007 school year at a salary of \$71,910 (BA, Step 17) effective September 1, 2006.

Motion by Mrs. Connors, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-054

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves increase for Joan Slagus from .8 to 1.0 FTE for the 2006/2007 school year at a salary of \$67,610 (BA, Step 15) effective September 1, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-055

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Kristin Boyer as a substitute teacher for the 2006/2007 school year.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-056

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Martha Kisielewski as a substitute teacher for the 2006/2007 school year.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-057

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grants a Family Leave of Absence to Jennifer A. Topping for the 2006-2007 school year effective September 5, 2006 through November 28, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-058

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Kathy A. Lang (PMS –Teacher) effective June 30, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-059

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Traci Swanson (SRS – Learning Consultant) effective June 30, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

Action 06-060

RESOLUTION

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

***WHEREAS**, employee L.M. has exhibited a documented history of unsatisfactory performance; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools has recommended that said employee's employment and adjustment increment be withheld as a result of same,*

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that employee L.M.'s employment and adjustment increment are hereby withheld, effective beginning the 2006-07 school year, and*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, by copy of this resolution, the Board Secretary advise said employee of this action within ten days as provided by N.J.S.A. 18A:29-14.*

Motion by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mr. Straight. On a roll call vote with Mr. Belinski abstaining resolution was ADOPTED.

POLICY/CURRICULUM – Patricia Schwartz, Roger Straight and Christopher Yula

Mrs. Schwartz stated that the next policy series will be presented in the upcoming weeks. She also stated the Curriculum will be meeting this week with Dr. Monroe.

COMMUNICATIONS/N.J.S.B.A. – Donna Gregory, Margo Connors and Thomas Marron

Mrs. Gregory stated that the Committee met to set long-term goals and develop a newsletter. She also stated that the website has been updated to reflect the budget status.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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, May 8, 2006 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 10 minutes.*

**RECOGNITION OF THE
PUBLIC**

No one wished to speak at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Action 06-061

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourns the regular meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Sabattis, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Roger Straight
Board President*

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