# CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

# Regular Meeting – NOVEMBER 27, 2006

# **TIME AND PLACE**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on November 27, 2006, by the Board of Education of the Clinton Township School District, Hunterdon County, in the All Purpose Room of the Patrick McGaheran School School, 63 Allerton 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 Monday, November 20, 2006.

# CALL TO ORDER

President Roger Straight called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

# ROLL CALL

Present:

Michael Belinski (7:45 p.m.- left 11:45 p.m.)

Michelle Cresti (8:00 p.m.) Patricia Schwartz
Donna Gregory Roger Straight
Thomas Marron Christopher Yula

Frank Dincuff

Absent: Thomas Roskoski

## DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

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

## CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

It was announced that the Clinton Township Education Foundation will be sponsoring a new fundraising campaign entitled "Take A Stand And Buy A Seat". The campaign will begin December 1, 2006 – March1, 2006. The Foundation will be "selling" auditorium seats at the Clinton Township Middle School. Monies are a donation to the Foundation.

Dr. Nastus introduced William Colantano, Clinton Township Auditor, who presented the CAFR Report for the 2005-2006 school year. Mr. Colantano answered questions from the audience and board.

Dr. Nastus commented on the grant from ExxonMobile in the amount of \$5,000. The money will be used to purchase microscopes for Grade 6, triple beam balance scales for Grade 7 and river field experience for Grade 3.

Dr. Nastus also commented on the BCAC Survey and the transportation re-configuration for the 2007-2008 school year.

Mr. Straight reported on the AD Hoc committee regarding the withdrawal of Clinton Township from North Hunterdon/Voorhees Regional High School. It was recommended to withdraw the petition.

## Action 06-06-383

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves motion to withdraw the petition to the Hunterdon County Superintendent of Schools for an investigation as to the advisability of withdrawal by Clinton Township from the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District.

Motion by Mr. Marron, seconded by Mr. Belinski. On a roll call vote, with Mr. Marron voting no, resolution was ADOPTED.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Cindy Gustavson: Board members are public servants. Unsettled by commission of

study without public input.

Nick Corcodillos: Lack of concern over science textbooks. His questions still have not

been answered. Members of the Board were asked for their personal

opinions on need for science textbooks. Members responded

individually. Materials are not available.

Jill Grillo: Commend Board of Education for foresight and investigation on

Withdrawal and hands-on-science program. Thanks for being most Efficient. Encouraged community to respond to BCAC survey.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

# **Action 06-384**

## RESOLUTION

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Straight to move to Executive Session at 8:20 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, November 27, 2006 to discuss personnel matters.
- 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 3 hours.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

# **Action 06-385**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the regular session held on October 23, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Straight, seconded by Mrs. Gregory. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

## **Action 06-386**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session held on October 23, 2006.

Motion by Mr. Straight, seconded by Mrs. Gregory. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

# SECRETARY'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report at this time.

# REPORT OF SECRETARY AND REPORT OF TREASURER

## **Action 06-387**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the transfers for September 2006.

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

# **Action 06-388**

## 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 September 30, 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, November 27, 2006

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20 (e)\*, we certify that as of September 30, 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 Mr. Marron, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

## **Action 06-389**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton Township Board of Education accepts the June 30, 2006 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) as presented.

# <u>Resolution accepting Audit Recommendations #1 and #2 and the respective Corrective</u> <u>Action Plans</u>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton Township Board of Education accepts Audit Recommendation #1 and #2 and the Corrective Action Plan as follows:

1. Administrative Practices & Procedures

No recommendation

2. Financial Planning, Accounting & Reporting

No recommendation

3. School Purchasing Programs:

Recommendation #2: Procedures be implemented to guarantee the timely recording of purchase orders in order to preserve a positive budgetary status Corrective Action: Procedures have been implemented to guarantee the timely recording of purchase orders in order to preserve a positive budgetary status

4. School Food Service

No recommendation

5. Student Body Activities

Recommendation #1: Expenditures of student activity funds are to be supported by properly completed payment forms with appropriate attachments Corrective Action: Review and reinforcement of student activities procedures and regulations with appropriate staff

6. Application for State School Aid

No recommendation

7. Pupil Transportation
 8. Facilities and capital assets
 9. Miscellaneous
 10. Follow-up on prior year findings
 No recommendation
 No recommendation

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

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to report at this time.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

# FINANCE/FACILITIES

Thomas Marron, Chairperson; Thomas Roskoski and Jim Dincuff

# **Action 06-390**

# RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment of bills for the period ending November 27, 2006 in the amount of \$111,006.36.

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

# **Action 06-391**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following CTMS and School Renovation Capital payments:

Vendor	Description	Amount
Hunter Research	CTS – Historical Resource Consultants	\$990.00
Town of Clinton	Legal Services 6/1-7/31/06	\$392.63
Schoor DePalma	Addl. WorkWater Extension Permit Applic.	
		\$1,350.00
Twsp. of Clinton	Tax Bill	\$37,242.11
Twsp. Of Clinton	Tax Bill	\$22,549.03
Twsp. Of Clinton	Tax Bill	\$16,881.91
Twsp. Of Clinton	Tax Bill	\$27,920.08
TOTAL		\$107,325.76

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

## Action 06-392

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Potential Change Order (PCO) 48R in the amount of \$12,724 for hot and chilled water control revisions.

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

## **Action 06-393**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Reading Recovery Agreement for 2006-2007 between Bridgewater-Raritan Regional Board and Clinton Township School District at a cost of \$3,500.00.

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

# **Action 06-394**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts a check from ExxonMobile in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the purchase of science equipment and support of the environmental program at Echol Hill Part Nature Center.

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

# **Action 06-395**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts November 22, 2006 Mothballing Proposal from Restoration Technologies not to exceed \$15,000 for completion December 31, 2006.

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

## **Action 06-396**

## RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, the Clinton Township Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clinton Township Board of Education has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton Township Board of Education intends to enter into contracts FOR THE PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FOR THE CLINTON TOWNSHIP MIDDLE SCHOOL with the attached Referenced State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, the Clinton Township Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase FURNITURE FOR THE CLINTON TOWNSHIP MIDDLE SCHOOL from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors on the attached list pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Clinton Township Board of Education School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall certify to the availability of sufficient funds prior to the expenditure of funds for such goods or services;

Soyka Smith Design Studios Kruegar International

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

# PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS

Patricia Schwartz, Chairperson; Michelle Cresti, Jim Dincuff, and Christopher Yula

## **Action 06-397**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Carmen Curci as a Spanish Teacher at Spruce Run School (Maternity Leave replacement for Rose King) for the 2006-2007 school year effective January 2, 2007 at a salary of \$43,110 (BA, Step 1).

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Yula. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

## **Action 06-398**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves following substitute teachers for the 2006/07 school year at a rate of \$90 per day:

Maggie Cassidy	Richard Gow
	Lorraine Ingersoll

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Yula. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

## **Action 06-399**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education acknowledges the following requests for graduate course approval as approved by the Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with the negotiated agreement:

Employee	Semester	Course	Credits
Susan Sacco	Spring 07	Consumer Health	3
Debra Tackney	Fall 06	The Writing Agenda	3

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Yula. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

# **Action 06-400**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Kathleen Kent to do homebound instruction for one child (3-7) from Round Valley Middle School. The homebound instruction is for 5 hours per week for a total of 25 hours.

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Yula. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

# **Action 06-401**

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Marsha Shappell to be a bus aid for the Patrick McGaheran AM and PM routes to be paid \$13.50 per hour.

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Yula. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

## POLICY/CURRICULUM

Jim Dincuff, Chairperson; Michael Belinski, Roger Straight and Christopher Yula

# **Action 06-402**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves on first reading the following Series 3000 Policies – Business and Noninstructional Operations:

Concepts and Roles in Business and Noninstructional Operations	3000
Goals and Objectives	3010
Budget Planning, Preparation and Adoption	3100
<ul> <li>Transfer of Funds Between Line Items/Amendments</li> </ul>	
Purchases not Budgeted	3160

Income	
• Local Funds	3210
• State Funds	3220
Federal Funds	3230
<ul> <li>Income from Fees, Fines, Charges</li> </ul>	3250
<ul> <li>Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies</li> </ul>	3260
<ul> <li>Sale, Licensing and Rental of Property</li> </ul>	3270
Gifts, Grants and Bequests	3280
Funds Management/Investing	3290
Purchasing Procedures	3320
<ul> <li>Payment for Goods and Services</li> </ul>	3326
• Relations with Vendors	3327
Accounts	3400
Inventories	3440
Money in School Buildings	3450
Petty Cash Funds	3451
• School Activity Funds	3453
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	3510
• Equipment	3514
• Smoking Prohibition	3515
• Safety	3516
Insurance Management	3530
• Employee/Officer Bonds	3533
Transportation	
<ul> <li>Transportation Routes and Services</li> </ul>	3541.1
<ul> <li>Regulation – Transportation Routes and Services</li> </ul>	R3541.1
<ul> <li>Non-school Use of District Vehicles</li> </ul>	3541.3
<ul> <li>Privately Owned Vehicles</li> </ul>	3541.31
<ul> <li>Regulation – Privately Owned Vehicles</li> </ul>	R3541.31
• Transportation Safety	3541.33
<ul> <li>Procedure – Transportation Safety</li> </ul>	P3541.33
• Food Service	3542
<ul> <li>Local Wellness/Nutrition</li> </ul>	3542.1
<ul> <li>Free or Reduced-price Lunches/Milk</li> </ul>	3542.31
<ul> <li>Purchasing</li> </ul>	3542.44
District Records and Reports	3570
• Financial Reports	3571
• Audit	3571.4

Motion by Mr. Dincuff, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

# Action 06- 403

## **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves one student (3-7) from Round Valley Middle School for homebound instruction for 5 hours per week for a total of 25 hours.

Motion by Mr. Dincuff, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

# **Action 06-404**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves pupil transportation to Dual Residences within Clinton Township for one student (JD) for the 2006-2007 school year.

Motion by Mr. Dincuff, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED.

# COMMUNICATIONS/N.J.S.B.A.

Donna Gregory, Chairperson; Michelle Cresti, Thomas Marron and Thomas Roskoski

Nothing to report at this time.

# **RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC**

No one wished to speak at this time.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Nothing to report at this time.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

# **Action 06-405**

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourns the regular meeting at 12:15 a.m.

Moved by Mr. Straight, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz.
Respectfully Submitted,
Roger Straight
Board President
Daria A. Wasserbach
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary