

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

MINUTES

**Special Meeting February 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM
Clinton Township Middle School Library**

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Grant called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

**PUBLICATION
OF NOTICE:**

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 February 4, 2014.

- a. Faxing to three newspapers designated by the Board – Hunterdon County Democrat, Hunterdon Review and Express Times
- b. Posting on the District Website, the main bulletin board in the Administration Office and in each Clinton Township School
- c. Faxing to the Clerk of Clinton Township

ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Members:

Maria Grant, President

Rachel McLaughlin, Vice President

Marc Freda

Gina Hand

Kevin Maloy

Dan McTiernan

John Patuto

Kevin Sturges

Megan Verderamo

Present:

District Administrators:

Dr. Drucilla W. Clark, Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Heather A. Spitzer, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Present: Gwen Thornton, New Jersey School Boards Representative

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE:**

Mrs. Hand led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCESS GUARDIAN: Rachel McLaughlin

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS/REPORT

Mrs. Grant explained the purpose of the meeting is to set Board of Education goals for the period February through June 30, 2014. The achievement of these goals will be used as part of the Board's Self Evaluation process. The Board will meet again in July to set the goals for 2014/15.

The areas of focus for determining the goals will come from Dr. Clark and the district's strategic plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No comments at this time.

FIRST RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

No comments at this time.

AGENDA

Gwen Thornton of New Jersey School Boards Association led a discussion on Board of Education goals which included board governance, legal updates and ethics training.

Clarification inquiry to Ms. Thornton on usage of electronic devices at Board meetings.
Clarification inquiry to Ms. Thornton Board member guidelines regarding communications with the media.

Mr. Sturges exited the meeting at 8:10 pm and returned at 8:14 pm.

A thorough discussion on the district's strategic plan took place to determine the focus for the Board's goals.

Ms. Thornton will compile results of the goal setting session for the Board. Mrs. Grant recommended that action to adopt the goals to take place after the summary is received back from New Jersey School Boards.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Clark provided information on standard response protocol *I Love You Guys Foundation* founded by John Michael Keys, who lost his daughter, Emily, during the Platte Canyon Shooting in Colorado.

Det. Sgt. Kevin Byrd, Hunterdon Prosecutor's Office, will present during Friday's Staff In-Service. He will also be meeting with the district's PTA to present school safety to parents.

Dr. Clark expressed her thanks to the district's maintenance dept., Dan Gorman and Joe Souto, as well as the custodial staff for their efforts and hard work clearing snow.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Maloy inquired as to the possibility of posting Board meetings on NJ.com to further reach the community.

SECOND RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

Public comments opened at 9:19 p.m.

- Mrs. Brennan, Fawn Drive, expressed her support for a district Facebook page for more communication. She also questioned whether there was a limit in which delayed openings count against sessions, AM Kindergarten session is missing too much school. Dr. Clark responded that there is no defined limit on delays.

Public comments closed at 9:24 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Action 14-AJ-010:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby adjourns this meeting.

Motion by M. Verderamo, Seconded by D. McTiernan. The resolution was adopted by the full membership of the Board at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

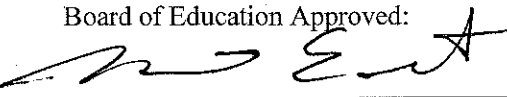


Heather A. Spitzer
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Minutes Prepared: 2/11/14

Minutes remain unofficial until Board of Education approval.

Board of Education Approved:



Maria Grant, President

2.24.14
Date