

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**AGENDA
Regular Meeting November 16, 2015 at 7:30 PM
Clinton Township Middle School Auditorium**

CALL TO ORDER: _____ called the meeting to order at _____ 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 the annual public notice on January 8, 2015.

- 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	Absent	Time of Arrival after meeting has been called to order
Ms. Maria Grant			
Mrs. Rachel McLaughlin			
Mrs. Gina Hand			
Mr. Kevin Maloy			
Mrs. Maria McHugh			
Mr. Dan McTiernan			
Mr. John Patuto			
Mr. Kevin Sturges			
Mrs. Susan Vanderoef			

Present: *District Administrators:*
_____ Dr. Drucilla W. Clark, Superintendent of Schools
_____ Mr. Anthony Juskiewicz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Present: _____ Vito Gagliardi, Esq., Board Attorney

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE:**

_____ led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCESS GUARDIAN: _____ was appointed Process Guardian.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS/REPORT

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Action Items 16-SU-006 through 16-SU-007

Dr. Clark will present the following to the Board of Education:

1. Enrollment Report - 1,403
2. Suspension Report -
(1) - ½ day in school suspension - RVS
3. HIB Reports
4. HIB & Violence and Vandalism Report- Reporting Period 1/1/15-6/30/15

Action 16-SU-006:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts the enrollment, suspension and HIB reports of the Superintendent as presented.*

Action 16-SU-007:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the following resolution approving the Clinton Township School District Electronic Violence and Vandalism and Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Reports;*

***WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A: 17-46, N.J.A.C. and N.J.A.C. 6A: 16-5.3(f); require that at two public hearings each year, the superintendent of schools provides a report to the board of education on all acts of violence and vandalism which occurred in the school district during the previous school year;*

***WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A: 36-5.1 and N.J.A.C. 6A: 16-5.2 designated October 19-23, 2015 as School Violence Awareness Week in the state of New Jersey;*

***WHEREAS**, the Clinton Township School District has observed this week by organizing activities to prevent school violence, including, but not limited to, age appropriate opportunities for student discussion on conflict resolution, issues of student diversity and tolerance;*

***WHEREAS**, law enforcement personnel were invited to join members of the teaching staff in the discussions;*

WHEREAS, programs designated to help recognize warning signs of school violence and to instruct on recommended conduct during an incident of school violence were provided for school employees;

WHEREAS, this public hearing is specifically conducted to fulfill the district's legal obligation to present school violence and vandalism information to the public and to conduct public hearings on the violence and vandalism report;

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-46 and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.3(a) 4, the Superintendent has provided a presentation to the board of education at the public hearing on all acts of violence and vandalism which occurred during the previous school year, including a report on the district's verified violence and vandalism data submitted under the Electronic Violence and Vandalism Reporting System (EVVRS) to the NJDOE for the previous school year (2014-2015).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the Superintendent's public report on Violence and Vandalism and HIB.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

	Ms. Grant	Mrs. Hand	Mr. Maloy	Mrs. McHugh	Mrs. McLaughlin	Mr. McTiernan	Mr. Patuto	Mr. Sturges	Mrs. Vanderoeff
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

PLEASE RESPECT THE 3-MINUTE SPEAKING RULE AS PER BOARD OF EDUCATION BYLAW #0167 SO THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

FIRST RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

Action Item 16-BA-013 through 16-BA-0116

Informational:

- The current date of the Board of Education's next meeting is scheduled for Monday December 21, 2015, at 7:30 p.m., in the Auditorium of Clinton Township Middle School.

Action 16-BA-013

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves the following Board Meeting minutes and Executive Session minutes for:*

***Minutes**
October 26, 2015*

***Executive Session**
October 26, 2015*

Action 16-BA-014:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2015.*

Action 16-BA-015:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves the line item transfers for the period ending September 30, 2015.*

Action 16-BA-016:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board Secretary, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-16.10 (c) 3 does hereby certify that as of the date of these reports, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-16.10 (a);*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Clinton Township Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month September 30, 2015; and further recommends, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-16.10 (c) 4, that the Board of Education certifies that no major account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-16.10 (b), and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.*

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

	Ms. Grant	Mrs. Hand	Mr. Maloy	Mrs. McHugh	Mrs. McLaughlin	Mr. McTiernan	Mr. Patuto	Mr. Sturges	Mrs. Vanderoef
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FACILITIES/FINANCE:

John Patuto- Chair; Dan McTiernan, Kevin Maloy & Maria Grant
Action Items 16-FF-112 through 16-FF-122

Action 16-FF-112:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the payment of bills in the amount of \$858,670.34 for the period ending November 30, 2016.

Action 16-FF-113:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following requests for employee/board member travel in accordance with the School District Accountability Act and Board of Education Policy No. 6471 "School District Travel." Only overnight stays are eligible to meal reimbursement. Mileage, meals, and lodging reimbursements shall be in accordance with NJ Statute, Code and NJ Department of Treasury Guidelines. Where more than five individuals from the district are to attend the same out-of-state conference, the school district shall obtain the prior written approval of the Executive County Superintendent, OMB Mileage Reimbursement Rate: \$0.31.

<i>Employee/School</i>	<i>Program Title/Location</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Mileage</i>	<i>Lodging/ Meals</i>
<i>Ellen Layton</i>	<i>Early Childhood Interventions & Autism Spectrum Disorder Parsippany, NJ</i>	<i>12/3/2015</i>	<i>\$199.99</i>	<i>OMB</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Kelly Gallo</i>	<i>Special Education and Math - Assessing the Common Core Jersey City, NJ</i>	<i>1/6/2016</i>	<i>\$149.00</i>	<i>OMB</i>	<i>N/A</i>

Action 16-FF-114:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the 2015/16 budget to appropriate \$75,000 from Maintenance Reserve to 11-000-261-420-000-000.*

Action 16-FF-115:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby accepts a donation of twenty (20) \$50 gift cards to the Spruce Run School from Whitehouse Station NJ, Wal-Mart to be distributed to teachers to purchase classroom supplies.*

Action 16-FF-116:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby accepts the 2015/16 Non-Public Security Aid for \$11,650.00.*

Action 16-FF-117:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves the 2015/16 Non-Public Security Aid Services Agreement with (HCEC) Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission with an 8% administrative fee.*

Action 16-FF-118:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves the following payment applications for the Round Valley Exterior Improvement Project as follows:*

<u>Payment Application #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Drill Construction	\$55,831.50

Action 16-FF-119

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves change order# 001 for Drill Construction for \$20,100 for the Clinton Township Middle School. This change order does not change the amount of the contract but utilizes an allowance built into the contract for \$25,000.*

Action 16-FF-120:

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby accepts a donation of a Promotional Banner to CTMS Cross Country Team with an approximate cost of \$200 by an anonymous donor.*

Action 16-FF-121:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves High Impact Youth Training Services, LLC to provide District wide Internet Safety Parent and Children Seminars on 1/28/16 at a rate of \$2,600.

Action 16-FF-122:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby acknowledges the following requests for graduate course approval, in accordance with the Negotiated Agreement:

<i>Employee</i>	<i>Program Title</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>
Nicole Fuentes	Innovative Approaches to Literary Instruction	Centenary College	Spring 2016

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

	Ms. Grant	Mrs. Hand	Mr. Maloy	Mrs. McHugh	Mrs. McLaughlin	Mr. McTiernan	Mr. Patuto	Mr. Sturges	Mrs. Vanderoef
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS:

Dan McTiernan – Chair; Maria Grant, Gina Hand & Susan Vanderoef
Action Items 16-PN-097 through 16-PN-101

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL STAFF APPOINTMENTS ARE AT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THAT ALL SALARIES ARE PRO-RATED TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF EMPLOYMENT AND WITHIN THE CURRENT SCHOOL BUDGET.

Action 16-PN-097:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the retirement of **Regina Gelinias**, CTMS Teacher – 7th Grade Social Studies, effective June 30, 2016.

POLICY/CURRICULUM:

**Rachel McLaughlin – Chair; Gina Hand, Kevin Sturges & Maria McHugh
Action Items 16-PC-017**

Action 16-PC-017:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following field trips (costs are funded through outside sources):

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
February 26, 2016	Raritan Valley Community College Theatre Branchburg, NJ	Grade 1	Ms. Snee
February 29, 2016	Liberty Science Center Jersey City, NJ	Grade 4	Ms. Jordan
May 18, 2016	Turtle Back Zoo West Orange, NJ	Grade 1	Ms. Staropoli
June 2, 2016	Liberty Science Center Jersey City, NJ	Grade 7	Ms. Daniello Ms. Gelinis
June 6, 2016	Spruce Run School Clinton, NJ	Grade K	Ms. Ferri

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

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Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

FEASIBILITY OF SCHOOL CLOSING AD-HOC:

Maria Grant – Chair; Gina Hand, Kevin Maloy & Susan Vanderoeff

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

SECOND RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Clinton Township Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Clinton Township Board of Education has determined that the following issues are permitted by N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance and shall be discussed during an Executive Session.

WHEREAS, any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly. The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is residency, and

WHEREAS, any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body. The collective bargaining contract discussed is between the Clinton Township Board of Education and the Clinton Township Education Association, and

***WHEREAS**, any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer. The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is anticipated litigation and matters protected by the attorney-client privilege and contract negotiations;*

***WHEREAS**, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be seventy-five (75) minutes after which the meeting shall reconvene and proceed with business.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Clinton Township Board of Education will go into Executive Session for only the above stated reasons;*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject will be made public at such time as the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.*

Action may be taken upon return.

Time: _____

(_____ Moved; _____ Seconded; _____ Ayes; _____ Nays; _____ Abstain)

***BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby approves reconvening the regular Board meeting.*

Time: _____

(_____ Moved; _____ Seconded; _____ Ayes; _____ Nays; _____ Abstain)

ADJOURNMENT

Action 16-AJ-006:

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

Time: _____

(_____ Moved; _____ Seconded; _____ Ayes; _____ Nays)