

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting February 27, 2017 at 7:30 PM
Clinton Township Middle School Auditorium**

CALL TO ORDER: Maria Grant called the meeting to order at 7:46 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 5, 2017.

- 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 Offices and in each Clinton Township School
- c. Faxing to the Clerk of Clinton Township

ROLL CALL

Board Members:

Present: Maria Grant, President
Rachel McLaughlin, Vice President
Alicia Demmerle
Kathleen Miller
Alissa Olawski
Susan Vanderoef

Not Present: Maria McHugh
Kevin Maloy
Yehara Raddalgoda

Present: *District Administrators:*
Dr. Gina Villani, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Anthony Juskiewicz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Present: Vito Gagliardi, Esq., Board Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alicia Demmerle led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCESS GUARDIAN: Susan Vanderoef was appointed Process Guardian.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS/REPORT

Mrs. Grant noted that the 2017-2018 School Calendar was not published on the website and delayed in getting out for this meeting but copies were available and questions could be asked during the public comment session of the meeting.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Action Items 17-SU-013 through 17-SU-016

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

1. Enrollment Report - 1,342
2. Suspension Report:
 - (4) - (1) day out-of-school suspensions - CTMS
 - (4) - (2) day out-of-school suspensions - CTMS
 - (2) - (1) day in-school suspensions - CTMS
 - (1) - (2) day in-school suspension - RVS
3. HIB & Violence and Vandalism Report - Reporting Period 9/1/16 - 12/31/16
4. Consolidated Monitoring Report
5. Budget Development Process Presentation with Anthony Juskiewicz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
6. Monthly Report

Dr. Villani shared the violence and vandalism numbers for the first reporting period. There was one incident of violence, one incident of vandalism, and three founded HIB's which were reported out each month as part of the Superintendent's Report.

She noted that SRS celebrated the 100th Day of school on February 6th and on Friday of the same week there was a surprise visit from The Cat in the Hat. The students were extremely excited about the visit. On February 22nd, the preschool lottery was held. Mrs. Steinheimer and Mrs. Goad were present for the drawing and the Child Study Team is in the process of notifying the parents.

On February 24th, Relay for Life was held at CTMS. Proceeds from that evening totaled \$53,250. The Drama Club will be presenting Honk Jr. on March 16, 17 and 18.

Dr. Villani shared that February 16th was a full professional day for the district and a pm session is scheduled for March 8th. Curriculum staff works collaboratively with teachers and administrators with sessions to discuss curriculum and instruction across grade levels.

She also noted that our website can be referenced for a number of year end events.

Action 17-SU-013:

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

Action 17-SU-014:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby affirms the first reading of the Superintendent of Schools' recommendation for disciplinary consequences and/or remedial actions as required by the State of New Jersey under the Anti-Bullying Rights for the following reports:

- *HIB Report Tracking Number 40185*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 40224*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 40326*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 40394*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 40451*

Action 17-SU-015:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby affirms the second reading of the Superintendent of Schools' recommendation for disciplinary consequences and/or remedial actions as required by the State of New Jersey under the Anti-Bullying Rights for the following reports:

- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39021*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39071*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39144*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39243*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39336*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39359*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39408*
- *HIB Report Tracking Number 39618*

Action 17-SU-016:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the HIB/Violence & Vandalism Report for the period September 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016, as presented.

Motion by S. Vanderoef, Seconded by A. Olawski. The Board adopts resolution 17-SU-013 through 17-SU-016 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; nays: 0; abstain: 0; absent: 3.

Mrs. Grant noted that with Relay for Life, our district raises the third largest amount nationally for this event to benefit The American Cancer Society. She then offered her congratulations.

At this time a presentation for Consolidated Monitoring was given by Mrs. Steinheimer.

After the Consolidated Monitoring presentation was completed, the Budget Development Process was presented by Dr. Villani and Mr. Juskiewicz.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

PLEASE RESPECT THE 3-MINUTE SPEAKING RULE AS PER BOARD OF EDUCATION BYLAW #9322 SO THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

Abby Vanderoef, Megan Moore and Lily Kumar Shared that they are Christians and their faith is really important to them so they are excited to get the Fellowship of Christian Athletes up and running in the district. They've been working with Mrs. Hammond and Mr. Grecco to get it started.

FIRST RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

PLEASE RESPECT THE 3-MINUTE SPEAKING RULE AS PER BOARD OF EDUCATION BYLAW #9322 SO THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

Lana Brennan commented on the length of time for the 17-18 school calendar completion when North Hunterdon High School completed and adopted theirs in the fall to which Mrs. McLaughlin explained the process. Our district takes into consideration North's calendar so their calendar needs to be completed first and then it is reviewed by our committee and finalized prior to board approval.

She questioned I&RS referrals and parent notification to which Mrs. Steinheimer replied that in some cases parents were notified but going forward all parents will be notified. They are typically referred once and the needs are discussed and a plan is written with baseline data, strategies and interventions. Then approximately 6-8 weeks later the student is re-evaluated and the team meets to discuss the effectiveness of the strategies and then individualized.

She questioned the date on resolution FF-172 to which Dr. Villani replied. This was regarding a student that the district questioned placement at the end of the 14/15 school year, the state took a year to respond which was in September/October of this year, and then our district had legwork to do in conjunction with the student's previous district.

She then questioned resolution PN-148 as to why the district did not use Source 4 Teachers. Dr. Villani replied that Source 4 Teachers only had two certified candidates. One lived too far away and the other, upon interview, was not a good fit for our district.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

Action Items 17-BA-023 through 17-BA-026

Informational:

- The date of the Board of Education's next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7:30 p.m., in the Auditorium of Clinton Township Middle School.
- There will be a 2017/2018 Budget Presentation held on March 13, 2017 and April 24, 2017 during the Board of Education's regular meetings beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of Clinton Township Middle School.

Action 17-BA-023:

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

Minutes

January 4, 2017 Reorganization Meeting

January 23, 2017

Executive Session

January 4, 2017

January 23, 2017

Action 17-BA-024:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports for the period ending January 31, 2017.

Action 17-BA-025:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the line item transfers for the period ending January 31, 2017.

Action 17-BA-026:

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(s) of January 31, 2017; 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.

Motion by R. McLaughlin, Seconded by K. Miller. The Board adopts resolution 17-BA-023 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 5; nays: 0; abstain: 1; absent: 3 for Executive Session Minutes. The Board adopts resolution 17-BA-024 through 17-BA-026 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; nays: 0; abstain: 0; absent: 3.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FACILITIES/FINANCE:

Alissa Olawski- Chair; Kevin Maloy, Alicia Demmerle, Maria Grant
Action Items 17-FF-163 through 17-FF-185

Action 17-FF-163:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the payment of bills in the amount of \$1,970,526.46 for the period ending February 28, 2017.

Action 17-FF-164:

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 #9250 "Expenses and Reimbursements." Only overnight stays are eligible for 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.

Employee/School	Program Title/Location	Date	Cost	Mileage	Lodging/ Meals
Thomas Connolly	Legal One: Code of Conduct NJPSA Monroe, NJ	2/24/17	\$150.00	OMB	N/A
Kendra Squindo Kerri Siedenbug	Mental Health Issues North Hunterdon HS	3/17/2017 and 4/28/2017 Plus one day online course	\$300.00 per person	OMB	N/A

Tim Jaw Joanne Filus Jessica Heuer Lisa Waddell Dawn Napoli	Google Certification Training Clinton Public School Clinton, NJ	4/10/2017 and 4/11/2017	\$200.00 per person	OMB	N/A
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Action 17-FF-165:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends prior motion 17-FF-143 (January 23, 2017) to include lodging for Dr. Gina Villani to attend Techspo in Atlantic City, NJ on January 26 and 27, 2017 in the amount of \$104.00.

Action 17-FF-166:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts two ExxonMobil Grants in the amount of \$500.00 each for science materials and school supplies for CTMS.

Action 17-FF-167:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following payment applications for the exterior envelope improvements at various schools as follows:

<u>Payment Application #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4	Spartan Construction, Inc.	\$5,866.25

Action 17-FF-168:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following payment applications for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase II Improvement Project as follows:

<u>Payment Application #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6	Ray Palmer, Associates	\$28,694.44

Action 17-FF-169:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the 2016/17 budget to appropriate \$14,973.00 from Capital Reserve to Account 12-000-400-450-000-000 for the following projects:

Change order for the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades: \$14,973.00

Action 17-FF-170:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves change order #005 for Ray Palmer Associates for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase II Improvement Project in the amount of \$14,973.00 for the Clinton Township Middle School. This change order adjusts the amount of the contract from \$373,048.04 to \$388,021.04.

Action 17-FF-171:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the disposal of obsolete and/or non-functioning technology equipment:
Casio cash register: Sanyo ECR 360 serial #913433 at PMG

Action 17-FF-172:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves a contract with East Mountain School for SID #9364511748 to attend during the 14-15 school year beginning May 13, 2015 for a total cost of \$8,563.59.

Action 17-FF-173:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves a transportation jointure for SID #9766553204 to Newmark School for the 2017 with Cassidy Bus through the Warren County Special Services School District at a rate of \$62.39 per day for 94 days plus 4.0% admin fees.

Route #	# Days	# Aides	Per Diem	Total
1413	94	0	\$62.39	\$5,864. + 234.59 (4.0%) = \$6,099.25

Action 17-FF-174:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the agreement to participate in coordinated transportation services with Somerset County Educational Services Commission for the 2017/2018 school year.

Action 17-FF-175:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves a contract with Staff Development Workshops, Inc. to provide two days of Literacy Professional Development on June 5 and June 8, 2017 for the 2016/2017 school year in the amount of \$3,200.

Action 17-FF-176:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the request for pupil transportation to Dual Residences within Clinton Township in accordance with Regulation R 8600 "Pupil Transportation" for the 2016/2017 school year:

<u>SID#</u>	<u>School</u>
1060957653	PMG
2339212789	PMG

Action 17-FF-177:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves an amendment to the 2016/17 IDEA Grant Preschool budget. The Instructional Supply budget (100-600) will have \$2,550 reallocated to Non Instructional Expenditures; Consultants Professional Technical (200-300).

Action 17-FF-178:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Silvergate Preparatory to provide Home Instruction to SID #8497611648 beginning January 23, 2017 until March 3, 2017 at an hourly rate of \$42.00, not to exceed 5 hours a week.

Action 17-FF-179:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Silvergate Preparatory to provide Home Instruction to Non-Public SID #11953 beginning February 2, 2017 until March 3, 2017 at an hourly rate of \$42.00, not to exceed 5 hours a week.

Action 17-FF-180:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves a contract with Meredith Lynar, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Independent Contractor to consult with Teaching Staff and provide direct and indirect services for students ages 3-5 at an hourly rate of \$85.00 per hour; not to exceed 30 hours, beginning February 21, 2017 until June 16, 2017, pending Criminal History Report.

Action 17-FF-181:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends prior motion 17-FF-156 (January 23, 2017) for Kathleen Ronca of kathykidtalk, pediatric speech therapy, llc, an Independent Contractor, to reflect and increase from 2.5 days a week to 3 days a week at a rate of \$360.00 per day, for speech language services beginning February 27, 2017 through June 30, 2017.

Action 17-FF-182:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Deborah Haff, with DRH Consulting Group, LLC, to administer an Educational Assessment for SID #5345909252 during the 2016/2017 school year for a fee of \$1,750.00.

Action 17-FF-183:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2017/2018 PreSchool monthly tuition rate change from \$275.00 per month to \$300.00 per month.

Action 17-FF-184:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves a withdrawal from the capital reserve account to increase the budget in 2016/2017 & 2017/18 to appropriate \$559,460 from Capital Reserve to Account 12-000-400-450-000-000 for the following projects:

<i>Waterproof of entire school building at RVS</i>	<i>\$35,000</i>
<i>Install of water softening system at CTMS & RVS</i>	<i>\$76,460</i>
<i>Masonry Repairs at CTMS</i>	<i>\$55,000</i>
<i>Window replacement at SRS</i>	<i>\$121,000</i>
<i>Security upgrades at all schools</i>	<i>\$125,000</i>
<i>Bleacher replacement at RVS gym</i>	<i>\$65,000</i>
<i>Floor tile replacement at PMG</i>	<i>\$22,000</i>
<i>HVAC upgrades</i>	<i>\$60,000</i>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby desires to advance the following capital projects above, and

WHEREAS, capital reserve funds may be appropriated by board resolution to support eligible or otherwise eligible capital projects, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education acknowledges that State support for capital projects is not currently available, and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Facilities must approve all capital projects and will only move forward with approval of a properly submitted capital project if a local Board of Education declares an eligible capital project as "otherwise" eligible, and

WHEREAS, by declaring a capital project as "otherwise" eligible, the Board of Education hereby declares that the above-mentioned projects will be supported in full with local capital reserve funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares the above referenced projects as "otherwise" eligible and directs the School Business Administrator to request the State Department of Facilities Approval, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby appropriates \$559,460 from its capital reserve fund to support the full cost of these projects.

Action 17-FF-185:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves a contract with LifeTouch Photography Inc., for student photography services for the 2017/2018 school year, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion by A. Olawski, Seconded by S. Vanderoef. The Board adopts resolution 17-FF-163 through 17-FF-185 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; nays: 0; abstain: 0; absent: 3.

PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS:

Personnel: Susan Vanderoef – Chair; Maria Grant, Kathy Miller & Alissa Olawski

Negotiations (CTEA): Maria Grant- Chair; Alissa Olawski, Kevin Maloy & Alicia Demmerle

Negotiations (CTAA): Susan Vanderoef - Chair; Rachel McLaughlin Alissa Olawski & Maria Grant

Action Items 17-PN-140 through 17-PN-158

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 17-PN-140:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Amy Gittins to provide Home Instruction to SID #6242850093 beginning February 3, 2017 through June 16, 2017 at an hourly rate of \$28.62, not to exceed 30 hours.

Action 17-PN-141:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Jane Smolyn as a Teacher's Assistant to SID #4075464321 to attend the CTMS after school Art Club from February 28, 2017 – June 8, 2017 at an hourly rate of \$18.00 per hour, not to exceed 10 hours.

Action 17-PN-142:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Elizabeth Tracey as a Teacher's Assistant to SID #4075464321 to attend the CTMS after school Art Club from February 28, 2017 – June 8, 2017 at an hourly rate of \$18.00 per hour, not to exceed 10 hours.

Action 17-PN-143:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following staff members to participate in two District Professional Development Days, February 17, 2017 and tentatively June 19, 2017, which occur on dates the employees do not typically work. To be paid at their hourly rate of pay:

- Renee Taft - \$43.27 per hour*
- Kelly Worman - \$42.65 per hour*

Action 17-PN-144:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Club with Dean Greco as the volunteer Club Advisor for the 2016/2017 school year.

Action 17-PN-145:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following individuals as Athletic advisors for the 2016/17 school year, with stipend as follows:

<i>Activity Name</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Stipend</i>	<i>Year</i>
<i>Girl's Lacrosse Coach</i>	<i>Chelsey Lindaberry</i>	<i>\$2,332</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Girl's Lacrosse Assistant Coach</i>	<i>Keri Seidenberg</i>	<i>\$1,802</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Boy's Baseball Coach</i>	<i>Richard Tarriff</i>	<i>\$2,491</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Assistant Boy's Baseball Coach</i>	<i>Jessica Moore</i>	<i>\$1,484</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Girl's Softball Coach</i>	<i>Kelly Gallo</i>	<i>\$2,120</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Assistant Girl's Softball Coach</i>	<i>James Gallo</i>	<i>\$1,749</i>	<i>2</i>

Action 17-PN-146:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves **Brent Ruge** as Golf Advisor for the 2016/17 school year to be paid \$530.00 (stipend to be funded from the activity itself).

Action 17-PN-147:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following individuals as volunteer Golf Club Chaperones for the 2016/17 school year:

*Ellen Jacobsen
John Musumeci*

Action 17-PN-148:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the employment of **Mark Buschi**, CTMS Disability/Maternity Leave Replacement Teacher – Grade 8 - Social Studies, Step A, BA, \$52,340 (pro-rated), effective January 30, 2017 through on or about June 19, 2017.

Action 17-PN-149:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the employment of **Willard Hoover**, SRS Custodian, Step (0), \$39,800 (pro-rated), effective February 28, 2017 for the 2016/2017 school year.

Action 17-PN-150:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the request for Disability/Maternity Leave of Absence for **Heather Burd**, RVS .5 Child Study Team Secretary, for the period beginning July 13, 2017 through August 25, 2017.

Action 17-PN-151:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the request for a Disability Leave of Absence for **Cindy Gugliandolo**, CTMS .5 Secretary, for the period beginning March 23, 2017 through April 13, 2017.

Action 17-PN-152:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends prior motion 17-PN-120 (January 23, 2017) to reflect a change of the Maternity/Child Rearing end date for **Kelly Petrucelli**, SRS Teacher - Kindergarten, from January 31, 2018 to December 31, 2017.

Action 17-PN-153:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends prior motion 17-PN-120 (December 19, 2016) to reflect a change of the Disability Leave end date for **Debra Krupp**, Human Resources Coordinator, from returning March 20, 2017 to returning March 27, 2017.

Action 17-PN-154:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends prior motion 17-PN-119 (December 19, 2016) to reflect an Extension of a Family Leave of Absence for **Kathleen Pilla**, SRS Teacher – Grade 1, from February 10, 2017 to March 24, 2017.

Action 17-PN-155

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following Substitute Nurse(s) effective on or after February 28, 2017 (pending issuance of County Substitute Certificate) for the 2016/2017 school year:

Melissa DiGioia

Action 17-PN-156:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Tim Barton as an Administrative Intern (Montclair State University) with Mary Postma, Principal, PMG, for the period of January 2017 through May 2017.

Action 17-PN-157:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves North Hunterdon High School student, SID # 9636447896, to volunteer in the Child Study Team Office for two half days, per week, beginning on or about February 28, 2017 until June 15, 2017.

Action 17-PN-158:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the use of 26 sick days from the Sick Leave Bank, as specified in Article XII Leaves and Absences, paragraph 5 of the Clinton Township Education Association contract, to employee SMID #49876253.

Motion by S. Vanderoef, Seconded by A. Olawski, The Board adopts resolution 17-PN-140 through 17-PN-158 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; nays: 0; abstain: 0; absent: 3.

POLICY/CURRICULUM:**Rachel McLaughlin – Chair; Maria McHugh & Yehara Raddalgoda****Action Items 17-PC-035 through 17-PC-039****Action 17-PC-035:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the district calendar for the 2017/18 school year.

Action 17-PC-036:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the submission of a grant proposal to the Clinton Township Foundation for Educational Excellence for the project Body Image and Media Literacy in the amount of \$4,000 for the 2016/17 school year.

Action 17-PC-037:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the submission of a grant proposal to the Clinton Township Foundation for Educational Excellence for the project Discovery Education Science Techbooks in the amount of \$16,320 for the 2016/17 school year.

Action 17-PC-038:

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

<i>Date</i>	<i>Destination</i>	<i>Grade/Group</i>	<i>Teacher</i>
<i>May 19, 2017</i>	<i>Dorney Park Allentown, PA</i>	<i>CTMS Music Groups</i>	<i>Mr. Tarriff</i>
<i>May 25, 2017 (rain date: 6/1/17)</i>	<i>Six Flags Great Adventure Jackson, NJ</i>	<i>CTMS 8th Grade Students</i>	<i>Ms. Abrams/ Ms. Damanakis</i>

Action 17-PC-039:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the first reading of the following 6000 series (Instruction) policies and regulations, as presented to the Board as follows:

Policies*6171.4 Special Education***Regulations***6171.4 Special Education*

Motion by R. McLaughlin, Seconded by K. Miller. The Board adopts resolution 17-PC-035 through 17-PC-039 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; nays: 0; abstain: 0; absent: 3.

FEASIBILITY OF SCHOOL CLOSING

Maria Grant – Chair; Susan Vanderoef & Rachel McLaughlin

Mrs. Grant noted that in March of 2016 the ad hoc committee presented results of their research regarding closing of a school which determined that it would not be feasible to close a school for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school year under the district's current enrollment of 2016-17.

She noted several risks associated with school consolidation including running remaining buildings at capacity, financial implications of space accommodations in the remaining buildings and proving to both the state and county that consolidation was possible by going through an extensive approval process.

Mrs. Grant noted triggers necessary to avoid risks previously mentioned including class sizes not violating the District's policy, the NJ Department of education and Executive County Superintendent approving the consolidation, operational requirements and building upgrades would need to be finalized and a sustainable revenue generating program would need to be identified and implemented in the remaining building.

The committee has begun to work with Dr. Villani to move forward in monitoring district enrollments, conduct cost analysis of consolidation savings, conduct formal feasibility studies of full consolidation, work with the Division of School Finance and the Executive County Superintendent offices to identify steps involved in the approval process, work with an architect with regard to space accommodations and identify revenue generation.

Mrs. Grant reported that the committee met on February 16, 2017 and has taken the following steps to continue to meet their commitments:

- We have identified an expert to conduct a cost analysis for consolidating the district into three buildings and to do an extensive feasibility analysis regarding the consolidation process; identify the in-district processes required to close a school and consolidate
- Ask Mr. Gagliardi, our board attorney, to work with the state and county to properly identify the steps and put a timeline around getting approval to close a school
- We have identified other districts that have closed a school within the last few years and have reached out to them in an effort to learn about any analysis that they took to evaluate the potential for consolidating their, and also to help us identify the process to which they went through to consolidate. This research will insure that we conduct a thorough, efficient and effective analysis and process as we look to close a school.

- Begun to gather published articles related to closing a school

She stated that more details will be provided this spring regarding this process.

OLD BUSINESS

R. McLaughlin was unable to attend the Hunterdon County School Board Association meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None

SECOND RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

PLEASE RESPECT THE 3-MINUTE SPEAKING RULE AS PER BOARD OF EDUCATION BYLAW #9322 SO THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

Francis Goger from Bethlehem Township thanked everyone's support in passing the referendum and would like to invite all surrounding districts to meet in the future for conversations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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 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 Administration Association, and the Clinton Township Board of Education and the Clinton Township Education Association, and

WHEREAS, the nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is attorney-client privilege, and negotiations;

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be sixty (60) 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: 9:10 p.m.

Motion by K. Miller, Seconded by S. Vanderoef. The resolution was adopted on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; abstain 0; nays 0; absent 3.

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

Time: 10:10 p.m.

Motion by A. Olawski, Seconded by K. Miller. The resolution was adopted on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; abstain 0; nays 0; absent 3.

ADJOURNMENT

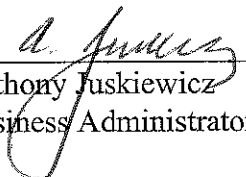
Action 17-AJ-009:

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

Time: 10:11 p.m.

Motion by R. McLaughlin, Seconded by A. Olawski. The resolution was adopted on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6; abstain 0; nays 0; absent 3.

Respectfully Submitted,




Anthony Juskiewicz
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

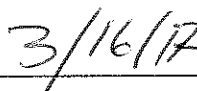
Minutes Prepared: 2/28/17

Minutes remain unofficial until Board of Education approval.

Board of Education Approved:



Maria Grant, President



Date