

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting – December 17, 2007**

**TIME AND PLACE:** The regular meeting was held on December 17, 2007, by the Board of Education of the Clinton Township School District, Hunterdon County, in the All-Purpose Room of the Round Valley 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 on the district website, 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 June 11, 2007.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Board President Roger Straight called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

<b>Present:</b>	Roger Straight, President	Janette LaVigne
	Jim Dincuff, Vice President	Thomas Roskoski
	Michelle Cresti	Debra Weiss
	Mark Kaplan	

**Absent:** Donna Gregory  
Charles Many

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS**

**PRESENT:** Elizabeth A. Nastus, Superintendent of Schools  
Daria A. Wasserbach, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

In addition to the monthly report on pupil enrollment and suspension, Dr. Nastus, recognized a letter from Mark Bonjavanni, Senior Consultant with NJ School Boards Association thanking Daria Wasserbach for her December 8 presentation at the School Finance Program, *Boards and Administration – Working Together on Finance*.

Dr. Nastus introduced Spruce Run School Principal Lindsay Nahm for a discussion of a self-funded, parent-paid tuition extended kindergarten program for the 2008/09 school year.





1360	Town of Clinton	Water Engineering	\$230.00
1361	Soyka Smith Design	CTMS Furniture	\$11,183.20
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$18,441.39</b>

*Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-240: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation of \$1,600 from the Exxon Mobil Corporation for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Education. Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

Special thanks were extended to Exxon Mobile for their generosity.

**Action 08-241: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the Fiscal Year 2008 IDEIA Notification of Grant Award as approved by the NJ DOE as follows:*

*Basic: .....\$414,331  
Preschool: .....\$13,512*

*Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-242: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the Fiscal Year 2008 NCLB Notification of Grant Award as approved by the NJ DOE as follows:*

*Title II A (Training and Recruitment):.....\$23,824  
Title III (LEP Consortium): .....\$19,562  
Title IV (Safe and Drug Free Schools) .....\$4,400  
Title V (Innovative Programs) .....\$2,619*

*Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-243: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education establishes the 2008/2009 receiving tuition rates (annual) as certified by the NJ Department of Education:*

*Preschool/K.....\$8,035  
Grades 1-5 .....\$9,528*

Grades 6-8 .....\$9,537  
Preschool Disabilities (Part-time).....\$21,389

*Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-244: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education establishes the following 2008/2009 parent-paid tuition rates (annual) as follows:*

Preschool (Part-time) .....\$3,500  
Part-time Kindergarten Enrichment.....\$3,500

*Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-245: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2007/2008 Round Valley School Services Contract with Otis Elevator Company, Farmington, CT, in the amount of \$1,406.38  
Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-246: RESOLUTION**

*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. 9250 “Expenses and Reimbursements”. Only overnight stays are eligible for meal reimbursement. Mileage, meals, and lodging reimbursements shall be in accordance with IRS rates and regulations.*

Employee/BOE Member	Program Title/Location	Date(s)	Cost	Mileage	Lodging (per diem)	Meals (per diem)
Board Members						
<b>Donna Gregory</b>	Mandatory Board Member Training, North Branch, NJ	1/16/08	\$32	Y	NA	NA
Employees						
<b>Bobbie Felip</b>	Learning Brain Expo, San Francisco, CA	1/18 – 1/21/08	\$675	NA	NA	NA
<b>Diane Radwill</b>	Comprehensive ABA Programming, Piscataway, NJ	3/10/08	\$175	Y	NA	NA
<b>Diane Radwill</b>	Functional	1/23/08	\$175	Y	NA	NA

	Assessment, Piscataway, NJ					
<b>Pam Lester</b>	NJASCD Annual Conference, East Winsor, NJ	1/31/08	\$140	NA	NA	NA

*Motion by T. Roskoski, seconded by J. Dincuff. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS:**

**Michelle Cresti – Chair, Donna Gregory, Jim Dincuff, Janette LaVigne**

**Action 08-247: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following requests for graduate course approval as approved by the Superintendent of Schools:*

<i>Employee</i>	<i>Semester</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>
<b><i>Dina Alleman</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Curriculum Development and Evaluation</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Anne Alley</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Administration and Supervision</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Regina Gelinis</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Successful Teaching for Acceptance of Responsibility</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Timothy Jaw</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Intro to Educational Administration</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Debra Tackney</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Supervision of Instruction</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Julia Williams</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Inclusive Practices</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Maureen Zappulla</i></b>	<i>Spring 2008</i>	<i>Seminar in Research and Application in Special Ed</i>	<i>3</i>

*Motion by M. Cresti, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-248: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the Notice of Intent to Retire from Ellen Burnett, RVS Teacher, effective June 30, 2008. Motion by M. Cresti, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-249: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the Notice of Intent to Retire from Susan Farnham, SRS Teacher, effective June 30, 2008. Motion by M. Cresti, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

Dr. Nastus commented on the many contributions that Ms. Burnett and Ms. Farnham have made to the educational community during their life-long careers with the Clinton Township School



*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2007/2008 appointment of Erik Apffel as after-hours Teacher Assistant for the winter sports season for up to two (2) hours per day at a rate of \$21.20 per hour in accordance with the Negotiated Agreement. Motion by M. Cresti, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-256: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following 2007/2008 substitute teachers at a rate of \$90 per day:*

*Kathleen Connors  
Ann Marie Linnen  
Lisa Melillo  
Linda Walling*

*Motion by M. Cresti, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**POLICY/CURRICULUM:**

**Jim Dincuff – Chair, Mark Kaplan, Chuck Many, Debbie Weiss**

**Action 08-257: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Hunterdon County Education Services Commission to provide home instruction for student 3-10 not to exceed 10 hours per week at a rate of \$45 per hour, beginning 11/28/07 and concluding 12/21/07. Motion by J. Dincuff, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**Action 08-258: RESOLUTION**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Geraldine Vitovitch to provide home instruction for student 3-10 not to exceed 10 hours per week at a rate of \$28.62 per hour in accordance with the negotiated agreement, beginning 12/1/07 and concluding 12/21/07. Motion by J. Dincuff, seconded by R. Straight. On a roll call vote resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 7; nays, 0.*

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Donna Gregory – Chair, Michelle Cresti, Mark Kaplan, Janette LaVigne**

Mr. Kaplan reported on the budget season communications and the staff breakfast scheduled for Thursday, December 20.

Mr. Roskoski commented on holiday parties.

**RECOGNITION**





Clinton Township Board of Education Meeting Minutes  
December 17, 2007

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Minutes Prepared: 12/19/07

Minutes remain unofficial until Board of Education approval.

Board of Education Approved:

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Roger Straight  
Board President

January 28, 2008  
Date