## CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### **MINUTES**

Special Meeting August 30, 2017 at 7:00 PM Clinton Township Middle School Auditorium

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Grant called the meeting to order at 7:11pm.

## 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 August 28, 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

Jeffrey Foy Maria McHugh Susan Vanderoef

Not Present:

Kevin Maloy

Alissa Olawski Yehara Raddalgoda

Present:

District Administrators:

Dr. Pamela Fiander, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Edward F. McManus, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Not Present: Vito Gagliardi, Esq., Board Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Dr. Foy led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCESS GUARDIAN:

Mrs. McLaughlin was appointed Process Guardian.

#### PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS/REPORT

Ms. Grant spoke about the transition of Dr. Fiander into the school district. Ms. Grant spoke about Dr. Fiander's interest in being a long term member of the district and in the Board of Education's commitment this evening to offer Dr. Fiander a long term contract.

## 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.

Lana Brennan questioned the lead testing at the schools and asked students would be able to fill water bottles at school.

Dr. Fiander responded that a summary is posted on our district website which shares what is taking place with regard to remediation. PMG and the Middle School have been "all cleared," with no further action required. They had two kitchen sinks to remediate and are using filters that are lead reducing. She noted that the State EPA requires 15.5 parts per billion to be below the action level; however, the Clinton Twp School District is even more strict with a 10 parts per billion limit. She stated that filter cartridges were placed in bubblers/fountains at Spruce Run; however, the results were still unacceptable. It turns out that the supplier provided wrong cartridges. Six were replaced tested and are now fine. Additional testing will take place between 6-7 am at Spruce Run School on August 31st for the additional 12 lead reducing cartridges, and results will be given to us by Friday. Dr. Fiander stated that she anticipates the results to be fine with no further action needed, and just to be sure, water coolers are in 3 pods of Spruce Run School, which will be removed once we are all clear.

## PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS:

Personnel: Susan Vanderoef - Chair; Maria Grant, 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 18-PN-053 through 18-PN-057

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.

Mrs. Vanderoef provided her report and spoke of the action items for tonight's meeting.

### Action 18-PN-053:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Lauren Smith, 1.0 CTMS School Psychologist, Step A, MA in F+30, \$59,840, effective August 30, 2017 for the 2017/2018 school year.

### Action 18-PN-054:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Kelly Oakes, .5 SRS Preschool Inclusion Teacher, Step B, BA, \$26,740, effective August 30, 2017 for the 2017/2018 school year.

## Action 18-PN-055:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the employment of Darrin Daniello, Systems Manager, effective August 31, 2017 with an annual salary of \$67,750, prorated for the 17/18 school year.

## Action 18-PN-056:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends prior action 18-PN-050 (August 21, 2017) to read as follows: to approve the 2017–2021 employment contract for Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Pamela Fiander, with an annual salary of: 2017-2018-\$150,000 (prorated from August 21, 2017), 2018-2019 - \$155,000, 2019-2020 - \$160,000, and 2020-2021 - \$160,000, subject to final contract approval from the Executive County Superintendent.

#### Action 18-PN-057:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby amends the prior action 17-PN-259 (June 26, 2017) to read as follows: to approve the employment contract for Edward McManus, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, with an annual salary of \$123,500, prorated, effective August 31, 2017 for the 2017/2018 school year subject to final contract approval from the Executive County Superintendent.

Motion by Mrs. McLaughlin, Seconded by Mrs. McHugh. The Board adopts resolution 18-PN-053 through 18-PN-057 on a roll call vote as follows: ayes 6 nays: 0; abstain: 0; absent: 3.

#### **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 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 attorney-client privilege, personnel 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: 7:21 pm

Motion by Mrs. Demmerle, Seconded by Dr. Foy. The resolution was adopted on full board consent.

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

Time: 7:33 pm

Motion by Mrs. Vanderoef, Seconded by Mrs. McHugh. The resolution was adopted on full board consent.

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

# Action 18-AJ-005:

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

Time: 7:33 pm

Motion by Mrs. McLaughlin, Seconded by Dr. Foy. The resolution was adopted on full board consent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward F. McManus

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Minutes Prepared: 8/31/17

Minutes remain unofficial until Board of Education approval.

Board of Education Approved:

9-25-1

Maria Grant, President

