

**EATONTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Eatontown, New Jersey**  
**February 27, 2017**

**Minutes**

Mr. Robert English, Board President read the following statement: I hereby announce, pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as follows: A notice was published on January 6, 2017, in the Asbury Park Press and sent to the Atlanticville on January 6, 2017, distributed to the Eatontown Borough Clerk and posted on the front door of the Board of Education Building at 5 Grant Avenue, Eatontown, New Jersey, stating the time, date, and place of this meeting.

Mr. English read the District Mission Statement: It is the mission of the Eatontown Public Schools to set high academic and social expectations for its students. By providing our students with appropriate staffing, resources and funding they will be able to reach these expectations and achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards as well as the Common Core State Standards.

Roll Call            The meeting was called to order with the following members in attendance: Messrs. Bennett, English, Lawson, Ortiz and Siino and Mmes. Flynn and Martinock. Mrs. Miller and Mr. Fitterer were absent. Also present were Mr. Scott T. McCue, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Lori Youngclaus, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Mr. Dennis Collins, Esq.

Moment of Reflection

Mr. English read the following statement: Let us take a moment for each of us to reflect on our mission and its place in our work here today and its impact to our continuing commitment to the students of the Eatontown Public School District.

Pledge to the Flag            All pledged allegiance to our Flag.

Superintendent's Report            Mr. Scott T. McCue gave the following report:

- As we approach the end of February, I wanted to report on a few on the benefits of grade banding experienced thus far. First, the ability to host the entire grade level in one building has been a very positive feature educationally speaking. In the master schedule, each grade level K-6 has common planning time built into their schedules. In addition, K-6 teachers now have the ability to meet together at least once a week for a period to discuss educational issues, topics, and concerns. Before realignment, this collaboration time was not possible. Using this time, teachers are discussing how they can work together to improve teaching and learning at their grade levels. In addition, teachers are figuring out ways to make their practices more consistent and effective. Each grade level is examining topics such as Field Trips, Homework, Classroom Supplies, Parent Communication Methods, Book Reports/Book Reviews, Technology Usage, Retesting Procedures,

Projects, Special Events, Instructional Pacing, Lesson Planning, Grading Policies, Handwriting, and Future Professional Development. At the conclusion of this work, each grade level will have a set agreements that bind their practices together moving forward. Teachers also are examining student data as well. The grade level discussions including the principals as part of the process has been a powerful learning tool.

New programs and ideas are developing as well. For example, Meadowbrook School is piloting a new “Walk to Read” program at the first grade level. Reading instruction is being differentiated on a grade level basis based upon the needs of the students as well as the student data results. At Woodmere School, Mrs. D’Agnese is piloting a STEAM program through her Media Center. Classes are being invited to the Media Center to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics activities and lessons. At Vetter School, a Science Lab equipped with materials and other equipment has been created to support the new Next Generation Science Standards at the 5-6 grade levels. These are just a few of the new programs being implemented at this time.

In the Arts, based upon the Winter Concert attendance, the district is seeing renewed interest in the music program. Concert attendance was very strong. In addition, student involvement is high as well. For example, at Vetter School, the Vetter Band and Chorus have grown so much, future concerts are now scheduled in the Memorial School Gymnasium. The larger Chorus and Band numbers at Vetter School enable the music teacher to prep the Chorus and Band in a more advanced manner. In addition, second graders at Meadowbrook School now have the opportunity to play the Hand Chimes.

The upcoming district newsletter also featured a few of these programs as well. In Year 1, the foundation has been laid for future innovation and creativity.

- The Lions Club announced that Mimi Nguyen, an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Memorial School, was the District 16L Peace Poster Contest Winner. Mimi’s poster was selected from 385 other posters that entered the contest. Congratulations to Mimi Nguyen!
- Last but not least, I received a few calls from Board of Education Members regarding the possible move of Eatontown Department of Public Works to a property on Fort Monmouth that was reported in area newspapers. I communicated to George Jackson, via text, and he stated that this possible move if it comes to fruition will not impact the agreement between the Board of Education and the Borough at 250 Pinebrook Road.

Mrs. Bennett presented the following Resolution, seconded by Mr. Lawson.

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Superintendent’s Report.

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report (Mandated by the State)

Aye: Bennett, English, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock, Ortiz and Siino

Nay: None

Absent: Fitterer and Miller

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lawson presented the following Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Martinock.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 13, 2017, be approved as attached.

Aye: Bennett, English, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock, Ortiz and Siino  
Nay: None  
Absent: Fitterer and Miller

Opened to the Public

Mr. Bennett presented the following Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Martinock.

Upon call of the question, the motion passed unanimously.

There were no comments from the Public.

Meeting Closed to the Public

Mr. Bennett motioned to close the meeting to the Public, seconded by Mr. Lawson.

Upon call of the question, the motion passed unanimously.

Insurance & Finance

Mr. Lawson presented the following Resolution, seconded by Mr. Bennett.

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Certified List of Bills in the amount of \$3,011,069.83 dated February 27, 2017, be approved as enclosed.
2. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the payment of \$44,809.16 to Sodexo Inc. & Affiliates for the cost of food service operation for the month of January 2017, as per the district's contract agreement.

Aye: Bennett, English (item # 1 except staples bill, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock, Ortiz and Siino  
Nay: None  
Abstain: English (item #2)  
Absent: Fitterer and Miller

Educational Resources

Mrs. Martinock presented the following Resolutions, seconded by Mrs. Flynn.

1. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following workshops for the 2016-2017 school year for the personnel listed below plus mileage if requested:

Sue Hartman, Memorial School Nurse  
Workshop: Series of 3 Workshops For School Nurses on Topics Relevant to School Health, Centra State Hospital, Freehold, NJ  
February 22, 2017, March 23, 2017, and April 26, 2017  
Fee: \$135.00                      Mileage: Not requested

Sara English, Woodmere Teacher  
Workshop: Technology Tool Box, Brookdale Community College  
Lincroft, NJ  
Fee: District Fee      Mileage: Not requested

Stephanie Brady,  
Workshop: NJ Speech & Hearing Convention, Ocean Place Resort, Long Branch, NJ  
April 27 and 28, 2017  
Fee: \$250                      Mileage: Not requested

Kristin Lancton, ESL Teacher  
Workshop: NJ Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Conference, Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick, NJ  
May 31, 2017  
Fee: \$199\*                      Mileage: \$18.60  
\*paid by Title III Funds

Brooke Mindnich, ESL Teacher  
Workshop: NJ Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Conference, Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick, NJ  
May 31, 2017 and June 1, 2017  
Fee: \$279\*                      Mileage: \$37.20  
\*paid by Title III Funds

Caitlin Tompkins, ESL Teacher  
Workshop: NJ Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Conference, Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick, NJ  
June 1, 2017  
Fee: \$199\*                      Mileage: \$18.60  
\*paid by Title III Funds

2. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following field trips for the 2016-2017 school year:

Memorial School/Woodmere School  
Grade 8/Grade 4 (20 students)  
Elementary Leadership Conference, Kean University, Union, NJ  
March 9, 2017  
4 Chaperones

3. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2017-2018 School Calendar.

Revised

4. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the placement and transportation of case #42 at the Long Branch Public Schools commencing November 4, 2016 and continuing through the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year at a cost of \$14,963.40 (pro-rated).
5. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the First Reading of the following Policies and Regulations:

P 1510 Americans with Disabilities Act (M)  
R 1510 Americans with Disabilities Act (M)  
P 2415.30 Title I - Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (M)  
P 2418 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 -- Students (M)  
R 2418 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 -- Students (M)  
P 5116 Education of Homeless Children (M)  
R 5116 Education of Homeless Children (M)  
P 5330.04 Administering an Opioid Antidote  
P & R 8330 Student Records (M)  
P & R 8330 Student Records (M)

6. BE IT RESOLVED to accept Case #47 from Asbury Park Schools beginning March 1, 2017 for the 2016-2017 school year at an annual tuition rate of \$16,378.00 (pro-rated). Asbury Park Schools will pay the full tuition cost as well as transportation costs.

Aye: Bennett, English, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock, Ortiz and Siino

Nay: None

Absent: Fitterer and Miller

Personnel

Mrs. Martinock presented the following Resolutions, seconded by Mr. Lawson.

Based on the Superintendent's recommendation, the following resolutions are offered for approval or appointment.

1. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following teachers for the Parent Involvement Night hosted on March 2, 2017 at a rate of \$38 an hour, not to exceed 3 hours for each teacher or staff member. The rate is in accordance with the 2014-2018 Eatontown Board of Education/Eatontown Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. Title I Funds are being used to support this event.

Brooke Mindnich  
Jennifer Wall  
Denise Blair  
Christina Sorbara  
Anne Feinberg  
Rosemary Caliendo  
Katie Zuretti  
Sara English  
Jennifer Bechtle  
Brianna Eckloff  
Elizabeth Mooney  
Laura Buono  
Patricia Stengel  
Jan Stulich  
Ellyn Rosati

2. BE IT RESOLVED to approve Aileen Woloshin, Memorial School Secretary, to register children during the Kindergarten Evening Registration on March 15, 2017 at the rate of \$38.00 per hour, not to exceed 3 hours. This salary is in accordance with the 2014-2018 Eatontown Board of Education/Eatontown Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.
3. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following substitute teacher for the 2016-2017 school year:

Katlyn Zimmerman

Aye: Bennett, English, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock, Ortiz and Siino

Nay: None

Absent: Fitterer and Miller

## Operations

Mr. Siino presented the following Resolutions, seconded by Mr. Ortiz.

1. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Joint Transportation Agreement with Asbury Park Board of Education in the amount of \$4,964.00 for the 2016-2017 school year. (Eatontown Board of Education is the Host District and Asbury Park Board of Education is the Joiner District.)

Aye: Bennett, English, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock, Ortiz and Siino  
Nay: None  
Absent: Fitterer and Miller

#### Technology

Mr. Ortiz stated that the Committee met on February 27 and discussed upgrading classroom audio and visual devices.

#### Safety & Security

There was no report from the Committee Chairperson.

#### Negotiations

Negotiations have been opened with the Eatontown Administrators Association.

#### Student Activities, Recreation & Development

Mrs. Flynn reported that the committee met on February 16, 2017. In attendance was Mr. Lawson, Mr. Fitterer and Mr. McCue. The Committee discussed afterschool clubs and busing.

Mr. English asked Mr. McCue to explain the lunch options program.

Mr. McCue explained that students would be able to take part in a club during lunch time, which is being piloted at Vetter School. This would allow the students to participate in numerous activities.

#### Items for

Discussion Mr. English stated that the Italian Dinner at Memorial School had a nice turn out.

#### Other Business from The Board

Friday	March 10, 2017	One-Session Day for Students Afternoon Parent/Teacher Conferences
Friday	March 24, 2017	One-Session Day for Students PM In-Service Day for Staff

Meeting Opened to the Public

Mr. Bennett motioned to open the meeting to the public to comment on agenda items only, seconded by Mr. Ortiz.

Upon call of the question, the motion passed unanimously

Mr. & Mrs. Santos addressed the Board to inquire about the decision that was made regarding the age requirement for first grade.

Mr. McCue responded that the Eatontown Kindergarten Teachers are able to provide a challenging environment.

Ms. Lloyd addressed the Board in regards to a matter concerning the rigor within the school district and how it relates to her child. She indicated her desire for more homework for her child. She also referenced a 504 plan. Mr. Collins advised her that no plan exists now and requested that she respond to both Mr. Brogna's e-mail and Mr. McCue's e-mail. She indicated that she had not reviewed her e-mail. Mr. Collins asked her to review and respond as soon as possible as the issues raised were important.

Closed to the Public

Mr. Bennett motioned to close the meeting to the Public, seconded by Mr. Lawson.

Upon call of the question, the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Resolution

Mr. Collins advised that the Board had been provided a proposed decision in the HIB appeal for a student. The Board acknowledged reviewing same. Mr. Collins indicated that the adoption of the decision did not affect the privacy rights associated with the action but a copy of the decision would be provided to the parent(s).

Mr. English presented the following Resolution, seconded by Mr. Bennett.

1. BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the written decision in the HIB hearing involving a student, a minor child.

Aye: Bennett, English, Flynn, Lawson, Martinock and Ortiz

Nay: None

Abstain: Siino

Absent: Fitterer and Miller



Adjournment  
8:37 p.m.

Mr. Bennett motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Martinock.

Upon call of the question, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lori Youngclaus  
Board Secretary