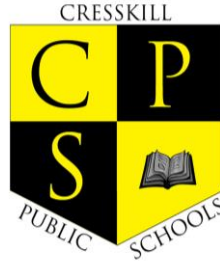


CRESSKILL BOARD OF EDUCATION



Regular Meeting, December 21, 2015
Board of Education Conference Room, 7:30 PM

Board of Education

Denise Villani, President
Mary Klein, Vice-President

Bill Anastassatos
Caryn Aronson
Sally Cummings
Stephen Moldt
John Park
Rosanne Rabinowitz
Cindy Wolfer

Michael Burke, Superintendent
Antoinette Kelly, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

The Regular Meeting of the Cresskill Board of Education was held on Monday, December 21, 2015 in the Board of Education Conference Room. The meeting was called to order by Denise Villani at 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

PRESENT WERE: Denise Villani, Mary Klein, Sally Cummings, Cindy Wolfer, Bill Anastassatos, Stephen Moldt, John Park

ABSENT WERE: Caryn Aronson, Rosanne Rabinowitz

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Mr. Michael Burke, Superintendent, Mrs. Antoinette Kelly, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

“The New Jersey Open Public meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with provisions of the act, The Cresskill Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting taking place in the Board of Education Conference Room be published by having date, time and place thereof posted in the Cresskill Board of Education office, sent to the Cresskill Library and Cresskill Borough Hall.”

MINUTES

Resolved, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the minutes of:

- November 9, 2015 Regular Meeting
- November 23, 2015 Regular Meeting
- November 30, 2015 Special Meeting

On a motion by Stephen Moldt, seconded by Bill Anastassatos and carried, the Board approved the Minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 7 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 2

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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No action taken at this time.

PRESENTATION

A presentation on the Elementary PARCC scores was given by Mr. Michael Burke, Superintendent.

PERSONNEL

1. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of **Hyosun (Sunny) Hong**, maternity leave replacement teacher for Elyssa Sawyer, Cresskill Middle School Math Teacher, \$263 per diem, effective January 6, 2016 through June 10, 2016.
2. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of **Erika Giacari-Cimorosi**, World Language Teacher, Cresskill Middle School, BA, Step 2, \$53,385 (pro-rated \$29,362), effective January 11, 2016 for the 2015-2016 school year.
3. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of **Antoinette Iannucci**, Lunch Aide, Merritt Memorial School, \$12.00/hour, 1 hour/day, effective January 4, 2016 for the 2015-2016 school year.

4. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the maternity leave of **Deanna Breheney**, Special Education Aide, Edward H. Bryan School, effective March 28, 2016 through June 22, 2016.
5. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following substitute teachers for the 2015-2016 school year: **John Mullins, Janice Perfetto** and **Kelly Sprengel**.
6. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve an overage assignment of an additional one class for **Karen Bauer-Galan**, Cresskill Middle/High School, effective October 29, 2015 through the extended date of January 8, 2016. Payment for this additional assignment is in accordance with the terms and conditions of the CEA-Board of Education contract of \$2,711.28.
7. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve an overage assignment of an additional one class for **Diana Zoino**, Cresskill Middle/High School, effective October 29, 2015 through the extended date of January 8, 2016. Payment for this additional assignment is in accordance with the terms and conditions of the CEA-Board of Education contract of \$2,413.84.

On a motion by Stephen Moldt, seconded by Sally Cummings and carried, the Board approved the Personnel items.

AYES: Denise Villani, Mary Klein, Sally Cummings, Cindy Wolfer, Bill Anastassatos, Stephen Moldt, John Park
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Caryn Aronson, Rosanne Rabinowitz

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, subject to the applicable restrictions and requirements set forth in the New Jersey travel payment guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury, as well as those guidelines established by the Office of Management and Budget, except to the extent that said guidelines conflict with the provisions of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves travel related to attendance, as well as the payment and/or reimbursement for the allowable costs and expenses associated with the attendance at the conferences or workshops for the professional staff as noted, so long as said costs and/or expenses are consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:12-11.

Name: Lori Winters
Dates: January & February 2016
Conference Location: Exploring Mindsets in our Teaching
Stony Lane School, Paramus
Fee: \$0
Mileage/Meals as per GSA guidelines

Name: Lori Winters
Dates: January & February 2016
Conference Location: Supporting Communities of Inquiry in Classrooms &
Schools, Ridge Ranch School, Paramus
Fee: \$0
Mileage/Meals as per GSA guidelines

Name: Katie Zanone
Dates: January & February 2016
Conference Location: Exploring Mindsets in our Teaching
Stony Lane School, Paramus
Fee: \$0
Mileage/Meals as per GSA guidelines

Name: Beth DelVecchio
Dates: March 2016
Conference Location: Director of Athletics Association of NJ Annual State
Conference
Atlantic City, NJ
Fee: \$300
Mileage/Meals as per GSA guidelines
Lodging as per GSA guidelines

Name: Ksenija Kassis
Dates: January & February 2016
Conference Location: LitTOGETHER Teacher Leader Study Groups
Ridge Ranch Elementary School, Paramus
Fee: \$0
Mileage/Meals as per GSA guidelines

Name: Ksenija Kassis
Dates: January 2016
Conference Location: Training – Girls on the Run of New Jersey
Newton Memorial Hospital, Newton, NJ
Fee: \$0
Mileage/Meals as per GSA guidelines

2. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the student's IEP for the 2015-2016 school year, approve the following service for student **#1320977901**, change of In-State approved Private School, Bergen Windsor Academy, \$50,535.45, effective December 2, 2015 through June 24, 2016.
3. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the student's IEP for the 2015-2016 school year, approve the following service for student **#1513262446**, Michelle Mockler, 1:1 Aide for Holiday night Concert, 2 hours, \$21.37/hour, totaling \$42.74, on December 10, 2015. (Addit'l)
4. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the student's IEP for the 2015-2016 school year, approve the following service for student **#3954127387**, Elizabeth Harriman, Speech/Language Bilingual service, 1x, \$450 and Neurological service, 1x, \$450, on December 9, 2016. (NEW)
5. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the student's IEP for the 2015-2016 school year, approve the following service for student **#9339573050**, St. Joseph's Child Development Center, Neurological service, 1x, \$450, on December 10, 2015. (NEW)

6. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the student's IEP for the 2015-2016 school year, approve the following service for student **#9559699376**, Norma Shalhoub, 1:1 Aide for Holiday Concert, \$20.hour, 3 hours, totaling \$60 on December 17, 2015.
7. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the attached list of **Field Trips** for the 2015-2016 school year.
8. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the **District Calendar** for the **2016-2017** school year.

On a motion by Sally Cummings, seconded by Mary Klein and carried, the Board approved the Educational Planning items:

AYES: Denise Villani, Mary Klein, Sally Cummings, Cindy Wolfer, Bill Anastassatos, Stephen Moldt, John Park
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Caryn Aronson, Rosanne Rabinowitz

FINANCE

1. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Bill List for December 2015. The signing of the warrants for the December 2015 check register to be offered by Rosanne Rabinowitz and Caryn Aronson. (Attachment F-1)

Fund 10	General Fund	2,407,801.08
Fund 20	Special Revenue	103,375.33
Fund 30	Capital Projects	0.00
Fund 40	Debt Service	0.00
Fund 60	Cafeteria Account	47,803.42
Total		\$2,558,979.83

Fund 10 Voided Checks (\$1,274,596.32)

2. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Board Secretary's Report for the month ending November 2015 and certify that no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11© 3k, and that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8-1 sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Attachment F-2)
3. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Monthly Reconciliation Report for the month ending November 2015. (Attachment F-3)
4. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the budget transfers for the month of November 2015. (Attachment F-4)
5. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Business Administrator to pay January 2016 bills.

6. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the change orders for the ADA Toilet Renovation project at Cresskill Middle School and Merritt Memorial School. The original contract amount was \$398,829.00 and after all change

orders and credits for unused balance of allowance the final contract amount is \$379,893.72 (Attachment F-5)

Change Order Number	Location	Description	Amount
#10	Merritt Memorial School	Credit for back charges to fix PA system	(\$551.75)

7. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the amendment to the 2015-2016 NCLB Grant Application to include carry over from the 2014-2015 school year.

NCLB TITLE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Title IIA	Additional professional development workshops and workshop materials for public and non-public students	\$8,913.00
Title III	Additional instructional materials for non-public students	\$2,203.00
Title III Immigrant	Additional instructional and technology materials for public and non-public students	\$16,132.00

On a motion by Bill Anastassatos, seconded by Mary Klein and carried the Board approved the Finance items.

AYES: Denise Villani, Mary Klein, Sally Cummings, Cindy Wolfer, Bill Anastassatos, Stephen Moldt, John Park
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Caryn Aronson, Rosanne Rabinowitz

POLICY

No action taken at this time.

BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mrs. Denise Villani stated that the CSI Holiday party was Friday and was really nice and that she totally enjoyed it.

Mrs. Denise Villani stated that the first basketball game had a good crowd.

Mrs. Denise Villani thanked Mr. Bill Anastassatos for being a Board member.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Michael Burke stated that the elementary school concerts are Wednesday morning.

Mr. Michael Burke stated that the middle school Brain Busters did well.

Mr. Michael Burke stated that the holiday concert at the high school was excellent and that Mr. Kurt Metz was the guest conductor and Mr. Nate Mello was the guest conductor of a A Capella group song.

Mr. Michael Burke commented on the bomb scare situation in California and in New York City. The California school district evacuated and closed the school and New York City did not feel that it was necessary to do the same. Mr. Burke stated that if something like that were to happen in Cresskill we would assess each situation individually and we are not going to make a blanket statement.

COMMITTEE/LIASON REPORTS

- Policy – no action taken at this time.
- Finance & Operations – no action taken at this time.
- Negotiations – no action taken at this time.

INFORMATION ITEMS

December 23 – EHB Holiday Concert, 9:00 AM, MMS Holiday Concert, 10:30 AM

December 23 – Minimum Day for all Schools

December 24 – January 1 – Winter Recess

January 4, 2016 – CBOE Reorganization and Regular Meeting, BOE Conf. Room, 7:30 PM

January 13 – CMS/CHS H.S.A. Parent Speaker Series: Substance Abuse/Addiction Prevention, CHS Media Center, 7:00 PM

January 14 & 15 – Kindergarten Registration, BOE Conf. Room, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

January 18 & 19 – Inclement weather days for Kindergarten Registration, BOE Conf. Room, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

January 18 – Martin Luther King Day (Teachers Only)

January 29 – CMS/CHS H.S.A Casino Night, at SPACE, Englewood, 7:00 PM

PUBLIC COMMENT – ANY SUBJECT

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No action taken at this time.

TRUSTEE COMMENT

Mrs. Denise Villani requested that we review the 2016 monthly meeting calendar.

Mrs. Mary Klein asked about the district wide homework and if the amount of homework would be reduced during the winter break. Mr. Michael Burke responded that homework free days are coming and the district is considering project based mid-terms or alternate form of test.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss residency and property issues was made by Sally Cummings, seconded by Mary Klein at 8:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 7 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 2

The Cresskill Board of Education is adjourning to Closed Session. The session may include a discussion of negotiations, contractual matters, litigation and personnel. Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the Cresskill Board of Education is required to notify the public when the minutes of this closed session will be available. When the need for confidentiality no longer exists, the minutes will be available to the public.

CBOE, December 21, 2015 Regular Meeting

A motion to end Closed Session and resume a Public Session was made by Sally Cummings, seconded by Mary Klein at 9:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 7 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 2

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On a motion by Sally Cummings, seconded by Mary Klein and carried, the Cresskill Board of Education Regular Meeting of December 21, 2015 was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 7 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 2

Respectfully submitted,

Antoinette Kelly, CPA
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary