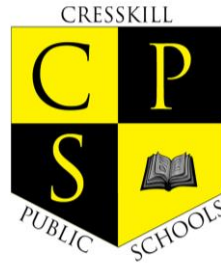


CRESSKILL BOARD OF EDUCATION



Regular Meeting, February 23, 2015
BOE 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, February 23, 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, Caryn Aronson, Sally Cummings, Cindy Wolfer,
*Stephen Moldt, John Park

*Stephen Moldt arrived at 7:55 p.m.

ABSENT WERE: Rosanne Rabinowitz, Bill Anastassatos

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

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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 Cresskill 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:

- January 5, 2015 – Reorganization Meeting Minutes
- January 5, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes
- January 20, 2015 - Special Meeting

On a motion by Sally Cummings, seconded by Mary Klein and carried, the Board approved the Minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 6 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 3

PUBLIC COMMENTS

As a courtesy, this time is provided for public comment on agenda items only.
No action taken at this time.

PRESENTATION

Dr. Janelle Amato gave a presentation on Region V Services.

PERSONNEL

1. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the appointment of **Deanna Breheney**, Maternity Leave Replacement elementary teacher for Charlene Malki, Edward H. Bryan School, \$263 per diem, effective March 9, 2015 – June 23, 2015, for the 2014-2015 school year.

On a motion by Sally Cummings, seconded by Cindy Wolfer and carried, the Board approved the Personnel item.

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

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

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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: Michael Brennan, Amy Grossman, Kathryn Peters, Alexis Shalhoub, Mandi Wieme

Dates: February 25, 2015

Conference Location: Flip Your Classroom
The Ulster BOCES Conference Center, New Paltz, NY

Mileage: as per GSA guidelines

Name: Brittani Argott

Dates: March 3, 2015

Conference Location: Restraint & Restrictive Behavior Management Practices:
Recent Advances in Applied Behavior Analysis Research
Webinar

Fee: \$110

Name: Steve Kline

Dates: April 10, 2015

Conference Location: World Mythology Day
Montclair State University
Montclair, NJ

Fee: \$85

2. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with the student's IEP for the 2014-2015 school year, approve the following service for student **#1051653629**, Physical therapy, FOCUS, 1x per week, \$100/session, effective February 24, 2015 – June 23, 2015. (CONT.)
3. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the attached list of **Field Trips** for the 2014-2015 school year.
4. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, affirms the interventions implemented for the reported incidents for the 2014-2015 school year.

On a motion by Caryn Aronson, seconded by Stephen Moldt and carried, the Board approved the Educational Planning items.

AYES: Denise Villani, Mary Klein, Caryn Aronson, Sally Cummings, Cindy Wolfer, Stephen Moldt, John Park

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Rosanne Rabinowitz, Bill Anastassatos

FINANCE

1. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Bill List for February 2015. The signing of the warrants for the February 2015 check register to be offered by Mary Klein and Cindy Wolfer. (Attachment F-1)

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| Fund 10 | General Fund | \$1,720,138.93 |
| Fund 20 | Special Revenue | \$21,382.66 |
| Fund 30 | Referendum Checks | \$0.00 |
| Fund 40 | Debt Service | \$0.00 |
| Fund 60 | Cafeteria Account | \$15,818.40 |
| Total | | \$1,757,339.99 |

2. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Board Secretary's Report for the month ending January 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 January 31, 2015. (Attachment F-3)
4. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the budget transfers for the month of January 2015. (Attachment F-4)
5. **Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Business Administrator to pay March 2015 bills.
6. Mr. Michael Burke, Superintendent and Antoinette Kelly, Business Administrator will review the first draft of the 2015-2016 Budget.

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

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

POLICY

First Reading

- 4283** Electronic Communications Between Support Staff Members and Students (Policy – New)
- 5339** Screening and Intervention for Dyslexia and Reading Disabilities (Policy – New)
- 5612** Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (Policy – Revised)
- 5612** Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (Regulation – New)
- 5613** Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses (Policy – New)
- 5613** Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses (Regulation – New)

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Denise Villani stated that the Ethic training is March 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. right before the Board meeting.

Mrs. Denise Villani reminded all that the Cresskill Middle School – High School play is next week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Michael Burke stated that on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 the boys' basketball and the girl's basketball teams start their state games.

Mr. Michael Burke also stated that on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. there will be a Teen Substance Abuse Workshop at Merritt Memorial School hosted by the Cresskill Middle School - High School H.S.A.

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

February 27, 28 – Principal Players Spring Musical – A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum, CMS/CHS Auditorium, 7:30 PM

March 1 - Principal Players Spring Musical – A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum, CMS/CHS Auditorium, 2:00 PM

March 4, 5, 6 – Minimum Day for Elementary Schools **ONLY** for Parent/Teacher Conferences

March 9 – CBOE Regular Meeting, BOE Conf. Room, 7:30 PM

March 13 – March Madness, CHS gym, 6:00 PM

March 23 – CBOE Regular Meeting, BOE Conf. Room, 7:30 PM

April 3 – Good Friday, All Schools Closed

April 4 – 1st Day of Passover

April 6 – 10 – Spring Recess, All Schools Closed

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Community members may address the Board of Education on any item. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited at the discretion of the Board President. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer, no participant may address or question Board members individually.

Mr. Steve Mehlbreck – 32 Douglas Drive wanted to know if New Jersey was going to opt out of the PARCC testing.

Mr. Michael Burke replied that there is no opt out policy in New Jersey.

Mr. Steve Mehlbreck then asked who may attend the teen substance abuse workshop.

Mr. Michael Burke replied that the teen substance abuse workshop is for the parents.

Mr. Steve Mehlbreck suggested we have programs in the schools for the students.

Mr. Michael Burke replied that there are programs in the schools for the students.

NEW BUSINESS

No action taken at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss personnel was made by Stephen Moldt, seconded by John Park at 8:30 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.

A motion to end the Closed Session and resume a Public Session was made by Stephen Moldt and seconded by Sally Cummings at 9:45 p.m.

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On a motion by Stephen Moldt, seconded by Sally Cummings and carried, the Cresskill Board of Education Meeting of February 23, 2015 was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Antoinette Kelly, CPA
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary