### CRESSKILL BOARD OF EDUCATION



# Regular Meeting, May 9, 2016 Board of Education Conference Room, 7:30 PM

# **Board of Education**

Denise Villani, President Stephen Moldt, Vice-President

Caryn Aronson
Sally Cummings
Michael DePalo
Mary Klein
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, May 9, 2016 in the Board of Education Conference Room. The meeting was called to order by Denise Villani at 5:30 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

PRESENT WERE: Denise Villani, \*Stephen Moldt, Caryn Aronson, Sally Cummings, Mary Klein, Rosanne Rabinowitz, \*\*Cindy Wolfer, \*\*\*Michael DePalo, John Park

\*Stephen Moldt arrived at 6:00 p.m.

\*\*Cindy Wolfer arrived at 5:40 p.m.

\*\*\*Michael DePalo arrived at 6:05 p.m.

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

#### **BOARD TRAINING**

The Board went into training with Al Annunziata from the New Jersey School Board Association.

On a motion by Mary Klein, seconded by Stephen Moldt and carried, the Board of Education moved to end the Board Training Session and reconvene to Public Session at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 9 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 0

Pledge of Allegiance

#### 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."

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Citizens may address the Board of Education on any item listed on the agenda. Citizens will give their name and address when recognized to speak. A time limit of three minutes per person and a total of 30 minutes for all communications are allowed. Large groups are urged to select someone to represent them.

No action taken at this time.

#### **PERSONNEL**

 Resolved, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of Jorge Tuesta, Head Boys Soccer Coach, Step 2, Year 1, \$5,990, for the 2016-2017 school year.

#### 2. TEACHER APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

**Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the reappointment of certificated staff for the 2016-2017 school year.

#### 3. SECRETARIAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

**Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the reappointment of non-certificated secretarial staff for the 2016-2017 school year.

#### 4. CUSTODIAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

**Resolved,** that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the reappointment of non-certificated custodial staff for the 2016-2017 school year.

# 5. CRESSKILL ADMINISTRATOR AND SUPERVISOR ASSOCIATION (CASA) STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

**Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the reappointment of Cresskill Association of Supervisors and Administrators staff for the 2016-2017 school year.

**6. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the reassignment of **Grace Runge**, to Secretary to the Principal, Merritt Memorial School, SEC/Category I, effective July1, 2016.

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- **7. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of **Nancy Picinich**, leave replacement secretary, Edward H. Bryan School, on part-time basis, \$19.50/hour, effective April 27, 2016 May 3, 2016.
- **8. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Advanced Placement exam proctors for 2015-2016 school year:
  - Jeff Sylva, 7 exams, \$85/exam totaling \$595
  - Stephanie Sylva, 9 exams, \$85/exam totaling \$765
- Resolved, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve
  the following substitute teachers for the 2015-2016 school year: Brendan Keating, Saelina
  Kim and Brendan Mai.
- 10. Resolved, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of Rena Tracy, maternity leave replacement teacher for Danielle Albrizio, Elementary teacher, Merritt Memorial School, \$263 per diem, effective September 1, 2016 through November 2, 2016.
- **11. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the extension of **Jorge Tuesta**, long-term substitute teacher, for Luisa Arbelo, World Language teacher, Cresskill Middle/High School, \$100 per diem, for an additional 20 days, effective May 12, 2016.
- **12. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of **Nicole Steccato**, Math Teacher, Cresskill Middle/High School, BA, Step 1, \$52,775, effective September 1, 2016 for the 2016-2017 school year.

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

AYES: Denise Villani, Stephen Moldt, Caryn Aronson, Sally Cummings, Mary

Klein, Rosanne Rabinowitz, Cindy Wolfer, Michael DePalo, John Park

NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

#### **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: Jennifer Griffin Dates: June 3, 2016

Conference Location: NJCGTP Google Classroom

Morristown Unitarian Fellowship

**Fee:** \$0

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**2. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, affirms the interventions implemented for the reported incidents for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

AYES: Denise Villani, Stephen Moldt, Caryn Aronson, Sally Cummings, Mary

Klein, Rosanne Rabinowitz, Cindy Wolfer, Michael DePalo, John Park

NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

#### **EDUCATIONAL PLANNING**

**3. Resolved**, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the attached list of **Field Trips** for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

AYES: Stephen Moldt, Caryn Aronson, Sally Cummings, Mary

Klein, Rosanne Rabinowitz, Michael DePalo, John Park

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: Denise Villani, Cindy Wolfer

ABSENT: None

**FINANCE** 

No action taken at this time.

**POLICY** 

No action taken at this time

#### **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

No action taken at this time.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Michael Burke stated that next week is Mental Health Awareness Week.

Mr. Michael Burke stated that next Thursday, May 19, 2016 is the Staff Variety Show at the Community Center.

Mr. Michael Burke stated that on Saturday the A Capella group will perform at NVRHS.

Mr. Michael Burke stated that Bark for Education Dog Show will be on May 21, 2016 at the Middle School-High School. The CEF is sponsoring this event to raise money for students.

#### **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**

- May 13 CHS Spring Concert, CMS/CHS Auditorium, 7:30 PM
- May 16 Italian Night, CMS/CHS Courtyard, 7:00 PM
- May 17 Family STEM Night, CMS/CHS Cafeteria, 7:00 PM
- May 19 Film Festival Red Carpet, 6:00 PM, Festival, CMS/CHS Auditorium, 7:00 PM
- May 20 CMS Spring Concert, CMS/CHS Auditorium, 7:30 PM
- May 21 CEF Bark for Education, CMS/CHS field, 12:00 PM-4:00 PM
- May 23 CBOE Regular Meeting, BOE Conference Room, 7:30 PM

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT - ANY SUBJECT**

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Paul Kroger – 53 Kennedy Drive stated that he is very disappointed that AP Chemistry is not being run.

Mr. Michael Burke replied that it is due to low enrollment.

Mr. Kroger also suggested a tutoring services be collectively at school for student which could be potential revenue.

Mr. Michael Burke thanked Mr. Kroger for his idea and that he would take in under advisement.

Mr. Kroger wanted to know why middle school and/or high school students go to private schools. Mr. Michael Burke replied that it is mostly for religious or social purposes and some have to do with athletics.

#### TRUSTEE COMMENT

No action taken at this time.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss personnel and properties was made by Mary Klein, seconded by John Park at 7:58 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 9 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 0

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.

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A motion to end Closed Session and resume a Public Session was made by Caryn Aronson, seconded by Sally Cummings at 10:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 9 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 0

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On a motion by Caryn Aronson, seconded by Sally Cummings and carried, the Cresskill Board of Education Regular Meeting of May 9, 2015 was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES 9 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0 ABSENT 0

Respectfully submitted,

Antoinette Kelly, CPA Business Administrator/ Board Secretary