### FLORHAM PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Public Meeting, April 19, 2010 Board of Education Conference Room 67-71 Ridgedale Avenue

MINUTES 6:30 p.m.

<u>Mission Statement</u>: We are committed to the achievement of individual academic excellence through high quality teaching, learning and community involvement, which results in students being well prepared to meet future educational challenges and to contribute to society. They will achieve these goals in accordance and alignment with the New Jersey Core Content Curriculum Standards which guide our academic instruction.

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# **SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 <u>et seq.</u>, adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the <u>Morristown Daily Record</u> and the <u>Madison-Florham Park Eagle</u>. In addition, notices were posted at the Municipal Clerk's Office, Public Library, and the Board Administration Office at 67-71 Ridgedale Ave at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

### **FLAG SALUTE**

## **ROLL CALL**

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. DeLuca(Gina)	Х	
Mr. DeCoursey (Kevin)	X	
Mr. Gaffney (John)	X	
Mrs. Haynes (Marianne)	X	
Mrs. Michalowski (Linda)		Х
Mr. Montuore (Patrick)	X	
Dr. Carollo (John)	X	

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the Florham Park Board of Education seeks to adjourn to Executive Session in full compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.: and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act provides that a public body may exclude the public from that portion of the meeting at which it discusses matters pertaining to personnel, negotiations, and /or litigation; now

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Florham Park Board of Education adjourns to Executive Session; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the discussion of any of these items will be disclosed to the public when matters have been determined and confidentiality is no longer required.

Mr. DeCoursey motioned to convene the Executive Session. Said motion was seconded by Mr. Gaffney and carried by unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Gaffney to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting at 7:08 pm. Said motion was seconded by Mr. DeCoursey and passed by unanimous vote.

**In attendance**: District Administrators, a few members of the general public.

# **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Dr. Ronzitti reported on the following:

- Enrollment to date is 1,049 students.
- Two fire drills were conducted at all three schools in March 2010. A shelter in place drill
  was conducted on two separate occasions at the Brooklake Elementary School.
- Dr. Ronzitti gave an update on consolidation. There has been no communications on any level from the date of the last meeting.
- Dr. Ronzitti reminded all that tomorrow is the annual school board election and that all should exercise their democratic right and vote.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT – (Petitioners who have requested to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting will be allotted three (3) minutes.)</u>

Mr. McNanna and Miss Berhang invited the board and all in attendance to the upcoming Ridgedale Middle School production of "The Sound of Music". Mr. McNanna reviewed a flyer that was distributed by Miss Berhang.

A resident commented that some recent activities by current board members has demonstrated a lack of integrity. The resident gave an account of one such event. Dr. Carollo asked if the resident had brought this to the attention of the school's administration. The resident responded that it had.

There was no further comment.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Policy – Mr. Gaffney reported the committee has not met since the last board meeting. Personnel – Mr. Monture stated the committee met on subsequent to the March 15, 2010 board meeting to discuss staffing for 2010/11, recent retirements and resignations as well as the staffing of the summer maintenance custodial program.

Curriculum – Mr. DeCoursey stated that the committee met this evening to discuss the district's technology plan and the implementation of a new evaluation tool for untenured teachers.

Finance and Facilities – Mr. Gaffney stated that the committee had not met since the public hearing on the proposed 2010/11 budget. Mr. Gaffney stated that the committee would be meeting in short order after the school board election tomorrow.

Transportation – Mr. Montuore stated the committee met prior the day before the public hearing on the budget to review complaint and misconduct logs. Campus traffic safety was also discussed.

# **POLICY**

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1.	Approve the mi	nutes of the February 22, 2010 Special Meeting.	(Doc. PL1)
	Motion; JG	Second; KD	6 yes, 0 no
2.	Approve the mi	nutes of the March 15, 2010, Regular Board Meetin	g. (Doc. PL2)
	Motion; JG	Second; KD	6 yes, 0 no
3	. Approve the m	ninutes of the March 15, 2010 Executive Session.	(Doc. PL3)
	Motion; JG	Second; KD	6 yes, 0 no
4.	Approve the mi	nutes of the March 18, 2010 Special Meeting.	(Doc. PL4)
	Motion; JG	Second; KD	6 yes, 0 no
5.	Approve the mi	nutes of the March 26, 2010 Special Budget Meetin	g.

(Doc. PL5)

Motion; JG Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

6. Approve the minutes of the April 12, 2010 Special Meeting.

(Doc. PL6)

Motion; JG Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

7. Approve the minutes of the April 12, 2010 Special Executive Sessions.

(Doc. PL7)

Motion; JG Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

8. **WHEREAS,** The Florham Park Board of Education has adopted policy #5118 "NonResidents" and negotiated an agreement with the Florham Park Education Association, which permits employees of the School District to enroll their child(ren) in the Florham Park School District provided that no additional cost will be incurred as a result of the enrollment

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Florham Park Board of Education approve the enrollment of student D.C. for the 2010-2011 school year on compliance with Policy #5118 and the negotiated agreement with the Florham Park Education Association.

Motion; JG Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

9. Approve the second reading of the following revised policies:

Relations With Vendors	3327
Safety	3516
Admission	5111
Health	5141
Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness	6114

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

### PERSONNEL

1. Rescind the resolution approved on March 15, 2010 granting the longevity payment of \$650.00 to Jane Chonowski.

Motion; PM Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

2. Approve the following 2010-2011 student teaching assignments:

Student / College Ronald Kloor Drew University	<u>Purpose</u> Student Teacher	Co-op Teacher Jeff Gruenwald Grade 8	<u>Dates</u> 4/20-5/11/10
Jordan DeGrout Fairleigh Dickins	Internship on Univ.	Spec. Serv. Dept.	9/1-12/31/10
Motion; PM	Second; KD		6 yes, 0 no

3. Approve the revised maternity leave of absence for Danielle Manger, Occupational Therapist, effective April 21, 2010-November 1, 2010 with pay (depending on availability of accrued personal and sick days), followed by a medical leave of absence without pay, consistent with the terms of the Family Medical Leave Act.

Motion; PM Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

# **CURRICULUM**

1. Approve an increase in cost for the out of district placement of case#991-34 at Bergen County Special Services – Milburn Regional Day School in the amount of \$3,000.00 effective March 29, 2010.

Motion; KD Second; JG

6 yes, 0 no

2. Approve the following out of district placement for case#183-34 - at The Craig School for the 2010-2011 school year at a cost of \$19,000.00

Motion; PM Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

3. Approve the Florham Park Public School District and 3 year Technology Plan submitted by Mr. Peter Christ, Supervisor of Technology and Student Activities, applicable to the time period FY11-FY13.

Motion; PM Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

4. Approve that the Florham Park Board of Education approves the following Related Services Providers for the 2009-2010 school year:

Summit Oaks Hospital University Medical Center at Princeton Maxim Healthcare Services

Motion; PM Second; KD

6 yes, 0 no

# **FINANCE**

 Authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills and claims through March 31, 2010. (Doc. F1)

Invoices 3/1-3/31/10	\$	655,051.24
Payroll 3/15/10	\$	465,918.41
FICA 3/15/10	\$	35,820.96
Payroll 3/31/10	\$	453,897.80
FICA 3/31/10	<u>\$</u>	34,901.45

TOTAL <u>\$1,645,589.86</u>

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

2. Accept the following District financial reports:

Board Secretary's (A148) Report for the Month of Business Administrator/
March 2010. Board Secretary

(Doc. F2)

Treasurer's (A149) Report for the Month of Business Administrator / Board Secretary

March 2010. Board Secretary (Doc. F3)

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

3. Approve the transfers for March 2010 in the amount of \$73,587.00 (Doc. F4)

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

4. Professional Development/Travel:

The Florham Park Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 and 18A:12-24 to approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members that is educationally necessary and financially prudent.

The following list of workshops, seminars, conferences and other travel-related staff development has been reviewed by the Florham Park Board of Education and found to be (1) educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; (2) directly related and within the scope of the district employee or board members' current responsibilities; (3) critical to the instructional needs of and furthers the efficient operation of the Florham Park School district; & (4) is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1.

	Name	Position	Description	Date(s)	Approx. Cost	Funding Source
Α	Marian Kentner	Nurse	Workshop	3/23/10	\$35.00	Local
В	Susan Tietjen	Principal	Workshop	3/24/10	N/A	Local
С	Shewa Hawkins	Districtwide Psychologist	Workshop	4/20/10	N/A	Local
D	Cynthia Pappa	Districtwide Psychologist	Workshop	4/20/10	N/A	Local
Ε	Susanna Rotella	Teacher	Workshop	3/17; 2/18	N/A	Local
F	Beth Karl	Teacher	Workshop	5/26/10	N/A	Local
G	Janice Vitiello	Teacher	Workshop	5/26/10	N/A	Local

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Florham Park Board of Education certify, that as of March 31, 2010 after reviewing the Business Administrators/Board Secretary's financial report, to the best of our knowledge no major account of fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Florham Park Board of Education accept the certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that as of March 31, 2010, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d), no budgetary line item has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.10(b).

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

7. Approve Yahui Olenik as a Interpreter for the 2009-2010 school year not to exceed 6 hours at a rate not to exceed \$80/hr.

Discussion: Dr. Ronzitti stated that the interpreter was needed for an upcoming evaluation and testing period. Mr. Csatlos reiterated that the contract ends on June 30, 2010.

Motion; JG Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

## **FACILITIES**

1. Approve the following request for facility use;

a.Hoop Heaven Basketball	BKL Gym & RMS Gym	April-May, 2010
b.Stronger Personal Training	RMS Gym & Outside Field	May-Sept., 2010
c.Florham Park PTA	BKL Gym	April 30, 2010
d.DanceXtensions	RMS Auditorium	June 12, 2010
e.KSK Youth Basketball	BKL Gym & RMS Gym	May 29 & 30, 2010
f.PTA Enrichment Programs	BKL (various Rooms)	April-June, 2010
g.PTA Enrichment Programs	BWD (Various Rooms)	April-June, 2010
h.Florham Park Recreation	RMS Gym (Rain only)	July-August, 2010
i.Starting Five Basketball	RMS Gym	July-2010
j.NY Giants Youth Football	RMS (Various Rooms)	July-2010
k.Morris Magic Basketball	RMS Gym	July-2010
I.The Adult School Chess Camp	BWD Media Center	June-August-2010
m.The Adult School	RMS RM 11	July-2010
n.PTA	RMS Gym	May 7, 2010
o.Work Family Connection	BKL Gym	May 21, 2010

Discussion; Mr. Csatlos stated that all requests were received with the appropriated levels of insurance, specifically naming the district as an additional insured for the events listed. Facility use has increased over the past few years in part to the "cooperative" custodial/maintenance staff and the accessibility of the facilities.

Motion; GD Second; PM 6 yes, 0 no

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# **TRANSPORTATION**

1. Approve the following requests for transportation services and scheduling of student fields trips

 Brooklake Elementary School, Grade 5, to the Ridgedale Middle School, Florham Park, NJ.

 Brooklake Elementary School, Gifted and Talented Program, to the Morris Museum, Morristown, NJ.

• Briarwood Elementary School, Grade Kindergarten, to the Morristown Community Theatre, Morristown, NJ.

Ridgedale Middle School, Grade 6, to the King Tut Exhibit, NYC, NY.

• Briarwood Elementary School, Grade 1, to the Turtle Back Zoo, West Orange, NJ.

Motion; MH Second; KD 6 yes, 0 no

**OLD BUSINESS** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Dr. Carollo reminded all in attendance that tomorrow April 20, 2010 is the annual school board election.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Motion by Mr. DeCoursey and seconded by Mrs. Haynes to adjourn the April 19, 2010 meeting of the Florham Park Board of Education at 7:26 pm.

Motion: KD Seconded: MH 6 yes, 0 no

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. John Csatlos Business Administrator/Board Secretary