

May 1, 2019

MINUTES
MOUNT ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
May 1, 2019

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

PRESENT: Sheila Studint, President
Rachel Byrne, Vice President
Edwin Botero
Liz Cangiano
Melissa Eckert
Al Roldan
Karl Svenningsen

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Monica A. Rowland Superintendent of Schools
Tonya M. Flowers, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

The President called the meeting to order at 7:16 P.M. in the Mount Arlington Public School, in the media center, declared a quorum present and read the following notices.

The Mount Arlington Board of Education is meeting for action and discussion about business before the Board today.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the public's right to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of public bodies at which business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with this Act, the Board of Education has sent notice of today's meetings and copies of the Agenda to the:

Roxbury Register
Daily Record
Star Ledger
Municipal Clerk
Board Members

Notice of today's meeting and copies of the Agenda have been posted in the following places:

Mount Arlington School
Edith M. Decker School
Mount Arlington Public Schools Website: www.mtarlingtonk8.org

All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBIC SESSION:

None

MINUTES:

Motioned by Mr. Botero and seconded by Mrs. Byrne, to approve minutes of the February 11, 2019 special meeting.

Roll Call: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 3 Abstain

Motioned by Mr. Botero and seconded by Mrs. Eckert, to approve minutes of the February 27, 2019 regular and closed meetings.

Roll Call: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 3 Abstain

Motioned by Mr. Roldan and seconded by Mrs. Eckert, to approve minutes of the March 13, 2019 regular and closed meetings.

Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 2 Abstain

Motioned by Mr. Svenningsen and seconded by Mrs. Cangiano, to approve minutes of the April 3, 2019 special meeting.

Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 2 Abstain

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS- None

CLOSED SESSION:

It was moved by Mr. Svenningsen and seconded by Mr. Botero that the Mount Arlington Board of Education move to Closed Session at 7:25 PM, to discuss certain Personnel and Legal matters regarding no with action expected to follow.

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A.10:4-1 et seq.) expressly provide that a public body may move into Closed Session and exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses any of the nine areas set forth in N.J.S.A.10:4-12b; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Arlington Board of Education has determined it necessary to move to Closed Session to discuss legal matters, which are included in the aforesaid exceptions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mount Arlington Board of Education that it does hereby move into Closed Session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b to discuss the aforesaid matters with no related action to follow, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid discussions shall be made public either at the Public Meeting following said Closed Session or at such time as any litigated or personnel matters are concluded; or upon conclusion of any negotiations or related discussions; or as otherwise specified; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect pursuant to law.

It was motioned by Mr. Svenningsen and seconded by Mrs. Studint that the meeting return to open session at 8:30 P.M., with all in attendance in favor and none opposed.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- Ms. Flowers discussed the motions before the Board as shown on the agenda.

BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS BY COMMITTEE

FINANCE:

Motions 050119-B-1 through 050119-B-21 were moved by Mr. Svenningsen and seconded by Mrs. Studint.

050119-B-1 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the check register of payments from March 14, 2019 through May 1, 2019 in the amount of \$1,584,071.13, as attached.

050119-B-2 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the list of line item transfers for March, 2019.

050119-B-3 RESOLVED, that the report of the Secretary and the related statement of cash balances for the month of March 2019 be approved by the Mount Arlington Board of Education and ordered filed, and further that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the certification of the Board Secretary for the month of March 2019 that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which, in total, exceed the line appropriation of the adopted 2018-2019 budget, as revised, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 and further certifies that no major account or fund has been expended in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A:17-8 or N.J.S.A. 18A:19.

050119-B-4 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approves travel and costs as related in this resolution which are educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and are related to and within the scope of the employee's current responsibilities and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district. The reimbursements listed in this resolution are in compliance with State travel reimbursement guidelines established by the Department of the Treasury and Board of Education policy in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et. seq.

Name	Seminar/Conference	Date	Est. Expense	Mileage Expense
J. Grillo	Teacher Who Rocks Banquet	4/9/19	-0-	\$6.51
M. Rowland	Teacher Who Rocks Banquet	4/9/19	-0-	\$6.51
M. Rowland	Pre-K Expansion Meeting	4/29/19	-0-	\$7.94
J. Grillo	Middle School Leadership Award	5/19/18	-0-	\$10.42
T. Flowers	CDK Personnel Meeting	5/3/19	-0-	\$16.99
B. Caggiano	CDK Personnel Meeting	5/3/19	-0-	\$16.99
T. Flowers	CDK Accounting Meeting	5/6/19	-0-	\$16.99
B. Caggiano	CDK Accounting	5/6/19	-0-	\$16.99

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J. Crawford	PowerSave End of Year Meeting	5/30/19	-0-	\$6.95
T. Flowers	NJASBO Conference	6/4/19-6/6/19	\$647.00	\$76.26
L. Westervelt	Infusing OG into Workshop Teaching	7/17/19	\$75.00	\$9.90
L. Westervelt	Neuropsychological Evaluation: Diagnosis & Treatment of Dyslexia	7/23/19	\$75.00	\$14.50

050119-B-5 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the services provided by Integrated Therapeutics Group per approved contract with Roxbury Board of Education.

Student ID	Attending	Date	Tuition	After School Sessions
10050	Integrated Therapeutics Group	3/1/19-4/30/19	\$17,296.00	16 Sessions at \$140 per session \$2,240.00

050119-B-6 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education contract with Applied Behavioral consulting, LLC to provide services as follows:

Student ID	Contract	Date	Cost
10766	Applied Behavioral Consulting, LLC	4/1/2019-5/31/2019	\$1,350.00

050119-B-7 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education contract with St. Clare's Behavioral Health, to provide tutorial services as follows:

Student ID	Contract	Date	Cost
11043	Saint Clare's Behavioral Health	3/21/2019-3/26/2019	\$220.00

050119-B-8 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education amend motion 022019-B-6 regarding parental contract for student transportation, for the amount not to exceed \$2,106.88.

050119-B-9 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve a Joint Transportation Agreement between Roxbury Board of Education and the Mount Arlington Board of Education for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$260,342.52 plus a 4% administrative fee, (12 public routes, RHS late route included)

Route	Route Number	Cost
Public	MTM01 through MTM06 MTD07 through MTD09	\$260,342.52 \$10,413.00 Admin fee

	MTH12 through MTH14 (12 routes, RHS late bus included)	
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050119-B-10 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the Joint Transportation Agreement between Roxbury Board of Education and the Mt. Arlington Board of Education for the 2019-2020 school year, the amount of \$55,620.00 plus a 4% administrative fee.

Route	Route Number	Cost
Pre-K	PKED	\$55,620.00 \$2,224.80 Admin fee

050119-B-11 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve a Joint Transportation Agreement with Roxbury Board of Education for the following route:

Student ID	Route Number	Dates	Cost
040119	EMS08	4/1/19-6/30/19	\$305.25

050119-B-12 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education enter into an agreement for Joint Transportation Services with the Sussex County Regional Transportation Cooperative for Special Educations, Public/Non Public, & Field/Athletic Trips for the 2019-2020 school year in accordance with the agreements on file in the office of the School Business Administrator.

050119-B-13 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education enter into a shared service agreement with Educational Services Commission of Morris County for the 2019-2020 school year for the following services, agreement on file in the office of the School Business Administrator.

- Professional Support
- Non Public Nursing
- Non Public Textbook
- Non Public Technology
- Non Public Security Aid
- Professional Support Services as per attached rate sheet

050119-B-14 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education accept the donation of 15 sets of solar panels and motors from the Army Educational Outreach Program, sponsor by Picatinny Army Education Arsenal which will be used in the Solar Car Program on May 16, 2019 with a value of approximately \$620.25.

050119-B-15 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education accept the Donation of 17 Solar Car Kits from Trans Options with an approximate value of \$255.00.

050119-B-16 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education accept the awarded grant in the amount of \$500.00 from Petroleum Marketing Group, Inc., Educational Alliance Program, to support our STEM Programs.

050119-B-17 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education accepts the sponsorship and grant from the Army Educational Outreach Program by DoD STEM and Picatinny Arsenal of \$461.92 to cover the materials and registration of the MAPS Mechanics First Lego League Robotics Season which included the competition held on November 17, 2018.

050119-B-18 Motion to approve resolution authorizing payment of merit bonus to the Business Administrator for completion of Quantitative and Qualitative Merit Goals #1-#2 as follows:

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2019, pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-3.1 and its contract with the School Business Administrator, the Board of Education established quantitative and qualitative criteria and associated merit bonuses for the Business Administrator for the 2018-2019 school year, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has now reviewed indicators of the achievement of those goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education makes the following determination relevant to Quantitative and Qualitative Merit Goals #1-#2 and directs that its determinations be submitted to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval before payment as required by law:

Quantitative and Qualitative Merit Goals	Status	Merit Bonus Approved
#1: Qualitative Goal: Business Administrator will complete 3 of 7 courses towards achieving certification as an Educational Facilities Manager (CEFM) through The Center For Government Services at Rutgers University and become a member of the New Jersey Buildings and Grounds Association (Northwest Chapter) and attend a minimum of 3 monthly NJSBAG Association meetings.	Achieved	2.5% of Base Salary: \$2,783.70
#2: Quantitative Goal: Business Administrator will attend low pressure boiler training classes at The Training Center (Saddle Brook location) to prepare to successfully pass with a minimum of 66% score on the exam and receive her Black Seal License.	Achieved	3.3% of Base Salary: \$3,674.48

050119-B-19 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education acknowledges the Borough of Mt. Arlington for their generous donation of a plot dedicated to the Mount Arlington School District for use as a demonstration plot and to grow produce for charities. The plot was officially dedicated as part of the Borough’s Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on April 13, 2019 and officially acknowledged by New Jersey Sustainability.

050119-B-20 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve the Settlement Agreement and General Release with parent to provide transportation for their child, who is resident, to continue as a student of Sussex County Technical School.

050119-B-21 RESOLVED, that the Mount Arlington Board of Education approve a contract with Susan Cummings to provide consulting services for completion of the 2018-2019 Extraordinary Aid application, at an hourly rate of \$75.00 up to 25 hours.

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: Ms. Rowland reviewed the motions before the Board as shown on the agenda.

PERSONNEL:

Motions 050119-S-1 through 050119-S-20 were moved by Mrs. Byrne seconded by Mrs. Studint.

050119-S-1 RESOLVED to revise motion 022019-S-2 appointing Cortney Polania as Long-Term Substitute Teacher and appoint her as World Language Teacher effective March 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019 (Provisional Certificate issued).

050119-S-2 RESOLVED to accept with regret the resignation of Lisa Martinelli, part-time instructional aide effective April 15, 2019.

050119-S-3 RESOLVED to accept with regret the resignation of Susan Longo, Social Studies Teacher for retirement effective July 1, 2019.

050119-S-4 RESOLVED to accept with regret the resignation of Thomas Cook, Head Custodian for retirement effective July 1, 2019.

050119-S-5 RESOLVED to approve reappointment of tenured and non-tenured faculty and custodial staff for the 2019-2020 school year (Salary Guide A-2 2019-2020) as per attachment A.

050119-S-6 RESOLVED to approve the reappointment of full-time and part-time district aides for the 2019-2020 school year, pending finalized Individual Education Plans (All rates of pay are pending the outcome of negotiations).

Gina Barros part-time	Raven Reid part-time
Kim Ciriaco part-time	Christine Scheibner full-time

Suzanne Dietrich part-time	Marta Skawska part-time
Lynne Fomchenko part-time	Valerie Sperduto part-time
Carmen Hernandez part-time	Karen Westergaard part-time
Monica Hertel part-time	Deidre Wood part-time
Michele Kest part-time	Nadine Yosco part-time
Dawn Kumetz part-time	Lisa Martinelli-part-time
Danielle Lisi part-time	

050119-S-7 RESOLVED to reappoint the following part-time custodians for the 2019-2020 school year effective July 1, 2019.

Name	2019-2020 Rate
Rose Figueroa	\$16.84/hr
Melvin Rodriguez	\$16.84/hr
Iris Tursi	\$16.84/hr

050119-S-8 RESOLVED to reappoint Marie van Rossen, Main Office Secretary (10-month position) for the 2019-2020 school year Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-9 RESOLVED to reappoint Laurie Dachowski, CST Secretary/Aide (10-month position) for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-10 RESOLVED to reappoint Janine Mangino, Principal/Main Office Secretary for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-11 RESOLVED to reappoint Scott Bellows, Facilities Manager, for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-12 RESOLVED to reappoint Justin Pickens, Technology Coordinator, for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-13 RESOLVED to reappoint Barbara Caggiano, Administrative Assistant to the Business Administrator for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-14 RESOLVED to reappoint Patricia Pickens, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-15 RESOLVED to reappoint Jeffrey Grillo, Principal for the 2019-2020 school year Salary pending outcome of negotiations. Terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

050119-S-16 RESOLVED to approve maternity leave and an extended unpaid leave for Sherri Distasi to begin October 8, 2019 (using accrued sick days before and after the baby is born and FMLA provided 12 weeks) through June 30, 2020.

050119-S-17 RESOLVED to add Ariana Lopez to our list of substitute aides for the 2018-2019 school year (Note: Approval is based upon receipt of State approved background check as required by law).

050119-S-18 Resolved to approve the following teachers to chaperone the Dorney Park trip on May 17, 2019 at a rate of \$15.00 per hour:

Mike Aberback	Andrea Danysh	Tyler Johnston
Jennifer Wendt	Marlen Tomosieski	
John Obermiller	Sheri Distasi	

050119-S-19 RESOLVED to add Joseph Panella to our list of substitute custodians for the 2018-2019 school year at a rate of \$13.00 per hour effective immediately. (Note: Approval is based upon receipt of State approved background check and physical as required by law).

050119-S-20 RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Lisa Martinelli as part-time instructional aide at a rate of \$16.56 per hour for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year effective immediately. (Note: Approval is based upon receipt of State approved background check as required by law).

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

Curriculum/Policy

Motion 050119-S-21 and motion 050119-S-22 moved by Mrs. Cangiano seconded Mrs. Svenningsen.

050119-S-21 RESOLVED to approve revising the 2018-2019 district calendar as follows:

- June 20, 2019 – 8th Grade Graduation
- June 21, 2019 – Early Dismissal and Last Day of School for Staff and Students

050119-S-22 RESOLVED to approve the following field trips/fundraisers for the 2018-2019 school year:

- 2nd Grade trip to Historic Boathouse in Mount Arlington on May 22, 2019 at a minimum cost to the Board of Education.
- 8th grade trip to Roxbury High School for "Freshman Transition Day" May 29, 2019 at no cost to the Board of Education for transportation.
- 5th grade trip on June 14, 2019 to Memorial Park in Mount Arlington (this is a walking trip) to monitor the Musconetcong

Watershed at a minimal cost to the Board of Education.

- PreK trip to Brookhollows Barnyard on May 21, 2019 (rain date 6/3/19) at a minimal cost to the Board of Education.
- 6th Grade trip to Camp Bernie, YMCA in Port Murray, NJ on October 4, 2019 at a minimal cost to the Board of Education.
- 3-5th Grade walking trip to the new Borough Community Garden located on Sandra Drive from June 4-6, 2019 at no cost to the Board of Education.
- 7th Grade (for 8th grade WA Trip) Krispy Kreme Donut sale in May 2019.
- 7th Grade (for 8th Grade WA Trip) car wash on June 15, 2019 at the Elks Club in Mount Arlington.

✚ Fire/Emergency Drills (conducted with the Mount Arlington Police Department) for the Months of March and April 2019 were as follows:

- MAPS and Decker Fire Drills
- MAPS and Decker Active Shooter Drills (Staff Only)
- MAPS and Decker Bomb Threat/Evacuation Drills

✚ Staff attendance for March 2019 was 95.6%
Student attendance for March 2019:
MAPS-94.3% Decker-92.8%

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance- No report
- B. Personnel- No report
- C. Buildings & Grounds- No report
- D. Curriculum/Policy- No report
- E. Negotiations- No report
- F. Town Council- No report
- G. PTO- Mrs. Eckert reported that the circus was a huge success, all the students had a great time. Teacher Appreciation week is May 6th through May 10th, it's a western theme and catered lunch will be provided for the staff at both schools.

Delegate to Roxbury BOE- No report

Delegate to NJ School Boards- No report

Delegate to MC School Boards- No report

Delegate to ESC of Morris County- No report

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. Flowers thanked the board members for submitting their SEC Disclosures on time, and announced the special meeting/public hearing is scheduled for May 7, 2019 at 7PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Studint reported the information from the April 29, 2019 meeting with the marketing consultant from NJ Natural Gas, piping is presently being installed on Howard Boulevard and will be connected to Decker School late spring 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

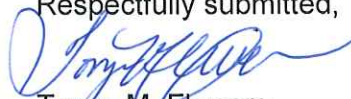
None

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

ADJOURN

Motioned by Mrs. Eckert and seconded by Mr. Botero that the public meeting be adjourned. Unanimously carried at 9:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Tonya M. Flowers
Board Secretary