

CLARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Clark, New Jersey

The Public Session of this meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Clark Council Chambers located at 315 Westfield Avenue in Clark.

AGENDA FOR MARCH 6, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT

This is a public meeting of the Board of Education of the Clark Public Schools. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with PL1975, Chapter 231, in that a special notice was made in conformance with Section 13 of the Act.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion:

Second:

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Township of Clark that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that

the Public Session minutes and the Executive Session minutes of the February 6, 2017, Regular Board Meeting are hereby approved as per copies distributed to all members. Once the need for confidentiality no longer exists, Executive Session minutes may be available to the public.

Vote: Ayes –

Nays –

Abstention –

Absent –

FLOOR OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

PERSONNEL

Motion:

Second:

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Township of Clark that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that

1. the resignation of Michele Blum, paraprofessional aide, from the Clark Public Schools (CHK) is hereby accepted effective February 28, 2017.
2. the resignation of Cheryl Benschhoff, paraprofessional aide, from the Clark Public Schools (FKH) is hereby accepted effective March 7, 2017.

- 3. Marissa Basso, teacher assistant for the Clark Public Schools (VRS), is hereby granted a maternity/disability leave commencing on or about March 20, 2017; and
Be it further resolved that Marissa Basso, shall use fifteen (15) accumulated unused sick days and three (3) personal days at the beginning of this leave; and
Be it further resolved that once the fifteen (15) accumulated unused sick days and three (3) personal days are exhausted, the remaining days of this leave shall be without pay; and
Be it further resolved that this leave shall end on or about September 1, 2017.

- 4. Michelle Gonzalez, school psychologist for the Clark Public Schools (District), is hereby granted a maternity/disability leave commencing on or about April 25, 2017; and
Be it further resolved that Michelle Gonzalez, shall use twenty-eight (28) accumulated unused sick days and three (3) personal days at the beginning of this leave; and
Be it further resolved that once the twenty-eight (28) accumulated unused sick days and three (3) personal days are exhausted, the remaining days of this leave shall be without pay; and
Be it further resolved that this leave shall end on or about November 17, 2017.

- 5. Flora Pollack, teacher for the Clark Public Schools (CHK), is hereby granted a maternity/disability leave commencing on or about June 12, 2017; and
Be it further resolved that Flora Pollack, shall use nine (9) accumulated unused sick days and one (1) personal day at the beginning of this leave; and
Be it further resolved that once the nine (9) accumulated unused sick days and one (1) personal day are exhausted, the remaining days of this leave shall be without pay; and
Be it further resolved that this leave shall end on or about October 13, 2017.

- 6. the following individuals are hereby approved as substitutes for the Clark Public Schools for the 2016-2017 school year:

Substitute Teacher:

Mary Dattilo (NJ-Elem. & Teacher of Students with Disabilities)
Ryan Kovatch (UC)
Brian Trusdell (UC)

Substitute Aide:

Mary Dattilo
Mark Glass
Ryan Kovatch
Brian Trusdell

Vote: Ayes –
Nayes –
Abstention –
Absent –

CURRICULUM/EDUCATION

Motion:

Second:

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Township of Clark that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that

7. WHEREAS, the employees listed below are requesting Board of Education authorization to attend the conferences/workshops listed below; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated functions were previously approved by the chief school administrator as work related within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendees and within the funds budgeted for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at these functions were approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district; and fiscally prudent; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes attendance at the stated conferences/workshops and reimbursement for the related expenses in accordance with Board policy on conference and workshop attendance:

26th Annual NJAGC Conference – Gifted Education: Defining and Redefining Success on Friday, March 17, 2017 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., at Mercer County Community College Conference Center – West Windsor, New Jersey, at the cost of \$159.00 – Cindy Tarello

2017 FLENJ Annual Conference on Friday March 31, 2017 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at APA Woodbridge Hotel, Iselin, N.J. at the cost of \$150.00 - Alessandra Bonacchi

8. the following educational field trip requests are hereby approved as listed:

Destination: Ocean Place Resort & Spa, Long Branch, NJ

Date: 3/31/2017-4/2/2017 **Grade(s):** 9-12

School: Arthur L. Johnson High School
Key Club District Convention

No. of Adults: 3 **No. of Students:** 30

Cost to BOE: Approx. \$422.00

Destination: Baltimore, MD /University of Delaware, DE

Date: 4/21/2017- 4/22/2017 **Grade(s):** 9-12

School: Arthur L. Johnson High School
Music Department

No. of Adults: 6 **No. of Students:** 43

Cost to BOE: None

Destination: Spirit Cruise Line, Weehawken, NJ
Date: 5/18/2017 **Grade(s):** 8
School: Carl H. Kumpf Middle School
8th Grade Class Trip
No. of Adults: 18 **No. of Students:** 172
Cost to BOE: \$2,000.00

- 9. the following curriculum guide is hereby approved for the 2016-2017 school year as submitted:

<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Course Offering</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Career and Life Readiness	Full Year	High School

Vote: Ayes –
Nayes –
Abstention –
Absent –

POLICY

Motion:
Second:

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Township of Clark that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that

- 10. the Clark Board of Education adopts the following policies on first reading. A copy of these documents is on file in the Board Office.

Policies	
5330.04	Administering an Opioid Antidote
5533	Pupil Smoking (M)
6630	Athletic Fund

Vote: Ayes –
Nayes –
Abstention –
Absent –

BOARD GOVERNANCE

Motion:
Second:

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Township of Clark that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that

- 11. the School Calendar for the 2017-2018 School Year is hereby approved. (Attachment A)
- 12. the following students from Seton Hall University are hereby approved for a supervised practicum in the Clark Public Schools as listed:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Marisa Bierenfeld	March 27-March 28, 2017	(District) Speech/Language
Grayce Hennessy	March 27-March 28, 2017	(District) Speech/Language

13. the following student from Eastwick College is hereby approved for a supervised practicum in the Clark Public Schools as listed:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Melissa Sintra	March 27-May 19, 2017	(District) Occupational Therapist

14. the following student from Union County College is hereby approved for a supervised practicum in the Clark Public Schools as listed:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Breanna Morecraft	March 7-April 1, 2017	(FKH) Elementary

Vote: Ayes –
Nays –
Abstention –
Absent –

FINANCE

Motion:
Second

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Township of Clark that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that

15. approval is hereby given for the out-of-district placement and tuition for the 2016-2017 school year, retroactive to January 30, 2017, for the following student:

Student #	Placement	Tuition
6104878415 (Elementary)	Rutgers Day School	\$73,200.00

16. a donation in the amount of \$3,968.79 to the Arthur L. Johnson High School to be used for purchases related to the Special Education Transition Program is hereby accepted from Whole Foods Market, Clark, NJ with appreciation.

17. a donation of kitchen cabinets and two appliances (refrigerator and stove) at an approximate total value of \$5,500.00 to the Arthur L. Johnson High School for the Special Services Transition Program is hereby accepted from Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scaturro with appreciation.

18. approval is hereby given to enter into an agreement with Educere to provide virtual education delivery for student #3533416584 (high school) from January 25, 2017 to March 25, 2017 at a fee not to exceed \$195.00.

19. the Board of Education accepts the financial reports, as submitted, which include the monthly Board Secretary’s report and the Treasurer of School Monies report for the month ended January 31, 2017. The Board notes that the Secretary’s and Treasurer’s reports are in balance for the cash receipts and disbursements for the month ended January 31, 2017 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c), I, R. Paul Vizzuso, Board Secretary, certify that as of January 31, 2017 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1, and that the District financial accounts have been reconciled and are in balance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that through the adoption of this resolution, we, the Clark Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10, certify that as of January 31, 2017, after review of the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

20. the Board of Education hereby approves the Monthly Transfer Report for the month ended January 31, 2017. (Attachment B)
21. the Bill List submitted in the amount of \$651,209.18 for March 7, 2017, is hereby approved and payment authorized as funds of the board are made available following this meeting.

Vote: Ayes –
Nays –
Abstention –
Absent –

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER UPDATE

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to go into Executive Caucus:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act allows for the exclusion from discussion at the public portion of a meeting certain matters as outlined below, and
WHEREAS, the Clark Township Board of Education wishes to discuss such matters made and will make such discussion public when a proper conclusion has been reached:
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clark Township Board of Education will hold a closed Executive Session on this date for the purpose(s) as outlined and described below:

- ___ 1. Confidential Matters per Statute or Court Order _____
- ___ 2. Impact Rights to Receive Federal Funds _____
- ___ 3. Unwarranted Invasion of Individual Privacy _____
- ___ 4. Collective Bargaining _____
- ___ 5. Acquisition of Real Property or Investment of Funds _____
- ___ 6. Public Safety Procedures _____
- ___ 7. Litigation or Contract Matters or Attorney/Client Privilege _____
- ___ 8. Personnel Matters _____
- ___ 9. Imposition of Penalties upon an Individual _____

This closed session may be followed by an open session where action may be taken.

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- Attachment A – 2017-2018 School Calendar
- Attachment B – Monthly Transfer Report – January 2017