

MINUTES

NOTE: Be advised that the Board may recess into executive session at any time during the meeting.

OPENING - Meeting called to order by President at 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL

Mr. Christiano Absent Mr. Ficetola x Mr. Figueroa x Mrs. McNeill x
Mrs. Nunziato Absent Mr. Riveros 6:17 pm Mr. Shah x Mr. Offreda x
Mr. Cox x

Superintendent Kollinok x Mrs. Slamb x Mrs. Henke x

FLAG SALUTE

OPENING STATEMENT

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Carlstadt Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be announced by having the time, date, and location and, to the extent known, the agenda of the meeting thereof, posted on the official bulletin board of this public body more than 48 hours prior to said meeting.

Further action was taken by forwarding a copy of said meeting notice more than 48 hours in advance to the following persons or newspapers:

Office of Carlstadt Borough Clerk
Business office of The Record, Star Ledger and The South Bergenite

PRESENTATIONS:

Ms. Slam presented the 2019-2020 school budget.

HEARING OF CITIZENS ON FINAL 2019-2020 BUDGET ONLY:

President opened the meeting for the hearing of citizens on the final budget for 2019-2020 and read statement.

President closes the hearing of citizens.

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Carlstadt Board of Education approves the final **2019-2020** school year budget as follows:

year's test administration started last Monday, April 29th and runs until the end of May. We will again stress the importance of having the student's take part in the administration of the test. Our participation numbers have continued to maintain at least a 95% participation rate. We also continue to understand that it is a parental right to not have their child participate in the test administration.

2. I have completed the Teacher Policy Manual and will discuss it with the Board at the next meeting in closed session as part of the merit goal process. It is much too big to include in the informative.
3. As of today, we have 24 students enrolled for next year's Pre-Kindergarten program. These numbers are not inclusive of the pre-school disabled students. There are 46 students registered for Kindergarten next year. Both grade level numbers are expected to rise especially over the summer. I will discuss with the Board the possibility of two sections of Pre-K at a date in the near future.
4. This year marks our 153rd Annual Picnic for the children in Carlstadt. The date has been set for Saturday June 15, 2019.
5. There are 555 students registered in our Pre-K through Grade 8 programs as of today. We are still far below the capacity of this building should a large number of students ever register in the near future.
6. I completed the Superintendent section of my annual evaluation. I would ask that all Board of Education members please complete your section in the very near future. We need to meet and finalize everything prior to July 1st.
7. The 8th grade graduation is scheduled for Friday, June 21, 2019. Graduation will again be held in Gym "B". This will not interfere with Becton's graduation which is being held on Thursday, June 20, 2019.
8. Under the Harassment, Intimation, and Bullying Law, I as Superintendent am required to report to the Board of Education no later than the date of the next Board meeting results of investigations regarding HIB when those investigations have been completed. We had zero incidents investigated since the last Board of Education meeting. All of the proper steps, meetings and notifications took place. Remedial interventions and appropriate disciplinary actions were taken dependent upon the findings of the investigation.

MR. COX, SO ENDS MY REPORT.

REPORT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

Mrs. Slamb gave presentation on the 2019-2020 budget under presentations.

HEARING OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Any citizen present who wishes to be heard on agenda items only, should raise his/her hand to be recognized, state name and address, and limit remarks to five minutes in accordance with board policy. Another Hearing will be conducted after new business for any other matter. The hearing of citizens shall not exceed one hour.

President closes hearing of citizens.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

INSTRUCTIONAL/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (Mr. Offreda)

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of schools, the Board approves with regret, the retirement of Phylis Jaworski, Kindergarten teacher, effective June 30, 2019.
2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves revisions to the school calendar to reflect one-session days on Thursday, June 20 and Friday, June 21, 2019. The last day for student attendance in Grades Pre-K 8 will be Friday, June 21, 2019 with Graduation that evening,
3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of schools, the Board approves the appointment of Ruth Polifronio as School Nurse from the Extended School Year program, July 8, 2019, through July 31, 2019, four hours per day at \$66.65 per hour.
4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves the following aide for the Out of District Special Education Extended Year, to follow out of district placement calendar, not to exceed four hours per day instructional time at \$20 per hour: Kristine Emerson.
5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves the following aide for the Out of District Special Education Extended Year, to follow out of district placement calendar, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.at \$20 per hour: Sandra Ciappina.
6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following chaperones for the Boston, MA trip on Wednesday, May 29, Thursday, May 30, and Friday, May 31, 2019 at a contractual rate of \$266 per night for a total cost of \$4,788:

Dawn Garrabrant
Jessica Gutowski
Ron Magnusson
Ruth Polifronio
Kelly Ydrovo
Robert Zimmermann

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the attendance of Allison Evans and Janet Olsson at the ISTE's Annual Conference & Expo in Philadelphia, PA, Sunday, June 23, 2019 through Wednesday, June 26, 2019, with a registration fee of \$425 each, a membership fee of \$125 each, and approval for three nights at the Kimpton Hotel Monaco, Philadelphia at a room cost of \$369 per night, for a total of \$2,207 plus travel and meals.
8. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board rescinds the approval of Lois Teller to attend the "Wilson Reading System Introductory Course" workshop on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 through Thursday May 9, 2019.
9. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the attendance of Theresa Forte at the "Wilson Reading System Introductory Course" workshop on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 through Thursday, May 9, 2019 with an event fee of \$600, using Title III Carry Over Funds, plus the cost of substitutes.
10. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of Andrew Hartmann for the 2019-2020 school year as an Elementary Teacher, MA Step D, at \$60,091, pending review of Legislation P.L. 2018 c.5.
11. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves Francine Casella as a substitute Teacher's Aide for the remainder of 2018-2019 school year, pending completion of all paperwork.
12. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves David Znutas as a Substitute Custodian for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year, pending completion of all paperwork.

Moved Mr. Offreda

Seconded Mr. Ficetola

**Mr. Christiano ___ Mr. Ficetola x Mr. Figueroa x Mrs. McNeill x
Mrs. Nunziato ___ Mr. Riveros Abstain#6 Mr. Shah x Mr. Offreda x
Mr. Cox Abstain #6**

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY COMMITTEE: (Mrs. Nunziato) None

BUILDING/ GROUND/HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: (Mr. Riveros)

1. Upon the Superintendent of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the request from the Carlstadt PTA for the use of Gym A on May 6, May 16 and June 13, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Gym B on June 5, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Talent Show Practice.

Moved Mr. Riveros

Seconded Mr. Ficetola

Mr. Christiano ___ **Mr. Ficetola** x **Mr. Figueroa** x **Mrs. McNeill** x
Mrs. Nunziato ___ **Mr. Riveros** x **Mr. Shah** x **Mr. Offreda** x
Mr. Cox x

FINANCE COMMITTEE: (Mr. Ficetola)

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the current bills for April and May 2019 as presented.
2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the agreement with the Meadowlands Area YMCA for Before/After Care and Holiday Care Programs for the 2019-2020 school year for a charge of \$4,500.00 for use of the facility, to be paid to the Board in two equal installments in September 2019 and January 2020.
3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board does hereby approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in the accordance with Chapters 53, P.L. 1997 for the 2019-20 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation, out of district special education, vocational and summer programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Carlstadt Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution.

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of Sciarrillo, Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC as Labor Counsel and Consultant for Negotiations for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, at a rate of \$165 per hour.

Moved Mr. Ficetola

Seconded Mr. Figueroa

Mr. Christiano ___ **Mr. Ficetola** x **Mr. Figueroa** x **Mrs. McNeill** x
Mrs. Nunziato ___ **Mr. Riveros** x **Mr. Shah** x **Mr. Offreda** x
Mr. Cox x

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Any citizen present, who wishes to be heard, should raise his/her hand to be recognized, state name and address, and limit remarks to five minutes in accordance with board policy. Matters of a personal nature must first have been exhausted through the proper channels. The hearing of citizens shall not exceed one hour.

Mrs. Kroynak of 617 Monroe Street thanked the Board and explained the red ribbons around the school and the awareness of public education.

President closes hearing of citizens.

ANY ACTION ARISING FROM HEARING OF CITIZENS

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION (*if needed*)

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act and Carlstadt board policy reserve the right within the constraints of state law to sit in executive session; and

WHEREAS, there now exists a need for this board to meet in an executive session; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Carlstadt Board of Education hold an executive session for the purpose of Architect/Construction and be it further

RESOLVED, that the public will be informed either later this evening after reconvening the public meeting; or at a future public meeting, said date is not predictable at the present time.

Motion to recess at 6:01 pm

Moved Mr. Offreda

Seconded Mr. Ficetola

Mr. Christiano ___ Mr. Ficetola x Mr. Figueroa x Mrs. McNeill x

Mrs. Nunziato ___ Mr. Riveros x Mr. Shah x Mr. Offreda x

Mr. Cox x

Motion to reconvene at 6:05 pm

Moved Mr. Offreda

Seconded Mr. Ficetola

Mr. Christiano ___ Mr. Ficetola x Mr. Figueroa x Mrs. McNeill x

Mrs. Nunziato ___ Mr. Riveros x Mr. Shah x Mr. Offreda x

Mr. Cox x

