

**MINUTES
SADDLE RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015 – 7:30 PM
LIBRARY OF WANDELL SCHOOL**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Senger at 7:33 p.m. in the library of Wandell School.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The April 28, 2015 regular session Board of Education meeting was advertised according to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Senger, Mr. LaSalandra, Ms. Connolly, Mr. Weng
Absent: Ms. Feldsott
Others Present: Dr. Ronzitti, Mrs. Logan, Mr. Stokes and 12 members of the public

FLAG SALUTE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the following meetings:
March 31, 2015 Special Session
April 21, 2015 Special and Executive Sessions

Motion: Ms. Connolly; Second: Mr. Weng
Vote: 4-0, motion carried
Time: 7:36 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Ronzitti's report included:

- Foundation support – thank you
- Communication received from Englewood Hospital in thanks for the donation by Wandell students in honor of Claudia Campagna
- Appreciation Certificate received from American Heart Association for the district's participation in the Jump-A-Thon
- Author visit enjoyed by students
- Evacuation drill successful
- Kindergarten dinosaur show terrific

VICE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr. Stoke's report included:

- Status update on security cameras

- Standardized testing –PARCC round 2 approaching, other standardized tests also this year
- Visits by Wandell 5th graders with Dater School students in preparation for middle school
- 5th grade moving up ceremony – June 22, 2015
- Susan Zabransky Hughes Memorial Run
- Donations from Home & School Association, Shamansky Family

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2015-2016 BUDGET

Powerpoint presentation was delivered by Dr. Ronzitti. Public comments focused on special education costs.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No report

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No comments

AGENDA ITEMS AS PER ATTACHED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance/Budget Committee – no report
2. Board Communications Committee – no report
3. Technology Committee – Lisa Kilgallen reported on replacement of equipment
4. Curriculum Committee – should be meeting by end of school year
5. Renovation Committee – moving forward on HVAC project
6. Wandell School Recreation Committee – possible donation toward field day
7. Liaisons: Ramsey Board of Education – no report
Northern Highlands Board of Education – new superintendent hired
8. Home and School Association – meeting next Wednesday
9. New Jersey School Boards Association/NJSBA Legislative Committee – next meeting June 5, 2015
10. Policy Committee – no report
11. Health, Well-being, Safety and Transportation Committee - no report
12. Liaison to Mayor and Council – borough budget, security cameras
13. Negotiations Committee – met today, negotiations continue

COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments addressed curriculum and library access. SREA representatives read a statement regarding the use of PARCC in teacher evaluations.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, PL 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances and

WHEREAS the Board is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist

BE IT RESOLVED by the Saddle River Board of Education that:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter-specified subjects:
The general nature of these subjects is:
Legal Issues, Negotiations

It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matters will be made public when the Board determines them to be no longer prejudicial or when the board takes formal action.

Motion: Mr. LaSalandra; Second: Ms. Connolly

Vote: 4-0, motion carried

Time: 8:30 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND MEETING

Motion: Mr. Senger; Second: Ms. Connolly

Vote: 3-0, motion carried

Time: 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Logan
Board Secretary

**SADDLE RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015
RESOLUTIONS – SUMMARY**

ADMINISTRATION

A-823 SECOND READING – SADDLE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 6145.1/6145.2
A-824 NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
A-825 ADVERTISE BID – HVAC PROJECT
A-826 APPOINT INSURANCE BROKER

HUMAN RESOURCES

HR-1148 HIRE SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, AIDES AND/OR OFFICE WORKERS
HR-1149 REVISION TO HR-1147 HIRE SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN
HR-1150 APPROVE VOLUNTEER COACHES
HR-1151 SUBSTITUTE NURSE RATE OF PAY
HR-1152 AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT TO FILL VACANCIES

EDUCATION

E-782 APPROVE FIELD EXPERIENCE STUDENTS
E-783 PHYSICAL THERAPIST – ADDITIONAL FUNDING
E-784 MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

FINANCE

F-2216 ADOPTION OF 2015-2016 DISTRICT BUDGET
F-2217 PAYMENT OF BILLS – APRIL 2015
F-2218 SICK DAY/COMPENSATED ABSENCE PAYOUT – FRED PALUMBO
F-2219 APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS – MARCH 2015
F-2220 LINE ITEM CERTIFICATION
F-2221 BOARD SECRETARY REPORT – MARCH 2015
F-2222 TREASURER REPORT – MARCH 2015
F-2223 AGREEMENT – TREASURER'S AND BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORTS
F-2224 ACCEPT DONATION – PATRICIA NAZZARO - BUDDY BENCH
F-2225 ACCEPT DONATION – HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
F-2226 ACCEPT DONATION – SHAMANSKY FAMILY – OUTDOOR SITTING BENCH
F-2227 ACCEPT DONATION – FOUNDATION - \$100,000
F-2228 SCHOOL NURSING STAFFING AGREEMENT
F-2229 CURRICULA CONSULTANTS

ADMINISTRATION**A-823 SECOND READING – SADDLE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 6145.1/6145.2**

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the second reading of the attached Saddle River Board of Education policy numbered 6145.1/6145.2 entitled Intramural Competition/Interscholastic Competition.

A-824 NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Motion to approve the appointment of Ms. Feldsott & Ms. Connolly to the negotiation committee by the President of the Board.

A-825 ADVERTISE BID – HVAC PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the business administrator/board secretary to advertise and accept bids for the HVAC project.

A-826 APPOINT INSURANCE BROKER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education designates Brown & Brown Metro as Insurance Agent for the Saddle River Board of Education, commencing on July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 for the following coverages:

- Package/Auto/Umbrella
- Crime
- School Board Legal
- Environmental
- CAP (School Leaders Errors & Omissions)
- Workers' Compensation
- Excess Workers' Compensation
- Travel Accident
- Cyber Liability
- Student Accident
- Employee Disability
- Public Official (Surety) Bonds

ALL ADMINISTRATION MOTIONS BUNDLED FOR SINGLE VOTE:

Motion: Mr. Senger; Second: Mr. LaSalandra

Vote: 4-0, motion carried

HUMAN RESOURCES**HR-1148 HIRE SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, AIDES AND/OR OFFICE WORKERS**

BE IT RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, to hire the following individuals as substitute teachers, aides and/or office workers for the 2014-2015 school year:

Racquel Bush
Madalyn Messina

HR-1149 REVISION TO HR-1147 HIRE SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to hire Mike Koeller (pending completion of criminal history background check) as substitute custodian.

HR-1150 APPROVE VOLUNTEER COACHES

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following individuals as volunteer coaches for the spring 2015 season:

A.J. LaBarbiera (Baseball)
Joe Castelano (Softball)
Cecare Pontoriero (Softball)

HR-1151 SUBSTITUTE NURSE RATE OF PAY

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to set the rate of pay for substitute school nurses at \$175 per day, effective May 1, 2015

HR-1152 AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT TO FILL VACANCIES

BE IT RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, to authorize the Superintendent to post, advertise and hire to fill staff vacancies.

ALL HR MOTIONS BUNDLED FOR SINGLE VOTE:

Motion: Mr. LaSalandra; Second: Mr. Weng

Roll Call Vote: TW: Yes JC: Yes JL: Yes HS: Yes

motion carried 4-0

EDUCATION

E-782 APPROVE FIELD EXPERIENCE STUDENTS

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following Fairleigh Dickinson University students for Field Experience at Wandell School during the 2014/15 school year:

Ashley Villalta – 5 days

Jenna Levine – 9 days

E-783 PHYSICAL THERAPIST – ADDITIONAL FUNDING

BE IT RESOLVED to approve additional funding in the amount of \$4,518.00 for physical therapist Marilyn Jones to complete the 2014/15 school year.

E-784 MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Board Policy 6145.1/6145.2, the Saddle River Board of Education approves the middle school level interscholastic baseball and softball programs with games as per the attached schedule as well as membership in the Bergen Youth Baseball/Softball League.

ALL EDUCATION MOTIONS BUNDLED FOR SINGLE VOTE:

Motion: Mr. Senger; Second: Mr. LaSalandra

Vote: 4-0, motion carried

FINANCE

F-2216 ADOPTION OF 2015-2016 DISTRICT BUDGET

WHEREAS the 2015-2016 tentative budget was adopted at a Public Meeting of the Board of Education on March 17, 2015 and advertised in accordance with statute requiring a public hearing which has been held on April 28, 2015, and

WHEREAS the Public Hearing has been held and all persons desiring to be heard were heard,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education, County of Bergen, approves the final 2015-2016 school year budget as follows:

Total General Fund	\$8,644,749
Special Revenue	\$ 203,700
Debt Service	\$ 91,969
Total Expenditures/Appropriations	\$8,940,418

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Fund tax levy \$7,833,281. is approved to support Current General Expense and \$91,969 to support Debt Service, for the 2015-2016 school year budget;

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the full spread of the adopted budget is available in the Board of Education Office.

Roll Call Vote for F-2216 Only:

Motion: Mr. Senger; Second Mr. LaSalandra

Roll Call Vote: HS: Yes JL: Yes JC: Yes TW: Yes

Motion carried 4-0

F-2217 PAYMENT OF BILLS – APRIL 2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the payment of bills as per the attached April Bills and Claims be approved.

F-2218 SICK DAY/COMPENSATED ABSENCE PAYOUT – FRED PALUMBO

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the unused sick day/compensated absence payout of \$15,000 to Fred Palumbo as per the terms of his negotiated contract.

F-2219 APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS – MARCH 2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the attached appropriation transfers for the month of March 2015 be approved.

F-2220 LINE ITEM CERTIFICATION

BE IT RESOLVED that in compliance with NJAC 6:20-2A-10(e) that the Board of Education certifies that no major account or fund has been over-expended and that as of this report, sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

F-2221 BOARD SECRETARY REPORT – MARCH 2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the attached Board Secretary Report for the month of March 2015 be approved.

F-2222 TREASURER REPORT – MARCH 2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the attached Report of the Treasurer for the month of March 2015 be approved.

F-2223 AGREEMENT – TREASURER'S AND BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education states that the Report of the Treasurer of School Moneys and the Report of the Secretary of the Board of Education for the month of March 2015 are in agreement and on file in the Board Secretary's Office.

F-2224 ACCEPT DONATION – PATRICIA NAZZARO - BUDDY BENCH

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education accepts with gratitude a donation from Patricia Nazzaro in the amount of \$269.09 toward the purchase of a Buddy Bench.

F-2225 ACCEPT DONATION – HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education accepts with gratitude a donation from the Home & School Association for the following items:

Door Entrance Mats	\$2,566.96
Snow Blower	\$1,799.00
Shed	\$1,399.99

F-2226 ACCEPT DONATION – SHAMANSKY FAMILY – OUTDOOR SITTING BENCH

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education accepts with gratitude a donation from The Shamansky Family of an outdoor sitting bench with an estimated value of \$800.00.

F-2227 ACCEPT DONATION – FOUNDATION - \$100,000

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saddle River Board of Education accepts with gratitude a donation from the Wandell School Education Foundation in the amount of \$100,000 toward technology costs as unanimously approved at their meeting on April 21, 2015.

F-2228 SCHOOL NURSING STAFFING AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a School Nursing Staffing Agreement with Liberty Healthcare Services to provide nursing services on an as-needed basis, at the contract indicated rate.

F-2229 CURRICULA CONSULTANTS

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following curricula consultants, to be paid at a rate of \$30 per hour, not to exceed a total of \$2,500 per person.

Michaela Harris

Beth Karl

FINANCE MOTIONS F-2217 through F-2229 BUNDLED FOR SINGLE VOTE:

Motion: Mr. Senger Second: Ms. Connolly

Discussion: Terms of nursing contract, Foundation's donation and possible board liaison

Vote: 4-0, motion carried