

**Board of Education  
Mainland Regional High School  
Linwood, New Jersey**

October 18, 2010

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**

The **Regular** Meeting of the Board of Education of the Mainland Regional High School District of Atlantic County was called to order at 7:03 p.m. on the above date in the Library in the Mainland Regional High School Building in Linwood, New Jersey; President Medica presiding.

2.0 **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

3.0 **COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT**

President Medica duly noted that adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Education was provided by the Board Secretary's Office on July 12, 2010, to Newspapers, Municipal Clerks and was posted on the bulletin board located in the main school entrance specifying time, place, and date in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act - Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

4.0 **ROLL CALL:**

Quorum  
Present

Present - Messrs. Harvey,  
Ms. Carber, Carey, Lonkart  
President Medica

Arrived 7:20 - Ms. Ojserkis

Absent - Ms. Hehre  
Messrs. Person, Jungels

Superintendent Baruffi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Gniewyk, and Principal Blake were present.

5.0 **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

Winston Roberts reported:

- Hodgeball-Dodgeball event was successful. Another event is planned in December.
- Student Council is holding a Toys-for-Tots Drive during the month of October.
- Student Council is planning a 21 Down Halloween Dance
- Jr./Sr. Football Game is being organized.
- At the last Student Council meeting, the Unit Lunch and Schedule were discussed. All students reported they are happy with the new schedule.

6.0 **SPECIAL REPORTS**

Dr. Blake reported on the Students of the Month for March:

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lauren Linn
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Tonya David
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Kara McPeak
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Amy Pushman

Dr. Blake reported on the National Merit Commended Scholars:

Maung Z. Aung	Victoria Blake	Vincent Butrus
Lindsay M. Dever	Patrick T. Dodds	Jordan J. Reedie
Sarah D. Schutz	Arden Gewirtz	

Mr. Mark Marrone reported on the Violence & Vandalism Report.

- Presented the Violence and Vandalism Report for the 2009-2010 school year.
- Presented comparison numbers for the past five years.
- Dr. Baruffi and Mr. Marrone invited Board members to visit during the Unit Lunch.
- Discussion followed regarding bussing to students living in the Apartment Complex's located in Somers Point.
- Discussion followed regarding the possibility of offering courtesy bussing.

Ms. Marianne Carey reported on the Mainland Regional High School's Community Aquatic Center.

- Swim Club is very happy with the participation.
- Reviewed the scheduling of Lifeguards.

Shared Services:

- Working on a sheared services provider for Dental Benefits.
- Next meeting is scheduled for October 28, 2010 at the Belhaven Avenue School.
- Discussion followed on the proposal of School Choice.

7.0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Exec.  
Session

President Medica called for a motion to enter into executive session at the call of the chair to discuss Litigation/Negotiations.

Ms. Ojserkis moved the motion.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mainland Regional High School Board of Education that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law (NJSA 10:4-1 et seq) that it shall, **At the call of the Chair**, enter into an Executive Session to discuss **Litigation/Negotiations**, and that the information discussed at this meeting can be disclosed to the public only upon formal written request to the Secretary of the Board of Education and it thereafter has been reviewed by the Board of Education at the next work, special or regular meeting to determine that the time and circumstances would then be appropriate to disclose the information discussed.

Mr. Harvey seconded the motion.

Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)

8.0

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2010.

Approve  
Minutes

Mr. Harvey moved the motion, seconded by Ms. Carber

Roll call vote was unanimous: Ayes (6)

8.1 Motion to approve the Executive Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2010 and September 20, 2010. Exec. Minutes

Mr. Harvey moved the motion, seconded by Ms. Carber  
Roll call vote was unanimous: Ayes (6)

10.0 **COMMUNICATIONS** - Ms. Gniewyk:

- Reminded the Board about the Veteran's Day Breakfast.
- Informed the Board the complimentary wellness check in the Policy Manual has started.

11.0 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

None

12.0 **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Discussion followed regarding the positive atmosphere with the staff and students.
- Dr. Blake reported on the visit from Cherry Hill East and West regarding the new schedule.

13.0 **MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

No public response.

14.0 **EDUCATION:**

Ms. Carber moved items 14.1 through 14.3.

14.1 Motion to approve field trips for the 2010-2011 school year. (See pages 22-23) F/T

14.2 Motion to approve Home Instruction/Outside Placement for: HI/OP

Home Instruction

Case HI #2

From 9/13/10 to 12/13/10

10 Hours @ \$45.00 X 12 Weeks = \$5,400.00

Case HI #3

From 9/13/10 to 6/20/11

12 Hours @ \$45.00 X 38 Weeks = Not to exceed \$20,252.00

Case HI #4

From 9/24/10 to 10/1/10

10 Hours @ \$45.00 X 1 Week = \$450.00

Case HI #5  
From 9/24/10 to 10/1/10  
10 Hours @ \$45.00 X 1 Week = \$450.00

Case HI #6  
From 9/13/10 to 12/13/10  
14 Hours @ \$45.00 X 12 Weeks = \$7,560.00

Outside Placement

Location: Coastal Learning Center  
420 E. Main Street  
Tuckerton, NJ 08087

Case #11052  
From 10/4/10 to 6/30/11      School Year 2010-2011  
Tuition \$44,271.00      ESY \$7,102.00 = \$51,373.00

- 14.3 Motion to approve the Violence and Vandalism Report for the 2010-2011 school year. V&V Rpt.

Ms. Lonkart seconded the motion.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)

- 15.0 **PERSONNEL:**  
Ms. Ojserkis moved items 15.1 through 15.7.

- 15.1 Motion to approve substitutes for the 2010-2011 school year. \*-Indicates emergency hiring procedures from the County Office. Sub.

Meghan Wilson      All Areas  
Kathryn Englert      All Areas

- 15.2 Motion to approve an upgrade for Tina Colombo, English Teacher, to move from MA+15 Step 11 (\$76,605.00) to MA+30 Step 11 (\$77,900.00) effective September 1, 2010. Upgrade

- 15.3 Motion to approve the following Co-curricular positions: Co-Curr

Jimmy Ye      Co-Advisor School Store  
John Capasso      Co-Advisor School Store  
Lauren Comisky      Yearbook Advisor  
Kathy Yohe      Asst. Coach Boys Tennis

- 15.4 Motion to approve the following Substitute Food Service Workers at the rate of \$7.25 per hour for the 2010-2011 school year. Sub. Food Serv. Wrk.

Amber Southrey      Deborah Kafkalas

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| 15.5 | Motion to approve a Shared Service with Northfield Community School for a Speech Therapist for the 2010-2011 school year.   | Share<br>Serv. Nfd. |
| 15.6 | Motion to approve an upgrade for Katie Foremant from BA+15 Step 5 to MA Step 5 (\$56,800.00) for the 2010-2011 school year effective September 1, 2010.                                     | Upgrade             |
| 15.7 | Motion to appoint the following Substitute Cafeteria Workers for the 2010-2011 school year at a salary of \$7.25 per hour:<br><br>Jacqueline R. Spencer<br>Debbie Persiano<br>Marc Ginsberg | Sub. Café<br>Wrkr.  |

Ms. Carey seconded the motion.  
 Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)

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| 16.0 | <b><u>FINANCE AND FACILITIES</u></b><br>Mr. Harvey moved items 16.1 through 16.20.   |                               |
| 16.1 | Motion to approve Invoices in the amount of \$ <u>707,392.14</u> for the 2009-2010 School Year.<br>(See pages 24-40)                     | Invoices                      |
| 16.2 | Motion to approve Purchase Orders in the amount of \$ <u>551,471.63</u> for the 2010-2011 School Year.<br>(See pages 41-44)              | Purchase<br>Orders            |
| 16.3 | Motion to approve Construction Invoices in the amount of \$ <u>59,708.95</u> for the 2010-2011 School Year.<br>(See pages 45-46)         | Constr.<br>Invoices           |
| 16.4 | Motion to approve Construction Purchase Orders in the amount of \$ <u>370,136.76</u> for the 2010-2011 School Year.<br>(See pages 47-48) | Constr.<br>Purchase<br>Orders |
| 16.5 | Motion to approve Activity Fund Invoices in the amount of \$ <u>17,927.47</u> for the 2009-2010 School Year.<br>(See pages 49-52)        | Activity<br>Invoices          |
| 16.6 | Motion to approve Athletic Fund Invoices in the amount of \$ <u>5,479.00</u> for the 2009-2010 School Year.<br>(See pages 53-56)         | Athletic<br>Invoices          |

16.7 Motion to approve Food Service Invoices in the amount of Food Serv.  
\$ 71,450.09 for the 2009-2010 School Year. Invoices  
(See pages 78-79)

16.8 Motion to approve the Board Secretary's Monthly Certif.  
Certification.

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d)\*, I certify that as of September 30, 2010, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders 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.

16.9 Motion to approve the Board Secretary's Monthly Certif.  
Certification.

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.11(c)2\*, I certify that as of September 30, 2010, no anticipated changes in revenue amounts and sources which would enable the district from meeting the financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

16.10 Motion to approve the Board Secretary's Monthly Certif.  
Certification.

Board of Education's Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account Fund Status.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(e)\*, we certify that as of September 30, 2010, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:20-2.A.10(a.1)\*and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

16.11 Motion to approve line item transfers as of October 18, Transf.  
2010 for the 2010-2011 School Year. (See pages 57-59)

16.12 Motion to approve the Use of Facility for: Fac. Use

American Cancer Society for use of the Track and Field, June 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 from 1:00 PM to 10:00 AM for an Overnight Relay for Life event. (All fees waived)

Mainland Jr. Wrestling for use of the Main Lobby 10/20/10 and 10/28/10 from 6:00-7:30 PM for Wrestling Sign-ups. (All fees waived)

Mainland Jr. Wrestling for use of the Auxiliary Gym-Wrestling Room, Monday-Friday, 11/1/10 - 3/29/11 from 5:30-8:00 PM for Wrestling Practice. (All fees waived)

16.13 Motion to approve the Tuition Contract between the Atlantic County Vocational School Board of Education and the Mainland Regional High School Board of Education for the 2010-2011 school year totaling \$58,473.00 as follows: Tuition Contract  
Vo-Tech

13 Academy Students @ \$5,252.00 each	\$68,250.00
13 Shared Time Students @ \$250.00	\$3,250.00
Less 2007-2008/2008-2009 Tuition Adjustments	( \$13,027.00 )
TOTAL 2010-2011	\$58,473.00

16.14 Motion to approve a contract for legal services between Comegno Law Group P.C. and the Mainland Regional High School Board of Education for the 2010-2011 school year at a rate of \$175.00 per hour plus reimbursement for reasonable expenses such as mileage, postage, and photocopying associated with legal services. Legal Services

16.15 Motion to approve the Food Service Contract for the 2010-2011 school year between the Mainland Regional High School Board of Education and the following: Food Serv.  
Contracts

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- 16.16 Motion to accept the following bids for Cafeteria Paper Products: Accept Bids
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| Interboro Packaging Corp.   | \$ | 636.76      |
| South Jersey Paper Products |    | \$36,907.95 |
| Singer Equipment Co. Inc.   |    | \$37,085.26 |
| City Supply Co.             |    | \$30,849.24 |
- 16.17 Motion to award the Bid for Cafeteria Paper Products to the following: Award Bids
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| South Jersey Paper Products |  | \$17,594.75 |
| City Supply Co.             |  | \$17,737.95 |
- 16.18 Motion to accept the donation of Weight Training Equipment from Great Bay Racquet and Fitness. Donation
- 16.19 Motion to approve the Resolution regarding Private Schools participation in the Child Nutrition Program. Child Nutrition Program
- Be It Resolved, that the following Private Schools are not required to charge Mainland Regional High School District students for any paid or reduced meals furnished directly or indirectly to them. This shall be in effect from July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2012.
- 16.20 Motion to approve travel expenditures for the 2010-2011 school year. (See page 75-77) Travel Expend.
- Ms. Ojserkis seconded the motion.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)
- 17.0 **POLICY**  
Ms. Carber moved items 17.1 and 17.2.
- 17.1 Motion to approve Policy #5271 Parental Involvement for a Second Reading. (See attached) Policy #5271
- 17.2 Motion to approve the Exhibit to Policy #5271 School-Parent Compact Provisions for a Second Reading. (See attached) Policy #5271 Exhibit
- Ms. Lonkart seconded the motion.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)

18.0 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

19.0 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Work Meeting Agenda - November 8, 2010  
Regular Meeting Agenda - November 15, 2010

20.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Medica moved items 20.1 through 20.3.

20.1 Motion to approve substitutes for the 2010-2011 school year: Sub.

Paul Reardon All Areas  
Kelly McShay All Areas

20.2 Motion to approve the Disposal of the following Damaged/Obsolete Items: Disposal

<u>Item</u>	<u>MRHS Tag #</u>
Computer	146
Computer	153
Computer	360
Computer	440
Computer	1180
Computer	1181
Computer	1214
Computer	1251
Computer	1259
Computer	1287
Computer	1374
Computer	2146
Computer	2550

20.3 Motion to approve an overnight field trip for Katherine Howarth, Music Department, to go to the Allentown Championship Band Competition in Allentown, PA on November 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at a cost not to exceed \$1,600.00. F/T

4 Buses not to exceed \$400.00 per bus = \$1,600.00

Ms. Ojserkis seconded the motion.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)

20.4 Motion to approve the School Choice Application (assuming School  
eligibility) upon the recommendation of Administration Choice  
for submission to the New Jersey Department of Education.

Ms. Ojserkis moved the motion, seconded by Ms. Carey.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Ayes (6)

**The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:05 PM**  
**The Board entered back into Regular Session at 8:30 PM**

**MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**  
No Public Response.

21.0 **ADJOURNMENT** Adjourn

Mr. Harvey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded  
by Ms. Carey. The meeting was adjourned by a voice vote  
at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Jensen Gniewyk  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary