

**FORT LEE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FORT LEE, NEW JERSEY**

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 12, 2010

Library, School No. 1 – 250 Hoym St.

1. The Regular Business Meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by Mr. Carmello Luppino, Jr., President of the Fort Lee Board of Education.
2. Mr. Arthur W. Levine led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
3. Public Announcement by the President of the Board of Education:
The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice 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 the Act, the Fort Lee Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the entrance hall of the Board Office, 255 Whiteman Street; published in the Board's designated newspapers: The Record, The Star Ledger, The Bergen News and The Suburbanite; filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Fort Lee; and mailed to all persons, if any, who have requested said notice.
4. **ROLL CALL**
PRESENT: Mr. John Bang, Mrs. Linda McCue, Mrs. Angela Napolitano, Mr. Yusang Park, Mrs. Michelle Stux-Ramirez, Mr. Peter Suh, Mr. Joseph Surace and Mr. Carmello Luppino, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Steven Engravalle, Mrs. Cheryl Balletto and Mr. Matthew J. Giacobbe, Esq.

ABSENT: Dr. Raymond J. Bandlow and Mr. Arthur W. Levine
5. **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS / DISTRICT MUSIC STUDY**
 - ◆ Mr. Steven Engravalle read the report recognizing staff accomplishments. He said there was a Curriculum Management Audit and we can make a copy for anyone who would like one.
 - ◆ Ms. Cheryl Best and Ms. Shelley Fox presented the Music Study.
6. **PUBLIC WORK SESSION**
 - ◆ Mr. Peter Suh asked what is the advertisement for the referendum about?
 - ◆ Mrs. Cheryl Balletto answered that by law the board must advertise that they are having a referendum fifty days prior.

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- ◆ Minutes from the Executive Session and Regular Business Meeting on June 21, 2010.

	Motion by Mrs. Linda McCue To Approve Minutes from the Executive Session and Regular Business Meeting on June 21, 2010.	Seconded by Mr. Arthur W. Levine On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. John Bang and Mr. Yusang Park abstained from the June 21, 2010 minutes. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent.	
--	--	--	--

8. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS LISTED ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA**

- ◆ Dr. Nina Levinson asked about Resolution #5CUR and asked what time will the preschool run?
- ◆ Mr. Steven Engravalle stated that it is a three hour session held at the Church of Good Shepherd. It is an Inclusion Program.
- ◆ Dr. Nina Levinson asked about Resolution #3P?
- ◆ Mrs. Cheryl Balletto stated that the people declined the job.
- ◆ Dr. Nina Levinson asked about Resolution #5P and #6P? Does the Alternative High School lead to graduating?
- ◆ Mr. Steven Engravalle said yes.
- ◆ Mrs. Nancy Stern asked how many vacation days?
- ◆ Mr. David Sarnoff stated that the facebook page searches the Fort Lee Schools Referendum. About a month ago and a month has already gone by, there was no follow up. There are fifty volunteers.
- ◆ Mrs. Cheryl Balletto stated that there are 27 per the contract.

9. **RESOLUTIONS AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

<u>Buildings and Grounds</u>			
#1B&G	Approval – Approval to County to Advertise the Referendum		
	Motion by Mrs. Angela Napolitano To Approve #1B&G	Seconded by Mr. Peter Suh On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent.	

<u>Curriculum Committee</u>	
#1CUR	Approval – Acceptance of Results from Curriculum Management Audit
#2CUR	Approval of Revised School Calendar for the 2010-2011 school year
#3CUR	Approval – Proposal from LITLIFE for Professional Development for Administrators and District Leaders
#4CUR	Approval – Additional Agreement/Contract Renewals for 2010-2011 school year
#5CUR	Approval – General Education Preschool Program

	Motion by Mrs. Linda McCue To Approve #1CUR - #5CUR	Seconded by Mr. Yusang Park On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent.	
--	--	--	--

Finance			
#1F	Approval – Current Bills List		
#2F	Approval – Renewal of Chartwells Contract		
#3F	Approval – Breakfast and Lunch Prices 2010-2011		
#4F	Approval – Increasing Bid Threshold and Appointing a Qualified Purchasing Agent in a Board of Education or other entity subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18a:18a-1 Et Seq.		
#5F	Approval – Amended 2009-2010 NCLB and IDEA Grant		
	Motion by Mr. Joseph Surace To Approve #1F - #5F	Seconded Mr. Peter Suh On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent. Mr. Joseph Surace abstained from one name on Resolution #1F.	

Health-Welfare and Safety			
#1HWS	Approval – Payment of Home and Bedside Instruction Services		
#2HWS	Approval – ESY Out-Of-District Placement		
#3HWS	Approval – Out-Of-District Placements for 2010-2011 school year		
	Motion by Mrs. Michelle Stux-Ramirez To Approve #1HWS - #3HWS	Seconded by Mrs. Linda McCue On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent.	

Personnel			
#1P	Approval - Staff Trips and Conferences		
#2P	Approval – Resignation of Elizabeth Moreland as High School Assistant Principal		
#3P	Approval – Rescinding the Appointment of 2010 Extended School Year Summer Program Staff		
#4P	Approval – Appointment of Summer Math and Science Curriculum Writers		
#5P	Approval – Appointment of Kevin Grom as Out-Of-District Classroom Aide		

#6P	Approval – Appointment of Alexander Saavedra as Classroom Aide for Alternative High School Program	
#7P	Approval – Appointment of Additional Fall Coaches for The 2010-2011 School Year (As Amended)	
#8P	Approval – Approval of Unused Vacation Days and Sick Day Payouts	
#9P	Approval – Approval of Job Description – Alternative High School Inclusion Teacher	
#10P	Approval – Appointment of Jeffrey Angus as High School Science Teacher	
#11P	Approval – Appointment of Grace Kim as Art Teacher at School No. 4 and High School	
#12P	Approval – Appointment of Mary Stephenson as Music Teacher at Middle School And High School	
#13P	Approval – Appointment of Kristin Forsdahl as Part-Time Occupational Therapist	
#14P	Approval – Appointment of Sarah Levy as Part-Time Occupational Therapist	
#15P	Approval – Appointment of Calogero Pagano as Special Education Teacher for Alternative HS Program	
#16P	Approval – Appointment of Karen Zappel as Elementary Education Teacher at School No. 3	
#17P	Approval – Appointment of Substitutes	
#18P	Approval – Appointment of Extended School Day Program Personnel	
#19P	Approval – Correction of Co-Curricular Appointments for the 2009-2010 school year	
	Motion by Mrs. Angela Napolitano To Approve #1P - #19P	Seconded by Mr. Yusang Park On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent. Mr. Joseph Surace abstained from one name on Resolution #8P.

Policy		
#1POL	Approval – First Reading of Policy Nos. 2436, 6360, 6422 and 8420	
#2POL	Approval – Reading and Adoption of Regulation Nos. R6422 and R8420.1	
	Motion by Mr. Peter Suh To Approve #1POL & #2POL	Seconded by Mrs. Angela Napolitano On roll call, Motion carried. Mr. Arthur W. Levine was absent.

10. **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY TOPIC OF CONCERN**
 - ◆ David Sarnoff stated that last year the assembly at the High School said that the sophomores can't go out to lunch.
11. At approximately 9:12 PM, Mrs. Michelle Stux-Ramirez, offered, Mrs. Angela Napolitano seconded by, to adjourn the Regular Business meeting. On voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

Roll calls and resolutions of this meeting are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

CHERYL BALLETT
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

CB/mp
Att.
7-21-10