

**MIDDLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013
3:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Middle Township School Board has a clearly articulated district mission statement incorporating the expectation that all students achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards (NJCCCS) at all grade levels.

Also, the mission of the Middle Township School District is to provide excellence in education while celebrating the strength of its diversity and upholding the values and traditions of the community in order to produce graduates who possess a love of learning and a sense of responsibility. This education aims to enable all students to reach their potential and become active, productive members of a dynamic, global society.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, public notice of the meeting has been given by the Board Secretary in the following manner: Posting written notice to the Atlantic City Press, the Middle Township Gazette, written notice with the Clerk of the Township of Middle and posted on the Board Secretary's bulletin board.

II. ROLL CALL

 P Calvin Back
 P Dennis Roberts
 P Robert Bakley II
 P George DeLollis
 A Burgess Hamer
 P Linda Koch
 P Andrew Melchiorre
 P Patricia Taylor
 P Stephanie Thomas
 A Patricia Ziolkowski

ATTENDANCE

- P Michael J. Kopakowski, Superintendent
- P Dr. David Salvo, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services
- P Diane Fox, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- P Lyn Langford, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
- A Christian Paskalides, Principal, Elementary #1
- A Douglas Penkethman, Principal, Elementary #2
- A Amos Kraybill, Principal, Middle School
- A Richard Falletta, Principal, High School
- A William Donio, Board Solicitor
- A Amy Houck, Board Solicitor

OTHERS

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Led by the President of the Middle Township Board of Education and followed by a moment of silence.

IV. PRESENTATION

1. Presentation Report of Finance Committee Meetings on February 26, 2013 and March 1, 2013 by Mr. DeLollis
Exhibit P 13:04:3/5/13

Mr. DeLollis , Finance Committee Chair, presented the finance committee report to the board which is presented in the exhibit to the minutes.

Board discussion ensued concerning the budget and the cuts that must be made.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

VI. FINANCIAL

Be it resolved that the Board of Education approves:

1. **Motion was made to approve the 2013/2014 preliminary school district budget for submission to the County Office as follows:**

		Local Tax Levy
General Fund	\$40,176,407	\$23,568,769
Special Revenue Funds	\$ 1,831,404	\$ N/A
Debt Service	\$ 1,606,050	\$ 1,606,050
 Total Budget	 \$43,613,861	

AND to set the General Fund tax levy at \$23,568,769 using banked CAP of 2% to meet the thorough and efficient education needs in the district.

- B. The contract with The Design Collaborative for the preparation of construction documents to upgrade the vestibules of Elementary #1, Elementary #2 and the Middle School to be paid at the current hourly rate as per our contract.
- C. The change in long term substitute teacher pay to \$125 per day from the date authorized on a board agenda. All other teacher substitutes will be paid at \$75 per day. Current approved long-term substitutes will continue at the rate they were approved at for the remainder of the current approved position.

Motion:	Mr. DeLollis	Second:	Mr. Melchiorre
Vote:	Roll Call	Carried:	Yes

- X Calvin Back
- Y Dennis Roberts
- Y Robert Bakley II
- Y George DeLollis
- A Burgess Hamer
- Y Linda Koch
- Y Andrew Melchiorre
- Y Patricia Taylor
- Y Stephanie Thomas
- A Patricia Ziolkowski

VII. ADMINISTRATION

Be it resolved that the Board of Education approves:

- A. Resolution to approve the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) 2012-2013 Progress Targets Action Plan for Middle Township Elementary #2 and Middle Township Elementary #4 (Middle School).
Exhibit A 13:37:3/5/13
- B. The authorization for The Design Collaborative to submit schematic drawings for other capital projects for security upgrades to Elementary #1, Elementary #2 and the Middle School and to update the Long Range Facility Plan as needed for these projects.
- C. The following retirements/resignations/terminations:

Name:	Antoinette Ludwig
Position:	Teacher
Building:	Elementary #1
Type:	Retirement
Effective:	June 30, 2013

Name: Joan Shoffler
Position: Bus Aide
Building: Transportation
Type: Retirement
Effective: June 30, 2013

Motion: Mr. Roberts Second: Ms. Koch
Vote: Roll Call Carried: Yes

X Calvin Back
Y Dennis Roberts
Y Robert Bakley II
Y George DeLollis
A Burgess Hamer
Y Linda Koch
Y Andrew Melchiorre
Y Patricia Taylor
Y Stephanie Thomas
A Patricia Ziolkowski

D. The scheduling of the public hearing for the 2013-2014 School Budget for Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Roberts Second: Mr. DeLollis
Vote: Roll Call Carried: Yes

X Calvin Back
Y Dennis Roberts
Y Robert Bakley II
Y George DeLollis
A Burgess Hamer
Y Linda Koch
Y Andrew Melchiorre
Y Patricia Taylor
Y Stephanie Thomas
A Patricia Ziolkowski

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Charlotte Sadler, MTEA President, thanked the board for their efforts with the budget. She also thanked the board for allowing the Woodbine students to come to Middle Township, expressing her concern that the reason for coming is all that we can offer them not only academically, but with extra-curricular activities and sports.

X. BOARD COMMENT

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn the special meeting of the Board of Education at 3:45 p.m.

Motion:	Mr. Roberts	Second:	Mr. Melchiorre
Vote:	Voice	Carried:	Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane S. Fox
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary