

**Board of Education
Upper Saddle River, New Jersey
Regular Session
Monday, February 6, 2017, 8:00 p.m.**

Minutes

This Work Session of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education was held in the Cavallini School Media Center of the Upper Saddle River Schools beginning at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Johnston opened the meeting and stated that the meeting was being held in compliance with PL 1975, Chapter 232 and appropriate notice had been provided to the designated newspapers, the Borough Clerk and all interested parties requesting such notification.

Members present: Mrs. Johnston, Mr. Amano, Mrs. Fusaro, Mrs. Gandara, Mrs. Pittman, Mr. Prisco

Members absent: Dr. Verducci

Also present: Dr. Browne, Mrs. Imbasciani

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Mrs. Pittman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Prisco to convene into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. Mrs. Johnston then read the following statement:

WHEREAS, the members of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education deem necessary to discuss personnel and legal matters, and

WHEREAS, the topics to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in confidential session pursuant to PL 1975, Chapter 231,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting will be made public when the need for privacy no longer exists. Action may be taken.

Mr. Prisco made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pittman to adjourn Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Prisco made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pittman to convene into Work Session at 8:00 p.m.

OPENING STATEMENT:

Mrs. Johnston

Mrs. Johnston welcomed the public to the meeting.

PRESENTATION:

Update on District Goals

Dr. Browne

Dr. Browne provided an update on the district goals. Highlights included:

- Continue to implement current, research-based strategies surrounding the implementation of Reading and Writing Workshops in Grades K-8
- Successfully implement the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in Grades 6-8 and plan for the implementation of the NGSS in Grades K-5
- Incorporate the use of our STEM labs into program of study for students in Grades K-8
- Successfully transition to the use of the new 1:1 learning devices for students and staff in Grades 4-8
- Continue to identify and implement programs and interventions designed to support the overall wellness of our student
- Provide support for teachers and students necessary to increase the average Student Growth Percentage in Mathematics

- Other Areas of Focus:
 - Demographic Studies/Student Population Shifts
 - New Professional Development Day – January 16, 2017
 - BOE Member Training
 - Administrative Training/Study

Dr. Browne also announced the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades for the 2015/16 school year under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights, were (out of a maximum of 78):

Cavallini	70
Bogert	71
Reynolds	71
District Grade	71

These results can also be found on the district website.

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Browne

A motion was made by Mrs. Fusaro and seconded by Mr. Amano to approve Administration Consent Agenda item A and was approved by all in attendance.

- A. Approve the ESEA Accountability Action Plan – 2016 Participation Rate.

PERSONNEL:

Dr. Browne

A motion was made by Mrs. Pittman and seconded by Mr. Prisco to approve Personnel Consent Agenda items A and B and was approved by all in attendance.

- A. Appointment
1. Appoint Elham Shameli to the position of paraprofessional at Reynolds School, Step 1, effective February 7, 2017.
- B. Substitutes/Consultants
1. Approve Michelle Weinberg as an ABA Home Instructor for a Reynolds Pre-school student, \$35/hour whose name is on file in the Board Office, for the 2016/17 school year beginning February 7, 2017, for approximately 10 hours per week.

This motion will be one motion that encompasses items A through G and will be voted on at the February 13, 2017 meeting. This motion has been recommended for approval by the Superintendent.

- A. Create/Abolish (not applicable)
- B. Job Description
1. Approve the job description for Director of Personnel/Staff Development.
- C. Resignation (not applicable)
- D. Leaves
1. Approve paid disability and unpaid statutory leave for Sarah Maginnis, Kindergarten Teacher, effective on or about September 5, 2017 through approximately November 28, 2017.

- E. Appointment
1. Approve Dario Sanchez, Level 1 Computer/Network Technician, as a Network Specialist Intern for the 2016/17 school year.
- F. Substitutes/Consultants
1. Approve Kathryn Barthold as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional for the 2016/17 school year, New Jersey Substitute Teacher's Credential.
 2. Approve Robert Franklin as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional for the 2016/17 school year, New Jersey Substitute Teacher's Credential.
 3. Approve Sarah Marte as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional for the 2016/17 school year, New Jersey Substitute Teacher's Credential.
- G. Lateral Guide Move (not applicable)

FINANCE:**Mrs. Imbasciani**

A motion was made by Mrs. Fusaro and seconded by Mrs. Gandara to approve Finance Consent Agenda Items A and B and was approved by all in attendance.

- A. Approve submission of the SEMI Waiver for the 2017/18 school year to the Executive Superintendent of Schools.
- B. Approve the following Travel Expenses:

Program Name	Date	Employee	Registration Fees	Travel Cost
Digital Citizenship Workshop Oradell, NJ	February 9, 2017	Michael Padilla	\$0.00	\$7.06
Tools of the Mind Information Session Long Branch, NJ	February 10, 2017	Amy D'Ambola	\$0.00	\$48.15
PARCC Training Whippany, NJ	February 10, 2017	Sara Senger	\$0.00	\$20.37
NJASPERD Convention Long Branch, NJ	February 27, 2017	Barbara Van Riper	\$120.00	\$54.12
Strategies! Strategies! Strategies! Best Strategies, Tools, and Technologies for Strengthening Your Science Instruction Newark, NJ	March 2, 2017	Lyndsey Campana	\$245.00	\$0.00
101 Therapy Strategies to Increase Your Effectiveness as a Speech Language Pathologist West Orange, NJ	March 2, 2017	Carolyn Lane	\$245.00	\$0.00
NJSBA Technology Conference West Windsor, NJ	March 2, 2017	David Verducci	\$99.00	\$0.00
National Art Educators Association National Convention New York, NY	March 2-3, 2017	Heidi Rockwell Anna Zimmerman	\$255.00 \$255.00	\$73.50 \$73.50
NJAMLE 2017 Conference Union, NJ	March 10, 2017	Bruce Reicher	\$0.00	\$0.00

School Refusal/Anxiety and Hot Legal Topics in Special Education Monroe, NJ	March 10, 2017	Carmela Whalen	\$149.00	\$0.00
LitCamp 2017 South Brunswick, NJ	March 11, 2017	Christina Cucci	\$0.00	\$26.00
Lunch & Learn: Mindfulness? Where Does It Come From and How Can My Adolescent Get It? Hackensack, NJ	March 23, 2017	Melissa DiBartolo	\$0.00	\$0.00
Matching Interventions to Reasons for Reading Difficulties Garwood, NJ	March 24, 2017	Sheila Barry Janice Clare	\$180.00 \$220.00	\$0.00 \$0.00
Lunch & Learn: Game-Based Cognitive-Behavior Therapy Oradell, NJ	April 19, 2017	Melissa DiBartolo	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oppositional, Defiant, and Disruptive Children & Adolescents Nanuet, NY	May 1, 2017	Katherine Baker	\$219.99	\$4.58
IMSE Comprehensive Orton Gillingham Training Secaucus, NJ	July 24-28, 2017	Jamie Levitt	\$1,075.00	\$41.25

COMMENT:

- Dr. Browne highlighted that Mrs. Levitt will be attending the Orton Gillingham Training over the summer.

This motion will be one motion that encompasses items A through G and will be voted on at the February 13, 2017 meeting. This motion has been recommended for approval by the Superintendent.

- A. Approve the Minutes of Board Meetings:

January 2 and January 9, 2017

- B. Approve the Bills List for January 2017 as follows:

10	General Current Expense	\$69,530.57
11	General Current Expense	\$2,003,463.51
20	Special Revenue Funds	\$31,800.72
40	Debt Service Funds	\$27,375.00
50	Milk	\$507.41
60	Trust Fund	\$28,663.70
	Total	\$2,161,340.91

- C. Approve the Transfers for January 2017.
- D. Approve the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports dated December 2016 and January 2017 and to certify that after review of these reports and upon consultation with appropriate district officials, as to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of the year.
- E. Approve the placement of a student whose name is on file in the Board Office at the Craig School, effective February 23, 2017.

- F. Approve 1-1 aide coverage for an out-of-district student whose name is on file in the Board Office to participate in school play practice after school from January 2017 through April 2017, at \$40/hour for approximately 38 hours.
- G. Approve the disposal of the following technology equipment. This equipment is old and has been replaced.

Cisco 2960S Switches:

Serial #:	Tag #:	Serial #:	Tag #:
FOC1129Y2SQ	5162	FOC1312Z1MH	5787
FOC1312Z2B7	5788	FOC1312Z4W5	5789
FOC131Z4W5	5790	FOC1212W3LA	5798

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: None

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Johnston

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Gandara and seconded by Mrs. Fusaro at 8:17 p.m.

Sincerely,

Dana Imbasciani, Board Secretary