

**MANVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MANVILLE, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

February 14, 2012 – 7:00 PM – ABIS Media Center

A meeting of the Board of Education was held this day in the ABIS Media Center. The order of business and agenda for the meeting were:

I. CALL TO ORDER – Board of Education President Heidi Alles called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT – Ms. Alles read the following:

According to provisions of C231, P.L. of 1975, proper notice of this meeting was made on May 3, 2011 by mail to the Borough Clerk and official newspapers and was posted in the Board of Education office.

III. ROLL CALL:

Present: Heidi Alles, Stephanie Cornelson, Valerie Frank, Kelly Harabin, Jeanne Lombardino, Ned Panfile, Trish Rodzinak, Cathy Wiedwald, Andrew Zangara

Also Present: Dr. Johanna Ruberto, Superintendent of Schools; Kimberly Clelland, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MOMENT OF REFLECTION AND READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Manville School District, in partnership with the entire Manville community, is to provide our students with a student-centered and nurturing educational environment focused upon the academic expectations as identified by the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards, and the development of the child as a life-long learner and a respectful, contributing member of a democratic society.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – At 7:04 pm, Mr. Panfile moved that the meeting be opened to the public. A motion was seconded by Mrs. Harabin. Ms. Alles invited questions and comments from the public on agenda items. There were no questions or comments. A motion to close the public session at 7:05 pm was made by Mr. Panfile. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Wiedwald and approved by unanimous voice vote.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT & PRESENTATIONS – Dr. Johanna Ruberto reported:

- HIB/Suspension Report – Dr Ruberto gave a Suspension Report. HIB will be given in executive session.
- Race To The Top – Dr. Ruberto discussed the new Race To The Top (RTTT) application.
- Draft of BOE Meeting Calendar 2012.
- Mid-year Report: Chief School Administrator – Dr. Ruberto gave an update on the mid-year report.
- The Superintendent recommends the Board review, discuss and resolve any differences about the attached agenda for the February 21, 2012 meeting of the Board of Education.
- CAPA visit was cancelled because NJDOE put in a request to the federal government to receive a waiver to bypass NCLB. The waiver was approved and the visit was cancelled.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Policy Committee:** *Trish Rodzinak, Chairperson – reported Policy 2461 was broken out by individual code. Next meeting is March 6, 2012 at 5:45 pm.*

Item A1 was moved by Mrs. Rodzinak.

- A-1 RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves for first reading the following policies/regulations:

Policy 2461	Special Education/Receiving Schools
Regulation 2461	Special Education/Receiving Schools
Regulation 2461.01	Special Education/Receiving Schools – IEP Implementation
Regulation 2461.02	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Suspension
Regulation 2461.03	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Pupil Records
Regulation 2461.04	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Special Education and Related Services
Regulation 2461.05	Special Education/Receiving Schools – IEP Compliance
Regulation 2461.06	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Highly Qualified and Appropriately Certified Staff
Regulation 2461.07	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Termination of Placement
Regulation 2461.08	Special Education/Receiving Schools – In-Service Training
Regulation 2461.09	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Statewide and District-Wide Assessment Programs
Regulation 2461.10	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Full Educational Opportunity
Regulation 2461.11	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Staff Consultation
Regulation 2461.12	Special Education/Receiving Schools – Length of School Day and Academic Year
Policy 6111	Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Wiedwald and approved by unanimous roll call vote as follows:
AYES: Heidi Alles, Stephanie Cornelson, Valerie Frank, Kelly Harabin, Jeanne Lombardino, Ned Panfile, Trish Rodzinak, Cathy Wiedwald, Andrew Zangara.

- B. Personnel Committee:** *Jeanne Lombardino, Chairperson – reported next meeting is March 13, 2012.*

Item B-1 was moved by Mrs. Lombardino.

- B-1 RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves paid administrative leave for Employee # 5651 effective January 20, 2012.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rodzinak and approved by unanimous roll call vote as follows:
AYES: Heidi Alles, Stephanie Cornelson, Valerie Frank, Kelly Harabin, Jeanne Lombardino, Ned Panfile, Trish Rodzinak, Cathy Wiedwald, Andrew Zangara.

- C. Negotiations Committee:** *Cathy Wiedwald, Chairperson*

- D. Curriculum and Instruction Committee (Student Activities):** *Ned Panfile, Chairperson*

- E. Finance and Facilities Committee:** *Heidi Alles, Chairperson*

Item E1 was moved by Ms. Alles.

**E-1 APPROVAL TO MOVE THE ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS
TO NOVEMBER**

RESOLUTION

Establishing the Election of Members of the Manville Board of Education
As the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November

- WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c.202 (Senate Bill 3148) authorizes a local board of education to change the election date of school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November (the General Election); and
- WHEREAS, Such action requires the adoption of a resolution by a majority vote of a quorum of the local board of education; and
- WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148) requires that the change in election date remain in effect for four years; and
- WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148) eliminates the annual voter referendum on the proposed general fund tax levy (i.e., the base budget which is at or below the statutory tax levy cap) in school districts where board of education members are selected at the General Election; and
- WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148) requires that an additional general fund tax levy proposal (i.e., for an expenditure in excess of the tax levy cap) be presented to voters as a separate question at the General Election; and
- WHEREAS, The Manville Board of Education believes that the financial interest of its constituents is safeguarded by the state's tax levy cap and the thorough review of the proposed school budget by the Executive County Superintendent and the Executive County School Business Administrator; and
- WHEREAS, The Manville Board of Education believes that more citizens will participate in the selection of its members at the General Election than on the third Tuesday in April and that the higher level of participation will foster positive interest in our public schools; and
- WHEREAS, The Manville Board of Education is committed to the non-partisan status of school board membership and the non-partisan conduct of school elections, and believes this principle will not be compromised by conducting board member elections in November. Now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148), the Manville Board of Education changes the annual election date for its members from the third Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November (the General Election), beginning in 2012; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148), this change will remain in effect at least through November 2015;
- RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148), the annual organization meeting of the Manville Board of Education will take place in the first week of January following the November General Election and that the board of education's next organization meeting will take place on January 3, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148), members of the Manville Board of Education whose terms would have expired by May 1, 2012 will continue to serve in office until the January 2013 organization meeting; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be transmitted to Governor Christopher Christie, Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State Kimberly M. Guadagno; Richard E. Constable, III, Acting Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs; Robert F. Giles, Director, Division of Elections, Department of State; Somerset County Clerk; the Somerset County Board of Elections; Christopher Cerf, Acting Commissioner of Education; the Division of Finance, New Jersey Department of Education; and the Executive County Superintendent for Somerset County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be provided to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Panfile and approved by unanimous roll call vote as follows: AYES: Heidi Alles, Stephanie Cornelson, Valerie Frank, Kelly Harabin, Jeanne Lombardino, Ned Panfile, Trish Rodzinak, Cathy Wiedwald, Andrew Zangara.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Old Business:

- Eleven MEF Grants were awarded to district teachers.
- Transportation of displaced students – all families still displaced have been contacted by the Superintendent to determine if students are ok and when the families will be back in their homes.

New Business:

- Tentative Calendar for the Board of Education Meetings was discussed. The calendar will be on the March 20, 2012 agenda.
- Senior Nights have been planned by Mr. Venuto.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT – Ms. Alles invited questions and comments from the public.

At 8:09 pm Mr. Panfile made a motion to open the meeting to the public. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rodzinak and approved by unanimous voice vote.

- Kimberly Ulete gave student update:
 - o Carnation Sale – went well. Sales were up from last year.
 - o Spring Fling Dance – March 30 at 7:00 pm. Key Club is assisting student council.
 - o Operation Shoebox – will take place first week of April.
 - o Bonus Electronics Week – Recycle electronic items the first week in April.

At 8:25 pm, Mr. Panfile made a motion to close the public comment session and enter into executive session. Mrs. Wiedwald seconded the motion.

XI. CLOSED SESSION (If necessary - use this resolution to identify the qualified matters to be discussed)

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss: (select one or more)

3) material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy

FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

XII. ADJOURNMENT - At 8:36 pm, Mrs. Rodzinak moved to close the closed session and adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Cornelson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Clelland
Board Secretary