

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

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

October 13, 2015 – 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 as follows:

I. CALL TO ORDER – Board of Education President Heidi Alles called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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 January 7, 2015, by mail to the Borough Clerk and official newspapers and was posted in the Board of Education office.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Branden Agans, Heidi Alles, Thomas Cornelson, Kelly Harabin, Sharon Liszczak
Jeanne Lombardino, Sharon Lukac, Ned Panfile, Cathy Wiedwald

Also Present: Anne R. Facendo, Superintendent of Schools; Kimberly A. 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/Common Core State 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 7:01 p.m., Ms. Alles moved that the meeting be opened to the public. The motion was seconded by Mr. Panfile. Ms. Alles invited questions and comments from the public on agenda items. There were no questions or comments from the public regarding the agenda. At 7:02 p.m., Ms. Alles moved to close the public session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cornelson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT & PRESENTATIONS – Mrs. Anne R. Facendo

- HIB/Suspension Report - Mrs. Facendo gave the HIB and Suspension Reports.
- Memorandum of Agreement: 2015 – 2016 School Year - Mrs. Facendo, Mrs. Clelland and Dr. Brunn met with Chief Peltack to sign off on MOA.
- Data Presentation: New NJ DOE Data – November 2015 - PARCC Data will be released in November and the report will be shared in November.
- QSAC Presentation: Statement of Assurance and District Performance Review - This has been finalized.
- The Superintendent recommends the Board review, discuss and resolve any differences about the attached agenda for the October 20, 2015 meeting of the Board of Education.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Policy Committee: *Sharon Liszczak, Chairperson*

B. Personnel

C. Negotiations Committee: *Cathy Wiedwald, Chairperson*

Mrs. Wiedwald moved Item C-1:

C-1 MANVILLE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (MEA), CBA AND SCHEDULE C FOR 2013-2014 AND 2014-2017

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the 2013-2014 and 2014-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) and the Schedule "C" between the Manville Board of Education and the Manville Education Association (MEA).

The motion was seconded by Ms. Alles and approved by unanimous roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Mr. Agans, Ms. Alles, Mr. Cornelson, Mrs. Harabin, Mrs. Liszczak, Mrs. Lombardino, Mrs. Lukac, Mr. Panfile, Mrs. Wiedwald

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

Mr. Panfile attended the QSAC meeting, SCESC will have a presentation on Autism. He also attended the college fair with Mrs. Lukac. The next meeting will be held October 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

E. Finance and Facilities Committee: *Kelly Harabin, Chairperson*

Mrs. Harabin moved Item E-1:

E-1 APPROVAL – CONTRACTS FOR GOODS OR SERVICES

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following contracts for goods or services and authorizes the President and Secretary to sign the appropriate contracts on behalf of the Board:

Vendor	Purchasing Authority	Description of Goods or Services	Effective Date(s)	Amount	Budget Source
Foundation for Educational Administration	Proprietary Service	Legal Update on Special Education	10/12/2015	\$1,500	11-000-230-320-500
Northeast Roof Maintenance	Bid	Payment Application #1 Roof Replacement at MHS and ABIS 3000-050-14-1003 3000-065-15-1000	2015-2016	\$314,260	Capital Reserve

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lombardino and approved by unanimous roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Mr. Agans, Ms. Alles, Mr. Cornelson, Mrs. Harabin, Mrs. Liszczak, Mrs. Lombardino, Mrs. Lukac, Mr. Panfile, Mrs. Wiedwald

F. Communications/Public Relations Committee: Thomas Cornelson, Chairperson

A meeting will be held on October 15 to go over the results of the survey that was distributed to district families.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Old Business: Ms. Alles received many emails regarding the Alert Now that was sent home regarding student attendance at football games. Ms. Alles asked Mrs. Facendo to send the Alert out to families after an incident that occurred at a previous home game. The Alert stated that students must be accompanied by an adult and the area behind bleachers will be closed off. Ms. Alles asked Mrs. Facendo if there could be an adjustment to the new policy. There was discussion among the Board of Education about the new policy and the timing /communication of this new policy. Mrs. Facendo suggested modifying the policy to: children K-8 should be with an adult at all times. The board was in agreement with this change and a new Alert will go out before the next home game. Ms. Alles also brought up letter that went home to parents regarding Halloween activities at Weston School. Mrs. Facendo read the letter that Mrs. Keiser sent to parents. Ms. Facendo stated that the parade is not cancelled but will be held inside due to security issues. The Board asked that in the future they receive such notices ahead of time. Ms Alles also discussed a letter that was received by Mrs. Clelland from the Manville Borough to continue the Shared Services Agreement. Ms Alles wanted to make it clear that currently there is no agreement. We have not met since the end of July there have not been any follow up meetings since that time. Ms. Alles went through the timeline and process of the Shared Services Agreement - We meet with the borough each year. The agreement term is from July 1 through June 30. The parties sit down and reach an agreement that works for both sides. This is not a political decision but a business decision. Ms. Alles agreed that an agreement can work but it can't be the current agreement which expired June 30, 2015. The borough has financial constraints however the Board does as well but we have always held up our end of the agreement. Mrs. Clelland will reach out to the borough and will work to move towards a fair agreement for the 2016-2017 school year.

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

At 7:20 p.m., Ms. Alles moved that the meeting be opened to the public. The motion was seconded by Mr. Agans. Ms. Alles invited questions and comments from the public.

Ms. Dayna Camacho, 950 Lincoln Ave. - Ms. Camacho was at the Shared Services Meeting and said the agreement was never going to be canceled but would need to be tweaked. The second meeting never took place. Mrs. Camacho stated that the Department of Public Works made the decision that they no longer were able to cut the grass for the district. Mrs. Camacho asked who canceled the follow up meeting. Mrs. Clelland stated she received an email from Mr. Garwacke stating that the borough was canceling the meeting. Ms. Alles stated there was a breakdown of communication at the borough. The district will call to set up a new meeting date.

Mr. Richard Onderko, 921 Louis Street - Mr. Onderko proposed to the Superintendent that he would be willing to fund part of Project Graduation and will deduct money from Scholarship he donates each year to help fund Project Graduation. Ms. Alles said Mrs. Facendo will get back to Mr. Onderko regarding Project Graduation. He also stated the council approved the Shared Services Agreement at its last meeting. Mr. Onderko read a letter he wrote to the Board of Education that Mr. Garwacke was not authorized to make the changes that were suggested. He realizes all taxpayers benefit from this agreement. Mr. Onderko asked the Board of Education to reconsider the agreement. See letter attached.

Mr. Rudy Nowak, 100 Driscoll Street - Mr. Nowak said the taxpayer gets the biggest bang for their buck with this agreement. He is concerned about the students getting to school safely without snow removal by the town in the winter. He stated that the meeting for shared services should only take 10 minutes to get the agreement in place and then both sides should be able to move forward. Ms. Alles clarified the Board of Education did not just decide to not continue with the agreement. The borough gave the impression that

they would not be able to continue beyond December 31, 2015. Ms. Alles state the district made a business decision to not continue the agreement for the current year. .

Mr. Phil Petrone, 7 North 11th Ave. - Mr. Petrone stated that there are two sides to every story. The contract dates back to when Dr. Burkhardt was Superintendent. Since April, the borough lost its Shared Services with the Township of Bridgewater and is now obligated to pay them over \$30,000 for brush removal. Now the Shared Services with the school district has also been canceled forcing both sides to pay for services previously covered. Mr. Petrone discussed the benefits of the snow removal agreement and how hard the Department of Public Works workers worked with the school district. He asked the Board of Education to consider the agreement moving forward.

At 8:01 p.m., Ms. Alles moved to close the public session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Panfile and approved by unanimous voice vote.

X. 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)

- 1) a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law
- 2) a matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds
- 3) material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy
- 4) a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it
- 5) a matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds
- 6) protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law
- 7) pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege
- 8) specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session
- 9) deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss, and be it

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

XI. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:02 p.m., Ms. Alles made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cornelson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly A. Clelland
Board Secretary