

July 27, 2011
Delaware, NJ 07833

The meeting of the Knowlton Township Board of Education was called to order at 6:10 p.m. in the Library.

Notice of Meeting

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of, 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 this Act, the Knowlton Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted with The Express-Times and The Star Ledger and distributed to the Knowlton Township Elementary School, the Delaware Post Office and the Knowlton Township Municipal Building.

Flag Salute

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Matt Moore (President), Mr. Bill Maxwell, Mrs. Daniella Ferguson, Mr. Randy Dolinsky, and Mr. Bryan Toth, Mrs. Bethany Summers (7:02 pm)
Absent: Mrs. Tammy Smith, Mr. Kevin Haycock, Mrs. Dawn Sullivan
Other: Mrs. Sharon Mooney (Superintendent), Mrs. Jeannine DeFalco (Principal), Ms. Melody McBride (Board Secretary), Mrs. Hill-Rosato

Mission Statement

We are committed to provide a comprehensive education in a nurturing environment in which all students are motivated to achieve their maximum academic potential, and to develop as responsible citizens in an ever-changing world. (July 27, 2009)

Public Participation - Mrs. Hill-Rosato commented on the successful summer program. She also thanked the board for the fence around the garden.

Correspondence – Mrs. Mooney read resignation letters from Mrs. Jill Boyle and Mrs. Nicole Rolph, both with effective dates of September 1, 2011. Ms. McBride read a letter from Mrs. Debbie DeVatt's doctor indicating she was under his care until November 2011.

MOTIONS

1. Resignation

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to accept the resignation of Nicole Rolph effective September 1, 2011, with regret.

On roll call, motion carried unanimously

2. Teacher Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to offer a 2011-12 employment contract to the following, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Noelle Ciccarelli	\$46,710.00 (Step M2)	LLD2
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On roll call, motion carried unanimously

3. Resignation

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to accept the resignation of Jill Boyle effective September 1, 2011, with regret.

On roll call, motion carried unanimously

4. Aide Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to offer a 2011-12 employment contract to the following, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Karen King	\$14,900	Autism Aide
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Discussion: There was discussion on the qualifications of the position and Mrs. Mooney confirmed ABA experience is helpful, but not required. She noted our previous contracted aides did not have ABA training. Mrs. Mooney indicated that Mrs. King is registered for ABA training in August.

On roll call, motion carried 4:0:1 (Mrs. Ferguson abstention)

5. 11-12 Receiving Tuition Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the 2011-12 tuition contract agreement with Blainstown Board of Education for 1 student totaling \$53,125.00, including the following:

Tentative Autism Tuition	\$34,905.00
Classroom Aide	\$14,900.00
BCBA Consultation (20 Hours)	<u>\$ 3,320.00</u>
	\$53,125.00

Motion carried unanimously

6. Approve 2011-12 Autistic Program Contracted Services

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the Douglass Outreach contracts as follows:

2011 Summer Consultation	\$1,494.00
9/1/11-6/30/12 Consultation	\$9,960.00

Motion carried unanimously

7. Custodian Medical Leave Request

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve an unpaid medical leave extension from Debra DeVatt from August 1, 2011 to November 1, 2011.

On roll call, motion carried unanimously

8. Substitute Custodian

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to extend Timothy Sullivan as a substitute custodian from August 15, 2011 through November 1, 2011 at a rate of \$10/hour, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On roll call, motion carried unanimously

9. Custodian Benefits

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to extend single coverage benefits to Debra Devatt while she is out on medical leave until November 1, 2011 with the option to pay 100% for additional dependent coverage.

Motion carried unanimously

10. Approve Out of District Sending Tuition Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve tuition contracts for the 2010-11 school year with Celebrate the Children private school for one special education students- #1451 with a tuition rate of \$59,175.00 and extraordinary services rate of \$26,911.80.

Motion carried unanimously

11. Approve Parental Transportation Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the following parental transportation contract for special education transportation:

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Per Diem</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Celebrate The Children	\$60/day	9/1/11-6/30/12	#1451	\$10,800.00

Motion carried unanimously

12. Approve Cluster Curriculum Coordinator

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve Kim Harrington as the Cluster Curriculum Coordinator for the 2011-12 school year at a salary of \$2,820.00.

Discussion: Mr. Moore asked if this was an increase in fees from 10-11. Ms. McBride said she would confirm why the salary increased.

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to table motion #12 until we confirm the rate increase.

Motion carried unanimously

13. Accept Donation

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to accept a furniture donation from Robert Force for the Principal's office.

Motion carried unanimously

14. Approve Travel Expenditures

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the attached travel expenditures for the 2011-12 school year as required by the Chapter 53 revisions to C.18A:11-12.

Motion carried unanimously

15. Approve Budget Line-Item Transfers

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the attached 2010-2011 budget line-item transfers from June 29, 2011 to June 30, 2011 totaling \$185,274.64 for Fund 10, \$13.00 for Fund 20, Fund 10 appropriations of \$23,460.15 and 2011-12 budget line-item transfers from July 1, 2011 to July 27, 2011 totaling \$14,810.00 for Fund 10 and \$7,500.00 in appropriations to Fund 20.

Motion carried unanimously

16. Approve Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the bills for payment as follows: Monthly bill list for June 29, 2011 to June 30, 2011 is \$20,527.24 and July 1, 2011 to July 27, 2011 is \$274,772.65.

Motion carried unanimously

Monthly Certification

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, I certify that no budgetary line item account has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) as of June 30, 2011 (Policy 6820).

Board Secretary

Date

17. Accept Report of the Secretary and Report of the Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to accept the monthly A-148 Secretary's Report for the month ended June 30, 2011 and the A-149 Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month ended June 30, 2011 in compliance with the N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 4. The Board of Education, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, certifies that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b).

Motion carried unanimously

18. Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to approve the Regular and Executive Session Minutes of June 28, 2011.

Motion carried 3:0:2 (Mr. Moore and Mr. Dolinsky abstention)

19. Board Member Background Checks

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to reimburse the board members for the cost of fingerprinting for background checks, not to exceed \$75.00.

Motion carried unanimously

Old Business

- Ms. McBride informed the board we received a \$20,000 check from the Quality Business settlement. This does not satisfy the entire lien on the residential and commercial property of Vincent Bove Sr.
- Ms. McBride also thanked the board members for responding to the request on the use of additional \$42K in state aid.
- Mr. Moore provided a solar update and said more information would be available next month.

New Business

- Ms. McBride reminded the board members of the NJSBA workshop in October and asked for members to respond by August 22 if they plan to attend.

Next Meeting – August 22, 2011, 7pm***Board Retreat***

Paul Breda from NJSBA facilitated the Board Retreat. The attached notes indicate the board accomplishments, challenges, district and board goals that were developed.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Bill Maxwell seconded by Mr. Randy Dolinsky to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully,

Melody McBride
Board Secretary