

**FORT LEE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FORT LEE, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES

**PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2016
FORT LEE HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
6:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. by Mr. David Sarnoff.

FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Morell.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice 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 the Act, the Fort Lee Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published on January 11, 2016 and posted in the entrance hall of the Board Office, 2175 Lemoine Avenue; published in the Board's designated online media outlet/newspapers: The Record, The Star Ledger, The Suburbanite; filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Fort Lee; and mailed to all persons, if any, who have requested said notice. Please be advised that this meeting is being taped and will be broadcasted on local TV and the district's website at a future date.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Esther Han Silver, Mrs. Holly Morell, Mr. Michael Osso,
Mr. Joseph Surace, Mr. David Sarnoff

Absent: Mrs. Paula Colbath, Mrs. Candace Romba, Mr. Jeff Weinberg

Also Present: Mr. Kenneth Rota, Dr. Sharon Amato, Ms. Haquisha Taylor,
Dennis McKeever, Esq.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, at 6:38 p.m., to move into Executive Session.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 5-0.

The Board reconvened into the Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – HIB Report – no investigations since last meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Mrs. Han Silver reported that Board Negotiations Meeting took place last week.

PUBLIC WORK SESSION

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation shall be governed by the following rules:

1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate.
2. Participants are limited to three minutes in which to make their statement. Additional time may be granted at the discretion of the presiding officer.
3. The Board will not entertain any comments from persons who communicate obscene material, make statements which are considered bias intimidation in which a person intends to intimidate any individual or group because of race, color, religion, gender, handicap, sexual orientation or ethnicity or makes comments intending to harass or speak any offensive language.
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually.
5. The presiding officer may:
 - a. Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant;
 - b. Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;
 - c. Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - d. Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action; and
 - e. Waive these rules when necessary for the protection of privacy or the efficient administration of the Board's business.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

During this portion of the meeting, the residents are invited to address the Board with any questions, comments or concerns that may be in respect to the operation of their school.

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, to open the floor to the public, 7:31 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 5-0.

None.

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, to close the floor to the public, 7:31 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 5-0.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

BOARD COMMITTEE

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, that the Board of Education approves item #1B.

1B	APPROVAL OF AUGUST 8, 2016 BOARD MEETING MINUTES – PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING AND PRIVATE MEETING MINUTES
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PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**AUGUST 22, 2016**

MOTION carried upon roll call vote, 4-0-1; Mr. Surace abstained.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE (Mrs. Romba, Chairperson)

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, that the Board of Education approves items #1CUR through #3CUR.

1CUR	APPROVAL OF CLASS TRIPS AT A TOTAL COST TO THE DISTRICT NOT TO EXCEED \$9.00
2CUR	PAYMENT OF HOME INSTRUCTION SERVICES
3CUR	AMENDED RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ACHIEVE NJ EQUIVALENCY WAIVER FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 5-0.

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Mr. Surace, Chairperson)

MOTION by Mr. Surace, seconded by Mrs. Morell, that the Board of Education approves items #1F through #5F.

1F	APPROVAL OF BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORTS FOR JUNE 2016 - CYCLE 12
2F	APPROVAL - LINE ITEM TRANSFERS - JUNE 2016
3F	APPROVAL - CURRENT BILLS LIST TOTALING \$2,341,731.96
4F	TUITION REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR CREDITS EARNED BY TEACHERS FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR
5F	APPROVAL OF NON-RESIDENT TUITION-STUDENT AGREEMENT FOR CS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 5-0, with exception. Mr. Surace abstained on one name on #3F.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Mrs. Morell, Chairperson)

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, that the Board of Education approves items #1P through #18P.

1P*	APPROVAL - STAFF TRIPS AND CONFERENCES TOTALING \$1,939.00
2P	RESIGNATION OF JAYMIE MAINIERI AS LEAVE REPLACEMENT AT SCHOOL NO. 3
3P	RESIGNATION OF LAWRENCE LAKSHIN AS COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

4P	APPOINTMENT OF JANET GRAZIANO AS CLASSROOM AIDE AT SCHOOL NO. 2 FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR
5P	APPOINTMENT OF NICOLE SHERIDAN AS SPECIAL EDUCATION LLD TEACHER AT SCHOOL NO. 2 FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR AND RESCINDING APPOINTMENT AS LEAVE REPLACEMENT AT SCHOOL NO. 2
6P	SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR
7P	APPROVAL OF LEAVE REPLACEMENTS DURING 2016-2017
8P	EXTENDED MEDICAL LEAVE FOR LAURIE BUTLER AS CONFIDENTIAL HUMAN RESOURCE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AT CENTRAL OFFICE
9P	MATERNITY LEAVE FOR IRENE MIROSHNIK AN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AT SCHOOL NO. 2
10P	APPROVAL OF JOANNE CHACK AS BRAILLE TRANSLATOR FOR 2016-2017
11P*	APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL HOME INSTRUCTORS FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR
12P	APPROVAL OF FACULTY COORDINATORS AND PROGRAM COORDINATORS FOR 2016-2017
13P	ALLOCATION OF 6TH PERIOD STIPENDS
14P	APPOINTMENT OF ANTI-BULLYING COORDINATOR AND ANTI-BULLYING SPECIALISTS FOR 2016-2017
15P	COMPENSATION FOR MENTORS
16P	APPROVAL OF FIELDWORK PLACEMENTS DURING THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR
17P	APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL SUBSTITUTES FOR 2016-2017
18P	APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL FALL COACHES AND CO-CURRICULAR ADVISORS FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 5-0, with exception. Mr. Osso abstained on one name on #13P (GB); GB did not pass (GB on 9/6/16 agenda).

POLICY (Mrs. Colbath, Chairperson)

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, that the Board of Education approves item #1POL.

1POL	SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF POLICY/REGULATION UPDATES
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MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Han Silver, to adjourn, 7:34 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 5-0.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



HAQUISHA Q. TAYLOR
SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

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08-23-16