

**NEW MILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
JULY 29, 2009**

**7:45 P.M.
HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

New Milford School District Mission Statement

The mission of the New Milford School District is to provide effective instruction in all curricula areas, to develop the learning potential of all students, to build skills for a lifetime of learning, and to develop a feeling of self-worth and confidence that will allow students to become productive members of a democratic society. The New Milford School District team joins the parents and community in assisting students to develop skills to enable them to become independent and self sufficient adults who will succeed and contribute responsibly in the global community.

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. Present at roll call were President Conner, , Mr. Drake, Mr. Foo, Mrs. McSweeney, Mrs. Mechler, Mrs. Saslow and Mr. Steele. Mrs. Lacey arrived at 7:55 p.m. and Vice President Barton was absent. Also present were Mr. Picardo and Mr. Sawicz.

After the flag salute, the Board President read the required New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law Statement. The Board announced that under its long-standing policy, it will not discuss in public any comments made by members of the public concerning individual staff members.

Recommended Action

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion by Mr. Drake, seconded by Mr. Steele, carried by consent of the Board, the following minutes were approved:

June 8 Closed #1	June 8 Work	June 8 Closed #2	June 15 Closed	June 16 Closed
June 17 Special	June 17 Closed	June 29 Closed	June 29 Year End/Regular	
July 1 Closed	July 8 Closed			

Open to the Public

Motion by Mrs. McSweeney, seconded by Mr. Drake, carried by consent of the Board, the meeting was opened to the public at 7:50 pm. The following questions or comments were made:

- Lynn LePage asked what criteria is used for the appointments of the Middle School Team Leaders; she thought the appointments were to be based on seniority. President Conner advised her to make an appointment with Mr. Picardo to discuss the matter.
- Jana Zimmerman asked about her status as a professional consultant. Mr. Picardo advised her that this is a personnel matter which cannot be discussed in public.
- Chris Addeo, a teacher in the Middle School, asked about the criteria used for Team Leaders; President Conner advised him that this had already been addressed.
- Eric Zimmerman asked about resolutions F14 and F15. Mr. Sawicz responded to his question and explained the ACES Program which is used to purchase electric generation and natural gas services.
- Marie Dunbar also asked about team leader criteria, as well as the meaning of "having the recommendation of the Superintendent". She asked about the process in which the Board votes.
- Lynn LePage asked the Board to table the portion of resolution P3 pertaining to Middle School Team Leaders. The Board agreed to table this until further discussion with the building administrator and Mr. Picardo has taken place.

There being no further questions or comments from the public, on motion by Mr. Foo, seconded by Mrs. McSweeney, carried by consent of the Board, the meeting was closed to the public at 7:55 p.m.

BOARD ACTION

Motion BA6 by Mrs. Saslow, seconded by Mrs. Mechler, carried by consent of the Board:

BA6 Revised 2009-2010 Tentative Board meeting Dates

Attachment

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE Lori Barton, Chair

Motion C1 by Mrs. Mechler, seconded by Mrs. Saslow, carried by consent of the Board:

C1 Approval of Uniform Memorandum of Agreement for school year 2009-2010

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE Lori Barton, Chair

Having the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Motions P36,P82, P106,P158,P178,P191,P1,P2,P3 (with revisions),P4,P5,P6,P7 by Mrs. McSweeney, seconded by Mr. Foo, carried by a roll call vote of 8-0:

P36 Revision to 2008-2009 Fall Coaching Recommendation:

Football Filming	Keith Devereaux	\$TBD	5523	\$100 per game
Football Assistant	Michael Coyne	\$TBD	5460	6759
Cheerleading Head	Dana Buzzelli	\$TBD	4698	4678

PERSONNEL (con’t):

P82	<u>Revision to 2008-2009 Winter Coaching Recommendations:</u>				
	Girls’ Indoor Track	Head	Bill Hartney	\$TBD	6249 6246
P106	<u>Revision to 2008-2009 Spring Coaching Recommendations:</u>				
	Baseball	Assistant	Christopher Addeo	\$TBD	\$5523
	Golf	Head	Joseph Albanese	\$TBD	4678
	Track	Head	Matt Frederick	\$TBD	8579
	Baseball	Assistant	Peter Galasso	\$TBD	5523
	Softball	Assistant	Jennifer Gandolfo	\$TBD	5523
	Softball	Assistant	Timothy Gouraige	\$TBD	5523
	Track	Assistant	Bill Hartney	\$TBD	5723
	Track	Assistant	Donald Jaconia	\$TBD	5523
	Track	Head	Greg Kelly	\$TBD	8779
	Softball	Head	Michael Mayer	\$TBD	8579
	Tennis	Head	Joe Ricciardelli	\$TBD	6698
	Baseball	Head	Dennis Sasso	\$TBD	8579
	Tennis	Assistant	Nich Savastano	\$TBD	4355
	Fitness Room	Head	Bill Wilde	\$TBD	5523
P158	<u>Revision to 2009-2010 Fall Coaching Recommendations:</u>				
	Summer Weight Training	Head	Bill Wilde	\$TBD	\$ 5719
	Football	Head	Bill Wilde	\$TBD	10888
	Football	Assistant	Peter Galasso	\$TBD	7080
	Football	Assistant	Donald Jaconia	\$TBD	7080
	Football	Assistant	Michael Coyne	\$TBD	7080
	Football	Assistant	Walter Gonzales	\$TBD	7080
	Boys’ Soccer	Head	Peter Prinz	\$TBD	8987
	Boys’ Soccer	Assistant	Joseph Albanese	\$TBD	5885
	Girls’ Soccer	Head	Ken Leeder	\$TBD	8987
	Girls’ Soccer	Assistant	Jennifer Gandolfo	\$TBD	5785
	Volleyball	Head	Sheila Clancy	\$TBD	9187
	Volleyball	Assistant	Michael Mayer	\$TBD	5785
	Volleyball	Assistant	Keith Devereaux	\$TBD	5785
	Cross Country	Head	Greg Kelly	\$TBD	7207
	Girls’ Tennis	Head	Joe Ricciardelli	\$TBD	7007
	Girls’ Tennis	Assistant	Nick Savastano	\$TBD	4562
	Cheerleading	Head	Dana Buzzelli	\$TBD	4900
	Fitness Center	Head	Rich Arturi	\$TBD	5785
	Football Statistician		Preston Lawyer	\$TBD	1224
P178	<u>Rescind Certificated Appointment for 2009-2010:</u>				
	Melanie Dickinson	Gibbs Teacher, (maternity replacement), BA Step 2, \$45,850, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
P191	<u>Approval of additional custodial salary for 2008-2009:</u>				
	Edward Martello	Bus Driver, \$30,899 prorated			
P1	<u>Approval of Certificated Staff Appointments for 2009-2010:</u>				
	Caitlin Carroll	DEO MS Special Education teacher, BA Step 2, \$45,850, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
	Daniela D’Amato	HS World Language teacher, BA Step 2, \$45,850, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
	Melanie Dickinson	Gibbs teacher, BA Step 2, \$45,850, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
	Katherine Vargo	HS Special Education teacher, MA Step 1, \$47,850, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
	Christina Petrone	Berkley teacher (maternity leave replacement), BA Step 1, \$45,350, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
P2	<u>Non-Certificated Staff Appointment for 2009-2010:</u>				
	Diane Norton	HS Principal Secretary, \$40,421 prorated, eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
	Hugh McCartan	12-month Bus Driver/Custodian, Step 1, \$35,000 prorated, eff. 7/30/09-6/30/10			
	Natalia Alvarez	HS Vice Principal Secretary, \$36,300 prorated eff. 9/1/09-6/30/10			
<i>The Middle School Team Leaders were tabled from the following resolution:</i>					
P3	<u>Approval of Additional Extra Pay Positions for 2009-2010</u>				<i>Attachment</i>
P4	<u>Approval of Revision to Job Description:</u>				<i>Attachment</i>
	Substance Awareness Coordinator, eff. 8/1/09				
P5	<u>Additional Substitute Teachers for 2009-2010</u>				<i>Attachment</i>
P6	<u>Request for Leave of Absence (Maternity):</u>				
	Heidi Terwilliger	Berkley Teacher, eff. 12/23/09-5/3/10			

PERSONNEL (con’t):

- P7 **Approval of Special Review Assessment Instructors for 2009-2010:**
 \$5,000 per section: Jerry Engstrom
 Jamie Bruno
 Mary Bilali

FINANCE COMMITTEE Peggy Saslow, Chair

Motions F1,F2,F3,F4,F5,F6,F7,F8,F9,F10,F11,F12,F13,F14,F15,F16,F17,F18 by Mrs. Saslow, seconded by Mr. Drake, carried by consent of the Board:

- F1 Approval for Business Administrator/Board Secretary to carry out financial business of the district and for year-end closing to be ratified at the August 17, 2009 Board Meeting
- F2 Approval of June 2009 payroll: \$1,526,945.06
- F3 Approval of June 2009 payroll agency bills: \$ 634,698.80
- F4 Approval of July 2009 bills \$1,028,353.35 Attachment
- F5 Approval of June 2009 cafeteria bills \$ 40,399.80
- F6 Approval of June 2009 budget transfers Attachment
- F7 **Approval of Student Accident and Athletic Insurance for 2009-2010:**
 Bollinger, Inc. Annual premium: \$13,104.00
- F8 Approval of continuation of annual contract for hospital instruction for the 2009-2010 school year with Bergen County Special Services, at the rate of \$58/hr. (not to exceed ten hours billed in any given week).
- F9 **Approval of Special Education tuition contract for 2008-2009:**
 Bergen County Special Services SV attending 6/19-6/30/09 \$3,130.91
- F10 **Approval of Special Education tuition contract for Summer 2009:**
 Windsor School MG attending 7/6-7/30/09 \$7,949.40
- F11 Approval of Special Education tuition contracts for 2009-2010 Attachment
- F12 Approval of Professional Development Opportunities Attachment
- F13 **Approval of professional services for 2009-2010:**
 Educational Enterprises – Sound Solutions: Provide services for a hearing impaired student at \$175 per hour, not to exceed 10 hours
 Taeok Chung: Korean translation services, \$75/hr on an as needed basis (*retroactive*) services may be required 7/22/09)
 Megan Toomey-Lynch: Psychological evaluations, \$350 per evaluation on an as needed basis
 Joseph Cafaro: Psychological evaluations, \$350 per evaluation on an as needed basis
 Krista Petersson-Faller: \$110 per week for 40 weeks to provide vision therapy to a preschool disabled student
 Miriam Skydell & Assoc.: OT and PT services; \$65 per 30 minute session, \$95 per 45 minute session, \$350 per OT or PT evaluation
- F14 Approval of resolution to purchase electric generation services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) through May, 2014 Attachment
- F15 Approval of resolution to purchase natural gas services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) through May, 2014 Attachment
- F16 Approval of Agreement between the New Milford Board of Education and USA Architects Planners and Interior Designers, P.A. for services as Architect of Record for 2009-2010
- F17 **Approval of per pupil tuition costs for 2009-2010:**
 Preschool/Kindergarten \$10,130
 Grades 1-5: \$10,761
 Grades 6-8 \$10,861
 Grades 9-12 \$12,241
- F18 **Approval of undesignated allowable adjustment to the 2009-2010 budget:**
 11-999-270-530-00 Aid in lieu non-public \$33,587.20

FACILITIES COMMITTEE Theresa Lacey, Chair

Motions FA1,FA2,FA3,FA4,FA5,FA6 by Mrs. Lacey, seconded by Mrs. Mechler, carried by consent of the Board:

- FA1 Approval of Fire Drill Log for June 2009 Attachment
- FA2 Approval to dispose of surplus computer items from Berkley School Attachment
- FA3 Approval to dispose of obsolete computer items from Gibbs School Attachment
- FA4 Approval to dispose of obsolete computer items from Middle School Attachment
- FA5 Approval to dispose of obsolete AVA equipment from High School Attachment
- FA6 Approval to accept donation from Gibbs PTO to Gibbs School Attachment

ATHLETIC/CO-CURRICULUM COMMITTEE *Darren Drake, Chair*

Motion AC1,AC2 by Mr. Drake, seconded by Mrs. Saslow, carried by consent of the Board:

AC1 Approval of Laura Chomiak to volunteer coach Girls' Tennis

AC2 Approval of Jonathan Carletto to volunteer his services as boys' soccer coach.

Open to the Public

On motion by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Drake, carried by consent of the Board, the meeting was opened to the public at 8:10 p.m. The following comment was made:

- Marie Dunbar commented that the ID badges should only be used at the High School.

There were no further comments or questions; therefore, on motion by Mrs. McSweeney, seconded by Mr. Steele, carried by consent of the Board, the meeting was closed to the public at 8:12 p.m.

On motion by Mr. Foo, seconded by Mrs. McSweeney, carried by consent of the Board, the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Sawicz
Board Secretary

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