

CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Cherry Hill, New Jersey

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2016

A Special Meeting of the Cherry Hill Township Board of Education was held at the Malberg Administration Bldg. Cherry Hill, New Jersey on March 15, 2016.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Matlack at 7:00 P.M. who read the following notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THIS MEETING PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE BOARD SECRETARY IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- (A) POSTING WRITTEN NOTICE ON THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL BULLETIN BOARD AT THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON MARCH 4, 2016.
- (B) TRANSMITTED NOTICE TO THE COURIER POST AND TO THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER ON MARCH 4, 2016.
- (C) TRANSMITTED NOTICE TO THE CLERK OF CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP ON MARCH 4, 2016.

Mrs. Matlack led the pledge of allegiance.

A roll call recorded the following Board Members as present:

Dr. J. Barry Dickinson	Mr. Elliot Roth
Mr. Eric Goodwin	Mrs. Lisa Saidel
Mrs. Kathy Judge	Mrs. Jane Scarpellino
Mr. Steven Robbins	Mr. Ken Tomlinson
	Mrs. Carol A. Matlack

Student Representatives:

None

Also in attendance were: Dr. J. Meloche, Mr. J. Devereaux, Mr. J. Gallagher, Mr. D. Bart, Mrs. L. Ridgway, Ms. L. Weathington, Dr. F. Mahan, and Mrs. B. Wilson.

Public Discussion:

There being no public discussion, Mrs. Matlack called the meeting to order for the purpose of considering and voting on the items presented on the Special Action Agenda.

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A. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Board Goals

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NO ITEMS

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B. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

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The Superintendent recommends the following:

1. *Preliminary 2016/2017 Budget*
2. *Maximum Travel Expenditure*
3. *Motion to Approve Use of Capital Reserve to fund School Development Authority Approved Projects*

ITEM 1. PRELIMINARY 2016/2017 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the preliminary budget for the 2016/2017 school year for submission to the County Superintendent of Schools for Department of Education review as follows:

The District has used all allowable automatic adjustments; and

Utilizes the Adjustment for Increase in Health Care Costs in the amount of \$1,454,966; and

Also utilizes \$821,262 of Banked Cap (\$569,528 from 2013/2014 that will expire if unused and \$251,734 of the total amount available from 2015/2016 - \$545,894) in order to continue the educational program in the District of Cherry Hill at its current level and due to the higher cost of employee benefits, out-of-district placements and substitute teachers.

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$191,489,114	\$164,596,506
Special Revenue Fund	4,463,414	--
Debt Service Fund	<u>3,926,700</u>	<u>2,794,417</u>
Total Base Budget	\$199,879,228	\$167,390,923

Resolution #189-3'15

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B. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

ITEM 2. MAXIMUM TRAVEL EXPENDITURE

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12(p)*, the District Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year that may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount will include all travel that is supported by federal, state and local funds; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Education has determined that the total maximum travel expenditure for the 2015/2016 school year is \$213,175 and the district has spent \$58,948 as of March 8, 2016 now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the District Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2016/2017 school year as \$160,460 in the general fund and estimated \$25,000 in the special revenue fund.

Resolution #190-3'15

ITEM 3. MOTION TO APPROVE USE OF CAPITAL RESERVE TO FUND SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVED PROJECTS

Motion to approve the use of \$2,479,333.00 from Capital Reserve to fund three School Development Authority approved projects:

	<u>Amount from Capital Reserve</u>		
Kingston	Soffit and Sanitary Sewer – Kingston	G5-5063	\$100,205.00
East	Groundwater Infiltration – East	G5-5031	166,890.00
East	Stormwater Infiltration – East	G5-5032	<u>2,212,238.00</u>
			\$2,479,333.00

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Motion Dr. Dickinson Second Mrs. Judge Vote Ayes - 9 No - 0

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C. HUMAN RESOURCES/NEGOTIATIONS

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D. POLICY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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E. STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

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The Board of Education discussed the proposed 2016/2017 preliminary budget in public session.

Second Public Discussion:

Mrs. Matlack called for a second public discussion. There being no public discussion Mrs. Matlack called for the meeting to be adjourned.

Mrs. Saidel made and Mr. Goodwin seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Assistant Superintendent
Business/Board Secretary

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