# Fairfield Board of Education <u>Meeting Agenda</u> Tuesday, April 25, 2017 – 7:00 PM

Stevenson School - Library
15 Knoll Road, Fairfield, NJ 07004

The meeting will be called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m., by Mrs. Andrea Jandoli, Board President, by reading the following announcement to those present:

"The public has been duly informed of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by posting, at least 48 hours in advance, a notice on the bulletin boards in Stevenson and Churchill Schools, a notice to the Township Clerk, and a notice to The Progress Newspaper."

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Jeffrey Didyk; Mr. Pat Freda; Robert Lombardy

Mr. Brian Egan, Vice President; Mrs. Andrea Jandoli, President;

Ms. Susan Ciccotelli, Superintendent of Schools, and

Ms. Yvonne Hellwig, Business Administrator

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

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## I. ENROLLMENT (April 21, 2017)

Grade/School	Total Students	Total Students
Special Ed. Self-Contained	32	40
K – Stevenson	104	73
1 – Stevenson	77	111
2 – Stevenson	70	82
3 – Stevenson	87	74
4 – Churchill	97	89
5 – Churchill	91	105
6 – Churchill	100	95
Total:	658	669
Out of District 3	#342, #367, #412	

#### STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

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## II. PERSONNEL

## A. <u>INSTRUCTIONAL</u>

# 1. Newly-Tenured Staff Reappointment

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint the following as newly tenured certificated staff for the 2017-2018 school year following the 4-year tenure mandate. As required by contract, the staff will be informed of assignments per the June 1st letter.

Hired 9/1/13 Tenure 9/2/17
Breznak, Coleen
Franzi, Carissa
Iarossi, Alyssa
Malinowski, Danielle
Salter, Laurie

# 2. Renewal of Non-Tenured Teaching Staff

<u>Recommended Motion</u>: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, renew the following non-tenured certificated staff for the 2017-2018 school year following the 4-year tenure mandate. As required by contract, the staff will be informed of assignments per the June 1st letter.

Hired 9/1/14 Tenure 9/2/18	Hired 1/4/16 Tenure 1/5/20
Colon, Daniele	Casenta Romina
Dillon, Lindsey	DeMarco, Matthew
Crescibene, Carly	Hired 9/16 Tenure 9/2/2020
Goldsmith, Andrea	Lipoma, Desiree
Hired 1/5/15 Tenure 1/6/19	Pilato, Erica
Pero, Kristen	Polay, Jennifer
Simons, Shelly	Hired 12/1/16 Tenure 12/2/20
Hired 9/1/15 Tenure 9/2/19	Dewland, Megan
Barra, Laura	
Hessenius, Lindsay	
Mayer, Vanessa	

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#### 3. Retirement

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the letter of retirement from Susan Baim, Third Grade Teacher, with regrets, best wishes, and appreciation for over 15+ years of service to the students of Fairfield.

#### 4. Administrative Leave

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescind the Administrative Leave and approve the paid leave of absence for Employee #100111, utilizing sick days, effective March 22, 2017, pending further action.

#### B. ADMINISTRATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, re-approve the job description/title and position of "Director of Special Education/Principal", effective for the 2017-2018 school year, as approved by the Interim-Essex County Superintendent of schools on July 21, 2016, and further approve the annual submission of the said job description and excerpt from the Board agenda approving the job description/title and position to the Interim-Essex County Superintendent of Schools.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, re-approve the job position/title and position of "Director of Curriculum and Instruction/Principal", effective for the 2017-2018 school year, as approved by the Interim-Essex County Superintendent of schools on July 21, 2016, and further approve the annual submission of the said job description and excerpt from the Board agenda approving the job description/title and position to the Interim-Essex County Superintendent of Schools.

## **Personnel Recommendations:**

Introduced by: Seconded by: Roll Call

#### III. POLICY

## A. Second Reading of Policies and Regulations

<u>Recommended Motion</u>: that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies and regulations.

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P&R 2460	Special Education	Revised
R 2460.1	Special Education - Location, Identification, and Referral	Revised
R 2460.8	Special Education – Free and Appropriate Public Educ.	Revised
R 2460.9	Special Education – Transition from Early Interv. Programs to	Revised
	Preschool Programs	
R 2460.15	Special Education – In-Service Training for Professional and	Revised
	Paraprofessional Staff	
R 2460.16	Special Education – Instructional Material to Blind of Print-	Re-
	Disabled Students (No changes)	Adopt
P 2467	Surrogate Parents and Foster Parents	Revised

## **Policy Recommendations:**

Introduced by: Seconded by: Roll Call

#### IV. PROGRAM/CURRICULUM

#### A. 2016-2017 Calendar Revision

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve revisions to the 2016-2017 school calendar. There will be no school on May 26, 2017 for students and teachers. In the event there is no need to utilize the 2 remaining snow days **by May 15**, the last day of school will be designated as June 15, 2017. June 14 and 15 will be one session days for students only.

## B. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

<u>Recommended Motion</u>: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve attendance at the following workshops and approve the reimbursement of registration, lodging, and/or mileage, expenses to be made, pending completion of the workshops and submission of the travel reports.

Staff	Workshop	Date(s)	Place	Registration/
				Lodging
Ciccotelli, S.	Spring Leadership	5/17-19, 2017	Atlantic	\$525
Cafone, M.	Conference		City	
Hellwig, Y.	NJASBO Annual	6/7 - 9, 2017	Atlantic	\$525
	Conference		City	

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#### A. GOOD NEWS

#### Stevenson School

- Kindergarten students participated in a fantastic chick hatching project. They were introduced to this unit of study by Farmer John who came from Quiver Farm. He brought 24 eggs and all of the equipment needed to hatch baby chicks. He also brought a hen and rooster so the children could meet the chicks' parents. Students were excited when chick number 9 hatched first! They were proud to receive an award for successfully hatching 24 baby chicks! This was an exciting and engaging way for the students to learn about the life cycle of a chicken.
- First grade has been hard at work! After reading all about the solar system, students were introduced to informational writing. Pairs of students were given a planet to research. They filled in an outline, took the information and turned it into a paragraph. Students enjoyed learning about our solar system!
- As part of Guided Reading homework, first graders have been answering a "journal" question in Google Classroom! Students learned how to log in and respond to questions during Tech Time and Computers. At home, they put their new knowledge to work in responding to questions about their books online, and in complete sentences. First grade teachers are very proud of the tech-savvy kids!
- Second grade has completed their Turtle and Beaver research projects. They are displayed in the green hallway. They are anxiously waiting for our Flat Stanley to arrive back to Stevenson School. The children have been extremely excited sharing his experiences. They are learning about biographies in Ready Gen. One of the stories they are reading is "The Life of John Chapman."
- Student Council held an assembly on Friday, March 24, to introduce Pennies for Patients. A representative from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society spoke about what their organization does to help children with blood cancer. Our school accepted the challenge of helping to find a cure for blood cancer! We joined over 29,000 schools across the nation to make a difference and raise as much money as we could. Through participation in the Student Series' Pennies for Patients Program, students learn leadership, the importance of helping others and just how impactful their involvement can be in helping to save lives. This program ran from March 24-31, 2017.
- The Art Expo took place the evening of April 20th alongside the Science and Technology Fair. Students and parents alike proudly admired works of art from throughout the year while student "exhibition guides" dressed as artists and gave information about who they were and described the process of creating their artwork. Also, student volunteers

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collected donations for ceramic pet sculptures which could be "adopted" by the third grade artist that created the sculpture. When combined with donations from all others at the expo, the community of Fairfield raised \$233 which will be donated to Ruff Start Animal Rescue in Fairfield. To top it all off, the highly anticipated mural created by the Stevenson Art Club was revealed! This mural illustrates the history of Fairfield, from its historic landmarks to its agricultural past. All things combined, it was an amazing night showcasing both artistic talent, culture, generosity, and community pride!

#### Churchill School

- 5th Grade students attended Challenge 24 Tournament on March 23, 2017 competing against other schools in Essex County. Fairfield took home a trophy...3rd place!
- On Wednesday, March 29, Churchill hosted their annual Career Day. Student Council members welcomed all guests and led them into the school library, where coffee and breakfast were set up for all presenters. Mr. Cardillo and his orchestra students played for the guests during breakfast. More than 20 professionals and community leaders were invited to speak to the students about their individual careers and answer student questions. Presenters not only spoke about their occupations but also described their education and the necessary qualifications needed to be successful. The program began in the school auditorium with HDE Entertainment, who provided an upbeat introduction. From the auditorium, the students went to the first of four sessions. Presenters and staff enjoyed lunch together in the library provided by the HSA. In the afternoon, students wrote letters to the presenters to thank them for sharing their careers and inspiring them. The afternoon's two keynote speakers were Morris County Sheriff James Gannon and David Corsaro, one of the top 200 magicians in the United States. After the two keynote speakers, HDE Entertainment worked with the student Culture and Climate team to prepare a photo slideshow of the day's events that was set to the Winston Churchill School song. At the end of the day, they also provided the entire student body with a dance party, complete with light show and party giveaways.
- The Churchill School Drama Club performed Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" under the direction of Erica Santalla and Carol Janser to a sellout crowd on Thursday, March 30. The cast and crew, of approximately 35 students, have been working since December. Along with students of the Art Club, under the direction of Jamie Cecere, and the publicity by the Computer Club under Jennifer Perrone, the students used professional costuming and had a beautiful set to enhance the production. The directors wish to thank all the staff, administration and the Board of Education for their support of the arts in Fairfield.

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- The 5th Grade Science Students' Environmental Projects Presentations have inspired the students to take steps outside of school during spring break, with their families, friends, and sports to help the environment in various ways, such as picking up litter from the parks.
- On Wednesday, April 19, the Student Council of Churchill School participated in their annual "Cookies for Courage" community service project. The students donated delicious treats and bagged them for a special delivery to the Fairfield Police Department and Fairfield Volunteer Fire Department. The Student Council sends heartfelt thanks to these brave men and women for their continued service to our community.

## **Program/Curriculum Recommendations:**

**Introduced by: Seconded by: Roll Call** 

## V. SUPERINTENDENT'S QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE GOALS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education has determined that the following Quantitative and Qualitative Merit Goals for Susan Ciccotelli, Superintendent of Schools, have been satisfied and were achieved during the 2016-2017 school year;

- o Quantitative Goal: Review and revise Substitute Handbook for 100% of Substitute Staff
- Qualitative Goal: Explore the viability of Consortium-Wide Special Education Programs to support current student needs and goals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Essex County Interim-Superintendent of Schools in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1e (10)(iv); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, upon receipt of confirmation of satisfaction of the above goals from the Essex County Interim-Superintendent of Schools, the applicable Merit Bonus provisions shall be paid.

## VI. FINANCE

#### Routine and Recurring Monthly Business Items A-J

- A. BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes from the Public and Executive Session, held on March 21, 2017 be approved.
- B. BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the Special Public Sessions, held on April 3, 2017 be approved. No Executive Session was held.

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C. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following attached Bills and Claims Lists and Payrolls:

Bills and Claims	Amount
March 22 – April 25, 2017	\$709,834.22
March 15, 2017	\$364,109,18
March 30, 2017	\$345,541.08

- D. BE IT RESOLVED to approve and accept the Board Secretary's Financial Report for the month of January 2017.
- E. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the budgetary transfers for the month of March 2017.
- F. BE IT RESOLVED to approve and accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2017.
- G. BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following Building Use Applications

Organization or	Date and Time Slot
Group/Location/Purpose	
American Red Cross	Wednesday, March 29, 2017
Churchill Parking	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Donations Drop-off location	

- H. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board affirm the Superintendents decision on Harassment Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Cases #12 16-17 and CH #13 16-17, first reported to the Board, in Executive Session on March 21, 2017.
- I. BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approve the renewal of transportation services with Sussex Regional Cooperative **only** for current Special Education students during the 2017-2018 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approve a joint agreement with the Board of Directors of Essex Regional Educational Services Commission to provide regular and athletics student transportation services for the 2017-2018 school year in accordance with State Law and Code and in accordance with the rules and regulations governing pupil transportation as set down by the State Board of Education; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission will provide Special Education Transportation services for all **new** special education applicants during the 2017-2018 school year in accordance with State Law and Code and in accordance with the rules and regulations governing pupil transportation as set down by the State Board of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education will pay an administrative fee of 2% of the actual cost of transportation provided by Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for all necessary administration and supervision services.

J. <u>Final Adoption of the 2017-2018 School Budget and Public Hearing Presentation of the Budget</u>. Yvonne Hellwig, Business Administrator/Board Secretary will give the Presentation.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve and adopt the 2017-2018 School Budget in the amount of \$11,648,421 for the General Fund (Current Operating Expenses), \$138,050 for the Special Revenue Fund (Federal & State), and \$145,801 for the Debt Service Fund, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there should be raised for the General Fund \$11,102,556 through local taxation to support the Current Operating Expense Budget and \$145,801 through local taxation to support the Debt Service Fund for the 2017-2018 School Year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Current Expense Operating Budget contain budgeted surplus (fund balance) from the June 30, 2016 audit of \$52,687, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education include in the budget the adjustment for enrollment in the amount of \$176,700. The District intends to utilize this adjustment for supplies and materials for the additional students, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Current Expense Operating Budget includes \$11,560 for maximum travel expenditures in accordance with N.J.S.A. 6A:23A-7.1.

Business Resolutions A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I & J Introduced by: Seconded by:

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- VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS
- IX. NEW BUSINESS
- X. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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#### XI. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Library at Stevenson School.

## XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Action will be taken.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education finds it necessary to meet in Executive Session (closed to the public) to discuss attorney/client privileged information, which is exempt from the Open Public Meetings Act.

Introduced by: Seconded by:

#### XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned.

Introduced by: Seconded by