

**GLEN RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GLEN RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 22, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER – Glen Ridge High School – Media Center

7:00 pm - Executive Session

8:00 pm - Public Session

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MOMENT OF SILENCE**

ROLL CALL

Mr. Campbell

Mr. de Leeuw

Ms. Hilberth

Mr. Keppel

Ms. Lang

Mr. Romano

Ms. St. Auburn

Dr. Yaros-Ramos

Ms. Ginsburg

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

This is a regular meeting of the Glen Ridge Board of Education. Adequate notice of this change of meeting location and time has been provided in that this Board notified the Glen Ridge Paper and the Star Ledger on January 11, 2017. Said notice was published in the Star Ledger on January 19, 2017 and the Glen Ridge Paper on January 19, 2017. The date, time, and location of this meeting were also emailed to all recipients of the annual schedule of the Board's meetings.

Dirk Phillips, Superintendent

Peter Caprio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

7:00 pm EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with personnel, negotiations and/or possible litigation, and

WHEREAS, public disclosure of this matter may be prejudicial to the public good,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this matter be considered in a meeting closed to the public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of this meeting be sealed until the matter is resolved.

Adjourn to closed session

8:00 pm PUBLIC SESSION

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

School Performance Reports

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items)

During the course of the board meeting, the Board of Education offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of the Glen Ridge Public Schools. The Board reminds those individuals who take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and residency and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operation of the School District. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should

consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (First meeting of the month only)

Curriculum Committee
Personnel and Policy Committee
Negotiations Committee
Finance and Facilities Committee
Communications Committee
Alternative Funding Committee

LIAISON REPORTS (First meeting of the month only)

Home & School Associations
Glen Ridge Association for Special Education (GRASE)
Glen Ridge Educational Foundation (GREF)
Glen Ridge Athletic Association (GRAA)
Glen Ridge Arts Patrons Association (GRAPA)
Gas Lamp Players

Ms. Elisabeth Ginsburg has a standing abstention from any discussion and/or vote regarding the appointment of or payment to the law firm of Sciarrillo, Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC.

ADMINISTRATION

A-1 Investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB)

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools on the investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Report # 17-18 HS 4, and finds that HIB was not substantiated.

A-2 Investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB)

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools on the investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Report # 17-18 RAS 5, and finds that HIB was not substantiated.

A-3 Investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB)

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools on the investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Report # 17-18 RAS 5a, and finds that HIB was not substantiated.

A-4 Investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB)

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools on the investigation of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Report # 17-18 RAS 5b, and finds that HIB was not substantiated.

PERSONNEL

P-1 Resignations/Retirements

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept, with regret the resignation of Edith Bernstein, as a Part-time Aide at Glen Ridge High School, effective January 29, 2018.

P-2 Substitutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of the following as substitute teachers for the 2017-2018 school year:

Denise Deleo
MaryAnn Reidy

P-3 Leave of Absence

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve an unpaid absence for Jessica Gill, 3rd Grade Teacher at Ridgewood Avenue School, on February 15, 2018.

P-4 Revised Aide Hours

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Part-time Aides work hours not to exceed 29 hours per week:

Marlene McMillan

CURRICULUM

C-1 Field Trips

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following field trips:

- a. French Department (8th grade students) to attend a film and lunch at the Alliance Francaise and La Bonne Soupe in New York, NY on February 2, 2018 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.a).
- b. Astronomy/Engineering (10th-12th grade students) to visit the IMAX/Planetarium Show and Museum Tour at Liberty Science Center in Jersey City, NJ on February 2, 2018 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.b).
- c. Chinese Class (9th-11th grade students) to attend Chinese New Year Culture Dome at Ridgewood Avenue School on February 15, 2018 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.c).

BUSINESS

B-1 Financial Reports

Approve the following financial reports as recommended by the Finance Committee:

- a. Certification of Fund Balance

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), we certify that as of **October 2017** after review of the Secretary's monthly financial reports and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds were available to meet the district's financial obligations for the fiscal year.

- b. Secretary's report through **October 2017** as follows:

	<u>October 2017</u>
Beginning Balance	\$13,544,213.38
Receipts	\$2,745,854.28
Disbursements	\$3,174,761.79
Cash Balance	\$13,115,306.87

- c. Student activity account bills list as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>December 2017</u>
Glen Ridge High School	\$11,819.95
Glen Ridge High School Athletics	\$8,645.15
Ridgewood Avenue School	\$1,184.00
Forest Avenue School	\$0
Linden Avenue School	\$390.00

- d. Treasurer of School Monies report for **October 2017** as presented.

- e. Approve the budget transfer for the month of **October 2017** as presented. (Exhibit B-1.e)

- f. Approve the Bills list through **December 31, 2017** in the amount of **\$3,187,487.82**.

B-2 Workshops/Conferences

Approve the following workshops/conferences:

- a. Meredith Batastini, French Teacher, to attend *Strengthen World Language Instruction by Making Use of Google Tools*, being held at the Grand Wilshire Hotel in West Orange, NJ on February 13, 2018 for a total registration cost of \$249.00.
- b. Jack DeWitt, Director of Student Services, to attend *Hot Legal Topics - NJAPSA*, being held in Tinton Falls, NJ on February 1, 2018 for a total registration cost of \$35.00.
- c. Joseph Caravela, Principal, to attend *Challenging Behaviors Preschool Through Second Grade: Detection and Prevention*, being held in New Providence, NJ for a total cost of \$125.00 on January 31, 2018. (replaces B-2.d)
- d. CANCELED: Joseph Caravela, Principal, to attend *ADHD in the Classroom*, being held in New Providence, NJ for a total cost of \$149.22 (\$145.00 registration fee plus \$4.22 travel) on January 8, 2018.
- e. Janet Dobbs, Special Education Teacher, to attend *Strengthening Your Special Need Students*, being held in West Orange, NJ on February 7, 2018 for a total registration cost \$259.00. (replaces B-2.f)
- f. CANCELED: Janet Dobbs, Special Education Teacher, to attend *Seminar: Effectively Dealing with Disruptive Students*, being held in West Orange, NJ on January 29, 2018 for a total registration cost \$259.00.
- g. Tia Gist, PE Teacher, to attend *32nd Annual ATSNJ State Conference*, being held in East Brunswick, NJ from February 25-26, 2018 for a total registration cost of \$185.00.
- h. Laura Gois, Special Education Teacher, to attend *Learn Innovative and engaging Techniques for Teaching LA and Math to Our Students*, being held in Washington, DC on March 26-27, 2018 for a total cost of \$396.51 (\$328.99 registration fee plus \$67.52 travel).
- i. Kelly Kren, 1st Grade Teacher, to attend *Literacy Workshop*, being held in West Orange, NJ on February 9, 2018 for a total registration cost of \$259.00.
- j. Heather Kobylinski, Counselor, to attend *NJ Tiered System of Support Builds on the I&RS*, being held in Monroe, NJ on February 26, 2018 for a total cost of \$173.60 (\$149.00 registration fee plus \$24.60 travel).
- k. Cionna Lane, Resource Teacher, to attend *Learn Innovative and engaging Techniques for Teaching LA and Math to Our Students*, being held in Washington, DC on March 26-27, 2018 for a total cost of \$398.99 (\$328.99 registration fee plus \$69.38 travel).
- l. Matthew Murphy, Principal, to attend *Designing Quality Elementary School Schedules*, being held in Monroe, NJ on March 1, 2018 for a total registration cost of \$149.00.
- m. Jill Szalony, ABA Therapist, to attend *Emotional & Behavioral Issues of the 21st Century Learners*, being held in Monroe, NJ on February 5, 2018 for a total cost of \$176.90 (\$149.00 registration fee plus \$27.90 travel).

B-3 Donations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept with thanks, the following:

- a. The generous donation of \$4,800.00 from The Glen Ridge Education Foundation for Glen Ridge High School to have (2) teachers attend AP Capstone Program Training (Exhibit B-3.a).
- b. The generous donation of \$7,200.00 from The Glen Ridge Education Foundation to enhance the K-4 Reading Program with Orton Gillingham training during the summer (Exhibit B-3.b).

B-4 Professional Services

Approve the Professional Services Agreement between Glen Ridge School District and Dr. Lori Hanes & Associates to provide Home Instruction Services for the 2017-2018 School Year at a rate of \$65.00 per hour.

B-5 Glen Ridge Educational Foundation Fall 2017 Innovation Grants

Accept, with thanks, the funds from the Glen Ridge Educational Foundation for teacher innovation grants in the amount of \$7,983.19 to the following:

<u>Innovation Mini-Grants</u>	
Andrew Shohen	<i>Fabrication Lab and Safety</i>
Andrew Kanasky Jill Szalony Kim Waldron	<i>Streetwise Safety Smarts: Creating a Super Safety Village</i>
Andrew Shohen	<i>Flight Simulator: Forces of Flight</i>
Kim Waldron Erin Goldstein Charlene Reilly	<i>Abilities Awareness: A WONDER-ful Alliance</i>
Jody Walsh Danielle Chesney	<i>We Will Rock You!</i>
Michelle Klein	<i>Standing Up for Success</i>

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT