

BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Glen Ridge Board of Education was held on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 8:00 pm at the Glen Ridge High School LGI room.

The meeting was held in accordance with applicable NJ Statutes governing public Board of Education meetings.

The Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence were observed.

Present

- Mr. Campbell
- Mr. de Leeuw
- Ms. Hilberth (Arrived at 7:14 during Exec Session)
- 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 8, 2016. Said notice was published in the Star Ledger on January 13, 2016 and the Glen Ridge Paper on January 14, 2016. 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

7:05 – 8:00pm Executive Session

Moved: Mr. Campbell Seconded: Mr. Romano

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

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Not Present	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Public Session – Mr. de Leeuw motioned to return to public session at 8:00 pm. Ms. St. Auburn seconded the motion.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

-Ms. Ginsburg announced that she will become the Executive Director of the Garden State Coalition of Schools, beginning April 1, 2016.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Phillips discussed the following
- A recent social media incident
- Dr. Seuss Read Across America events happening throughout the district
- The new cafeteria point of sales system will be operational beginning this week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items)

NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum Committee – Mr. de Leeuw reported that the Curriculum Committee discussed the PARRC test results.
 Personnel and Policy Committee
 Negotiations Committee
 Finance and Facilities Committee – Mr. Keppel reported that the Finance Committee met with the districts architects DRG to review the LRFP capital project list.
 Communications Committee – Ms. Lang reported that the Communication Committee held a Coffee & Conversation at the High School for realtors and are finalizing a date for the next school tour.
 Alternative Funding Committee

LIAISON REPORTS

Home & School Associations

Ridgewood Avenue- Ms. Lang reported that the following was discussed:

- Mr. Whites 3rd book is now being sold
- Testing
- Reading Programs
- Book Club
- 4th grade laptop initiative
- School store
- PJ Drive
- Devils Game
- Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser

Glen Ridge High School- Ms. Ginsburg reported that the following was discussed:

- Project Graduation
- Scholarships
- Media Center renovations
- President and Treasurer for next year
- Formulating an alumni list

Forest Avenue School- Ms. St. Auburn reported that the following was discussed:

- Renovation of the Multipurpose Room
- A spring fundraiser for the Multipurpose Room
- Visiting author

Linden Avenue School- Dr. Yaros Ramos reported that the following was discussed:

- Fundraising activities
- Asked for lunch volunteers
- Visiting author
- Movie night
- Parent Social

Glen Ridge Association for Special Education (GRASE) – Ms. St. Auburn reported that at the meeting there was a presentation of the Fragile Child.

Glen Ridge Educational Foundation (GREF)

Glen Ridge Athletic Association (GRAA)

Glen Ridge Arts Patrons Association (GRAPA)

Gas Lamp Players – Ms. St. Auburn reported that the performance of Mary Poppins was held earlier this month and registration of summer camp is open and teens will be performing Pippin.

MINUTES

M-1 Board of Education Minutes

Moved: Mr. Keppel Seconded: Mr. de Leeuw

Approve the Glen Ridge Board of Education minutes of the following meetings:

February 8, 2016- Executive Session and Regular Meeting

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye*	Aye	Aye*	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye*

*Abstained from the minutes February 8, 2016

PERSONNEL

P-1 Appointments

Moved: Mr. Campbell Seconded: Ms. Lang

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of the following:

- a. Renee Theis, Part-Time Aide at Forest Avenue School on Aide Step 1 (\$18.85 per hour) not to exceed 25 hours per week, effective February 22, 2016 through June 30, 2016.
- b. Connor Rush, Part-Time Technology Student Intern at \$12.00 per hour not to exceed 25 hours per week, effective February 12, 2016 through June 30, 2016.
- c. Jennifer Antonicello, Part-Time Aide at Glen Ridge High School on Aide Step 1 (\$18.85 per hour) not to exceed 25 hours per week, effective March 3, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

P-2 Coaches/Athletics, Co-Curricular/Club Advisors

Moved: Mr. Campbell Seconded: Ms. Lang

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of the following:

- a. Heather Ballantyne, Drama Director at Ridgewood Avenue School, on Guide 5 Year 1 Step 1 (\$3,325) for the 2015-2016 school year.
- b. Russ Pfister, Assistant Track Coach, on Guide 3 Step 3 Year 5 (\$6,362), for the 2015-2016 school year.

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

P-3 Volunteer

Moved: Mr. Campbell Seconded: Ms. Lang

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

- a. Dave Majewski as a Volunteer Golf Coach for the 2015-2016 school year.
- b. Adam Torrisi as a Volunteer Assistant Boys Lacrosse Coach for the 2015-2016 school year.

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

P-4 Extra Duty Stipends

Moved: Mr. Campbell Seconded: Ms. Lang

Approve extra duty stipends for the following staff for the 2015-2016 school year:

Sean McLearie	\$1,544.75
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Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

P-5 Resignations/Retirements

Moved: Mr. Campbell Seconded: Ms. Lang

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

- a. Accept with regret, the resignation of Elizabeth Cavanaugh, as Part-Time Aide at Glen Ridge High School, effective March 11, 2016.

- b. Accept with regret, the resignation of Heather Liang, as Part-Time Aide at Linden Avenue School, effective February 29, 2016.
- c. Accept with regret, the retirement of Nina Parisi, Secretary at Ridgewood Avenue School, effective July 1, 2016.

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

CURRICULUM

C-1 Field Trips

Moved: Mr. de Leeuw Seconded: Dr. Yaros Ramos

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following field trips for students for the 2015-2016 school year:

- a. Glen Ridge High School Athletics (12th Graders) to attend the Captains Summit at Columbia High School in South Orange, NJ on March 3, 2016 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.a).
- b. Glen Ridge High School English Classes (9th Graders) to attend Par Amicus Theater in Budd Lake, NJ on April 18, 2016 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.b).
- c. Forest Avenue School Pre-K students to visit The Newark Museum in Newark, NJ on May 6, 2016 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.c).
- d. Ridgewood Avenue School 5th graders to visit the Fort Lee Historic Park in Fort Lee, NJ on May 4, 5, 6,11,12,18, 2016 as per the attached. (Exhibit C-1.d).

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

BUSINESS

B-1 Workshops/Conferences

Moved: Mr. Keppel Seconded: Mr. Romano

Approve attendance at workshops/conferences for the following:

- a. Shana Caulfield, Physical Education Teacher to attend *Let's Talk-Communicating About Sexuality*, being held at the PPCGNNJ in Elizabeth, NJ on March 10, 2016 for a \$123.29 (\$120.00 registration plus \$3.29 travel).
- b. John Dubuque, Supervisor of Facilities to attend *Asbestos Operations & Maintenance Refresher*, being held at Rutgers School of Public Health in Piscataway, NJ on March 4, 2016 for a total cost of \$192.00 (\$175.00 registration plus \$17.00 travel).
- c. John Dubuque, Supervisor of Facilities to attend *NJSBGA Expo*, being held at Harrah's Resort in Atlantic City, NJ from March 14-16, 2016 for a total cost of \$589.24 (\$125.00 registration, \$91.32 travel, \$160.00 meals and \$212.92 hotel stay).
- d. Tia Gist, Physical Education Teacher to attend *ATSNJ 30th Annual State Conference*, being held at the Crowne Plaza in Edison, NJ on March 7, 2016 for a total registration cost of \$135.00.
- e. Jon Heitmann, Assistant Principal to attend *ALICE Training* being held at Roxbury High School in Roxbury, NJ on March 29 & 30, 2016 for a total registration cost of \$595.00.
- f. Will Montes de Oca, Coach to attend *Soccer Champions Coaches Clinic* being held at the Mohegan Sun Convention Center in Uncasville, CT on March 4-5, 2016 for a total cost of \$235.94 (\$189.00 registration plus \$46.94 travel).
- g. Matthew Murphy, Principal to attend *Project-Based Learning via Google Apps* being held at NJPSA/FEA in Monroe, NJ on May 2, 2016 for a total travel cost of \$32.10.

- h. Danielle Purciello, Science Teacher at Glen Ridge High School, to attend *Hidden Worlds Revealed Through the Microscope* and *Teaching with Data in the Science Classroom*, being held at Liberty Science Center in Jersey City, NJ on March 3 & 17, 2016 for a parking cost of \$14.00 (additional fee previously approved on 2/8/16).

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Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

B-2 Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Waiver

Moved: Mr. Keppel Seconded: Mr. Romano

Approve the submission of a waiver for the requirement to maximize Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) participation for the 2016-2017 school year.

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

B-3 Donations

Moved: Mr. Keppel Seconded: Mr. Romano

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept, with thanks, the generous donation of (16) sixteen Chromebooks (valued at \$3,920.00), Luxor Tablet and Chromebook USB Charging Cart (valued at \$1,004.00) and software licenses (valued at \$ 480.00) for a total value of \$5,404.00 from the Forest Avenue Home and School to enhance the 1st Grade at Forest Avenue School. (Exhibit B-3).

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Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

B-4 Home Instruction Services

Moved: Mr. Keppel Seconded: Mr. Romano

- a. Approve home instruction services to student #18099 by Essex Regional Educational Services Commission.
- b. Approve home instruction services to student #19119 by the following staff for 3 school days (2 hours per session).

Social Studies: Kristopher Zaragosa
 Math (Pre-Algebra): Steve Finkel

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Campbell motioned to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Mr. de Leeuw seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Campbell	de Leeuw	Hilberth	Keppel	Lang	Romano	St. Auburn	Yaros-Ramos	Ginsburg
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Caprio
 Board Secretary