

December 13, 2011

The Board of Education of the Borough of Manasquan, Monmouth County, met for the Open Agenda Work Session with Action taken on Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., in the Manasquan Elementary School Cafeteria.

The President, Mrs. Muly, called the meeting to order and read the following Opening Statement: Pursuant to New Jersey Administrative Code, Title 10, Chapter 4, Subchapter 10, notice of this meeting has been provided by publication in the Asbury Park Press and the Coast Star and posted in the Borough Hall of Manasquan and in the schools within the time limits prescribed by law.

Call to Order

Mrs. Muly requested that everyone join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present for Roll Call: Thomas B. Bauer, Trisha Brown, Jack Campbell, Michelle LaSala, Chris Muly, Jim Smith, Katherine Verdi and John L. Winterstella, Manasquan Board of Education Elected Members (MEB), Julia Barnes, Sending District Representatives (SDR). Absent: Linda DiPalma (MEB), Michelle Degnan-Spang and Mark Furey (SDR).

Roll Call

Also Present: Geraldine Margin, Superintendent of Schools, Margaret M. Hom, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. McOmber, Board Attorney, representatives of The Coast Star and members of the public.

Let the minutes reflect that Mrs. Degnan-Spang and Mrs. DiPalma arrived at 6:35 p.m.

Mrs. Muly read the following Sunshine Law Resolution:

Sunshine Law Resolution

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b), the Board of Education may exclude the public from that portion of a public meeting at which the Board discusses any of the matters described at N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1)-(9);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education shall forthwith enter into closed session to discuss the following matters concerning: Matters covered by the attorney-client privilege – Grievance (30 minutes).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said discussion may be disclosed to the public when reasons for discussing and acting upon it in closed session no longer exist.

Mrs. Muly asked for a motion to adjourn to Closed Session the meeting. She said the Board would be returning to reconvene the Open Agenda Work Session.

Adjournment to Closed Executive Session

On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Verdi, it was RESOLVED by voice vote of all those present in favor by the Manasquan Board of Education to adjourn to Closed Executive Session.

Mrs. Muly reconvened the meeting.

Meeting Reconvened

Present for Roll Call: Thomas B. Bauer, Trisha Brown, Jack Campbell, Linda DiPalma, Michelle LaSala, Chris Muly, Jim Smith, Katherine Verdi and John L. Winterstella, Manasquan Board of Education Elected Members (MEB), Julia Barnes and Michelle Degnan-Spang, Sending District Representatives (SDR). Absent: Mark Furey (SDR).

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Mrs. Muly read the following Statement to the Public: Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. When the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education for discussion it is placed on the work agenda. Only after a full discussion by the Board is action taken.

Mrs. Muly turned the meeting over to Mrs. Margin.

Mrs. Margin brought to the attention of the Board the Work Session Agenda and recommendations that will be brought before the Board for approval at the Regular Open Business Meeting on Tuesday, December 20, 2011.

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the acceptance of the minutes of the Open Agenda Work Session and Closed Executive Session of Tuesday, November 15, 2011 and the Regular Open Business Meeting and Closed Executive Session of Tuesday, November 22, 2011.

Mrs. Margin reported that the following presentations that will take place on Tuesday, December 20, 2011: Recognition of Life is Good Students and Staff and a Choral Performance by the Manasquan Elementary School Chorus.

The following Committee Reports were presented: Buildings and Grounds Committee and Sending District Council Report.

Committee Reports

Mr. Bauer reported on the December 7th meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Topics discussed were fields, roof and solar projects, elementary school boiler replacement, classroom space in the high school and proposed trailer.

Mr. Bauer addressed Mrs. LaSala question on who would pay for the field renovations at the elementary school if the high school baseball team was moved to that field location. He said that the field improvements would be funded privately, consistent with the Manasquan High School athletic field improvements.

Mrs. Muly reported on the Sending District Council meeting and said that it was a very positive meeting. Some topics discussed were shared services possibilities and new teacher evaluations. They plan to meet again in two months.

The Curriculum and Technology Committee did not have a report available to present to the Board.

Mrs. Muly informed the Board that there was an overview of committees included in their meeting packets.

Mrs. Margin reported that she would provide the following in her report: enrollment, suspension, bus and fire drill reports and the HIB Report.

Mrs. Muly opened the first public forum on agenda items.

Public Forum

Time may be allocated for public comment at this meeting. Each speaker may be allotted a time when recognized by the presiding officer. Individuals wishing to address the Board shall be recognized by the presiding officer and shall give their names, addresses and the group, if any, that they represent. Although the board encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through its presiding officer, to terminate remarks to and/or by any individual not in keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. The Board will not respond to questions during the public participation portion of this meeting involving the employment, appointment, termination of

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employment, negotiations, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplining of any specific, prospective or current employee.

Mrs. Muly closed the public forum seeing no questions or comments from the public.

Under Manasquan Motions:

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the Elementary School Personnel, as specified in **Document D**. 12/20-03

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the Elementary School Professional Days and Field Trips submitted, as specified on **Document E**. 12/20-04

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the QSAC Statement of Assurances for the 2011-2012 school year. 12/20-05

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve a bus aide and a 1:1 paraprofessional for student #181434 for continued placement in the Behavior Disordered Program at Belmar Elementary School. 12/20-06

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve an Assisted Technology Assessment with Assisted Technology Solutions at FRA in Shrewsbury for student #17272, not to exceed \$500.00. 12/20-07

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve transportation contracts and agreements as per Document F. 12/20-08

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the Financial Reports, Central Funds Report and Payments and Confirmation of Bills (Capital Expense) for the Manasquan Elementary School. 12/20-09

It was decided that the Board would group all of the Manasquan Motions into one vote.

Under Manasquan/Sending District Motions:

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the high school personnel, as specified in Document 1. 12/20-10

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the high school professional days and field trips submitted, as specified in Document 2. 12/20-11

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the high school final exam schedule for January 2012, as per Document 3. 12/20-12

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the 1st reading of revised Manasquan Board of Education Bylaws and Policies as listed below and available at the Board of Education office:

- Bylaws: 0618 – Recording Board Meetings
- Policies: 6424 – Emergency Contracts
- 8505 – School Nutrition
- 9180 – School Volunteers
- 9181 – Volunteer Athletic Coaches and Co-Curricular Activity
- Advisors/Assistants 12/20-13

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A discussion took place on certain areas of the above policies with reference to substitute teacher certification requirements; transportation policy with regard to individuals permitted to ride on the bus; fingerprinting requirements and archiving.

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the 1st reading of new Manasquan Board of Education Bylaws and Policies as listed below and available at the Board of Education office:

Policies:	5519 – Dating Violence at School	
	6472 – Tuition Assistance	12/20-14

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve a new high school club: Sports Medicine Club. 12/20-15

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the resolution to request a waiver of compliance with respect to the Manasquan School District's participation in the Special Education Medicaid (SEMI) Program for the 2011-12 school year, as per Document 4. (Participation would not provide a cost benefit to the district based on the projection of the district's available SEMI reimbursement for the 2012-2013 budget). 12/20-16

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve to reject the Amendment to School Board Bylaws proposed by the Board of Trustees as per Document 5. 12/20-17

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the renewal of the Access Agreement between the Manasquan School District and Cablevision Lightpath-NJ, Inc., commencing February 1, 2012 and terminating January 31, 2015, as per agreement on file in the Business Office. 12/20-18

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve to accept funding for 2012FY for the IDEA allocation in the amounts of \$225,670.00 for the Basic Grant (\$12,537.00 Basic Non-Public Share) and \$6,877.00 for the Preschool Grant. 12/20-19

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve and award of bid for Athletic Uniforms for the 2011-2012 school year as per Document 6. 12/20-20

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the students for treatment and/or placement as prescribed by the Child Study Team, as per Document 7. 12/20-21

It was recommended that the Manasquan Board of Education approve the Central Funds Report, Purchase Orders and Payment and Confirmation of Bills (Current Expense) for the Manasquan High School. 12/20-22

It was decided that the Board would group all of the Manasquan/Sending District Motions into one vote.

The following was discussed under New Business:

Mrs. LaSala reported that there was a very excellent and informative article on D. Wegeman in New Jersey Magazine.

Mrs. Muly reported that she would not be present for the February Work Agenda meeting and Mr. Smith will conduct the meetings in her absence.

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New Business

The following was discussed under Old Business:

Old Business

Mrs. LaSala reported that she sent a few suggestions and questions on the 365 day Student in Good Standing policy and asked for status of any decision being made on this policy.

Mr. McOmber commented on the Student in Good Standing policy and the importance in having the proper language embedded in the policy.

A discussion took place on the terms of the policy with regard to 365 days versus school year. It was suggested that regulations and consequence be posted on the website in addition to categorizing the types of abuse.

An exchange of ideas took place and the positions of several Board Members were presented on the Student in Good Standing policy.

Mrs. LaSala questioned the Random Drug Testing and the updated student survey and the availability of details of test results.

Mrs. Verdi also asked that more information be provided to the Board regarding the type of abuse being reported.

Mr. McOmber said that he would present his recommended policy in January and take into consideration the comments and suggestions made by members of the Board.

Mrs. Muly asked for a motion to deny the MEA grievance.

On a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mrs. LaSala, it was RESOLVED by roll call vote of all those present in favor by the Manasquan Board of Education to deny the grievance submitted by the Manasquan Education Association.

MEA Grievance

Mrs. Muly opened the Public Forum. Seeing no questions or comments from the public she closed the Public Forum.

Public Forum

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education shall forthwith enter into closed session to discuss the following matters concerning: Matters covered by the attorney-client privilege – Ethics Issues (15 minutes) and Hockey Litigation (10 minutes)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said discussion may be disclosed to the public when reasons for discussing and acting upon it in closed session no longer exist.

Mrs. Muly asked for a motion to adjourn to Closed Session the meeting. She said the Board would be returning to reconvene the Open Agenda Work Session.

On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Brown, it was RESOLVED by voice vote of all those present in favor by the Manasquan Board of Education to adjourn to Closed Executive Session.

Adjournment to Closed Executive Session

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Mrs. Muly reported that the Board would be returning to the Open Agenda Work Session with no action taken by the Board.

Mrs. Muly reconvened the Open Agenda Work Session.

Present for Roll Call: Thomas B. Bauer, Trisha Brown, Jack Campbell, Linda DiPalma, Michelle LaSala, Chris Muly, Jim Smith, Katherine Verdi and John L. Winterstella, Manasquan Board of Education Elected Members (MEB), Julia Barnes and Michelle Degnan-Spang, Sending District Representatives (SDR). Absent: Mark Furey (SDR).

Also Present: Geraldine Margin, Superintendent of Schools, Margaret M. Hom, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. McOmber, Board Attorney, representatives of The Coast Star and members of the public.

Mrs. Muly asked for a motion to adjourn.

On a motion by Mrs. Barnes, seconded by Mr. Bauer, it was RESOLVED by voice vote of all those present in favor by the Manasquan Board of Education to adjourn the Open Agenda Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Hom
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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Adjournment