

**MENDHAM TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BROOKSIDE, NEW JERSEY  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM  
(MEETING IS BEING HELD VIRTUALLY,  
NO IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE WILL BE ALLOWED)  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, August 17, 2021, 7:30 PM**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm.

**II. Flag Salute** - Mrs. Holquist led the flag salute.

**III. Roll Call of the Board of Education**

Mrs. Gretchen Holquist	President	Present
Mr. Andrew Christmann	Vice President	Present
Mr. Peter Dumovic		Present
Dr. Rekha Mandel		Present
Mrs. Joan Mody		Absent
Mr. Aadithya Thayyar		Present

Also, present: Dr. Salvatore Constantino, Superintendent  
Mrs. Donna Mosner, School Business Administrator  
General Public – 4

**IV. Sunshine Law**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, Mendham Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Mendham Township Board of Education Office, sent to the Clerk of Mendham Township, and the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record. This is an official meeting.

**V. Superintendent's Report**

➤ District Updates, News, and Events

- Superintendent's Chat will be held on Thursday, August 17 at 9:30 AM. (Parents then Faculty)
- Website for COVID - Fall 2021
- Fall Tri-Annual Reports – October Work Session
- Schools Update:
  1. General Health and Safety Guidelines:
  2. Classrooms, Testing, and Therapy Rooms:
  3. Transportation:
  4. Student Flow, Entry, Exit, and Common Areas:
  5. Screening, PPE, and Response to Students and Staff Presenting Symptoms:

- 6. Contact Tracing:
- 7. Facilities Cleaning Practices:
- 8. Meals:
- 9. Recess/Physical Education:
- 10. Extracurricular Activities and Use of Facilities Outside of School Hours:

➤ Retiree Recognition – Ms. Nancy Fuller

## **VI. Board Secretary’s Report**

- **Operations & Finance:**

### Finance Committee

It is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the district budget development process and submission to the county office and possibly to the voters. The budget submission requires full Board approval. Below is a breakdown of the budget process.

August/September - Board budget goals finalized

September - Preliminary budget discussion about fixed obligations and guaranteed revenues

October 15 - Individual school/ departments instructed to begin line-item budget

### November

Early November - meeting held with the Superintendent of Schools, School Business Administrator, and Administrators of each School and the Child Study Team to review additional needs and resources for the following year.

December 15 - Budget submission by all departments due to Business office

January - Finance Committee review of department budgets

### February

1. The first draft of the budget complete
2. Tentative budget approved

### March

1. Submission of the tentative budget for the Department of Education review
2. Prepare for public presentation
3. Approve finalized budget

### April / May

1. Municipal presentations as scheduled
2. Public Hearing
3. Tax certification filed as indicated in the Department of Education budget guidelines

**VII. Board President's Report** – All active Ad Hoc committees should be meeting at least once a month. The consolidation committee was placed on hold until the seat was filled, will most likely start back up in November potentially.

**VIII. Correspondence**

- July 28, 2021 – Mendham Moms – Melissa DeSanti
- August 2, 2021 - Thom Keeling - Letter of Interest
- August 5, 2021 - Rich Gondek - Letter of Interest

**IX. Committee Reports**

- **Curriculum and Instruction** – Mr. Thayyar delivered the report.
- **Operations and Finance** – Mr. Christmann delivered the report.
- **Personnel and Human Resources** - Mr. Thayyar delivered the report.
- **Policy** – Mr. Dumovic delivered the report.
- **Ad Hoc Referendum** – Mrs. Holquist delivered the report.
- **Ad Hoc Revenue** – Mr. Dumovic delivered the report.
- **Ad Hoc Consolidation** – No report was delivered – at this time – on hold until the seat is filled.
- **Ad Hoc Diversity** – No report was delivered at this time.

Committee Report Discussion:

Ad Hoc Diversity -

Mr. Dumovic – where do things stand with The Achievement Network?

Dr. Constantino – we have negotiated the final contract and it is on the next board agenda

**PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Nancy Fuller has been employed from September 1, 2002, through June 30, 2021, as an Elementary School Teacher; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Fuller exemplified expertise, commitment, and professionalism in her duties; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Fuller had provided the Mendham Township Board of Education of her intention to retire from employment effective June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mendham Township Board of Education will present Nancy Fuller with a copy of this resolution signed by the President of the Board and the Superintendent of Schools;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mendham Township Board of Education recognizes Nancy Fuller's retirement effective June 30, 2021, and extends to her congratulations and best wishes for a happy, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

**X. Action Items**

**Approval of Minutes**

Regular Session Minutes: July 20, 2021

**Approval of Executive Minutes:** July 20, 2021

**Curriculum and Instruction**

1. **Mentoring Plan** *(Attachment)*  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the 2021 - 2022 Mentoring Plan.
  
2. **Mendham Township School District: District Goals** *(Attachment)*  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education adopts the District Goals for the 2021 - 2022 school year.
  
3. **Mendham Township School District: Board Goals** *(Attachment)*  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education adopts the Board Goals for the 2021 - 2022 school year.
  
4. **New Instructional Materials**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the adoption of the following new instructional material:

Grade Level	Title
Kindergarten - 4th Grade	TCI Social Studies

5. **Contracts with Anne Hunkler**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s 13668017) as per the IEP for 3 hours per week for a total of 108 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$8,640.00.  
  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s 14489107) as per the IEP for 3 hours per week for a total of 108 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$8,640.00.  
  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s 14430010) as per the IEP for 3 hours per week for a total of 108 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$8,640.00.  
  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s 14738813) as per the IEP for 3 hours per week for a total of 108 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$8,640.00.  
  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s 15111755) as per the IEP for 3 hours per week for a total of 108 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$8,640.00.  
  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for

one (1) student (ID#s 12943852) as per the IEP for 3 hours per week for a total of 108 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$8,640.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s #15028941) as per the IEP for 2 hours per week for a total of 72 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$5,760.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s #13292301) as per the IEP for 1.5 hours per week for a total of 54 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$4,320.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s #13506812) as per the IEP for 1.5 hours per week for a total of 54 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$4,320.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s #10309) as per the IEP for 1.5 hours per week for a total of 54 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$4,320.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s #12976396) as per the IEP for 1 hour per week for a total of 36 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$2,880.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Anne Hunker Karanikas for contracted Behavioral Consultation within the school from 08/23/21 to 06/09/22 for one (1) student (ID#s #15081349) as per the IEP for 1 hour per week for a total of 36 hours @ \$80/hr. not to exceed a total of \$2,880.00.

6. **Confirmation of Previously Approved Middle School Field Trips, Activities, and Fundraisers**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the proposed Middle School field trips, activities, and fundraisers for the 2021 - 2022 school year, previously approved by the Board of July 20, 2021.

Date	Activity	Chaperones
10/15/21	Grade 7 Trip to Philadelphia	G. Esposito F. Rivera L. Procanik P. Hooker E. Barter E. Koehler A. Perrotta C. Hueston E. Giarrusso, Nurse

10/22/21	Grade 5 & 6 Student Council Activity	F. Rivera P. Hooker A. Perrotta H. Tapia C. Gustavsen E. Hays L. Calabro
11/19/21	Student Council Event School Wide	F. Rivera P. Hooker I. Angulo-Pizarro D. CasaGrande M. Ryan A. Perrotta C. Gustavsen
12/09/21	An evening of the Arts Orchestra & Chorus	A. Perrotta
01/07/22	Grade 8 NYC Trip	A. Porter F. Rivera P. Hooker A. Perrotta S. Bray D. Emr C. Butler C. Hueston E. Giarrusso, Nurse
01/21/22	Student Council Sponsored Student/Faculty Volleyball Game	P. Hooker F. Rivera A. Porter A. Perrotta I. Angulo-Pizarro E. Hays L. Procanik
02/11/22	Grade 8 Class Lip Sync Contest	A. Porter D. CasaGrande L. Calabro A. Perrotta E. Barter F. Rivera M. Ryan
Spring 2022 Date TBD	Museum of Modern Art	F. Hare D. CasaGrande I. Angulo-Pizarro

04/08/22	Student Council Sponsored Mendham Madness Basketball Tournament	P. Hooker F. Rivera L. Calabro H. Tapia A. Porter L. Procanik I. Angulo-Pizarro A. Perrotta
05/06/22	Dorney Park	F. Dragon L. Calabro R. Branch J. Vazquez E. Barter M. Mahadeen K. Schaberg P. Hooker F. Rivera A. Perrotta E. Giarrusso, Nurse
05/19/22	An evening of the Arts	L. Procanik
05/31/22	Grade 5 Minisink Trip	C. Clausen L. Calabro H. Tapia M. Ryan A. Perrotta M. Ferenc E. Hollman E. Hays J. Mallonee E. Giarrusso, Nurse
06/01/22 06/02/22 06/03/22	Grade 8 Trip to Washington DC	P. Hooker L. Procanik D. CasaGrande F. Rivera A. Porter I. Angulo-Pizarro G. Esposito M. Smith E. Giarrusso, Nurse

Chaperone Substitutes		
G. Sodora	E. Hays	L. Procanik
L. Calabro	D. CasaGrande	H. Tapia

M. Ryan	J. Vazquez	T. Horutz
E. Barter	P. Hooker	F. Rivera
A. Porter	A. Perrotta	E. Koehler

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves payment at the contractual rate of \$120.00 for field trips that extend the day more than two (2) hours for the above-listed chaperones.

**Operations and Finance**

1. **Certification Reports**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-4, does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 and N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36, after review of the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial reports for the month of August 2021 that no major accounts and fund balances in the 2021/2022 budget have been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2. **Board Secretary’s Report**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the June 2021 Board Secretary’s Reports.

3. **Treasurer’s Report**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the June 2021 Treasurer’s Reports.

4. **August 2021 Bills List**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the final August 2021 Bills List. This includes payroll checks N0307 through N0186 and N0309 through N0311 and N313.

Fund 10	\$ 4,291.24
Fund 11	\$555,568.88
Fund 20	\$ 24,045.80
Total:	<u>\$583,905.92</u>

5. **Approval of Special Counsel Andrea L. Khan of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education authorizes Andrea L. Khan of McManimon, Scotland & Business, LLC as Special Counsel for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

6. **Approval of Submission of the additional ARP-IDEA Grant Funds for the 2021-2022 School Year**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education accepts the allocations and approves the submission of the 2021-2022 American Rescue Plan-Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Grant Application (ARP-IDEA) to the New Jersey Department of Education. The application amounts are \$31,381 for the Basic ARP-IDEA Grant (Grades K-8) and \$2,681 for the Preschool ARP-IDEA Grant.



7. **Vanguard Investments – ROTH 403b Savings Plan**

**WHEREAS**, the Mendham Township Board of Education has approved the following tax-sheltered annuity companies to provide services to the employees of the Mendham Township Board of Education: AXA Equitable, Vanguard, and Lincoln, American Funds.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Vanguard be approved to offer a ROTH 403b Savings Plan to Mendham Township School District employees. Employee participation is on a voluntary basis.

8. **Use of District Facilities**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the following use of facility applications for the 2021-2022 school year with the right to cancel based on school events and needs:

Organization	Location	Dates	Times	Resp. Party
Mendham Patriots Basketball	<u>ES</u> Gyms	Mondays – Fridays 10/11/21- 03/14/22  Saturdays 12/04/21- 03/12/22	5:30pm-9:30pm  8:00am-4:00pm	Patrick Reed
Mendham Patriots Basketball	<u>MS</u> Gyms	Mondays – Fridays 09/10/21- 03/14/22  Saturdays 10/16/21- 03/14/22  Sundays 10/17/21- 03/14/22	5:30pm-9:30pm  8:00am-6:30pm  11:00am-6:00pm	Patrick Reed
NJ Thunder Basketball	<u>ES &amp; MS</u> Gyms	Mondays – Fridays 08/30/21- 11/12/21	5:30pm-9:30pm	Andy Talbert
Brookside Basketball	<u>ES</u> Gym  <u>MS</u> Gym	Tuesdays 09/01/21- 06/09/22  Thursdays 09/01/21- 06/09/22	6:30pm-9:00pm	Rick Pappalardo

❖ Subject to change due to conflicts with Mendham Township School events.

9. **District Travel**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Board of Education approves the listed travel events in agreement with Chapter 53, Public Law 2007, NJSA 18A:11-12, NJAC 6A:23A-1. All mileage will be reimbursed at the maximum NJ Circular 08-19-OMB rate (currently \$0.35 per mile).

Program Name	Date	Employee	Event Cost	Total Cost
OnCourse Workshop Webinar	09/15/21	K. Monaghan	\$300.00	\$300.00

**Personnel and Human Resources**

1. **Leave of Absence-Stacey Lipschutz**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves Stacey Lipschutz, Speech Therapist, for a leave of absence, having received doctor's certification, commencing August 23, 2021, under the Federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and the NJ Family Leave Act (FLA), ending after Twelve (12) weeks on November 12, 2021.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board hereby approves Stacey Lipschutz for an extended unpaid leave of absence from November 15, 2021, through December 31, 2021, as requested in writing and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves Stacey Lipschutz with an anticipated return to work date of January 3, 2022.

2. **New Hire - Kerry McMahon, Elementary School Physical Education Teacher** *(Attachment)*

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the appointment, pending completion of paperwork, of Kerry McMahon as a .8 Physical Education Teacher, effective August 23, 2021, for the 2021 - 2022 school year, at an annual salary of \$48,188.00, BA+45/MA, Step 6.

3. **New Hire - Andre Viola, Middle School Physical Education Teacher** *(Attachment)*

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the appointment, pending completion of paperwork, of Andre Viola as a Full-Time Physical Education Teacher, effective August 23, 2021, for the 2021 - 2022 school year, at an annual salary of \$54, 635.00, BA, Step 5.

4. **Middle School Schedule C Stipend Position for 2021 - 2022**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the following 2021-2022 Co-Curricular Stipend position for the Middle School:

Activity	2021 - 2022 Salary	Staff Member
Athletic Director	\$6,071.00	Andre Viola

5. **New Hire - Hannah Dunlevy, 4th Grade Teacher** *(Attachment)*

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the appointment, pending completion of paperwork, of Hannah Dunlevy as a Full-Time 4th Grade Teacher, effective August 23, 2021, for the 2021 - 2022 school year, at an annual salary of \$58,735.00, BA+45/MA, Step 2.

6. **New Hires - Elementary School Lunch/Recess Aides**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approve the following appointments, pending completion of paperwork, as a Lunch/Recess Aides at an hourly salary of \$12.44 for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

Rachel Cullivan

Floretta Melograno

Vicki Satin

7. **Full Time Custodian: Odilio Larios**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the appointment of Odilio Larios, Full-Time Custodian, at an annual salary of \$32,000 prorated, effective 09/01/21 for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

8. **Extra Hours - Kelly Rice, Administrative Assistant to the ES Principal**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Kelly Rice, Administrative Assistant to the ES Principal, for up to three (3) days, not to exceed 21 hours, at a per diem rate of \$20.59 per hour, not to exceed \$432.39, effective August 13, 2021.

9. **Extra Hours - Barbara Wallack, Elementary School Secretary**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Barbara Wallack, Elementary School Secretary, for up to three (3) days, not to exceed 21 hours, at a per diem rate of \$27.38 per hour, not to exceed \$574.98, effective August 13, 2021.

10. **Elementary School - Summer Hours 2021**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves Kerri McCloskey, School Nurse, for summer hours, not to exceed 40 hours, at a rate of \$39.96 per hour.

11. **Mentors for Provisional Teachers**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves payment to the following to serve as a mentor during the Provisional Teacher Certification process:

Mentor	Provisional Teacher	Certification	Compensation
Briana Panetta	Jennifer Falzon	CEAS	\$550.00
Dawn Cullinan	Amanda Fullem	CEAS	\$550.00
Erin Giarrusso	Kerri McCloskey	Emergency	\$550.00
Erica Parke	Rachel Paciello	CEAS	\$550.00
Briana Panetta	Andre Viola	CEAS	\$550.00

12. **Substitute Employee Chart**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the following substitute rates for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

Home Instructors \$ 41.00 per hour  
(paid in accordance with MTEA Contract)

Substitute Cafeteria/Recess Aide \$ 12.25 per hour  
Substitute Clerical \$ 13.00 per hour

Substitute Custodian \$ 13.50 per hour  
 Substitute Transportation Bus Driver \$ 23.50 per hour  
 Substitute Transportation Dispatch \$ 20.00 per hour  
 Substitute Transportation Assistant \$ 20.00 per hour

Substitute Nurse (licensed R.N.) \$160.00 per day  
 Substitute Teacher \$ 92.00 per day - \$46.00 per half day  
 Substitute Paraprofessional \$ 92.00 per day - \$46.00 per half day

13. **Movement on the Guide**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves movement on the salary guide for the following certificated staff members upon receipt of official transcripts:

Staff	From		To	
	Placement	Salary	Placement	Salary
Fotini Kavalos	BA, Step 12-13	\$59,685	BA+15, Step 12-13	\$61,385
Eugenia Mastrogiannakos	M/BA+45, Step 16	\$73,260	MA+30, Step 16	\$76,710
Theresa McNamara	M/BA+45, Step 19	\$84,360	MA+30, Step 19	\$87,060
Laura Porrovecchio	M/BA+45, Step 20	\$88,110	MA+30, Step 20	\$90,850
Tiffany Reed	M/BA+45, Step 19	\$84,360	MA+30, Step 19	\$87,060
Megan Ryan	M/BA+45, Step 7	\$60,785	MA+30, Step 7	\$64,185
Hannah Tapia	BA, Step 3	\$53,885	BA+30, Step 3	\$57,285
Matthew Viggiano	M/BA+45, Step 8	\$61,385	MA+30, Step 8	\$64,785

14. **Appointment of Transportation Drivers with Annual Salary**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the annual salaries of the following Transportation Drivers for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

Name	Job Title	Salary
Albert Ascolese	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Amy Bond	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
James Castiglione	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Jeremy Conover	Transportation Driver	\$36,331.20
Michael Gannon	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20

Olga Garcia	Transportation Driver	\$36,331.20
Sami Haile	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Brenda Helbig	Transportation Driver * Includes \$600 Longevity	\$39,933.60
Susie Lebron Vega	Transportation Driver	\$29,916.00
Yoslin Lopez	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Deborah Luciano	Transportation Driver	\$37,821.60
John McKeown	Transportation Driver	\$36,331.20
Domingo Mercado	Transportation Driver * Includes \$300 Longevity	\$38,121.60
JoAnn Meyler	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Steven Molnar	Transportation Driver	\$36,331.20
Nicholas Muscatella	Transportation Driver	\$37,821.60
Mark Ottoson	Transportation Driver	\$37,821.60
Yomelly Parra	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Emily Perez	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Sharon Romero	Transportation Driver	\$36,331.20
Susan Romero	Transportation Driver	\$29,916.00
Teresa Sanchez	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Todd Santa	Transportation Driver	\$31,910.40
Cindy Sommer	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20
Deborah Templin	Transportation Driver	\$36,331.20
Margitt Trocha	Transportation Driver * Includes \$600 Longevity	\$39,933.60
Janette Vega	Transportation Driver	\$34,819.20

15. **Appointment of Transportation Dispatcher with Annual Salary**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the annual salaries of the following Transportation Dispatcher for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

Name	Job Title	Salary
Jennifer Minuche	Transportation Dispatcher	\$24,000.00

16. **Appointment of Transportation Assistants with Annual Salary**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the annual salaries of the following Transportation Assistants for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

Name	Job Title	Salary
Carolyn Allen	Transportation Assistant	\$ 8,874.00
Debbie Getchius	Transportation Assistant	\$30,358.80
Kyonghee Kim	Transportation Assistant	\$19,353.60
Deborah Mercurio	Transportation Assistant	\$28,393.20
Marguerite Oswald	Transportation Assistant	\$20,239.20
Susan Reuter	Transportation Assistant	\$19,353.60
Beth Smith	Transportation Assistant	\$ 8,964.00
Debra Webster	Transportation Assistant	\$20,649.60

17. **Summer Transportation**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the appointment of the following summer transportation staff at the following hourly rate:

Summer Drivers: \$26.50/per hour	
Susan Romero	Todd Santa

18. **Substitute Teacher - Reappointment**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mendham Township Board of Education reappoints the following Substitute Teacher for the 2021 - 2022 school year at the current rate of \$92.00 per day.

Andrea Herb

**Policy and Planning** – None.

**Mr. Christmann moved to approve the Committee Reports and the Consent Items for August 17, 2021; Approval of Regular and Executive Minutes, Curriculum & Instruction items 1-6, Operations & Finance items 1-9, Personnel & Human Resources items 1-18, Policy and Planning item 0, seconded by Mr. Dumovic and the motion was CARRIED in a roll call vote: Mr. Dumovic; yes, Dr. Mandel; yes, Mr. Thayyar; yes, Mr. Christmann; yes, and Mrs. Holquist, yes – motions carry.**

**XI. Discussion** – None.

**XIII. Verbal Communications from the Public** – None.

#### **XIV. Adjourn to Closed EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive session under certain limited circumstances, and  
**WHEREAS**, said the law requires the board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Education of Mendham Township that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session at this time to discuss a personnel matter. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.

**Moved by Dr. Mandel, seconded by Mr. Thayyar to move to Closed Executive Session. The Board adjourned to Closed Executive Session at 8:30 pm.**

#### **Interview to candidates to fill the unexpired vacant seat on the BOE**

#### **XV. Reconvene Open Regular Session Meeting**

Moved by Mr. Thayyar, second by Dr. Mandel, to reconvene to the Regular Session Meeting at 9:25 pm., unanimously carried in a voice vote.

#### Board Discussion:

Mr. Dumovic – As a board we would be lucky with either person, both are clearly well prepared, thoughtful, considerate, and genuine. Either would be an asset from now until year-end and I am confident that they would both be a significant contributor. Mr. Gondek has served on the BOE before which is beneficial, he likes the board and wants to do this again. Having worked together in the past, it was a pleasurable experience. He also is committed to the success of the students. Mr. Keeling is involved with many school activities and has been a regular attendee at the board of education meetings. He is passionate about special education and has a history of developing programs for children that celebrate diversity and embrace inclusiveness. There are many pluses to both individuals.

Mr. Thayyar – It is wonderful to have two candidates, both on par and it is key that there is so much to do right now. My factor is who will hit the ground running.

Dr. Mandel – Both are great candidates, was not aware that Mr. Keeling was so involved. I ran with Mr. Gondek during the last election so to have him back on the board would be wonderful. I think that experience is key.

Mr. Christmann – I do not know Mr. Keeling, with that said I was impressed he was going to drive up here to be involved with tonight's meeting. Currently, there is so much to do but I will not be disappointed with either candidate.

Mrs. Holquist – both have excellent qualifications, pragmatics falls to where we are and how much we need to do. The voters will decide since they are both on the ballot.

Mr. Dumovic – My view on who I favor is Mr. Keeling. First, I believe his background in financial management would be beneficial, and second, during the last school board election, voters gave him significantly more votes compared to Mr. Gondek.

Dr. Mandel moved to nominate Mr. Gondek and Mr. Thayyar seconded the motion.

Mr. Dumovic moved to nominate Mr. Keeling and there was not a second on the floor.

**Dr. Mandel moved to nominate Mr. Gondek to fill the unexpired vacant seat on The Mendham Township Board of Education, effective immediately, until the results of the November election take effect at the reorganizational meeting held on January 4, 2022, seconded by Mr. Thayyar and the motion was CARRIED with a roll call vote: Dr. Mandel; yes, Mr. Thayyar; yes, Mr. Christmann; yes, Mr. Dumovic; no, and Mrs. Holquist; yes - motion carries.**

**XVI. Adjournment**

Moved by Mr. Thayyar second by Dr. Mandel to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna Mosner  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary