## Chesterfield Township Board of Education Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conducted via Live Video Stream Wednesday, August 18, 2021 MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Chesterfield Township Board of Education was opened at 7:05 p.m., by President Christina Hoggan, with a flag salute and moment of silence.

Welcome to this meeting of the Chesterfield Township Board of Education. If there is any agenda item, which you would like to discuss with the Board, please do so during that portion of the agenda entitled, "Public Comments-Agenda Items Only".

Should you have any other comments and/or questions once we have passed the "Public Comments-Agenda Items Only" portion in the agenda, please reserve those comments for "Other Public Comments" at the end of the meeting.

The public shall be reminded that they should attempt to resolve any problems and/or complaints through initial contact with the appropriate administrator. Such matters should only be brought to the Board after all avenues within the administrative chain of command have been exhausted. Regulation #9130 Public Complaints and Grievances, https://www.straussesmay.com/seportal/Public/DistrictRegulation.aspx?regulationid=9130&search=913 0&id=c96bc25240ae4616b56366ea64985ab0

When you do address the Board, please state your name and address and limit your comments to three minutes. The total length of time for public comment is unrestricted unless a time limit is imposed by the Board President. Please refrain from comments that are likely to invade an individual's privacy rights or are not related to matters before the Board. They will not be permitted.

#### 1. Roll Call

### Board Members present:

Ms. Christina Hoggan, President Mr. Matthew Litt, Vice President Mrs. Jaclyn Halaw Mrs. Kerri Lynch

### Administration present:

Mr. Scott Heino, Superintendent

### Resignation of Board Member

Approval of the resignation of Mrs. Andrea Katz as Board Member effective, August 17, 2021.

### Open Public Meetings Act Notice

The Chesterfield Township Board of Education has given public notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, in the following manner on January 11, 2021:

- 2A.a Posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Chesterfield Township School.
- 2A.b Mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times and Trenton Times newspapers.
- 2A.c Filing written notice with the Clerk of Chesterfield Township.
- 2A.d Filing written notice with the Secretary of this body.
- 2A.e Mailing written notice to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule and who has prepaid any charge fixed for such service.

# 3. Meeting Information/Important Dates

#### Board of Education Important Dates:

September 22, 2021 Regular Monthly Meeting

### School District Important Dates

September 1, 2, 7, 2021 Staff In-Service Days

September 3-6, 2021 School Closed-Labor Day Weekend September 8, 2021 First Day of School for Students

September 9, 2021 Early Dismissal Day September 9, 2021 Back to School Night

#### 4. Presentations

- 4A. Cooper Levenson School Ethics
- 4B. Administrative Team District Goals
- 4C. Jeanine May-Sivieri English Language Arts Curriculum

#### 5. Public Comment – Agenda Items Only

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Sarah Christy commented on her concerns with transparency, the importance of seeing facial expression in young children, social emotional learning and social distancing.

Scott Richter commented on equity vs equality.

Sarah Christy commented on mask and asked for more information on the ELA curriculum.

Andrew Rochester commented on school being opened up full time, the school board vacancy and asked for a follow up and more information put on line regarding equity.

Rachel Collins commented on the reopening, the wearing of masks in school and the ELA curriculum.

Scott Richter commented on critical race and the wearing of masks in school.

Christine Lyons commented on the presentations. She commented that the Board doesn't have a choice about the wearing of masks and vaccinations because it was mandated by the Governor.

Kelley Johnson asked what will the school do if people show up without masks.

Shamita Kumar commented on rules for masks and parents behaving responsibly.

A motion was made by Mr. Litt and seconded by Mrs. Lynch at 9:09 p.m. for a five minute recess.

A call of the roll indicated an affirmative vote. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried.

# Minutes (Attachment)

Approval of the following minutes:

July 21, 2021 Regular Minutes
July 21, 2021 Executive Minutes

### 7. Board Committee/Superintendent Reports

### 7A. Board Committee

#### **Human Resources**

-Mr. Litt will chair HR and Ms. Hoggan will fill in until seat is filled

### Curriculum & Instruction

### July

- -Wrapped up 5 Goals for 20-21
- -Link-it
- -Goals for 21-22
- -Math curriculum
- -Equity multi-tier
- -5 year curriculum cycle long term
- -Audit completed
- -ELA curriculum
- -Math curriculum committee
- -Parent concerns w/critical race
- -School district is committed to diversity
- -Misunderstandings out there

#### August

- -Implementation plan for ELA
- -How we will know it is working and when we will know
- -SEL

#### Finance

- -Hiring updates
- -Firehouse cannot expedite process, are staying on top of each step
- -Parking lot/basketball court repair/sealing one year warranty
- -Finance committee recommends sale of firehouse Mrs. Halaw and Mrs. Lynch give thumbs up to sell

### **Student Services**

- -ELA curriculum
- -Wilson Training
- -Orton Gillingham Training
- -Data Analysis Link it
- -G&T new program name
- -Life Skills program
- -Resource Math Curriculum

# **BOE Policy Committee**

- -New Policy consulting service Strauss Esmay Associates
- -Initial review operations no amendments
- -Looking at what to prioritize next

Committee		
Human Resources	Chair	Matthew Litt
		Vacant Seat
	Admin. Reps.	Coletta Graham
	•	Michael Mazzoni
Curriculum & Instruction	Chair	Jaclyn Halaw
		Kerri Lynch
	Admin, Ren.	Jeanine May-Sivieri

Finance Chair Christina Hoggan

Admin. Rep. Matthew Litt
Andrew Polo

Student Services Chair Kerri Lynch

Jaclyn Halaw

Admin. Rep. Lynn Booth

BURLCO School Boards Association Executive Committee Delegate: Christina Hoggan

Legislative Chairperson & Delegate to NJ School Boards Association: Christina Hoggan

Alternate: Vacant Seat

BOE Policy Committee Matthew Litt

Christina Hoggan

Compressor Station & Pipeline Impact Committee: Christina Hoggan

Fair Funding Action Committee Liaison Vacant Seat

### 7B. Superintendent's Report

7B.1. Student Enrollment

Grade Levels	**July 2021	August 2021	Net Change
Pre-School			
Tuition	12	12	
Non-Tuition	7	7	
LMD (non- tuition)	*5	5	
UMD (non- tuition)	*2	4	+2
Kindergarten	66	64	-2
1 <sup>st</sup>	87	88	+1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	90	85	-5
3 <sup>rd</sup>	103	101	-2
4 <sup>th</sup>	97	97	
5 <sup>th</sup>	115	115	
6 <sup>th</sup>	99	98	-1
Total In-District	683	676	-7
Attending Out-of-District Schools	5	4	-1
Total	**688	680	-8

<sup>\*</sup>The enrollment of some students in the LMD and UMD classes are reflected in the grade level numbers for those students.

### 7B.2. Health and Safety Plan 2021-2022 Update

Mr. Heino presented the Health and Safety plan update for the 2021-2022 school year, the presentation will be posted on our school website. Mr. Litt asked Mr. Heino to make it clear that the mandate for masks has come from the State of New Jersey; Governor Murphy took the choice away. It is also a federal mandate to wear masks

<sup>\*\*</sup>Enrollment reflects anticipated roll-up from the 2020-2021 school year. However, it does not reflect children transferring in or out of Chesterfield over the summer.

on buses.

A motion was made by Mrs. Halaw and seconded by Mr. Litt to add a public comment section after the Health and Safety Plan update.

A call of the roll indicated an affirmative vote. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried.

### 7B.3 Public Comment – Health and Safety Plan 2021-2022 Update Items Only

Christine Lyons commented about substitutes, screenings and letting parents know if someone is sick.

Vanessa Alfano commented about staff vaccinations, weekly testing, type of testing, temperature checks, quarantining, siblings with COVID, remote option for sick students, eating lunch, lunch rotations and interacting with other classes.

Nicole Segro thanked the Board for making the decision to alert a class if someone is sick. Commented about concern for eating outside when it gets cold.

Amanda Kenney asked if students will be getting laptops.

Coby Sikorski commented on the presentation, transparency, virtual instruction and the policy.

Kelley Johnson stated she is confused with the policy regarding seating arrangements, distance and being unmasked at specials. Concerned with social well-being.

Carol Cooper-Braun commented on the social emotional piece. Give kids choice in group.

Public comment closed, Mr. Heino answered the following questions:

We will be using permanent substitutes to keep them in our district.

No plan for weekly testing, no temperature checks.

We are seeking more information from Department of Health regarding siblings with COVID.

Yes, there will be a remote option for students who are excluded due to positive cases and only if the school asks them to.

No outside lunch when it is cold out. Two main eating places are the cafeteria and the classroom. Classrooms have the outside option if weather permits.

Laptops will be in place.

### Board Policy

#### 8A. Abolish Policies

Approval to abolish the following policies:

Policy #1648 Restart and Recovery Plan - Policy (M)

Policy #1648.02 Remote Learning Options for Families - Policy (M)

Policy #1648.03 Restart and Recovery Plan - Policy (M)

#### 8B. Approval of Policy (Attachment) - Public

Approval of the following policy:

Policy #1648.11 The Road Forward COVID-19-Health and Safety

### 9. Personnel

# 9A. Approval of Lunch/Recess Aide

Approval of Dana Carlini as Lunch/Recess Aide for the 2021-2022 school year at \$14.00/hr., hours to be determined. (Pending background check)

### 9B. Approval of Lunch/Recess Aide

Approval of Alice Lento as Lunch/Recess Aide for the 2021-2022 school year at \$16.40/hr., hours to be determined. (Pending background check)

### 9C. Approval of Lunch/Recess Aide

Approval of Patricia Leech as Lunch/Recess Aide for the 2021-2022 school year at \$14.00/hr., hours to be determined. (Pending background check)

### 9D. Approval of Lunch/Recess Aide

Approval of Sherry Reynolds as Lunch/Recess Aide for the 2021-2022 school year at \$16.40/hr., hours to be determined. (Pending background check)

### 9E. Approval of Lunch/Recess Aide

Approval of Renee Szkubiel as Lunch/Recess Aide for the 2021-2022 school year at \$14.00/hr., hours to be determined. (Pending background check)

### 9F. Approval of Lunch/Recess Aide

Approval of Momotaz Haque as Lunch/Recess Aide for the 2021-2022 school year at \$14.00/hr, hours to be determined. (Pending background check)

### 9G. Approval of Resignation

Approval, with regret of the resignation of Tisha Kelly, Lunch/Recess Aide effective July 21, 2021.

#### 9H. Approval of Resignation

Approval, with regret of the resignation of Timothy Hart, Elementary Education Teacher, dated August 1, 2021 effective October 1, 2021, unless the District secures a suitable candidate sooner.

## 9I. Approval of Resignation

Approval, with regret of the resignation of Melody Khalifa, School Counselor dated August 11, 2021 effective October 11, 2021, unless the District secures a suitable candidate sooner.

### 9J. Approval of Paternity Leave of Absence

Approval of paternity leave of absence for Christopher Gray commencing on September 1, 2021, and ending on November 23, 2021.

#### 9K. Approval of Instructional Coach

Approval of Kristen McIntyre as Instructional Coach, for the 2021-2022 school year at MA+27 Step 7, \$62,498.00, as per the negotiated agreement.

# 9L. Approval of Interim First Grade Teacher

Approval of extension for Nosheen Rana as an Interim First Grade Teacher to act in the place of Melissa Berger pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:16-1.1 through March 18th of the 2021-2022 school year at a prorated salary of \$36,864.94. Time employed in this acting position shall not accrue toward the acquisition of tenure as the position is not tenure eligible.

### 9M. Approval of Elementary Education Teacher

Approval of Karen Perez as Elementary Education Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year at BA Step 2, \$55,436.00, as per the negotiated agreement.

### 9N. Approval of Student Teacher

Approval of Jennifer Senkus student teacher from TCNJ, with Allan Forsyth, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher for the 2021 fall semester.

### 9O. Approval of Clinical Intern

Approval of Renee Stressman, OT clinical intern from Jefferson University with Annemarie Petty, October – December 2021.

### 9P. Approval of Mentor

Approval of Jennifer O'Brien as a mentor for Gabriela Lestino for the 2021-2022 school year at an annual stipend of \$550.00.

### 9Q. Approval of Mentor

Approval of Tracey Miller as a mentor for Reannon Lilly for the 2021-2022 school year at an annual stipend of \$550.00.

### 9R. Approval of Substitutes for 2021-2022

Approval of the following substitutes for the 2021-2022 school year:

Radhika Mudichintala
Lunch/Recess Aide (pending background check)
Lorraine Moufang
Lunch/Recess Aide (pending background check)
Patricia Stone
Lunch/Recess Aide (pending background check)

Shannon Coleman Lunch/Recess Aide

Miranda Briel Custodian Joseph Buscarnera Custodian Nickolas Chan Custodian Custodian Christopher Tulli Bus Aide Sabrina Buscarnera Bus Aide Kelly D'Oria Bus Aide Pam Dahl Shannon Coleman Bus Aide Kelly D'Oria Secretary Colleen McDonough Secretary Pam Dahl Secretary Shannon Coleman Secretary

### 9S. Summer Hours 2021

#### Additional Hours for Child Study Team Meetings

Wendy SheridanLDT/C10 hours @ \$52/hour = \$520.00Cindy McNallySocial Worker10 hours @ \$52/hour = \$520.00Melissa CarltonSchool Psychologist10 hours @ \$52/hour = \$520.00

### Additional Hours for Child Study Team

Cindy McNally Social Worker 2 additional evaluations @\$400.00 each Total \$800.00 Taylor Roberts Speech 3 Speech evaluations @\$400.00 each Total \$1,200.00

### Kindergarten Orientation

The following staff members will be conducting the K-Orientation planning, preparation and student/parent meeting: Up to 3 hours per teacher at \$52/hr. Total \$780.00

Lauren Rahey Sue Woodruff
Jaclyn Schaffer Carla Rigolizzo

Victoria Wolochow

### Kindergarten Screenings

The following staff members will be conducting the K-screenings, 1/2 hours per teacher per student at \$52/hr. Approximately 6 students. Total \$156.00

Lauren Rahey Sue Woodruff Jaclyn Schaffer Carla Rigolizzo

Victoria Wolochow

### 9T. Responsive Classroom Training

Approval of Jillian Biddle to provide Responsive Classroom Training during new teacher orientation. 2 hours planning time and 1 hour training. 3 hours @ \$52/hr. Total \$156.00.

#### 9U. School Climate Committee

Approval of the School Climate Committee Members for 2021-2022 school year, 9 staff members up to 10 hours of committee related work per committee member @ \$52/hr. Total \$4,680.00.

Gwendolyn McCreary
Vicki Weisgarber
Kristi Boyle
Gabrielle Dowling
Bayley Hickey

Marissa Holloway
Jillian Biddle
Jenn Feder
Gayle Poedubicky

#### 10. Curriculum & Instruction

### 10A. Approval of ABA Services (Attachment)

Approval of Amazing Transformations to provide applied behavioral therapist for behavioral and educational support services for the 2021-2022 school year, as per contract.

10B. <u>Approval of Jefferson University Affiliation Agreement</u> (Attachment) Approval of the Jefferson University affiliation agreement for clinical interns.

## 10C. Approval of ELA Curriculum

A motion was made by Mrs. Halaw and seconded by Mrs. Lynch to approve the following section:

#### Section 10C

A call of the roll indicated an affirmative vote. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried

### Health & Safety

11A. Nurses Report (Attachment) - Public

### 11B. Emergency Drill Report

July 21, 2021 Fire Drill

July 29, 2021 Communications Drill

August 3, 2021 Fire Drill

August 5, 2021 Bomb Threat Drill

### 11C. Student Code of Conduct

Nothing to report

### 11D. HIB Incidents

Nothing to report

# 12. Staff Professional Development

### 12A. Approval of Tuition Reimbursement (Attachment)

Mr. Heino has approved tuition reimbursement for the following staff members, in accordance with the negotiated agreement, upon successful completion of the following graduate course:

(Tuition Reimbursement will be paid at the Rutgers, The State University of NJ 2021-2022 Graduate School Tuition Rates of \$757.50/cr)

**Bayley Hickey** 

Legal Issues in Special Ed

(3 credits) \$1,718.25 (\$572.75/cr)

**Bayley Hickey** 

Introduction to A.P.E.

(3 credits) \$1,718.25 (\$572.75/cr)

Amanda Sorenson

**Education and Psychology of Students** 

(3 credits) \$2,055.00 (\$685.00/cr)

with Disabilities

### 12B. Approval of Tuition Reimbursement (Attachment)

Mr. Heino has approved tuition reimbursement for the following administrators, in accordance with the negotiated agreement, upon successful completion of the following graduate course: (Tuition Reimbursement will be paid at the Rutgers, The State University of NJ 2021-2022 Graduate School Tuition Rates of \$757.50/cr)

Coletta Graham

Quantitative Analysis in Educational Research

(3 credits) \$2,272.50 (\$757.50/cr)

Coletta Graham

The Policy Environment

(3 credits) \$2,272.50 (\$757.50/cr)

Lynn Booth

Education & Psychology of Exceptional Learners

(3 credits) \$2,055.00 (\$685.00/cr)

Lynn Booth

Neurological Bases for Educational Disorders

(3 credits) \$2,055.00 (\$685.00/cr)

### 12C. Orton Gillingham Training

Approval of Orton Gillingham Training, site license and training for 26 staff members during the 2021-2022 school year. Total \$6,600.00.

### 13. <u>Transportation</u>

- 13A. Approval of 2021-2022 Transportation Route Bus 12 (Attachment)
- 13B. Approval of 2021-2022 Northern Burlington Regional Joint Transportation Routes (Attachment)

### 14. Board of Education and Board Secretary Monthly Certifications

### Approval of the following resolution:

BE IT Resolved that: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.12(c)3\*, I certify that as of the date of this Board meeting, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total, exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8-1.

Andrew Polo

Date

### Financial Certification of the Board

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.12(c)3\*, the Chesterfield Township Board of Education hereby certifies that after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports, as recorded in the minutes of the Board each month, 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. 6:23-2.12(c)3\*, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

\*Citations are subject to change due to periodic amendments, new rule or repeals.

### 14A. Financial Approvals (Attachment)

Approval of the following financial for June:

- Expenditures Approval and ratification of Expenditures for June approval to pay additional bills as needed between this meeting and the next meeting with a list to be presented for ratification at the next meeting.
- Transfers for June
- Report of the Secretary
- Report of the Treasurer
- Monthly Transfer Report

Approval of the following financial report for the month of July: (Attachment)

<u>Expenditures</u> - Approval and ratification of Expenditures for July and approval to pay additional bills as needed between this meeting and the next meeting with a list to be presented for ratification at the next meeting.

Recommend approval of the following financial report for the month of August: (Attachment)

<u>Expenditures</u> - Approval and ratification of Expenditures for August and approval to pay additional bills as needed between this meeting and the next meeting with a list to be presented for ratification at the next meeting.

### Approval of District Medical Inspector

Approval of Dr. Joyce Leonetti as District Medical Inspector for the 2021-2022 school year, at a rate of \$2,400 per year.

14C. <u>Approval of Springfield Township School District Tuition Agreement (Attachment)</u>
Approval of the attached 2021-2022 tuition and related service contracts with Springfield Township Board of Education for receiving student effective September 8, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in the total amount of \$34,572.30.

### 14D. Approval of PCDI Student Tuition Contract (Attachment)

Approval of the attached tuition contract with Princeton Child Development Institute (PCDI) for SID# 7217247731 effective for 30 days July through August 2021 in accordance with the agreement at the per diem rate of \$595.00 for a total of \$17,850.00.

## 14E. <u>CPEF Grant Acceptance</u> (Attachment)

Approval of the following grant:

Third Grade Teachers requesting two virtual visits from author Dan Gutman to help the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade develop their reading skills and improve their writing. Cost \$1,000.00

Gym Teachers requesting sport/exercise posters for the gym and cafeteria. Cost \$449.95.

14F. Approval of Rutgers Mental Health Services & Professional Development Agreement Approval of Rutgers Mental Health Services & Professional Development agreement.

(Attachment)

### 14G. Approval of ESEA-ESSA Professional Services (Attachment)

Approval of the ESEA-ESSA Professional Services for non-public schools between Chesterfield School and the Burlington County Special Services School District for the 2021-2022 school year.

### 14H. Approval of Consultation & Expert Services (Attachment)

Approval of retention of Dr. Vincent Winterling to provide consultation and expert services in connection with a pending special education litigation in accordance with the terms of the retention letter and rate sheet attached thereto.

- 14I. <u>Parental Contract for Student Transportation</u> (Attachment)

  Approval of parental contract for student transportation for SID# 2771057791 to the Cambridge School at a per diem rate of \$123.17 x 164 days for a total of \$20,200.00 for the 2021-2022 school year.
- 15. Facilities Update/Information
  - 15A. Building & Grounds Report (Attachment) Public
- 15B. <u>School Dude Report</u> (Attachment) Public The work order and incident reports for July from the School Dude software are attached.
  - 15C. Solar Renewable Energy Credits Analysis (Attachment) Public
  - 15D. Use of Facilities

Approval of the following use of facilities for the 2021-2022 school year:

Name Of Organization	Facility requested	Description of Activity	Date
Champions	Cafeteria, Media Center, Gym	Before & After School Program	9/1/21 – 6/30/22 Daily based on the School Calendar
Hindi USA	6 Classrooms	Hindi Class	September 2021 - June 2022 Friday Evenings (while school is in session based on dates available on the blackout calendar)
PTA	Media Center	Monthly Meetings	9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/14, 1/11, 2/15, 3/15, 4/12
Girl Scout Troop #20159	Classroom	Monthly Meetings	September through June

A motion was made by Mr. Litt and seconded by Mrs. Halaw to approve the following sections:

Sections 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

A call of the roll indicated an affirmative vote. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried

### Other Business

16.1 September Meeting Date – change from September 15, 2021 to September 22, 2021

A motion was made by Mr. Litt and seconded by Mrs. Halaw to approve the following sections:

Sections 16.1

A call of the roll indicated an affirmative vote. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried

- 16.2 School Fencing
- 16.3 In person Board of Education Meetings

17. Other Public Comments - None

#### 18. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Halaw and seconded by Mr. Litt at 11:37 p.m. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted, May 1. m

Mary Merrick Assistant to the Business Administrator