# Chesterfield Township Board of Education Public Hearing on Budget 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, 2018 MINUTES

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.

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.

#### Roll Call

# Board Members present:

Mr. Jignesh Shah, President

Mrs. Laura Bond, Vice President

Dr. Terran Brown

Ms. Christina Hoggan

Mrs. Amy Jablonski

#### Other administration present:

Mr. Scott Heino, Superintendent

Mr. Patrick Pisano, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Mr. Michael Mazzoni, Principal

# 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 April 25, 2018:

Posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Chesterfield Township School.

Mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times and Trenton Times newspapers.

Filing written notice with the Clerk of Chesterfield Township.

Filing written notice with the Secretary of this body.

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.

#### Meeting Information/Important Dates

## **Board of Education Important Dates:**

May 16, 2018

Regular Monthly Meeting

## School District Important Dates

Through May 9, 2018

PARCC and PARCC Make-Ups

May 7-11, 2018

Kindergarten Screenings

May 8, 2018

PTA General Meeting & Board Elections

May 10, 2018

Mid-Marking Period Advisory Reports

May 17, 2018

**Evening Band Concert** 

#### Presentation of Certificate in Recognition of Student's Heroic Act

# Public Hearing - Presentation of Proposed 2018-2019 School Budget

Public Hearing of proposed 2018-2019 School Budget presented by Scott Heino, Superintendent and Patrick Pisano, Business Administrator.

# Public Comment - On Public Hearing 2018-2019 School Budget Items Only

When you address the Board, please approach the podium, state your name and address and limit your comments to three minutes. 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.

Jackie Halaw said thank you for the presentation. She asked if the school applies for extraordinary aid and if so how does it work. Mr. Heino explained about the percentage and how it is staggered. Mrs. Jablonski talked about Senator Steve Sweeney's plan and how it will fix this problem. Jackie Halaw said it looks like more money is coming this way and will the public have the opportunity to provide input. Mr. Heino explained that we have prepared a priority list if funding comes and depending on what that dollar amount is and if we give funding back to the taxpayers. Dr. Brown stated that often the state of New Jersey has set guidelines on how the money is to be used. Jackie Halaw stated that the teachers are still working without a contract and she hopes the board will be generous to their contract and with retro pay.

Kelley Johnson stated that our teachers are amazing and she feels the same as Jackie about the teachers' contract. She said she doesn't want money back for taxes, she wants a better school for our students. I call the governor every day; getting money back to lower taxes will not be that big of a change.

Stacy Lindes stated that she echoes what the others said. She feels we should not put the money back in the taxpayers' pockets, because it will not have any impact. She would rather see the money invested in things that other communities around us have. She feels Chesterfield deserves to have all the same resources. She stated that if we do get extra money please put it into social studies and technology. She said we truly care and appreciate the teachers. She do not want to see 30 or more students in a classroom.

Kathryn Morrison stated that they are a military family and that this is the first school that she did not have to fill out a form stating that they were in the military, that form would allow the school to receive aid for us. Mr. Heino answered we do not have enough military families to meet the criteria for that aid.

Peggy Hallion explained impact aid for military families.

Senator Dancer talked about the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting and March 13<sup>th</sup> when the governor released the school funding numbers. He said Chesterfield went on the defense and he is glad they did. They saw the blue shirts out there. With 58 days to go until the adoption of the state budget on June 30<sup>th</sup> he is seeing support that he has not seen before with fair funding. He said sees the movement to change this problem. Growth aid cap might be released. He is really thankful for Chesterfield coming out, Chesterfield is fighting a good fight and he believes that we will be in a position to amend this budget. Keep the pressure up. Thank you.

#### **Board of Education**

Adoption of the 2018-2019 Budget (Attachment) - Public

A motion was made by Ms Hoggan and seconded by Mrs. Bond to approve the following resolution for the 2018-2019 Budget:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the school district budget for the Chesterfield Township Board of Education:

RESOLUTION
CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADOPTION OF THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chesterfield Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the Business Administrator to transmit the <u>2018-2019</u> Budget to Executive County Superintendent for approval.

# 2018-2019 Budget

	Budget	Local Tax Levy
General Fund (Total Operating Budget)	\$10,492,261	\$ 9,435,877
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 182,846	\$ N/A
Debt Service Fund	\$ 2,300,938	\$ 1,963,251
Total	\$12,976,045	\$11,399,128

## Regular General Fund Tax Levy-Base Budget

BE IT RESOLVED that there should be raised for General Funds \$9,435,877 for the ensuing School Year (2018-2019).

The supporting documents of this budget also contain an itemization of certain expenditures required under administrative regulations.

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

#### Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

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Jackie Halaw asked what criteria is used to release the attachments. Mr. Shah explained that personnel and financial reports will be available later. Jackie Halaw said she does not understand why because other districts do release this information.

Mr. Heino, Mrs. Jablonski and Mrs. Bond talk about who advised the board to not release financial reports. The full board had a discussion on releasing all financial reports.

Kelley Johnson said thank you for the effort with the various budget hearings. She thinks it's awesome that the senator's office recognizes you by name.

Dr. Brown and Mr. Shah thanked everyone for the fair fight. We appreciate all you have done.

### Minutes (Attachments)

A motion was made by Dr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Bond to approve the minutes for the following meetings:

April 18, 2018 Regular Meeting

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

The following item was tabled until next meeting:

April 18, 2018 Exc

**Executive Meeting** 

No vote took place.

## **Board Committee/Superintendent Reports**

#### **Board Committee**

Dr. Brown reported that the Student Services committee met with Mr. Calandrillo. Dr Brown stated that we are moving toward best practices. The committee hopes to get more feedback from the parents with special education students.

Committee			Meeting Dates	
Human Resources	Chair	Jignesh Shah	prior to the January, May and	

Amy Jablonski

September meetings

Admin. Rep.

Mike Mazzoni

Curriculum & Instruction

Laura Bond Chair

prior to the February, June and

Amy Jablonski

Admin. Rep.

Jeanine May-Sivieri

Finance

Jignesh Shah Chair

Christina Hoggan

Patrick Pisano

Admin. Rep.

prior to the March, July and

November meetings

October meetings

Student Services

Chair

Terran Brown

prior to the April, August and

Laura Bond December meetings

Admin. Rep.

Anthony Calandrillo

BURLCO School Boards Association Executive Committee Delegate:

Jignesh Shah

Legislative Chairperson & Delegate to NJ School Boards Association:

Jignesh Shah

Alternate Delegate:

Amy Jablonski

District Advisory Committee:

Laura Bond Terran Brown

**BOE Policy Committee:** 

Terran Brown

Christina Hoggan

Compressor Station & Pipeline Impact Committee:

Christina Hoggan

## **Board Policy**

First Reading of Revised Policies (Attachments) – Public

A motion was made by Mrs. Jablonski and seconded by Mrs. Bond to approve the following policies for the first reading:

Policy #4115

Supervision

Policy #5131.5

Vandalism/Violence

Policy #5131.6

Drugs, Alcohol, Steroids, Tobacco

Policy #5145.4

**Equal Educational Opportunity** 

Policy #6171.3

Improving Academic Achievement and Parent and Family Engagement

Regulation #1312

Procedures for Complaints and Inquiries

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

## Second Reading of Revised Policies and Regulation (Attachments) - Public

A motion was made by Dr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Hoggan to approve the following policies for the second reading:

Policy #1250

Visitors

Policy #3516

Safety

Policy #3541.33

Transportation Safety

Policy #6114

**Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness** 

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

#### Personnel

A motion was made by Mrs. Bond and seconded by Ms. Hoggan to approve the following personnel items:

#### Renew Certificated Staff (Attachment)

Approval of the attached list of certificated staff members for the 2018-2019 school year.

# Renew Non-Certificated Staff (Attachment)

Approval of the attached list of non-certificated staff members for the 2018-2019 school year.

#### Interim Resource Teacher

Approval of Tara Bobal as Interim Resource Teacher (Employee #4763) commencing on April 9, 2018, through May 9, 2018 at the per diem rate of \$80 for days 1-5, \$85 for days 6-20, and \$264.66 (BA Step 1-2) for days 21-23 at a cost of \$2,468.98.

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

#### Curriculum & Instruction

A motion was made by Mrs. Jablonski and seconded by Dr. Brown to approve the following items:

Field Trip

DATE	GRADE	REASON	DESTINATION
5/17/2018	6 <sup>th</sup>	L.E.A.D. Program (Formerly D.A.R.E.)	NJ State Police Barracks
	4	End of year pool party celebration	Old York Country Club
6/19/2018	6 <sup>th</sup>		

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

# Board of Education and Board Secretary Monthly Certifications

A motion was made by Mrs. Bond and seconded by Dr. Brown to approve the following resolution and financial items below:

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.

Patrick Pisano

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.

## Financial Approvals (Attachments)

Approval of the following financial reports for approval for the month of March 2018:

- Expenditures Approval and ratification of Expenditures for March. 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 March: #080 to #096
- Budget Report
- Revenue Report
- Report of the Secretary
- Report of the Treasurer
- Monthly Transfer Report

Approval of the following financial report for approval for the month of April 2018: (Attachment)

Expenditures - Approval and ratification of Expenditures for April. 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.

# Agreement with Burlington County Special Services (Attachments) - Public

Approval to enter into a shared services agreement with Burlington County Special Services for the 2018 -2019 school year for:

Professional Services (PSA) Non Public Chapters 192/193 Non Public Nursing Services Non Public IDEA Grant Allocation

# Accept Proposed NJSIG Safety Grant for 2018-2019

Approval to accept the NJSIG Safety Grant in the amount of \$5,410.52 and approval to submit the proposed grant to NJSIG for their approval.

# Professional Education Services, Inc. (Attachment)

Approval of Professional Education Services, Inc. to provide educational instruction services for Student ID #9816366881 while a client at High Focus Centers of Lawrenceville, at a rate of \$52.00 per hour, 2 hours per day, Monday – Friday.

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

Other Business - None

#### Facilities Update/Information

A motion was made by Mrs. Jablonski and seconded by Ms. Hoggan to approve the following items:

Approval of the attached use of facilities for the 2017-2018 school year.

Name Of Organization	Facility requested	Description of Activity	Date
PTA	Art Room	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon	May 11, 2018
Hindi USA	Cafeteria	Hindi USA Graduation	June 15, 2018

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

#### Other Public Comments - None

#### Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Bond and seconded by Dr. Brown at 8:30 p.m. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Pisano

Business Administrator/Board Secretary