

Special Meeting

August 27, 2020

The Board convened a Special Meeting on Thursday, August 27th at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held via video-conferencing.

The assemblage saluted the Flag.

In attendance: Board Members - Stephanie Jang, Thomas Matarazzo, Jason Kim, Rebekah Lee, John Mattessich, Eun Min, Barnabas Woo, Timothy Yang. Jeffrey Woo is absent.

Dr. Cirillo, Mrs. Spasevski and Ben Choi, Esq.

Statement of Presiding Officer:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, I hereby state that adequate notice of this Special meeting has been provided to the public by written notice dated August 24, 2020. The meeting notice has been:

- Emailed to all Staff Members
- Communicated to at least one of the Board's official newspapers
- Filed with the Borough Clerk of Palisades Park

Report of the Superintendent:

Dr. Cirillo thanked the "restart" committee for their participation and support as the district moves forward on a re-opening plan.

At his August 13th briefing, Governor Murphy cleared the way for Kindergarten to Grade 12 students to return to school in September. Those districts that are not ready for in-person learning can begin the school year remotely. Palisades Park students will begin the school year on September 8th virtually. This plan will be revisited again on October 1st. Hopefully, we will be able to resume in person learning by October 13th.

Report of the Board President:

Mrs. Jang also thanked the restart committee. It is her wish that whatever decision is made it will be satisfactory to parents, students and staff members.

Report of the Board Attorney:

Mr. Choi stated that the Teamsters Agreement has not been finalized yet. A committee meeting will be scheduled in early September to deal with the ongoing PPEA contract negotiations.

Minute Approval: July 29, 2020 Special Meeting

A motion by T. Matarazzo, seconded by E. Min to approve the July 29, 2020 minutes. All eyes on roll call with the exception of Barnabas Woo who was not present at that meeting. Motion passes 7 – 0.

Finance, Buildings & Grounds, Personnel Reports (attached)

Old Business:

Dr. Cirillo announced that the district will return to the student grading system utilized prior to the March 13th COVID-19 related "shut-down".

New Business:

- 1.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the submission of the Comprehensive Equity Plan (2020/21) Statement of Assurance to the County Superintendent of Schools.
(The CEP enables school districts to demonstrate compliance with all State and Federal laws, codes, and regulations regarding equality and equity requirements affecting its schools).

Motion to approve by T. Matarazzo, seconded by B. Woo, all ayes on roll call vote. Motion passes 8 – 0.

- 2.) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the district's remote learning plan beginning September 8 through October 13, 2020.

Motion to approve by T. Matarazzo, second by E. Min, all ayes on roll call vote. Motion passes 8 – 0.

Audience Participation:

A parent/grandparent expressed concern about distance learning for students. Also commented that she is dismayed at the Board's decision to table participation in fall sports at this time.

Motion to close audience participation by T. Matarazzo, second by R. Lee, all ayes on roll call vote.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by J. Kim, seconded by T. Matarazzo, all ayes on roll call vote.

The meeting is adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Diane Montemurro

Palisades Park Board of Education
Palisades Park, New Jersey

Report of the Finance Committee – Mr. John Mattessich, Chairman

- 1.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves a contract agreement with “T-Mobile for Education” to supply the district with 525 “hotspots” at \$20.00 each for an annual total of \$126,000. This agreement is in effect for the 2020/2021 school year. \$90,000 will be funded through the “CARES Act”.

- 2.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent accepts the following Nonpublic School State Aid entitlements for the 2020/2021 school year:
 - Textbook Aid \$19,976.00
 - Nursing Service Aid \$31,719.00

- 3.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following purchase of plumbing replacement parts:

Vendor: PlumbMaster, Inc./Wolverine Brass
Description: 60 Classic Sensor Faucet Batt; 90 Zurn E-Z Flush Sensor Kits, Metal Cover
Total Amount: \$27,500.00

- 4.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves membership in the NJSIAA (NJ State Interscholastic Athletic Association) for the 2020/2021 school year.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board agrees to be governed by the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the NJSIAA.
Annual Dues: \$2,500.00

- 5.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the August 14, 2020 payroll in the amount of \$114,904.68.

- 6.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the transfer of funds in an amount not to exceed \$27,500.00 from the maintenance reserve account to account #11-000-261-420-01 to be utilized for COVID related required maintenance, including replacement parts to restroom facilities.

- 7.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the amendment of a resolution adopted on 10/16/2019 regarding Title I SIA funds. Teachers working in the Option II program will receive \$36.00 per hour, not \$35.00 per hour as originally stated.

8.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following "move across the guide" requests, effective 09/01/2020:

Samantha Matarazzo
 Current: Step 8/6 year - \$63,518.00
 Adjustment: Step 8/6 year + 15 - \$64,018.00*

Joanne Retkwa
 Current: Step 17 MA - \$92,350.00
 Adjustment: Step 17/6 year - \$97,275.00*

Tamara Tarantino
 Current: Step ¾ BA+15 - \$51,593.00
 Adjustment: Step ¾ MA - \$54,008.00*

(*Pending negotiations)

9.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the August 2020 Food Service vouchers in the amount of \$9,677.79.

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Pomptonian, Inc.	Request for expenses For w/e 6/12/2020	\$6,124.79
Pay Schools	Annual Agreement for The POS system	\$3,345.00
Bug Tech, Inc.	Pest control at H.S. & L.S. cafeterias	<u>\$ 208.00</u>

10.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the August 2020 bill list in the amount of: \$644,926.25

- Fund 10 (General/Current Expense) \$518,468.72
 - Fund 20 (Special Revenue Fund) \$126,457.53
- \$644,926.25

Introduced by: J. Mattessich

Seconded by: T. Matarazzo

All ayes on roll call vote. 8 - 0

Palisades Park Board of Education
Palisades Park, New Jersey

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Report of Buildings & Grounds – Mr. Jason Kim, Chairman

- 1.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves a request from the New Mercy Church to host an outdoor “Ice Cream Social” on Saturday, September 12th from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the front of the Jr/Sr High School. CDC and State guidelines for social distancing and gathering limits will be observed.

(This event replaces the “drive-by” bake sale which was cancelled due to inclement weather)

Introduced by: Jason Kim

Seconded by: Thomas Matarazzo

All ayes on roll call vote. 8 - 0

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Report of the Personnel Committee – Dr. Matarazzo, Chairman

- 1.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent accepts the resignation of Jennifer Kim, ECC Pre-K teacher, effective July 31, 2020 pending a replacement teacher.
- 2.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent accepts the retirement of Aleta Keller, ECC Kindergarten teacher, effective August 31, 2020. (Aleta began her career at the ECC when the school initially opened in 2006).
- 3.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following leave replacement for Maria Fierro:

Julia McElroy
BS – Le Moyne College
PreK – 3/Special Education
Step 1-2 BA - \$50,443.00*
09/01/20 – 02/01/21

- 4.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following appointment, effective 09/01/2020:

Luis Penalillo
MA – Liberty University
MA – Capella University
Behaviorist/Counselor
Step 3-4/ 6 year - \$57,893.00*

(*Pending negotiations)

- 5.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following **volunteer** football coaches for the 2020 season:

Omar Morales
Joe Prenenski
Al Scoppa
Jared Zuckerman

- 6.) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the attached lists of faculty for the 2020/2021 school year:

Introduced by: Thomas Matarazzo

Seconded by: Barnabas Woo

The Agenda is suspended:

Prior to a roll call vote, a discussion ensued on Resolution #5. Dr. Matarazzo questioned the safety of allowing Fall Sports programs to proceed, specifically football. At this time, the Leonia School district who co-ops with Palisades Park announced that they are cancelling the 2020 Fall Sports season.

Dr. Matarazzo asked whether it is safe for our students to participate in light of Leonia's decision to withdraw based on a recommendation from the Borough of Leonia public health official, school doctor and school nurses.

Timothy Yang suggested forming a "health & safety" task force prior to approving additional personnel related to the 2020 football season.

The Board agreed to table Resolution #5 at this time.

Roll Call: Ayes – Jang, Matarazzo, Kim, Lee, Mattessich, Min, B. Woo, Yang. 8 - 0

Dr. Charles R. Smith, Jr. Early Childhood Center

Faculty List

Principal- Ms. Jillian Romero

Secretaries- Mrs. Charlene Alpher & Ms. Nancy Anderegg

CST Secretary- Ms. Paula Gonzalez

Child Study

Supervisor of Special Services

Mrs. Joanna Hali

Psychologist- Mrs. Songul Bayram

Social Worker - NEEDED

Speech Therapist- Mrs. Jane Kim

OT- Ms. Catherine Clarke

Pre-K T- TEACHER NEEDED- Aides- TBD

Pre-K 3- Mrs. Grace DeSotto- Aides- TBD

Pre-K 4-1- Ms. Samantha Matarazzo- Aide- TBD

Pre-K 4-2- Mrs. Vera Csizmadia- Aides- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-1- Mrs. Leslie Rodas- Aides- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-2- Ms. Caitlin O'Malley/ Mrs. Maria Fierro MATERNITY NEEDED- Aide- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-3- Ms. Christina Montemurro Aides- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-4- Mrs. Rosemarie Carbone- Aides- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-5- Mrs. Nicole Ostuni- Aide- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-6- Ms. Eimy Padron - Aide- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-7- Mrs. Cheryl Menzella - Aide- TBD

Kindergarten Teacher K-8- Ms. JeeYoon Chung- Aide- TBD

School Counselor- Mrs. Gerry Resnick

Art Teacher- Ms. Sarah Menchise (Part-time)

Music Teacher- Ms. Sarah Stoloff (Part-time)

Physical Education Teacher- Mr. Ivo Pavin (Part-time)

Media Specialist- SPECIALIST NEEDED

ESL- Mrs. Laurie Nova

BSI- Ms. Shaimaine Bugo

Security Officer- Mr. Freddy Olan

School Nurse- Mrs. Diane Nickoloff

AM Custodians: Mr. Fabio Ramos, Ms. Clorinda Belevan

PM Custodians: Mr. Encarnacion Flores, Mr. Mario Simon Martin

Supervisors

ESL/World Language

Mrs. Amy Munn

Supervisor of Elementary Ed.

Ms. Cindy Vouthas-Maza

Curriculum & Instruction

Mrs. Jennifer Tennant

LINDBERGH SCHOOL FACULTY LIST 2020-2021

Classroom Teachers		
1-1 Maurer, Kathleen	2-7 Sullivan, Nicole (Mat. Leave 10/20)	4-6 Jacobs, Jaclyn
1-2 Beck, Angela	3-1 Vanore, Jackie	5-1 Engstrom, Kevin
1-3 Stanojevic, Paola	3-2 Bonilla, Katya	5-2 Tarantino, Tamara
1-4 Lehman, Tara	3-3 Varelas, Jennifer	5-3 Payerle, Kathy
1-5 Rettig, Andrea	3-4 Hanlon, Patricia	5-4 Tatta, Olga
1-6 Clark, Stefanie	3-5 McMullen, Malachy	5-5 Minoyan, Talar
2-1 Espino, Rose	3-6 Balchan, Robyn	6-1 Scarpatti, Teresa
2-2 Ginolfi, Allison	4-1 Messina, Stephanie	6-2 Colosimo, Stephen
2-3 Cook, Lisa	4-2 Lee, Michele	6-3 Knapp, Alison
2-4 Gratale, Janelle	4-3 Choi, Sarah	6-4 Zuckerman, Jared
2-5 Kaplon, Samantha	4-4 Janiec, Jessica	6-5 Martini, Michele
2-6 Considine, Tara	4-5 Rodriguez, Rael	Literacy Coach
Child Study Team	Technology	Cundari, Diane
-Social Worker	Albanese, Ron	Mathematics Coach
- School Psychologist	Music	Mockel, Janice
Penalillo, Luis - Behaviorist - Region V	Mancini, Anna	School Nurse
PT -	Stoloff, Sarah	Vudragovic, Melissa
- OT -	Zarro, Dominic	Guidance
Special Education Dept.	Art	McCarthy, Annette
Colon, Jessica	Menchise, Sarah	Secretaries
Conroy, Lauren	Vass, Amy	Lee, Sophie
Osso, Orietta	Phys. Ed. Depart.	Morin, Mary
Fiorentino, Stephanie	Pavin, Ive	Pavin, Nadja
Herzog, Laura	Orlowski, Christine	Tansey, Heather
Lanza, Jessica	Gaudio, Frank	
Millar, Jenna	Messina, Chris	
Nastasi, Sheila	Bilingual/ESL/World Lang.	
Panchi, Lisa	Diaz, Ebet	
Sommermeier, Mallory		
Tripodi, Maribeth	Oh, Jackie	
Tronlone, Virginia	Paletti, Barbara	
Viola, Frank	Vargas, Jorge	
G & T	Velardo, Jennifer	
Doheny, Cathy	Yim, Joowon	
Title I Department	Santiago, Dalia (Per. 7/8 Spanish)	
Anastasopoulos, Maria	Lee, Bumsook (Per. 7/8 Korean)	
Bavaro, Raffella	Speech	
Brestin, Randi F/T	Kim, Jane	
Busanic, Jenny	Yee, Lisa	
Escarraman, Lizbeth ???	Administration	
O'Reilly, Malinda Sue	Bongard, Toni - Principal	
Vartalone, Tina	Pieratos, Laura - Vice Principal	
Custodians	Garcia, Andrew	
Chicas, Jose	Hali, Joanna	
Lemos, Maria	Munn, Amy	- UFS Security
Iossa, Mark	Tennant, Jennifer	Belinda
Salamon, Jorge	Vouthas, Cindy	
	Younshakian, Deb	

PALISADES PARK JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Faculty / Staff 2020-2021

Administration
 Freddy Nufiez
 Krista Voorhis

Supervisors
 Andrew Garcia (*English/Social Studies*)
 Amy Munn (*ESL/World Languages*)
 Debra Youmshakian (*Math/Science*)
Supervisor of Special Services
 Joanna Hall

Athletic Director
 Joseph Spafford

Adkins, Lindsay	Galeazza, Joseph	Paccione, Elizabeth
Agecha, Henry	Giannantonio, Morgan	Pecorelli, Thomas
Almeida, Anthony	Graf, Jessica	Perez, Lauren
Arrabito Mark	Hong, Diana	Planker, Chynthia
Battles, Marcia	Hutchinson, William	Porrino, Elizabeth
Bellotte, Amanda	Kamvosoulis, Jodie	Rengifo, Michelle
Berman, Eric	Kennedy, Jacquelyn	Ring, Frank
Biagiotti, Robert	Kilmurray, Lori	Rosado, Monica
Burrows, Jodi	Ko, Grace	Santiago, Dalia
Cali-Giannantonio, Andia	Kuchar, Alex	Scheitrum, Tina
Cavallone, Catherine	LaPira, Tara	Sterni, Korinne
Cho, David	Lee, BumSook	Turo, Nicole
Cho, Inne	Lee, Chanmi	Vouthas, Jaclyn
Cho, Jane	Lee, Julianna	Wajda, Elsa
Conoscenti, Natalie	Lenge, Colleen	Warren, Jacqueline
DeBlasio, Mary	Levinson, Mariah	Westcott, Donald
Decicco, Rich	Lewis, Alexa	Wiseman, John
Dellosa, Audrey	Mancini, Jenna	Youmshakian, Avo
Dellosa, Jaclyn	Mascolo, James	Zarro, Domenico
Del Rio, Inah	Miron, Gustavo	Zavian, Mindy
Deodino, Marissa	Morgese, Rachel	Zegarra, Charles
Farnese, Rosanna	Musler, Lee	

SPECIAL SERVICES

Guidance
 Retkva, Joanne
 Rudolph, Erin

Psychologist
 Llaverias, Nael

Nurse
 Agresta, Kristy

Learning Consultant
 VanAlstine, Bethany

Speech Pathologist
 Yee, Lisa

Secretaries
 Giannantonio, Giustina
 Morin, Melissa
 Tansey, Maureen