

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Work Session Meeting Minutes
Monday – February 12, 2007 - 6:00 PM (Closed Session) 8:00 (Regular Session)
Jefferson Township Middle School Media Center

A. Mrs. Servedio called the meeting to order at 8:04 PM, and read the Open Meeting Statement.

B. Pledge of Allegiance.

C. **ROLL CALL:**

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andre <i>(arrived at 6:38)</i>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mrs. Castiglione	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Cerny	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Chamberlain	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Feldmann	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Hanisch	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mrs. Hardy	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mrs. Mastricola	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mrs. Servedio	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Marieclaire DosSantos	<u> </u>	<u> X </u> <i>Student Representative</i>
Craig Fuess	<u> </u>	<u> X </u> <i>Student Representative</i>

D. **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mrs. Servedio, seconded by Mr. Feldmann, that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jefferson Township Board of Education on this 12th day of February, 2007 at 6:14 PM, as follows:

1. The Board shall recess to closed session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1), (2), (6), (7) and (8). The general nature of the discussion will involve matters confidential by law, any investigations or tactics or techniques to protect persons or public property, litigation, anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and attorney-client matters.
2. These matters will be disclosed to the public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer applies.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The meeting was called to public session at 8:04 PM.

E. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Good News and Progress in Our Schools.

- Among other things, Dr. Fuchs reported on the anti-bullying events taking place at Briggs Elementary School.

F. PRESENTATIONS

Board Ethics Training, NJSBA, presented by Joanne Borin. Ms. Borin also spoke of the Superintendent Evaluation process, which must be completed by April 30, 2007.

G. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE *(on Minutes action items only, if applicable)*

None

Items H.1, I.1 through I.9 and J.1

The Board review the motions slated for a vote on February 20, 2007.

J. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Motion by Mr. Hanisch, seconded by Mr. Feldmann, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions J.1 *(February 12, 2007 Action)*, as described below:

J.1 Motion to appoint and submit to the County Superintendent applications for **emergent hiring** and the applicant’s attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et. Seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et. seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et. seq. for those employees listed below: (All appointments are contingent upon receipt of proper teaching certification and all salary placements are pending receipt of college transcripts verifying degree status and letter stating years of service in other districts, * denotes mentoring required)

February 12, 2007 – Action

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Deg/Step	Salary	Loc.	Date Effective	Date Termin.	Discussion
Substitutes/Other								
Karen Hogan	Appoint	Sub Teacher		\$80/diem		2/20/07	6/30/07	
Daria Washco-Dingman	Appoint	Sub Teacher		\$80/diem		2/20/07	6/30/07	
Barbara Wortmann	Appoint	Sub Teacher		\$80/diem		2/20/07	6/30/07	
Kellie Craige	Appoint	Sub Teacher		\$80/diem		2/20/07	6/30/07	
Craig Moore	Appoint	Sub Teacher		\$80/diem		2/20/07	6/30/07	
Michelle Santos	Appoint	Sub Teacher		\$80/diem		2/20/07	6/30/07	
Ellen Valentino	Appoint	Homebound Instruction		\$31.00/hr**	District	2/20/07	6/30/07	

** Salary based on 2005/2006 salary guide; will be adjusted when negotiations have been completed and new guides have been adopted.

MOTION: Mr. Hanisch		SECOND: Mr. Feldmann			
Name	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	
Mr. Andre	X				
Mrs. Castiglione	X				
Mr. Cerny	X				
Mr. Chamberlain	X				
Mr. Feldmann	X				
Mr. Hanisch	X				
Mrs. Hardy	X				
Mrs. Masticola	X				
Mrs. Servedio	X				

Items J.1 (February 20, 2007 Action), J.2, K and L

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M. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Policy Committee – Mrs. Hardy reported that there are several policies under review.
- Finance Committee – Mr. Andre reported the next meeting will be February 15.
- Community Relations – it was reported that the Committee will meet soon.

N. COMMUNICATIONS

- Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Servedio will attend the Eagle Scout meeting.
- A letter was read regarding room temperature issues.
- A letter commending bus driver Mrs. Fleming was read.
- A Letter of Intent to Retire for Virginia Jones.

O. OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Andre commented on the status of school security—buzzers/wiring.
- The District strategy will be finalized upon receipt of the consultant's security report.

P. NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Andre commented on the field trip moratorium. He asked everyone to keep Homeland Security in mind and asked to have a protocol built into the Policy should a Code Orange Alert be placed into effect.

Q. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Briggs reading and the success of Stanlick Movie Night.
- Kudos were given to various sports programs.
- Board members commented on the success of Science Fair, Principal's Coffee and the 3rd Grade Math Night, HS Orientation and Spirit Week.
- Mrs. Servedio communicated some of the highlights of the MCSBA meeting regarding shared services,

R. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- A comment was made regarding web page banner grammatical limitations with respect to apostrophes.
- A question was raised regarding feedback on the proposal for the tennis program.
- A statement regarding delayed busses at the Lake Shawnee area was made. Delay was caused by house fire.
- An issue was brought up as to how to inform parents of policy changes.
- It was noted that the Debate Team won its first trophy in 17 years.
- A meeting attendee requested discretion be used when reviewing policy changes; *ie.* Code Orange.
- An issue was brought up about cancellation of parent funded trips. Try to inform parents ahead of time; cover this issue in policy revision.
- A comment was made regarding the effectiveness of the moratorium on trips to NYC, DC, etc.

T. ADJOURN

Motion by Mr.Cerny, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, that the meeting adjourn at 9:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dora E. Mylchreest
Board Secretary