

**April 19, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT; STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE - The chair declares that, in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate public notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with statute by the Secretary of the Board of Education.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Spotswood Public School District is dedicated to excellence in education by inspiring and challenging our students to achieve their full potential while becoming productive citizens of the global community.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present:

_____ D Branco-Rivera	_____ W Smith	_____ M Chasan
_____ W Loschiavo	_____ B Louis	

Others Present:

_____ S Rocco	_____ V Marino	_____ F Zambrana
_____ G Peabody	_____ S Pewitt	_____ C Harry
_____ Public	_____ N DiMaria	_____ P Demetrio

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

**A. Routine – Spotswood/Milltown**

1. Approve Minutes:
  - a. April 5, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
  - b. April 5, 2016 Executive Session Meeting

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**B. General – Spotswood**

1. Approve a volunteer as presented.

2. Approve a field trip as presented.
3. Approve the Summer Instructional Support Program for students requiring additional support in Language Arts and/or Mathematics from August 8, 2016 to August 25, 2016.
4. Approve the Summer Bridge Program 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, to be held for four (4) days in August 2016.

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**C. General – Spotswood/Milltown**

1. Approve a field trip as presented.
2. Accept on first reading the new Board Policy and Regulation as provided by Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP as follows:
  - a. Policy 8690 - Monitoring Devices on School Vehicles (new)
  - b. Regulation 8690 - Monitoring Devices on School Vehicles (new)
3. Approve the Extended School Year program for students with disabilities from July 6, 2016 to August 9, 2016.
4. Approve the Summer Bridge Program 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Grade, to be held for four (4) days in August 2016.

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**D. Finance – Spotswood**

1. Approve travel as presented.
2. Per the recommendation of its group insurance broker-of-record, Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors, the Spotswood Board of Education hereby resolves, effective July 1, 2016, as follows:
  - a. To terminate our Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey group medical and prescription drug program, group #86545.
  - b. To accept a proposal from Oxford Health Plans for “equal to” group medical and prescription drug insurance, inclusive of the rates, provider network, benefits, and guarantees negotiated by Brown & Brown and featured in their report of March 24, 2016.

- c. Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors is designated the broker-of-record for our new Oxford Health Plans programs. Oxford's proposed rates are inclusive of broker commissions.
  - d. All appropriate Board of Education staff members are authorized to take such action and affect such documentation as necessary to implement this resolution.
3. The Spotswood Board of Education, through contract with the Middlesex County Regional Educational Services Commission, authorizes Non-Public Security Aid funds to be used for the purchase of security items from:

Firstline      Immaculate Conception      \$4,700.00

- 4. Accept the donation of playground equipment and training from the Raritan Valley YMCA valued at \$2,846.95.
- 5. Approve the Spotswood Board of Education 2015/2016 full-page booklet advertisement in the Appleby School Drama Production Playbill in the amount of \$75.00.

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**E. Finance – Spotswood/Milltown**

- 1. Approve the bills list as certified by the Board Secretary for April 2016.
- 2. Approve the contract between Spotswood Board of Education and the parents of state student ID #xxxxxx6195 to provide transportation for their child in the amount of \$884.00 for the 2015/2016 school year to attend an out-of-district placement.
- 3. Approve the professional services of Bedrock Clinic & Research Center and Melissa Engasser, M.S., BCBA, to provide Functional Behavior Assessments and, if necessary, Analogue Functional Analysis, for district students, on an as needed basis as follows:

Functional Behavior Assessment: \$125.00 per hour

Analogue Functional Analysis: \$200.00 per hour

Report Writing of Finding: \$125.00 per hour

- 4. Approve an independent behavior evaluation for State Student ID #xxxxxx9943, by an approved provider, at a cost of approximately \$2,275.00.

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**F. Personnel – Spotswood**

1. Approve an extended unpaid leave of absence under the terms and conditions of FMLA for Megan Donegan, Memorial Spanish Teacher, UPC #TCH.04.SPAN.MS.01, effective April 25, 2016 returning to work September 2016.
2. Accept the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Deborah Keller, Schoenly School Nurse, UPC #NRS.03.NURS.EL.01, effective July 1, 2016.
3. Approve Jeff Michaels as the Robotics co-curricular advisor at Memorial School for the 2015/2016 school year at level 1 with a stipend of \$3,718.00. Jeff is requesting to take the Level 1 stipend of \$3,718.00 and get paid \$1,200.00 for being the advisor and use the remaining \$2,518.00 to purchase supplies to be used for this club.

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**G. Personnel – Spotswood/Milltown**

No items for approval.

**FOR DISCUSSION**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Human Resources Committee Report
- Curriculum & Instruction Committee Report
- Finance Committee Report
- Student Services Committee Report

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**FOR INFORMATION**

Fire Drill Reports: All four schools in the district (HS/Memorial/Appleby/Schoenly) are in compliance with monthly school security drills, having held one fire drill and one school security drill for the month during the school year.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board will adjourn to Executive Session.

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**PUBLIC SESSION**

The Board will reconvene Public Session.

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**ADJOURNMENT**