

East Newark Board of Education, 501 North 3rd St., East Newark, N. J. 07029

The **Regular Public Meeting** of the East Newark Board of Education held on November 18, 2019, 2019 at 6:16 pm in the School Library.

MINUTES

I. Sunshine Statement/Call to Order/Flag Salute –

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Jersey Journal and posted at the Borough Clerk’s Office.

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. Smith (Marlene)	X	
Mr. Balsam (Mark)		X
Ms. Fernandes (Carla)	X	
Ms. Goncalves (Brigite)	X	
Ms. Lopez (Johanna)		X

II. Executive Session (as needed)

Executive Meeting was read by _____.

Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education hereby adjourns to Executive Session in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, for the reason(s) identified below. The minutes of the discussion during Executive Session will be available to the public when such minutes have been approved by the Board of Education pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 and the need for confidentiality no longer exists.*

- a. Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule
- b. Individual privacy
- c. Collective bargaining agreements
- d. Purchase or lease of real property if public interest could be adversely affected
- e. Investment of public funds if public interest could be adversely affected
- f. Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting public safety and property
- g. Pending or anticipated litigation
- h. Attorney-client privilege
- i. Personnel – employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee

III. Public Comment

There was no Public Comment

IV. Superintendent’s Report

- The PTO sponsored two very successful student activities; Trunk or Treat on October 30 and the Halloween Dance on November 1. Unfortunately, due to weather the Halloween Parade was cancelled. However the Truck or Treat and the dance, were well planned and attended by many students and

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parents. The PTO, under the leadership of Magaly Garnica, has already done so much to support our students.

- Our current eighth and ninth grade students, who qualified visited Medieval Times on November 11. The incentive was huge success and I believe added some motivation for our students' success on the PARCC. I hoping to continue the tradition and propose another similar incentive for the board to approve next month.
- The QSAC – DPRs (District Performance Reviews) will be approved by the board at this meeting and signed by the Board President in preparation for being submitted to the County Office tomorrow. The Executive County Superintendent and her staff are scheduled for a site visit on May 8, 2020.
- October 21 to 25 was school violence awareness week. As required by code, we invited and met with Chief Montero to discuss methods to keep schools safe. We also reviewed the *School Safety and Emergency Operations Manual* that was approved by the Board at the last meeting.
- One of our district goals for this school year is to minimize out of school suspensions. Unless it is necessary for student safety (e.g., guns, drugs, physical threats) students will benefit more by serving their suspensions in school. To date, we have met this goal and there have been no out of school suspensions.
- Although we still need to hire a BSI Math / Technology teacher, this current agenda has a resolution to hire retroactively Magdoulén Sawires for Middle School Math and Clarita Chukwudebelu for Middle School Resource Room. I am optimistic that both teachers will be successful and find a professional home at our school.
- Our school community recognized the service of our Veterans on November 12. In attendance was the Chief of Police, Mayor Smith and other veterans from our community. Mr. Pietri provided students with a very informative talk about the origin of the Star Spangled Banner.
- Finally, some dates to remember:
 - Parent teacher – conferences are scheduled for November 20 to 22. Students will be dismissed at 12:40 p.m. Wednesday, November 27 will also be a half day with students dismissed at 12:40. .
 - Santa Claus is scheduled to visit our students on December 18, and our Holiday Concert is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on December 19, at Washington Middle School.

V. Resolutions (Consent agenda)

- 11-636-19** Approval of Minutes
- 11-637-19** Approve QSAC DPR for Submission
- 11-638-19** Approve second reading of Policy 8505
- 11-639-19** Approve hiring Clarita Chukwudebelu - \$52,395.00 (M.A. Step 10)
- 11-640-19** Approve hiring Magdoulén Sawires - 55,950.00 (B.A. Step 14 + 30)
- 11-641-19** Approve Bills and Claims from Current Account and Cafeteria Account November 2019
- 11-642-19** Approve October 2019 payroll

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- 11-643-19** Approve financial reports – September 2019
- 11-644-19** Approve certification of funds – September 2019
- 11-645-19** Approve Corrective Action Plan
- 11-646-19** Approve Comprehensive Maintenance Plan 2018-19 thru 2020-21 and Form M-1
- 11-647-19** Approve Joint Transportation Agreement with Harrison Board of Education Route #CPCNJ
- 11-648-19** Approve Lease Purchase of two copiers with Atlantic Tomorrow’s Office
- 11-649-19** Approve revised resignation date for Maitry Sewnath
- 11-650-19** Approved revised resignation date for Marc D’Antonio
- 11-651-19** Acknowledges receipt of letter of resignation for Melissa Garcia.
- 11-636-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the minutes of the Regular Public Meeting held on October 21, 2019 as submitted.
- 11-637-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the QSAC DPR for submission to the New Jersey Department of Education.
- 11-638-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves (the second reading of) Policy 8505 – Local Wellness / Nutritional Standards.
- 11-639-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves hiring Clarita Chukwudebelu - \$52,395.00 (M.A. Step 10) as Middle School Resource Room Teacher (replacing Maitry Sewnath) retroactive November 5, 2019.
- 11-640-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves hiring Magdoulén Sawires - 55,950.00 (B.A. Step 14 + 30) as Middle School Math Teacher (Replacing Marc D’Antonio) retroactive November 5, 2019.
- 11-641-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the payment of Bills and Claims, from the Current Account and Cafeteria Account dated October 31, 2019 thru November 18, 2019 in the amount of \$311,369.10.
- 11-642-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the payment of October 15, 2019 and October 30, 2019 payrolls as follows:
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| October 15, 2019 | \$ 87,641.62 |
| October 30, 2019 | <u>\$ 98,473.17</u> |
| Total | \$ 186,114.79 |
- 11-643-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Board Secretary’s (A148) Report and Treasurer’s (A149 Report), for the month ending September 30, 2019.

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- 11-644-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the certification of funds, Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, that as of September 30, 2019 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A16.10(a).
- 11-645-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the attached corrective action plan required by State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture.
- 11-646-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan 2018-19 thru 2020-21 and Form M-1.
- 11-647-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves a Joint Transportation with Harrison Board of Education (Host) for route #CPCNJ at a cost of \$15,025.37 from September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
- 11-648-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the lease purchase of two copiers (Savin MP 7503 and Savin MP C6503) from Atlantic Tomorrow’s Office via State Contract # G40467 and the lease purchase financing through Municipal Capital Finance from 1/9/20 through 12/9/24 with a monthly payment of \$735.00.
- 11-649-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves revised resignation date for Maitry Sewnath to be effective November 15, 2019.
- 11-650-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves revised resignation date for Marc D’Antonio to be effective November 15, 2019.
- 11-651-19** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, acknowledges receipt of the letter of resignation for Melissa Garcia, second grade paraprofessional, effective November 20, 2019.

Consent Agenda: Resolution 11-536-19 thru 10-651-19				
Motion: Mrs. Smith		Second: Ms. Concalves		
	Yea	Ney	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Smith (Marlene)	X			
VI. Mr. Balsam Jr. (Mark)				X
Ms. Fernandes (Carla)	X			
Ms. Goncalves (Brigite)	X			
Ms. Lopez (Johanna)				X

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Old Business

There was no Old Business

VII. New Business

There was no New Business

VIII. Public Comment/Questions

There was no Public Comment

IX. Board Comments

There was no Board Comments

X. Adjournment

Ms. Goncalves made a motion to adjourn at 6:22 pm motion was seconded by Ms. Fernandes and carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Regards

**Robert T. Clark
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary**