

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
Board of Education
Midland Park, New Jersey
March 27, 2012

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Robert Schiffer, at 8:00 p.m. and the following statement was read:

"Adequate notice of this meeting was provided as specified in the Open Meeting Act. Notices of this meeting were sent to the Record, Ridgewood News and to the Midland Park Borough Clerk for the 2011 elective year. A notice was also posted outside of the office of the Midland Park Board of Education in a place reserved for such announcements. The Board announces that under its long-standing policy, it will not discuss in public any comments made by members of the public concerning individual staff members."

ROLL CALL

Present:	James Canellas	Sandra Criscenzo
	Richard Formicola	Brian McCourt
	William Sullivan	Maryalice Thomas
	Timothy Thomas	Robert Schiffer
Excused:	Raymond Moraski	

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff: Marie Cirasella, Superintendent of Schools
Stacy Garvey, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mission Statement

The Midland Park School District as part of a strong, dedicated community, provides students with a comprehensive, adaptive education in a positive environment by maximizing all resources and empowering them to realize their individual worth and responsibility with the expectation that all students achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Presentation of the proposed 2012-2013 School Budget and Public Hearing:

Dr. Cirasella, Ms. Stacy Garvey and Mr. William Sullivan presented a power point demonstration on the Proposed School Budget for the 2012-2013 year. Items included in the presentation were: Funding Allocations, Staffing, Program & Facilities, Financial Impact (per household) and a 2012-2013 Budget At-a-Glance Overview.

Mr. Schiffer asked if the projected tax levy increase was based on the new assessment. Ms. Garvey answered that it isn't because a true comparison from 2011-12 to 2012-13 could not be made with two different assessment rates.

Open to the Public

Ms. Patricia Fantulin commented that she was quite happy with what she sees in the budget especially in the Middle School programs. She asked about the tuition revenue listed and why it is much lower than in past years. Ms. Garvey replied that there were a number of out-of-district high school students who were enrolled in the district and were paying tuition. They have since graduated. The tuition currently listed is for children who attend a preschool program where parents pay tuition but the cost for preschool is far less than the high school tuition costs.

Motion – Mr. Thomas, seconded – Mr. McCourt . . .

To close the Public Hearing at 8:13

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Sullivan, seconded – Mr. Canellas . . .

Resolution to Approve the 2012-2013 School Year Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Board of Education, County of Bergen, approves the final 2012-2013 school year budget, as follows:

Current General Expense (Funds 11)	\$19,046,582
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	\$ 133,275
Extended School Year Program (Fund 13)	\$ 700,560
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$19,880,417
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$ 462,253
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS	\$20,342,670

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GENERAL FUND tax levy \$17,497,925 is approved to support Current General Expense and \$423,524 to support Debt Service, for the 2012/2013 school year budget.

Roll Call: All Yes

Motion – Mr. Canellas, seconded – Mr. McCourt . . .
To adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All Yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Garvey,
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary