

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CHATHAMS
MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2019**

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held this day in the Chatham High School Media Center located at 255 Lafayette Avenue, Chatham, NJ.

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by the Board President, Jill Weber.

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT: Ms. Weber read the following statement:

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, I wish to announce that the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of the Public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act the School District of the Chathams Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Board Administrative Office, sent to the Clerks of Chatham Borough and Chatham Township, the Library of the Chathams, the Chatham Courier, the Daily Record, and the Star Ledger.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Mary Chambers, Ann Ciccarelli, Michelle Clark, Lata Kenney, Michael Ryan, Michael Valenti, and Jill Critchley Weber

Absent: Sal Arnuk and Matthew Gilfillan were absent.

Also Present: Dr. Michael LaSusa, Superintendent; Mr. Peter Daquila, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Ms. Karen Chase, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Vincent D'Elia, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services; Ms. Beth Grant, Human Resources Manager; and approximately fourteen (14) members of the public and press.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ms. Weber led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

- Ms. Weber stated that tonight's meeting will be expedited so the Board of Education can attend the Girl's Championship Basketball game.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. LaSusa reported on the PARCC testing updates for the current juniors and seniors

B. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Mr. Daquila gave the following update:
CHS Auditorium – The district, contractor and seat vendor have agreed on seating adjustments.

Board of Education Administrative Offices – The contractor still has punch list items to complete.
CMS Auditorium – There is a resolution on the agenda to reject all the bids for a second time. The district will negotiate with the bidders to obtain a contract amount in line with the budget amount.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Personnel** – Ms. Ciccarelli reported that the committee will meet on April 8.
- B. Curriculum** – Ms. Clark reported that the committee met on February 11 and discussed various items including the Full Day Kindergarten lottery, Ted Talk Showcase in June, history textbooks and altering the Chatham High School start time.
- C. Finance/Facilities** – Mr. Ryan reported that the committee met earlier tonight and discussed the Full Day Kindergarten lottery on March 5, the budget and capital spending and parking on the previous special education building site. He reminded everyone that there will be an Open Finance meeting at 6:30 PM prior to the 7:30 PM regular business session. The Board will approve the 2019/2020 preliminary budget at the March 18 business meeting as well.
- D. Policy and Planning** – No report available.

Liaisons

Chatham Borough – Ms. Weber reported that the committee approved the Class III officer position. The shared services agreement needs to be approved.

Chatham Township – Ms. Clark reported that the committee discussed employment training and opportunities at Colony Pool.

Chatham Athletic Boosters – Ms. Ciccarelli reported that the next meeting is scheduled for March 5.

Chatham Performing Arts Boosters – Ms. Weber gave the following report:

- Unfortunately, our Breakfast With The Musicians event was cancelled last Saturday due to inclement weather. CPAB and the Performing Arts Department are working to reschedule the event for a later date.
- The annual Stringfest event has been rescheduled to Friday May 3rd. Stringfest features our orchestra musicians in grades 3-12.
- On February 23rd, CHS Students Layla Clarke and Taryn Roffina represented Chatham at the NJ All-State Treble Choir, under the direction of Dr. Lynnel Jenkins. Congrats to Layla and Taryn!
- A reminder to follow us on Facebook under “Chatham Performing Arts.” This page is a great resource to see what is happening in every building throughout the year!

Chatham Education Foundation – Ms. Kenney reminded everyone that tickets are on sale for Casino Royale at Fairmount Country Club.

Chatham Recreation – No report available.

PTO District Cabinet – Ms. Ciccarelli reported that the committee will meet on March 6.

VIII. MINUTES

Ms. Weber moved the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the minutes from the following meeting(s):

- February 4, 2019 Public and Executive Session

The motion was seconded by Ms. Ciccarelli and approved 6-0-1 on a roll call vote (Ms. Kenney abstained).

Ms. Weber moved the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the minutes from the following meeting(s):

- February 11, 2019 Public Session

The motion was seconded by Ms. Ciccarelli and approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

- Bonni Press, SEPAC President, said that at the last meeting the main discussion topic was literacy. There is a concern in special education programs to deal with literacy. Their next meeting is on March 7 at the Chatham Middle School and it is a joint meeting. There is a dyslexia symposium on March 28 at Chatham High School.
- Carolyn Dempsey, a Chatham Borough resident, said the Borough will have a “Meet the Government Day” on April 12 and 13. There will be an open house on April 12 at Chatham Borough Hall.
- Kevin Hannon, Coach for the Chatham High School/Madison Girls Hockey Team, presented the Girls Championship Team. The team is in its third year and he is requesting funding. He added that he is currently running a spring training program for the girls ice hockey players.
- Molly Coyne and Kate Gallagher are both 10th grade hockey players. Both are club players and are very happy to be playing on a high school team.
- Audrey Van Wie, a Freshman student, said she has been playing hockey for one year and has expanded her skills and has met new friends.
- Campbell Regan, also a Freshman student, is new to Chatham and the team has afforded her an opportunity for many new friendships.
- All the girls enjoyed being teammates with the Madison players.
- Bill Heap encouraged the district to charge \$9,000 for Full Day Kindergarten tuition.

X. ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL

On a motion by Ms. Ciccarelli, seconded by Ms. Clark, the consent agenda items A.1 – A.17 (Item A.10 as amended on addendum) were approved by a 7-0 roll call vote.

1. *(276-18/19) Approval: Contracts - 2018/2019 School Year*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves contracts for the following individuals for the 2018/2019 school year, as per the agreement between the School District of the Chathams and the Chatham Education Association (CEA):

Name	Position	Location	FTE	Column/Step	Salary	Effective Date	Termination Date
Azzaro, Stephanie	Paraprofessional	LAF	N/A	N/A	\$17.47/hourly	03/01/2019	06/30/2019
Vega, Alexander	Paraprofessional	LAF	N/A	N/A	\$17.47/hourly	TBD	06/30/2019

2. *(277-18/19) Amendment: Contract - 2018/2019 School Year*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education amends the contract for the following individual for the 2018/2019 school year, as per the agreement between the School District of the Chathams and the Chatham Education Association (CEA):

Name	Position	Location	FTE	Column/Step	Salary	Effective Dates	Termination Date	Notes
Yu, Hongbin	Teacher	CMS	1.00	MA/8	\$77,308 Prorated \$72,148	09/01/2018	06/30/2019	Supersedes action on 05/14/2018 to prorate "Other Salary" and amend Total Salary.

3. (278-18/19) Approval: Contracts - Leave Replacement Teachers

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves contracts for the following Leave Replacement Teachers for the 2018/2019 school year:

Name	Position	Location	Column/Step	Salary	Effective Date	Termination Date	Notes
Popova, Itzel	Teacher of Spanish	CMS	BA/2	\$56,353 Prorated \$15,778.56	04/08/2019	06/30/2019	Includes up to 3 shadow days @ \$100/day.
Dionisio, Kayla	Elementary School Teacher	WAS	BA/2	\$56,353 Prorated \$19,723.20	03/18/2019	06/30/2019	Includes up to 3 shadow days @ \$100/day.

4. (279-18/19) Rescission: Contract - Leave Replacement Teacher

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds a contract for the following Leave Replacement Teacher for the 2018/2019 school year:

Name	Position	Location	Column/Step	Salary	Effective Date	Termination Date	Notes
Tadiello, Kimberly	Teacher of Elementary	WAS	BA/2	\$56,353.00 Prorated \$19,723.55	03/18/2019	06/30/2019	Includes up to 3 shadow days @ \$100/day.

5. (280-18/19) Approval: Contract - Leave Replacement

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a contract for the following Leave Replacement Assignment for the 2018/2019 school year:

Name	Position	Location	Column/Step	Salary	Effective Date	Termination Date	Notes
Kelly, Robert	Auditorium Coordinator	CHS	N/A	\$30,000 Prorated \$8,250.00	04/09/2019	06/30/2019	

6. (281-18/19) Approval: Paraprofessional Transfer

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff transfer:

Name	Position	Location	Salary	Effective Date	Termination Date	Notes
Schein, Steven	Paraprofessional	MAS	\$17.47/hourly	02/25/2019	06/30/2019	Transfer from CMS

7. (282-18/19) Approval: Maternity Leaves of Absence

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following *Maternity Leaves of Absence*:

Employee #	Leave Start Date	Accumulated Sick Days Applied	FMLA Start Date <i>(unpaid with benefits)</i>	NJFLA Start Date <i>(unpaid with benefits)</i>	Extended Leave Start Date <i>(unpaid without benefits)</i>	Date of Return <i>(Anticipated)</i>	Notes
ID# 3131	05/15/2019	26	08/27/2019	08/27/2019	11/20/2019	12/18/2019	
ID# 7802	06/10/2019	9	08/27/2019	08/27/2019	N/A	10/16/2019	
ID# 7395	05/13/2019	28	08/27/2019	08/27/2019	11/20/2019	09/01/2020	

8. (283-18/19) Approval: Unpaid Absences

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following unpaid absences during the 2018/2019 school year:

Name	Position	Location	Number of Requested Unpaid Days	Start Date	End Date	Notes
Sullivan, Margaret	Paraprofessional	WAS	2	03/07/2019	03/08/2019	
Paul, Joel	Custodian	CMS	2	04/04/2019	04/05/2019	
Szajowski, Elizabeth	Paraprofessional	CMS	2	04/11/2019	04/12/2019	
Druhot, Dawn	Paraprofessional	WAS	2	04/01/2019	04/02/2019	
Hyde, Anne	Paraprofessional	CHS	5	03/25/2019	03/29/2019	
Ziegler, Marisol	Paraprofessional	WAS	56	03/04/2019	05/24/2019	
Mahabir-Prasad, Rhonda	Paraprofessional	CHS	1	06/19/2019	06/19/2019	
Einhorn, Lori	Paraprofessional	CHS	6	06/17/2019	06/21/2019	

9. (284-18/19) Approval: Use of Accumulated Family Illness Days

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Use of Accumulated Family Illness Days, as listed below:

Employee #	Dates	Total Number of Days	Notes
ID# 2152	TBD	16	As needed during the 2018/2019 school year.

10. (285-18/19) Approval: Extra Class - Certificated Staff – **AMENDED PER ADDENDUM**

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves an Extra Class Leave Replacement Assignment for Certificated Staff for the 2018/2019 school year:

Name / Position	Location	Effective Date	End Date	Salary	Notes
Dou, Zhaoyang/Teacher of Chinese	CMS	02/22/2019	06/30/2019	\$4,789.99	
Chirico, Jacqueline	CMS	03/01/2019	06/30/2019 or sooner	TBD based on end date	End date subject to change. Salary TBD based on end date.
Priano-Keyser, Gina	CMS	03/01/2019	06/30/2019 or sooner	TBD based on end date	End date subject to change. Salary TBD based on end date.
Georgio-Marzano, Nicole	CMS	03/01/2019	06/30/2019 or sooner	TBD based on end date	End date subject to change. Salary TBD based on end date.

11. (286-18/19) Approval: Contractual Extra Duty Stipend

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff member’s contractual stipend for the 2018/2019 school year.

Staff Member	Activity	Location	Ratio	Compensation
Simonetti, Gayle	Ski Club Advisor	CHS	0.10	\$1,005.41

12. (287-18/19) Approval: Coaching Staff

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following coaching personnel for the 2018/2019 school year:

Name		Season	Sport	Assignment	Ratio	Salary	Notes
Picariello, Evan	*	Spring	Track	Assistant Coach	0.60	\$6,032.46	
Mariano, Jason	*	Spring	Track	Assistant Coach	0.60	\$6,032.46	
Ryan, Kelsey		Spring	Lacrosse	Assistant Coach Girls’	0.60	\$6,032.46	
Reel, Joseph		Spring	Tennis	Assistant Coach Boys/	0.60	\$6,032.46	
Czepiga, Daniel	*	Spring	N/A	Weight Room Supervisor	0.3	\$3,016.23	
Hennelly, Michelle	*	Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	
Leyden, Kaitlin	*	Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	
Fallon, Kristen	*	Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	
Abner, Kelly	*	Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	
Kosch, Molly	*	Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	
Atchinson, Lindsay		Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	
Moorehead, Julia		Spring	N/A	Volunteer Weight Room Supervisor	N/A	N/A	

*Denotes district employee.

13. (288-18/19) Amendment: Coaching Staff

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education amends the following coaching personnel for the 2018/2019 school year:

Name	Season	Sport	Assignment	Ratio	Salary	Notes
Francisco, Joseph	Spring	Lacrosse	Boys' Assistant Coach	0.30	\$3,016.23	Supersedes action on 02/04/2019 to amend ratio and salary.
Sleight, Kaitlin	* Spring	Lacrosse	Girls' Assistant Coach	0.30	\$3,016.23	Supersedes action on 02/04/2019 to amend assignment, ratio and salary.
Raymond, Shane	* Spring	Lacrosse	Boys' Assistant Coach	0.60	\$6,032.46	Supersedes action on 02/04/2019 to amend assignment, ratio and salary.

*Denotes district employee.

14. (289-18/19) Approval: Mentor 2018/2019

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff member as a Mentor for the 2018/2019 school year:

Mentor	Novice Teacher	School	Certificate	Weeks	Rate
Aneiros, Marisa	Itzel Popova	CMS	CE	10	\$333.30

15. (290-18/19) Approval: District Substitutes

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following substitutes for the 2018/2019 school year:

Teacher	Para	Clerical	Nurse	Last Name	First Name
x	x			April	Rigie
x	x	x		Bickenbach	Nicole
x	x	x		Murray	Tracy
x	x			Dougherty	Michael
x	x	x		Sullivan	Janice
x	x	x		Azzaro	Stephanie

16. (291-18/19) Approval: Installation Services

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a retroactive payment in the amount of \$1,000 to Daniel Pollard for interactive display installation. Be it further resolved that, additional interactive display installation, subject to pre-approval and completed outside of regular contractual work hours, will be compensated at a rate of \$450.00 per installation.

17. (292-18/19) Approval: Travel

WHEREAS: In accordance with the State of New Jersey School District Accountability Act (A-5) and the School District of the Chatham's **Policy 6471 - School District Travel**, travel by school district employees and Board of Education members must be approved in advance; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following expenses for faculty, staff, administrators, and board members for seminars, conferences and workshops. The expense includes travel costs, if applicable:

Month	Day	Year	First	Last	Position	Vendor	Purpose	Location	Cost
March	4	2019	Kristine	Dudlo	Principal	NJPSA/FEA	Grief in the Schoolhouse: Response to Loss	Monroe Twp	\$200
March	8 & 9	2019	Gail	Hatch	Physical Therapist	Education Resources Inc	Motor Issues in Autism	Cedar Knolls	\$450
March	15	2019	Sue	Corbetta	Math Teacher	NJAMLE	Annual Conference	Union, NJ	\$135
March	15	2019	Ally	Getch	Math Teacher	NJAMLE	Annual Conference	Union, NJ	\$135
March	15	2019	Kelly	Karcher	Math Teacher	NJAMLE	Annual Conference	Union, NJ	\$135
March	15	2019	Stacy	Winters	Math Supervisor	NJAMLE	Annual Conference	Union, NJ	\$135
March	22	2019	Kendra	Newman	Math Teacher	Rutgers	Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus	New Brunswick	\$150
March	22	2019	Linda	Ortiz	Math Teacher	Rutgers	Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus	New Brunswick	\$160
March	22	2019	Catherine	Spano	Math Teacher	Rutgers	Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus	New Brunswick	\$150
March	22	2019	Aaron	Yamamoto	Math Teacher	Rutgers	Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus	New Brunswick	\$175
April	3	2019	Kelly	Caffrey	Bookkeeper	Rutgers	Public School Bidding	New Brunswick	\$275
April	4	2019	Vincent	D'Elia	Assistant Supt Student Support Services	PESI	Oppositional, Defiant & Disruptive Children & Adolescents	Parsippany	\$200
April	5 & 6	2019	Lisa	Koellmann	German Teacher	FLENJ	Annual Conference	Iselin, NJ	\$225
April	11-13	2019	Kristen	Crawford	Science Supervisor	NSTA	Annual Conference	St. Louis, MO	\$385
May	29-30	2019	Debra	Keeley	ESL Teacher	NJTESOL	Spring Conference	New Brunswick	\$300
June	5-7	2019	Peter	Daquila	Business Administrator	NJASBO	Annual Conference	Atlantic City	\$850
June	5-7	2019	Tatiana	Gilbert	Assistant Business Administrator	NJASBO	Annual Conference	Atlantic City	\$850

B. FINANCE/FACILITIES

On a motion by Ms. Ciccarelli, seconded by Ms. Weber, the consent agenda items B.1 – B.22 were approved by a 7-0 roll call vote. On a motion by Ms. Ciccarelli, seconded by Ms. Weber, the consent agenda item B.23 was approved by a 6-1-0 roll call vote (Mr. Ryan voted no).

Ms. Ciccarelli thanked the Chatham Education Foundation, Chatham Performing Arts, Wendy Chan, and Terry Cooper for their donations as listed on this evening's agenda for acceptance by the Board.

1. (220-18/19) Approval: Payments - Bills List

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following payments: (*Attachment B.1*)

Description	Totals
Bills List - February 15, 2019	\$1,025,967.25
Bills List - March 4, 2019	\$1,534,822.57
Payroll - February 2019	\$4,210,284.43
TOTAL:	\$6,771,074.25

2. (221-18/19) Acceptance: Audit and CAFR for 2017/2018

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the audit, the Comprehensive Annual Report Financial Report (CAFR) and the Auditors Management Report (AMR) for the district accounts for fiscal year 2017/2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Business Administrator is directed to file copies of this audit with the New Jersey Department of Education via the County Office and the offices for the Nationally Recognized Municipal Securities Information Repository as required by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (since the district has outstanding debt service bonds). (*CAFR and AMR on file in the Business Office*)

3. (222-18/19) Approval: Transfers - July through December 2018

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Reports of the July through December 2018 Transfers within the 2018/2019 budget in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(A)2. (*On File in the Business Office*)

4. (223-18/19) Approval: Monthly Report of County Transfers - July through December 2018

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Monthly Report of County Transfers for July through December 2018. (*On File in the Business Office*)

5. (224-18/19) Approval: Report of the Board Secretary - July through December 2018

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Secretary for July through December 2018. (*On File in the Business Office*)

6. (225-18/19) Approval: Report of the Board Treasurer - July through December 2018

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Treasurer for July through December 2018. (*On File in the Business Office*)

7. (226-18/19) Approval: Finance Certification - July through December 2018

RESOLVED: Pursuant to N.J.A.S. 18A:17-9, the Board Secretary does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.S. 18A:17-9. Pursuant to N.J.A.S. 18A:17-36, the School District of the Chathams Board of Education has reviewed for the minutes of this meeting the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports for July through December 2018 that no account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.S. 18A:17-36.

- 8. *(227-18/19) Approval: Transfers - January 2019*
RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Report of January 2019 Transfers within the 2018/2019 budget in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(A)2. *(Attachment B.8)*

- 9. *(228-18/19) Approval: Monthly Report of County Transfers - January 2019*
RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Monthly Report of County Transfers for January 2019. *(Attachment B.9)*

- 10. *(229-18/19) Approval: Report of the Board Secretary - January 2019*
RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Secretary for January 2019. *(Attachment B.10)*

- 11. *(230-18/19) Approval: Report of the Board Treasurer - January 2019*
RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Treasurer for January 2019. *(Attachment B.11)*

- 12. *(231-18/19) Approval: Finance Certification - January 2019*
RESOLVED: Pursuant to N.J.A.S. 18A:17-9, the Board Secretary does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.S. 18A:17-9. Pursuant to N.J.A.S. 18A:17-36, the School District of the Chathams Board of Education has reviewed for the minutes of this meeting the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial reports for January 2019 that no account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.S. 18A:17-36.

- 13. *(232-18/19) Approval: Award Contract for Special Services Building Demolition*
WHEREAS: On February 13, 2019 the Board of Education received bids for the Special Services Building Demolition Project (funding for the project included in the 2019/2020 budget):

Contractor	Base Bid
Two Brothers Contracting, Inc., Totowa, NJ	\$,99,422.41
Yannuzzi Group, Kinnelon, NJ	\$,122,50.00

Upon the Architect and Attorney’s recommendation bid should be awarded to Two Brothers Contracting, Inc. of Totowa, NJ since they are the lowest responsible bidder; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education awards the contract for the Special Services Building Demolition Project to Two Brothers Contracting, Inc. of Totowa, NJ in the amount of \$99,422.41, which is the base bid.

- 14. *(233-18/19) Rejection: Re-Bid for Chatham Middle School Auditorium Renovation*
WHEREAS: On February 27, 2019 the Board of Education received bids for the Chatham Middle School Auditorium Renovations (Rebid):

Contractor	Base Bid	*Total Alt 01 - 07	Total
Billy Contracting, Pine Brook, NJ	\$2,681,000	\$421,000	\$3,102,000
Brahma Construction Corp, Wallington, NJ	\$2,734,000	\$476,735	\$3,210,735
Tekcon Construction, Inc., Somerset, NJ	\$2,869,000	\$432,000	\$3,301,000
Mark Construction, Inc., Wallington, NJ	\$2,864,000	\$482,700	\$3,346,700
John O'Hara Company, Inc., East Orange, NJ	\$2,885,000	\$470,000	\$3,355,000
Pharos Enterprises LLC, South Amboy, NJ	\$2,972,000	\$383,000	\$3,355,000
GL Group, Inc., Bloomingdale, NJ	\$2,880,000	\$485,000	\$3,365,000
M&M Construction, Union, NJ	\$3,000,000	\$523,000	\$3,523,000
Construction Contractors of NY Corp., Hackensack, NJ	\$3,099,000	\$461,000	\$3,560,000
Rising Sun Construction, Elizabeth, NJ	\$4,678,000	\$1,002,100	\$5,680,100

** Breakout of each alternate on file in Business Office*

AND WHEREAS: The base bids received from all bidders were above the projected construction budget and the amount of funds budgeted for the project, and upon the architect’s and attorney’s recommendation, all bids are being rejected a second time for this project; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education rejects all of the bids received on February 27, 2019 for the Chatham Middle School Auditorium Renovations for the second time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education as permitted by N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5, shall enter into negotiations for the Chatham Middle School Auditorium Renovations Project, and invite those contractors that submitted bids in the rebid process to participate in the negotiations.

15. (234-18/19) Acceptance: CEF Donations

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, and as approved by the principals, the Board of Education accepts donations totaling \$10,062.78 from the Chatham Education Foundation as listed below:

School	Project / Purchase	Amount
CMS	Diversifying the Classroom Library	\$ 501.04
MAS	Learning Takes Flexibility	1,959.84
SBS	The Calm Workspace	2,478.92
SBS	Books to Bloom Social Emotional Learning	2,043.08
WAS	Enhancing Our Classroom Libraries with Nonfiction Text	3,079.90
	TOTAL:	\$10,062.78

16. (235-18/19) Acceptance: Chatham Performing Arts Donation

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, and as approved by the Chatham Middle School Principal, the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$270.00 from the Chatham Performing Arts Boosters to Chatham Middle School Theater for the purchase of interlocking floor mats.

17. (236-18/19) *Acceptance: Donation to CMS*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, and as approved by the Chatham Middle School Principal, the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$8.00 from Wendy Chan through her Workplace Giving Employee Funds program to be used at the discretion of the principal.

18. (237-18/19) *Acceptance: Donation to Elementary Schools*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, and as approved by the Chatham elementary school principals, the Board of Education accepts a donation of Rokenbok engineering toys at a total value of \$150.00 from Terry Cooper to be used by the elementary schools' D & T program.

19. (238-18/19) *Approval: Application for SEMI Program*

WHEREAS: N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that the school district will have 41 Medicare eligible special education students for 2019/2020, which requires that the School District of the Chathams participate in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2019/2020 school year; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program.

20. (239-18/19) *Approval: Home Instruction*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Saint Clare's Behavioral Health to provide home instruction at the rate of \$55.00/hour not to exceed \$5,170.00 for the 2018/2019 school year.

21. (440-18/19) *Approval: Home Instruction*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Silvergate Preparatory School to provide home instruction at the rate of \$60.00/hour not to exceed \$2,400.00 for the 2018/2019 school year.

22. (241-18/19) *Approval: Nursing Services*

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Bayada Home Health Care, Inc. to provide nursing services during the months of February and March for out of district special education student #8730702700 not to exceed the amount of \$10,500.00.

23. (242-18/19) *Approval: Home Instruction*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Stepping Forward Counseling Center to provide home instruction at the rate of \$75.00/hour not to exceed \$7,875.00 for the 2018/2019 school year.

C. CURRICULUM

On a motion by Ms. Clark, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the consent agenda items C.1 – C.4 were approved by a 7-0 roll call vote.

1. (067-18/19) *Acceptance: Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Investigative Report for the period from February 4, 2019 through March 1, 2019.*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Investigative Report for the period of February 4, 2019 through March 1, 2019 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-1 et seq.

2. (068-18/19) *Affirmation: Findings of Harassment, Intimidation and Bully Investigations*

RESOLVED: That the Board affirms the determination made by the Superintendent regarding the HIB Investigations reported by the Superintendent at the Board’s February 4, 2019 Meeting, which encompasses all HIB findings from January 7, through February 1, 2019.

3. (069-18/19) *Approval: Textbook*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves for use in the 2018/2019 school year, the following textbook selected for the subjects and grade levels indicated. It has been reviewed and approved by the Curriculum Committee of the Board of Education:

School/Course/Grade Level	Textbook Title/Author(s)	Publisher
CHS - Honors US History I - Grade 9 CHS - AP US History II - Grade 10	<i>America’s History for the AP Course</i> 9th Edition/Copyright 2018 Authors: James A. Henretta Rebecca Edwards Eric Hinderaker Robert O. Self	Bedford/St. Martin’s Boston, MA

4. (070-18/19) *Approval: Doctoral Research Study – The Effect of Providing Physical Activities throughout the school day on the learning experience in the Early Childhood Classroom*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Sophia Li, Chatham Borough resident and doctoral student at Teachers College, Columbia University, to conduct research for her dissertation study regarding the types of physical activities presented in early childhood classrooms and their effect on the learning experience of the students.

This qualitative study will involve interviewing Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grade classroom teachers to obtain their perspective on the benefits of providing physical activities throughout the school day within their classrooms and to understand the various types of physical activities that are presented among the different age groups. Teacher interviews will be conducted outside of instructional time in summer (if possible) and fall, 2019, and will last no more than one hour. In addition to interviewing SDOC teachers, Pre-K, Kindergarten and Grade One teachers from private schools will also be included to better assess the early childhood landscape of various educational settings. All interviews will be de-identified, qualitatively coded, and overall outcomes will be presented within the dissertation. No data will be used to identify the school district or the teachers,

and Sophia is happy to share the results of her study. This study will not involve students and will not disrupt classroom instruction. It is not funded, and there are no costs associated with it.

Nationwide studies show that currently 50% of children do not meet minimum daily physical activity recommendations. Sophia hopes that the results of her study will demonstrate the benefits of physical activity on the learning experience in the early elementary classroom setting and result in the increase of physical activities afforded to students throughout the school day.

D. POLICY - None

X. BOARD BUSINESS

- Ms. Weber reported that the Chatham High School Boys Hockey team lost to Summit. The Chatham High School twitter account put out a very nice, complimentary shout out to the Summit team.
- Ms. Clark asked for clarification on funding for new sports teams.
- Dr. LaSusa explained the current funding process for new sports teams.
- Dr. LaSusa reported that there is still one more snow day.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:04 PM Ms. Weber moved the following:

WHEREAS: The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: The Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss legal and personnel matters; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: The minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Ciccarelli and approved by unanimous voice vote.

XIII. PUBLIC SESSION – The board reconvened in Public Session at 8:23 PM

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Ms. Weber, seconded by Ms. Ciccarelli, and as approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Minutes recorded by:

Peter Daquila (E.S.)

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