

Fairfield Board of Education  
Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 7:30 P.M.  
Stevenson School - Library  
15 Knoll Road, Fairfield, NJ 07004

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fairfield Board of Education finds it necessary to meet in Executive Session (Closed to the Public) to discuss attorney/client privileged information, which is exempt from the Open Public Meetings Act.

Introduced by:                      Seconded by:                      Voice Vote

II. OPEN MEETING –PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

The Board will reconvene from Executive Session and Mr. Egan, President, will preside and voice the call to order at 7:30 p.m.

*The public meeting will be called to order at approximately 7:30 p.m., by Mr. Egan, Board President, by reading the following announcement to those present:*

“The public has been duly informed of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by posting, at least 48 hours in advance, a notice on the bulletin boards in Stevenson and Churchill Schools, a notice to the Township Clerk, and a notice to The Progress Newspaper.”

*Now, please join us for the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Jeffrey Didyk; Mr. Pat Freda; Mrs. Andrea Jandoli  
Mr. Robert Lombardy, Vice President; Mr. Brian Egan, President;  
Ms. Susan Ciccotelli, Superintendent of Schools; and  
Ms. Lyanna Rios, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON: *AGENDA ITEMS ONLY*

Guidelines in Accordance with Policy #0164:

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IV. ENROLLMENT

Grade/School	Total Students		
	6/30/17	10/12/18	
Preschool	41	27	-14
K – Stevenson	73	93	+20
1 – Stevenson	112	87	-25
2 – Stevenson	82	81	-1
3 – Stevenson	75	111	+36
SLD Class Churchill	N/A	3	+3
4 – Churchill	89	93	+4
5 – Churchill	105	79	-26
6 – Churchill	96	93	-3
Total:	673	668	-5

**PARCC PRESENTATION 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR RESULTS PRESENTED BY MR. VERRENGIA.**

V. PERSONNEL

A. Instructional

Recommended Motion: that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following club advisors at the stipend per contract, for a minimum of 15 sessions per year, retroactive to September 21, 2018.

Laurie Salter	Homework Club at Stevenson
Jennifer Gualtieri	Art Club at Stevenson

B. Non-Instructional

1. Hourly Rate Increase: Paraprofessional

Recommended Motion: that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves an increase from \$13.00 per hour to \$15.00 per hour for Deanna Carsillo for obtaining her substitute certificate, effective retroactively to October 1, 2018. All documentation is on file.

2. Employment: Playground/Cafeteria Aides

Recommended Motion: that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Sue Brunetti and Lauren Anderson as playground/cafeteria aides at Churchill School at \$10.50 per hour, effective pending receipt of all required documentation.

C. Substitutes

Recommended Motion: that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following substitutes, pending receipt of all required documentation.

Deanna Carsillo,	Teacher (currently an aide employee)
Elizabeth Matos	Teacher and Instructional/PG/C Aide
Lauren Anderson	Inst. Aide, Secretary (being hired as PG/C Aide)

VI. CURRICULUM/PROGRAM

A. Workshop Approval

Recommended Motion: that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves attendance at the following workshops and also approves the reimbursement of registration and/or mileage, expenses, which are to be reimbursed, pending completion of the workshops and submission of the travel reports. \*Lodging and meals included.

Staff	Workshop	Date	Place	Registration
Ratner, M.	ASHA Conv.	11/15-17/18	Boston	\$455
Prall, K.	Wilson 4 <sup>th</sup>	10/16 & 17/18	Newark	\$449
DeSordi, J.	Best Inst. Strategies	12/11/2018	Newark	\$269
Healy, S.	Students Who Start School Behind	12/11/18	Newark	\$259
Smith, R.	Practical Co-Teaching	12/11/2018	Newark	\$259

B. Good News

Stevenson School

- Kindergarten has started their new Social Studies program. They have been busy learning about being a good citizen. The young citizens learned about getting along with others, feelings, school rules, laws and confronting problems with solutions. The students are enjoying the magazine readers that go along with each one of THE Social Studies themes.
- The first graders learned how to make applesauce after learning about Johnny Appleseed. Each class made and tasted the applesauce. The students discussed and wrote their opinions about the process of making the applesauce and how it tasted. The classrooms and hallways smelled delicious!
- Second graders have been getting ready for Autumn! They created pumpkin math projects using dice for addition and making fact families. They finished their first writing unit in Empowering Writers. They have been practicing identifying narrative and expository/informative pieces of writing. Second graders have been analyzing and annotating each writing piece and predicting genre. They also have been learning how to work together to solve problems and practice math facts and skills through Math Games!
- Students in third grade have just finished their first novel, The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane. Students are working together to complete the culminating project. They will be completing their fall writing and will create narrative stories using a variety of different figurative language skills. Aligning with the new Science standards, the Science curriculum has been engaging students; and they are so excited to learn more!
- Student council had their first meeting. Thirty third graders have joined the student council this year. The first activity will be a collection for "The Blessing Bag Brigade." This organization collects every day toiletries for the homeless. Once items are collected, the organization has individuals with special needs work on their life skills by packing bags. Stevenson students will collect the following items from October 10 through 19: travel size lotion, toothpaste, shampoo, body wash, socks, and breakfast bars. They are hoping to fill many blessing bags through their collection.

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- HEP: Third grade students are beginning to construct their greenhouse pods for the garden out of water bottles, dowels, rubber bands, tape and other items. They have planned out their "greenhouse pod" using a diagram already! SO EXCITING!!!
- Stevenson students have been busy in the art studio. They have been working with a variety of art mediums to create autumn themed pictures to adorn the yellow hallway just in time for Halloween. Kindergartners and first graders have been learning about warm and cool colors, while second and third graders have been exploring the art element of line. Our artists are excited for their school community to enjoy their work in the near future!

Churchill School

- The fourth grade is diving into the world of addition and subtraction strategies in mathematics. The students effectively estimate sums and differences before solving word problems using three different estimation strategies. The students have been learning about energy explorations which have allowed them to experiment and learn. They have learned about different types of energy through different experiments such as using ping pong balls and marbles to learn about how energy is transferred and converted. Finally, the students are enjoying the adventures in their current novel, "The Cricket in Times Square." They are making inferences about character traits through specific actions and dialogue within the story.
- Fifth grade students are making amazing connections between studying area and volume in mathematics and matter's density (its mass compared to its volume) in science.
- As part of the Sixth grade Social Studies unit on Origins of Civilization, students had to bring in an artifact from home to present to their class. An object had to be at least twenty years old to be considered an artifact. Some of the most interesting ones were a 45 vinyl record for a turntable, a handmade wooden train set, a potato masher, a newspaper clipping about the end of World War II, a pocket watch, and a ticket to a World Series in which the Yankees won!

- Churchill students have been busy at work in the art studio. They are in the process of creating some fall themed pieces. The fourth graders are studying Pablo Picasso and the art movement of cubism, while fifth graders are experimenting with the medium of paint. Sixth graders are creating realistic drawings using chalk pastels that are sure to amaze. These student artists are excited for their school community to enjoy their work in the near future!

**All Curriculum/Program Recommendations:**

**Introduced by:      Seconded by:      Roll Call**

**VII. BUSINESS OFFICE RESOLUTIONS**

**A. Finance**

**1. Minutes Approval**

**Attachment A**

BE IT RESOLVED that “the following minutes be approved” from the September 20, 2018 Public & Executive Sessions.

**2. Bills/Claims/Payrolls**

**Attachment B**

BE IT RESOLVED “to approve the following Bills and Claims Lists and Payrolls”.

Bills and Claims List	\$705,376.63
September 30, 2018 Payroll	\$351,043.73
October 15, 2018 Payroll	\$358,672.02

**3. Bus Emergency Drills**

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills for the Fairfield Schools were held in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6a:27-11.2.

- Stevenson School held their drill on September 24, 2018 for routes 1-7 in the front of the school at 8:40 a.m. All routes were evacuated and supervised by Dr. Trabucco.
- Churchill School held their drill on September 24, 2018 for routes 8-13 at the bus drop off in front of the school at 8:25 a.m. All routes were evacuated and supervised by Mr. Santana.

4. Change of Use of Educational Space – Room at Winston S. Churchill

WHEREAS, the Fairfield Board of Education has a need for additional regular education classroom space for the 2019-2020 school year as a result of increased enrollment; and

WHEREAS, the district will submit, as per N.J.A.C. 6A:26-8.1, an application for Change of Use of Educational Space to the Essex County Executive Superintendent of Schools; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fairfield Board of Education approves and authorizes the Board Secretary/Business Administrator and Superintendent of Schools to execute appropriate documentation for submission to the Essex County Executive Superintendent of Schools.

5. Special Education Extra-Ordinary Aid 2017-2018

BE IT RESOLVED, “to accept and to appropriate the entire award amount of \$128,187 of Special Education Extra-Ordinary Aid for the 2017-2018 school year into the 2017-2018 Current Expense Budget. (This is \$13,437 more than the original budget of \$114,750).

6. Service Contract 2018-2019

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves an agreement with Cumberland Therapy Services, LLC, a subsidiary of Pediatric Therapy Services, LLC (d/b/a The Stepping Stones Group) for the period of September 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 for the following hourly rates and services as needed:

School Psychologist	\$85.00 per hour
Speech Language Pathologist	\$80.00 per hour
Bilingual Speech Language Pathologist	\$90.00 per hour
Occupational Therapist	\$79.00 per hour
Physical Therapist	\$80.00 per hour
Social Worker	\$60-62 per hour
Special Education Teacher	\$60-70 per hour
Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	\$80-85 per hour
BCBA	\$95.00 per hour
ABA Technician	\$35.00 per hour
Paraprofessional	\$30.00 per hour

Business Resolution Items Finance A: 1-6:

Introduced by:

Seconded by:

Roll Call

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

To Follow

IX. OLD BUSINESS

To Follow

X. NEW BUSINESS

To Follow

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT II ON: AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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XII. NEXT MEETING:

BE IT RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on November 15, 2018. Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. Public Session at 7:30 PM in the Library at Stevenson School.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting will be adjourned.

Introduced by:

Seconded by:

Voice Vote