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**Mansfield Township Board of Education  
Minutes Regular Meeting  
September 24, 2009**

**Call to Order**

Mr. Stabile opened the September 24, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Mansfield Township Board of Education at 7:38 p.m. with the following statement:

In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the time, date, and location of this meeting was sent to the Star-Gazette and Express-Times, May 6, 2009 was posted in the municipal building and the school lobby, and is on file with the Township Clerk.

**Roll Call**

Present: Mr. Jeff Stabile

Mr. John Bell

Dr. Clancy

Ms. Barbara Curto

Ms. Tracey Janowski

Mr. Kenneth Polakowski

Ms. Kari Reyes

Mr. Russell Uhrig

Mr. Richard Young

Absent:

Mr. Melitsky, Ms. Roszkowski and eleven community and/or staff member was present.

**Administrative Report**

Mr. Kemp reported on the status of the following items:

1. Enrollment keeps climbing. Currently, there are 714 students enrolled. **Enrollment**
2. The Executive County Superintendent recommended our district to the Governor's office as being one of the best prepared in Warren County with regard to the H1N1. The Governor will choose one of the schools recommended by Executive County Superintendent to visit. **H1N1 Preparedness**
3. Back to School Nights were held recently. We got great feedback from all the parents. **Back to School Nights**

**Public Participation**

1. Ms. Elodie Kearny, 311 Port Murray Road: Commended administration on a "wonderful opening of school year." We had a tremendous opening day with music and Spike welcoming everyone back. Everyone she spoke to was happy and excited to be back. **Thank You for a Great Welcome Back to School**

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| 2. | Ms. Kathleen Fluta, 296 Axford Avenue: Remarks were heard with regard to Bus A's lateness at the beginning of the school year, which has gotten better lately. She noticed that other buses were late as well and that other buses had problems. Bus A has broken/non-working seatbelts, no students have assigned seats, and the students are still standing when the bus driver pulls away. She stated that she is concerned and that these issues need to be addressed.  | <b>Bus A<br/>Concerns</b>               |
| 3. | Meghan Thomas, 401 Mt. Bethel Road: Noticed that child was hanging out the window and which is a safety concern. Her children are coming home with headaches because of the noise level on her bus.   | <b>Bus A<br/>Concerns</b>               |
| 4. | Dawn Sansavere, 570 Mt. Bethel Road: Commented that the bus is extremely noisy.   | <b>Bus A<br/>Concerns</b>               |
| 5. | Mr. Melitsky gave the following status report on the bus situation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was on the bus twice this week to speak to the students with regard to appropriate behavior while riding the bus. The students' behavior improved.</li> <li>• Seating chart is being developed and will be in place.</li> <li>• Seatbelts were checked – all were operating properly. One student said her belt was not working; however, it was found that the student didn't know how to use the belt properly and was instructed on its operation.</li> <li>• We have met with all individuals involved with bussing to try and resolve timing issues. We believe we are getting timing under control.</li> </ul> | <b>Bus A<br/>Concerns<br/>Addressed</b> |

### **Consent Agenda**

**On MOTION by Mr. Bell, second by Ms. Reyes** and further discussion regarding the minutes of September 10, 2009, it was decided to table same until the next meeting because Mr. Young believed that he was marked "present" and Mr. Uhrig believed he moved all of the resolutions under the finance section.

**Minutes  
Approval**

### **Approval Agenda Curriculum/Policy/Facilities**

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| 1. | <b>MOTION by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve a payment of \$236.73 to P. Schiesl for consultation work on Orientation Day, as recommended by the Superintendent. | <b>P. Schiesl<br/>Payment</b> |
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| 2. | <b>MOTION by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve P. Schiesl's request for a child rearing leave through June 30, 2010.  | <b>P. Schiesl<br/>LOA</b> |
| 3. | <b>MOTION by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education rescind Motion No. 9, Personnel, in the August 13, 2009, minutes appointing Angela Rotola as a maternity leave replacement effective September 1, 2009, through December 23, 2009, Step BA-1 at a salary of \$44,315 (criminal history check completed), as recommended by the Superintendent. | <b>Rescind<br/>Motion</b> |
| 4. | <b>MOTION by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve Angela Rotola as a <b>full-year</b> , maternity leave replacement effective September 1, 2009, through <b>June 30, 2010</b> , Step BA-1 at a salary of \$44,315 (criminal history check completed), as recommended by the Superintendent.  | <b>A. Rotola</b>          |
| 5. | <b>MOTION by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by majority vote [Mr. Polakowski abstained on L. Polakowski] that the Board of Education approve the September 23, 2009, Substitute List (striking "Dubiel" from list as no first name was offered) as recommended by the Superintendent.  | <b>Sub Roster</b>         |

**Approval Agenda  
Curriculum/Policy/Facilities**

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| 1. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Curto, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve the Integrated Pest Management Program for FY 2009/2010.  | <b>IPM</b>                         |
| 2. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Curto, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the Mansfield Township Police Department and the Mansfield Township Board of Education. | <b>Memorandum<br/>of Agreement</b> |

**Approval Agenda  
Finance**

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| 1. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer's and Secretary's monthly financial reports as of July 2009, with a balance of \$1,203,277.92.  | <b>Secretary/<br/>Treasurer's<br/>Reports</b> |
| 2. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous roll call vote that the Board of Education resolve that after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report (appropriations section) and consultation of the appropriate district officials, the Board of Education | <b>Certification</b>                          |

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certifies that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(b) for the month of July 2009, with a balance of \$1,203,277.92.

3. **MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell** and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve the following bills list:
 

**Bills List**

  - September 11, 2009, through September 24, 2009, in the amount of \$395,298.08.
  
4. **MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell** and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve staff travel as per the September 24, 2009, report.
 

**Travel**
  
5. **MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell** and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education accept IDEA funding and approve submittal of grant application for the following amounts:
 

**IDEA Funding & Grant Submittal**

  - Basic - \$162,408.00
  - Preschool - \$ 7,029.00
  
6. **MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell** and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education accept IDEA ARRA funding and approve submittal of grant application for the following amounts:
 

**IDEA ARRA Funding & Grant Submittal**

  - Basic - \$151,927.00
  
7. **MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell** and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education accept NCLB (No Child Left Behind) funding and approve submittal of grant application for the following amounts:
 

**NCLB Funding & Grant Submittal**

  - Title I-A \$77,193.00
  - Title II-A 33,245.00
  - Title II-D 772.00
  - Title III 1,518.00
  - Title IV 1,882.00
  
8. **MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell** and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education accept NCLB ARRA Title I funding and approve submittal of grant application for the following amount:
 

**Title I ARRA Funding & Grant Submittal**

  - Title I-A ARRA \$21,756.00

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| 9.  | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve bedside instruction, effective immediately, by St. Claire's staff for IG at \$49 per hour, one hour per day.                               | <b>Bedside<br/>Instruction</b>                 |
| 10. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve the following signatories for the Skylands Community Bank Maintenance Account:   | <b>Maintenance<br/>Account<br/>Signatories</b> |
|     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two of the following four signatures: President, Vice President, Business Administrator, Treasurer.</li> </ul>   |  |
| 11. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education accept NJ Child Assault Prevention (CAP) K-6 Program grant in the amount of \$900, leaving the District's responsibility for the program at \$866. | <b>NJ CAP<br/>Grant</b>                        |
| 12. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve Void Check # 20845, dated, June 24, 2009, for Net Access Corp.   | <b>Void Check</b>                              |
| 13. | <b>MOTION by Ms. Reyes, second by Mr. Bell</b> and carried by unanimous vote that the Board of Education approve the September 24, 2009 Transfer Report in the amount of \$480,405 as follows:  | <b>Transfers</b>                               |
|     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fund 16 ARRA – ESF: \$462,501</li> <li>• Fund 17 ARRA – GSF: \$ 17,904</li> </ul>  |  |

### Public Participation

None

### Discussion

Mr. Stabile asked Mr. Kemp to thank Mr. Young on behalf of the Board for his efforts with regard to the technology roll-out.

**Thank You,  
Mr. Young**

### Adjournment

**MOTION by Ms. Curto, seconded by Mr. Bell** and carried by all ayes that the September 24, 2009, Regular Meeting be adjourned.

(8:09 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Roszkowski  
SBA/Board Secretary

Rich Young  
Vice President