

GLEN ROCK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Glen Rock, New Jersey 07452
DARIO VALCARCEL, JR. MEDIA CENTER
February 13, 2017
- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES -

President Torsiello called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, the Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting has been sent to all school offices, officially designated newspapers, filed with the Borough Clerk and posted in the Board of Education office, forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Brennan, Ms. Carr, Ms. Hillock, Mr. Hirschberg, Mr. Jadick, Ms. McNabola, Mr. Ohri (at 8:20 PM), Ms. Scarpelli, Mr. Torsiello

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Paula Valenti, Superintendent of Schools
 Mr. Michael Rinderknecht, Business Administrator/
 Board Secretary
 9 Members of the Public
 1 Press Representative(s)

WORK / REGULAR SESSION CALL TO ORDER: 8:00 PM

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
PRESENT	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√
ABSENT							√		

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING

In accordance with P.L. 1975 Chapter 231, notice of tonight's meeting was mailed to The Record and The Ridgewood News on January 10, 2017. Notice of this meeting was also mailed to the Borough Clerk and was posted on the bulletin board of the Board of Education Office in the Administration Building on the same date. Copies of the procedures in effect for Regular Board Meetings are available for the public at tonight's meeting.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Glen Rock School District, an integral part of a supportive community founded on the principles of education, embraces its students as its highest priority by providing an exceptional education and opportunities for personal development of the whole child in a secure environment through a comprehensive, innovative and rigorous curriculum and co-curricular activities to foster productive and responsible citizens of the globally connected society.

STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied and the Board of Education President concurs that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then placed on the agenda at the next Board of Education meeting. The members of the Board work with the administration and the Superintendent of Schools to assure that they fully understand the matter. After the Committee of the Whole approves the matter, it is placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The rules for public input at board meetings are contained in Glen Rock Regulation 1120 - copies are available at each meeting.

Meeting opened to public comments at 8:06 PM.

A resident stated that she is opposed to the current activity fee structure.

Meeting closed to public comments at 8:09 PM.

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

- Midyear Sage Summary Report
- Draft 2017/18 School Year Calendars

The Board discussed the draft calendars; they will focus on draft A and bring any further suggestions to the February 27th meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- Community Planning Student Participants
Presenter: Dr. Paula Valenti

RECOMMENDED TIMEFRAME
NO MORE THAN 20 MINUTES PER CONTENT AREA

PERSONNEL

Motion made by **Ms. Hillock** Seconded by **Mr. Hirschberg** to approve Resolutions P1 through P3 as listed below.

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

P1. Be it resolved that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves the appointment of the following long-term replacement teacher for the 2016-2017 school year:

Name	School	Position	Start/End Date	Step (Salary)	Account Number
Nicole Hickey	Middle	Grade 6	2/14/2017 - 6/30/2017	BA/Step 1 \$50,044 prorated to start date	11.130.100.101.21.14.213

P2. Be it resolved that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, accepts with regret, the resignation of the following staff for retirement reasons, in accordance with the provisions of the GRBOE/GREA negotiated agreement:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Linda McElroy	Music Teacher, Central	7/1/2017

P3. Be it resolved that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves the appointment of the following district substitutes for the 2016-2017 school year.

Name	Category	Certification Status
Kristen Graham	Teacher	NJ State Certification
Nicole Hickey	Teacher	NJ State Certification

➤ **Fiscal Management**
○ Discussion

Mr. Rinderknecht provided budget documents updated earlier today and noted the changes.

- Continued Discussion of Recommended Administrative Budgetary Adds/Adjustments

The Board discussed two additional meeting dates to discuss budgetary items; Mr. Torsiello proposed Saturday, February 25th at 8:30 AM and Wednesday, March 8th at 7:00 PM. The majority of the Board agreed to those dates and times.

Motion made by Ms. Carr Seconded by Mr. Ohri to extend this discussion by an additional 15 minutes.

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

Motion made by Ms. Scarpelli Seconded by Mr. Jadick to extend this discussion by an additional 15 minutes.

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√		√	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO		√							
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

- Continued Discussion of Activity Fees (*tabled until 2/25/17*)
- Potential Elimination of Middle School Sports offered by GR Recreation

The Board discussed the possible elimination of sports at the Middle School level which are already offered by the Borough’s Recreation program.

Motion made by Ms. Carr Seconded by Mr. Jadick to eliminate redundant Middle School sports; specifically Boys/Girls Soccer, Boys/Girls Basketball, Girls Softball and Boys Baseball.

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√	√		√		√	√	√	√
NO			√		√				
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

Motion made by Ms. Scarpelli Seconded by Mr. Ohri to extend this discussion by an additional 15 minutes.

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√		√	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO		√							
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

- General Fund Tax Levy Comfort Level
- 2% CAP, Statutory Adjustments and Banked CAP
- Discussion of potential budget cuts
- Other
- Old Business
- New Business/Regular Public meeting items
- Actionable items

➤ **Operations**

- Discussion
 - Capital Projects for inclusion in 2017/18 Budget

Motion made by Mr. Jadick Seconded by Ms. Hillock to implement Capital Project items 1-5 as presented (with the exception of the Middle School tile project)

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√	√	√ (except tennis court repair)	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

- Old Business
- New Business/Regular Public meeting items
- Actionable items

OTHER

➤ Liaisons

Mr. Torsiello advised the joint Borough/BOE meeting will be March 8th at 5:30 PM.

➤ Municipal Alliance Meeting - traffic and field use study

Dr. Valenti advised there is nothing new to report; she noted what has happened thus far.

Dr. Valenti advised she received a request from a Board member to submit a workshop proposal to the NJSBA on the topic of 5YSP.

Motion made by Mr. Jadick Seconded by Ms. Scarpelli to submit to the NJSBA a workshop proposal on 5YSP topic.

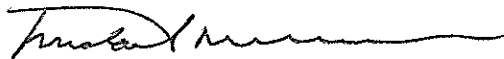
	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Ms. Hillock Seconded by Ms. Carr to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 13, 2017 at 11:26 PM.

	Dr. Brennan	Ms. Carr	Ms. Hillock	Mr. Hirschberg	Mr. Jadick	Ms. McNabola	Mr. Ohri	Ms. Scarpelli	Mr. Torsiello
YES	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
NO									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Rinderknecht
Business Administrator/ Board Secretary