

**MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018
BOARD ROOM
MINUTES**

Board: President, Kathryn Chandless. Vice President, Matthew Bilker, Leonard Altieri, Barbara Harvey, Matthew Catania, Atsuh J. Baker, Matthew DeNucci, Nicholas Reynolds, John McKenzie

Solicitor: Mr. Mark Sereni, Esquire

Administration: Dr. Connie Bompadre, Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Mr. James Orwig, Mr. Gerry Rodichok, Mrs. Heather Logue

Press: 0

Audience: 14

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Chandless called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Altieri led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENT

Mr. Altieri, Mr. Bilker, Mr. Catania, Mrs. Chandless, Mr. DeNucci, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Reynolds

8 members present ~ Mr. Baker absent

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mrs. Chandless asked for a motion to accept the agenda, as presented.

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Bilker

Mr. Catania ~ addition to Other Reports #11, Mr. Bilker ~ #13 Human Resources, Mr. Catania #14 Budget and Finance, Mr. Reynolds #15 Facilities and Transportation

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 8 – 0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

None

6. WE ARE PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

None

7. COMMENDATIONS

None

8. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

None ~ Student Representatives were not in attendance. The Board did have a question regarding the plan of the student body had planned for March 14th. There was a student in the audience that the Board asked what he thought the plan was that the entire student body would exit the High School in the back and stand in silence for 17 minutes then return to regular classes. The Board would like to be advised as to what the final plan is and that they are in support of the students. They would like communication be made with the Board and the parents once the final plan is made. Again, the Board supports the students and they want them to be safe.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None

10. SECRETARY'S MINUTES

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

11. OTHER REPORTS

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the tuition agreement for Student No. 803705 to attend the Concept School for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year. This is a new placement.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve Student No. 803705 to attend the Concept School as per the "In Lieu of FAPE" agreement for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year. This is a new agreement.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the proposal for services from SERAPH Corporation to provide assessment and recommendations regarding the school district's security and emergency management policies and procedures in the amount of \$18,500.00, as amended.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 8 – 0

12. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

12.01 Committee Report – Leonard B. Altieri, III, Chairperson

12.02 Administrative Trips

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Mr. Richard Slonaker, Coordinator of Assessment and Information Management, to attend the PDE Data Quality Summit in Hershey, Pennsylvania from March 26 to March 28, 2018. This provides training, guidelines, and updates to state reporting requirements. The cost of the conference is \$300.00, lodging, \$268.00, and mileage \$108.00. The total cost to the district is \$676.00.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Catania

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Dr. Constance Bompadre to attend the Women's Caucus Annual Conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania from Sunday, May 6 to Monday, May 7, 2018. Dr. Bompadre is a presenter at the conference. The cost of the conference is \$289.00. The cost for lodging is \$243.09. The total cost to the district is \$532.09.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Dr. Dorie Martin-Pitone to attend the Women's Caucus Annual Conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania from Sunday, May 6 to Monday, May 7, 2018. Dr. Pitone is a presenter at the conference. The cost of the conference is \$289.00. The cost for lodging is \$243.09. The cost for transportation is \$91.56. The total cost to the district is \$623.65.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

12.03 Student Trips

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Jill Gill and Laura Risley, teachers, to accompany the Marple Newtown High School Bocce Team to travel to Hershey Park in Hershey, Pennsylvania for the PIAA Unified Indoor Bocce State Championships Special Olympics on March 21 and March 22, 2018. The activity and lodging is paid for by Special

Olympics. The cost of transportation is \$1060.69. The total cost to the district is \$1060.69.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve Dr. Helene White, teacher, to accompany her Marple Newtown High School grade 11 English Class to travel to the Walt Whitman House in Camden, New Jersey for a guided tour of Whitman's former residence to learn of his works and poetry on April 19, 2018. The cost of transportation is \$200.00 paid by the students. The cost of the activity is \$7.00 per student paid by the students. There is no cost to the district.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Catania

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

12.04 Donation

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to approve a donation from the Marple Township Ambulance Corps of five (5) outdated/obsolete AED's to Marple Newtown High School. Marple Newtown High School will take full responsibility of the units and completely understands these units cannot be used as an actual AED. The units will not be used in actual emergency situations. The Physical Education and Health Department at the high school will store and utilize the units until deemed outdated for training purposes. At the conclusion of the AED's training life Marple Newtown High School will dispose of the units and make sure they cannot be reused.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Bilker

After a brief discussion motion tabled 8 – 0, until further information can be obtained.

12.05 Policy

Mr. Altieri asked for a motion to waive the first reading and approve the Electronic Communication Devices Policy No. 237, as presented.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Catania

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13. HUMAN RESOURCES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

13.01 Committee Report – Matthew J. Bilker, Chairperson

13.02 Retirements

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional retirement(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Ashley Hunter – Social Studies Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 19, 2018
Reason: Retirement
- 2) MaryAlexis Fahnestock – Family and Consumer Science Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 19, 2018
Reason: Retirement

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

The Board wished both well on their retirement

13.03 Terminations

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified termination(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Efthymia Kazantzidis – LTS Special Education Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Effective: February 28, 2018
Reason: End of Assignment

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.04 Resignations

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional resignation(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Gina Johnston – Elementary Teacher
Worrall Elementary School
Effective: February 16, 2018
Reason: Resignation

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified resignation(s) item(s) 1.

- 1) Sunday Babalola – Custodian (part-time)
Gauntlett Center/Administration Building
Effective: February 23, 2018
Reason: Resignation

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.05 Leaves

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional leave(s) item(s) 1 through 6.

- 1) Galen Mooney – English Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: April 30, 2018 through June 19, 2018
Reason: Sick Leave: April 30, 2018 through and including June 19, 2018
FMLA: April 30, 2018 through and including June 19, 2018
- 2) Alyssa Galligan – Special Education Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: April 2, 2018 through June 19, 2018
Reason: Sick Leave: April 2, 2018 through and including April 25, 2018
FMLA: April 2, 2018 through and including June 19, 2018
- 3) Emily Lovitz - Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Effective: January 29, 2018 through April 27, 2018
Reason: Sick Leave: January 29, 2018 through and including March 12, 2018
FMLA: January 29, 2018 through and including April 27, 2018
- 4) Ronald Braverman – Health and Physical Education Teacher
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: March 8, 2018 through March 23, 2018
Reason: Sick Leave: March 8, 2018 through and including March 23, 2018
- 5) Michelle McAlea – Gifted Education Teacher
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Effective: January 16, 2018
Reason: Intermittent FMLA
- 6) Pamela Sarikianos – School Counselor

Culbertson Elementary School
Effective: February 9, 2018 through February 28, 2018
Reason: Sick Leave: February 9, 2018 through and including
February 28, 2018

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified leave(s) item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) Dominique Summers – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Effective: February 16, 2018 through March 30, 2018
Reason: Medical Leave
- 2) Linda Smeddy – Bus Aide
Transportation Department
Effective: February 24, 2018 through March 10, 2018
Reason: Medical Leave
- 3) Joanne Goodman – Non-Instructional Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Effective: April 17, 2018 through June 15, 2018
Reason: Medical Leave

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.06 Return from Leave

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following administrative return from leave(s) item(s) 1 and 2.

- 1) Carol Cary – Superintendent of Schools
District
Return Date: March 19, 2018
Returning from: Medical Leave
- 2) Josephine Johnston – Curriculum Supervisor
District
Return Date: March 5, 2018
Returning from: Medical Leave

Motion made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified return from leave(s) item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) Anna Caton – Special Education Assistant
Russell Elementary School
Return Date: March 1, 2018
Returning from: Medical Leave
- 2) Andrea Tamaccio – Bus Driver
Transportation Department
Return Date: March 5, 2018
Returning from: Medical Leave
- 3) Joanne Fuller - Custodian
Marple Newtown High School
Return Date: February 25, 2018
Returning from: Medical Leave

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.07 Appointments

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following administrative appointment(s), item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) James Gallagher – Director of Operations
District
Salary: \$110,000.00
Effective: March 1, 2018
Reason: Replacing Michael Dumin (Resignation)
- 2) Daniel McCormick – Coordinator of Facilities
District
Salary: \$87,000.00
Effective: March 1, 2018
Reason: Replacing James Gallagher (Reassignment)
- 3) Robert Flanagan – Security/Safety Personnel
Paxon Hollow Middle School
Salary: \$16.00 per hour

Effective: March 12, 2018
Reason: Replacing Benjamin Trexler (Resignation)

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Driscoll introduced Mr. Gallagher who was in the audience.

PROFESSIONAL

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following professional appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 5.

- 1) Christina Callaghan - Elementary Teacher
Culbertson Elementary School
Salary: \$48,713.00 (pro-rated BA-Step 4)
Effective: Start date contingent upon release from present employer
Reason: Replacing Holly O'Mahoney (Resignation)
- 2) Lauren Crawford – LTS Elementary Teacher
Loomis Elementary School
Salary: \$45,559.00 (pro-rated BA Step-1)
Effective: February 5, 2018 through and including May 1, 2018
Reason: Replacing Emily Lovitz (Medical Leave/FMLA)
- 3) Laura Risley – Homebound Instructor
District assignment
Salary: \$31.00 per hour
Effective: February 5, 2018
Reason: As needed
- 4) Johnna Baccile – Homebound Instructor
District assignment
Salary: \$31.00 per hour
Effective: February 5, 2018
Reason: As needed
- 5) Larissa Newlin – LTS School Psychologist
Worrall Elementary School
Salary: \$62,628.00 (pro-rated Ed.D/PhD-Step 1)
Effective: March 22, 2018 through and including June 19, 2018
Reason: Replacing Catalina Ottinger-Ovens (Medical Leave/FMLA)

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

CLASSIFIED

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following classified appointment(s), pending the completion of all necessary pre-employment requirements, item(s) 1 through 3.

- 1) Rochella Moore – Classified Substitute
District
Salary: TBD by assignment/Operations Department
Effective: February 28, 2018
Reason: As Needed
- 2) Efthymia Kazantzidis - Special Education Assistant
Worrall Elementary School
Salary: \$14,688.00 (pro-rated)
Effective: March 1, 2018
Replacing: New Position (approved by MNSD School Board on January 23, 2018)
- 3) Lauren Kincade - Non-Instructional Assistant
Worrall Elementary School
Salary: \$11.14 per hour
Effective: March 1, 2018
Replacing: Efthymia Kazantzidis (Resignation)

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.08 Position Reduction/Abolishment

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the abolishment of the following Act 93 position, effective February 28, 2018:

One (1) Maintenance Supervisor (Operations Department)

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.09 Position Creation

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the creation of one (1) Maintenance Worker position assigned to the District Operations Department at an hourly rate of \$27.88, in accordance with the current MNNIEA Agreement effective March 1, 2018.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.10 Transfers**CLASSIFIED**

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the classified transfers, item(s) 1.

Name	From	Assignment	To	Assignment
1. Aveda Kitzabjian	Culbertson	Special Education Asst.	Russell	Special Education Asst.

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

13.11 Supplementary Contracts

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the following supplemental resignation (s), Item (s) 1 through 3 as amended

- 1) Hank King – 2nd Assistant Coach, Baseball
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 30, 2017
Reason: Resignation
- 2) Andrew Brandt – Assistant Coach, Boys Track (Field Events)
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 30, 2017
Reason: Resignation
- 3) Michael Willard – Assistant Coach, Girls Track (Field Events)
Marple Newtown High School
Effective: June 30, 2017
Reason: Resignation

Motion made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mr. Catania

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 8 – 0

13.12 Administrative Salaries

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the compensation increase for Joseph Driscoll for the 2017 – 2018 school year to the amount of \$207,791.00 per year, effective July 1, 2017 as amended.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 8 – 0

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the compensation increase for Constance Bompadre for the 2017 – 2018 school year to the amount of \$181,412.00 per year, effective July 1, 2017 as amended.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed amended 8 – 0

Mr. Bilker advised that both of these motions were annual increases.

13.13 Substitute Superintendent Rate

Mr. Bilker asked for a motion to approve the per diem rate of \$150.00 per workday for Joseph Driscoll while performing the services of Substitute Superintendent during the period of November 29, 2017 through March 18, 2018 (78 total workdays), as amended

Motion was made by Mr. Catania, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 8 – 0

14. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

14.01 Committee Report – A. J. Baker, Chairperson

14.02 Bills for Payment

In the absence of Mr. Baker, Mr. Catania gave the following report:

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,592,602.31 and Food Service bills in the amount of \$202,365.77.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

14.03 Monthly Reports

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve monthly financial reports for December 2017. Treasurer's Report for January 2018, and Budget Transfers for January 2018.

Informational item monthly financial report for January 2018.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

14.03 IN Community Magazine

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to accept agreement with IN Community Magazine in the amount of \$800.00 per issue not to exceed \$3,200.00 per year.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Altieri

After a brief discussion motion passed 8 – 0

14.04 Donations

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to accept \$500.00 Grant from Exxon Mobil Education Alliance Program for the Marple Newtown High School.

Motion was made by Mr. Altieri, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to accept \$824.86 check from the Marple Newtown High School Class of 1982 for the Robotics Club.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to accept \$2,290.00 check from William Culbertson PTO for Venture Grants for Culbertson Elementary School.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to accept \$3,500.00 of Soccer equipment from Ron Klos for the boys and girls soccer teams at the Marple Newtown High School.

Motion was made by Mr. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. Altieri

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to accept \$5,000.00 check from Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rhodes.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. DeNucci

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Driscoll advised that the funds will be going to Robotics.

14.05 Taxpayer Request for Abatement of Penalty

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the request to abate and refund the penalty on Folio 25-00-02014-00 in the amount of \$270.58.

Motion was made by Mr. Bilker, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

Roll Call Vote ~ motion failed 2 – 5 – 1 Abstention

Those Board members voting yes were Mr. Altieri and Mr. Catania, Abstention Mr. McKenzie

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the request to abate and refund the penalty on Folio 30-00-01802-27 in the amount of \$1,371.39.

Roll Call Vote ~ motion failed 2 – 5 – 1 Abstention

Those Board members voting yes were Mr. Altieri and Mr. Catania, Abstention Mr. McKenzie

14.06 Equipment Purchases

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to purchase twelve (12) cafeteria tables, total cost is \$17,775.00. Prices are based on the PA Co-Stars Contract No. 035-007.

Motion was made by Mr. DeNucci, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to authorize \$17,775.00 transfer from Budgetary Reserve account.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Chandless

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to purchase radios for Transportation, total cost is \$24,985.00. Prices are based on the PA Co-Stars Contract No. 12-166.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to authorize \$24,985.00 transfer from Budgetary Reserve account.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to purchase 60 classroom desks and 60 chairs from Nickerson Corporation at a cost of \$7,380.00. Prices are based on the PA State Contract No. 4400004410

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to authorize \$7,380.00 transfer from Budgetary Reserve account.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Reynolds

With no further discussion motion passed 8 – 0

14.07 Request for Proposal – Food Service

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to authorize administration to solicit proposal from Food Service Management Companies for the district's food service operations as amended.

Motion was made by Mrs. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 7 – 1

The Board member voting no was Mr. Altieri.

14.08 Professional Service Agreement

Mr. Catania asked for a motion to approve the agreement with Carol H. Gilbert Consulting to develop the Food Service Management Company request for proposal, and oversee the required process, in the amount of \$1,800.00 pending final review of the solicitor, as amended.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mrs. Harvey

With no further discussion motion passed as amended 7 - 1 (the no vote casted by Mr. Altieri)

15. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

15.01 Committee Report – Nicholas J. Reynolds, Sr., Chairperson

15.02 Purchase of Radios for Paxon Hollow Middle School

Mr. Reynolds asked for the following motions:

To approve the purchase of fourteen (14) digital radios at Paxon Hollow Middle School not to exceed \$6,900.00.

15.03 Vehicle Disposal

To approve the disposal of a 1991 Chevrolet pickup truck, VIN 1GCDM15Z6MB177116. This vehicle will be scrapped by an outside contractor due to the size and condition of the truck.

15.04 Facility Use

To approve Marple Newtown Youth Lacrosse program (boys and girls) access to the high school stadium on their scheduled dates.

15.05 Wolfington Body Company

To approve the addition of one (1) nine (9) passenger vehicle to the current lease with Wolfington Body Company in the amount of \$9,000.00 per school year pro-rated to the amount of \$4,500.00 for the remainder of the 2017 – 2018 school year as amended.

Motion was made by Mrs. Chandless, seconded by Mr. Bilker

With no further discussion 3 motions passed 8 – 0, 1 motion passed as amended 8 – 0

16. DELAWARE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT

None

17. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

None

18. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT TO THE BOARD

None

19. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

A parent questioned what was going to take place at the Middle School on March 14th. Her student has said that the students were planning something.

Response: Mr. Driscoll said that only the High School would be involved on the 14th. He will contact the Principal at Paxton to discuss with her.

A parent wanted to know who SERAPH is and what would they be doing.

Response: SERAPH is a national company that will do an audit on our security and give recommendations on what we should do, if anything to improve what we are presently doing for security. They will also meet with the Board, Teachers and Administration.

A parent spoke about the security at Paxton Hollow. While she loves Mrs. Townsend she does not feel that she should be our first line of defense

A parent spoke and said that she would be open to metal detectors if need be.

20. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Catania again reiterated that the number one concern for our students on March 14th is safety.

21. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business for the Board, Mrs. Chandless adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph Driscoll
Board Secretary