



# Mansfield Township School District

## Board of Education Monthly Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2022

### I. Meeting Started 2:02pm

#### Open Public Meeting Statement

*The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of 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 the Act, the Mansfield Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof communicated to the Burlington County Times, and under the emergency regulations by providing electronic notice in lieu of the traditional "adequate notice" of notifying the newspaper.*

*At times, it may appear to members of our audience that the board of education takes action with very little, if any, comment and, in many cases, a unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter and is satisfied that it is ready to be presented to the board of education. The matter may have been previously discussed at the work session meeting. Board members preview the agenda items and discuss questionable items with the Superintendent or Business Administrator so that when they attend the meeting, there is usually no further need to question the issue. Only then is it voted upon as an action item at a public meeting.*

#### Salute to the Flag

#### Roll Call of Board Member

Stephen Thomas	<i>Present</i>	Andrea Melton	<i>Present</i>
Emily Green	<i>Present</i>	Allyson Johnston	<i>Absent</i>
Abbey True Harris	<i>Absent</i>	Ryan Ballard	<i>Present</i>
James Sullivan	<i>Present</i>	Frank Armenante	<i>Present</i>
Simmer Bains	<i>Present</i>		

**Administrators**

Tiffany Moutis, Superintendent	<i>Present</i>	Glenn Kershner, MTES Principal	<i>Present</i>
Danielle Dolci, Business Adm/Bd Sec	<i>Present</i>	Stacy Cullari, JHES Principal	<i>Present</i>
Fred Knaak, Facilities Manager	<i>Present</i>	Kelly Gamez, Director of Curr. & Inst.	<i>Present</i>
Jason Shainline, Sup. of Special Services	<i>Present</i>		

**II. Public Comment**

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of providing an opportunity to the public to express themselves on school-related matters of concern to the residents of Mansfield Township. To allow for a fair and orderly public comment period and in accordance with Board Policy no. 1120, individual comments are limited to three minutes and the total time for the public comment session will be thirty minutes. To protect the privacy of all students and staff, concerns regarding individual students and staff members should generally be addressed by first meeting with the appropriate administrative staff.

*Aaron Zellins - 15 Hickory Lane - Hopes the District ends the quarantine and reminded that he has provided the Board with data.*

**III. Executive Session started at 2:07pm (Estimated Time: 30-45 minutes)**

**Motion to Open Executive Session**

Moved by: Andrea Melton

Seconded by: James Sullivan

Stephen Thomas	<i>Aye</i>	Andrea Melton	<i>Aye</i>
Emily Green	<i>Aye</i>	Allyson Johnston	<i>Absent</i>
Abbey True Harris	<i>Absent</i>	Ryan Ballard	<i>Aye</i>
James Sullivan	<i>Aye</i>	Frank Armenante	<i>Aye</i>
Simmer Bains	<i>Aye</i>		

N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq provides that a public body may hold a closed session under certain statutory exceptions to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act with a general description of the exceptions being as follows:

1. Items forbidden by specific legal action
2. Right to receive federal funds
3. Invasion of individual privacy
4. Collective bargaining negotiations
5. Purchase/lease/acquisition of real property
6. Items where immediate disclosure would impair public safety
7. Any matter anticipating litigation or contract negotiation
8. Terms and conditions of employment/personnel matters
9. Penalty or loss of license to an individual

The President of the Board of Education has determined that such a circumstance exists which warrants a closed executive session under **item(s) #7** as above indicated and that the conducting of a closed executive session was duly authorized by the adoption of this Resolution. The subject to be discussed is as follows:

- Any matter anticipating litigation or contract negotiation

**Motion to Adjourn Executive Session at 3:24pm**

Moved by: James Sullivan

Seconded by: Ryan Ballard

Stephen Thomas	<i>Aye</i>	Andrea Melton	<i>Aye</i>
Emily Green	<i>Aye</i>	Allyson Johnston	<i>Absent</i>
Abbey True Harris	<i>Absent</i>	Ryan Ballard	<i>Aye</i>
James Sullivan	<i>Aye</i>	Frank Armenante	<i>Aye</i>
Simmer Bains	<i>Aye</i>		

**IV. Superintendent's Recommendations**

The following items are presented for approval as recommendations by the Superintendent of Schools.

**A. Personnel and Administration**

- Resolve to approve the following individual for employment for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

Name	Replacement/ New Position	Position/ Location	UPC Number	Effective Date	Salary	FTE
Tariq, Shazia	Conner	JHES	AID.EXT.030.01	on or after 03/07/2022	\$19,821.66 Step 1 \$14.58/hr + \$1.00/hr for Bachelors	1.00 7.25 hrs for 165 days + 4.75 hrs for 16 days

- Resolve to approve the transfer for the following employee.

Name	Former Position	Former UPC Number	Former Salary	New Position	New UPC Number	New Salary	Effective Date
Ramos, Justine (Vacant Position)	Lunch/Recess Aide - P/T - MTES	AID.GEN.040.01	\$6,014.25 (\$14.58/hr) FTE: 0.35 2.5 hrs/day for 165 days	Extraordinary Aide - F/T - JHES	AID.EXT.030.02	\$18,549.41 (\$14.58/hr) FTE: 1.00 7.25 hs/day for 165 days + 4.75 hrs/day for 16 days	03/07/2022

**Motion to Move Items**

Moved by: James Sullivan

Seconded by: Andrea Melton

Stephen Thomas	<i>Aye</i>	Andrea Melton	<i>Aye</i>
Emily Green	<i>Aye</i>	Allyson Johnston	<i>Absent</i>
Abbey True Harris	<i>Absent</i>	Ryan Ballard	<i>Absent</i>
James Sullivan	<i>Aye</i>	Frank Armenante	<i>Aye</i>
Simmer Bains	<i>Aye</i>		

**B. Policies and Procedures**

1. Resolve to approve the revision to the Mansfield Township School District Restart Plan.
2. Resolve to approve the revision (page 12) to the Student Code of Conduct 2021-2022.

**Motion to Move Items**

Moved by: Emily Green

Seconded by: Andrea Melton

Stephen Thomas	<i>Aye</i>	Andrea Melton	<i>Aye</i>
Emily Green	<i>Aye</i>	Allyson Johnston	<i>Absent</i>
Abbey True Harris	<i>Absent</i>	Ryan Ballard	<i>Aye</i>
James Sullivan	<i>Aye</i>	Frank Armenante	<i>Aye</i>
Simmer Bains	<i>Aye</i>		

**V. Adjournment**

WHEREAS, there being no further business of the Mansfield Township Board of Education to attend to on this 3rd day of March, 2022; now, therefore, be it  
 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the March, 2022 meeting of the Mansfield Township Board of Education be and is hereby adjourned at 3:29pm.

Moved by: Andrea Melton

Seconded by: Steve Thomas

Stephen Thomas	<i>Aye</i>	Andrea Melton	<i>Aye</i>
Emily Green	<i>Aye</i>	Allyson Johnston	<i>Absent</i>
Abbey True Harris	<i>Absent</i>	Ryan Ballard	<i>Aye</i>
James Sullivan	<i>Aye</i>	Frank Armenante	<i>Aye</i>
Simmer Bains	<i>Aye</i>		

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Danielle Dolci  
Secretary to the Board



Frank Armenante, President

{OFFICIAL SEAL}

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*CERTIFICATION OF THE BOARD SECRETARY*

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**Public Present:**

- Aaron Zellins
- Gina Heil
- Breanna Weinhofer
- Beth Pigott
- Angela Candelario
- Andrew Mancuso
- Desiree Mancuso
- Amy Guerin
- Fred Knaak
- Glenn Kershner
- Grace Porrini
- Jase Firtek
- Jason Shainline
- Jessica DiQuinzio
- Jill Ballard
- Kelly Gamez
- Kristine Patton
- Maureen Konopada
- Stacy Brophy
- Tara Kowalczyk

