

**KINNELON BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION
7:00 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021**

MINUTES

The Work Session Meeting of the Kinnelon Board of Education was held on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the Kinnelon High School Auditorium.

I. OPENING OF THE MEETING BY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Michael Petruccelli, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and read the Meeting Notice.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provision of the act, the Kinnelon Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published in the Suburban Trends on June 20, 2021, posted in the Kinnelon Public Library, filed with the Borough Clerk and posted on the District web site.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT	Mr. Michael Petruccelli, President Dr. Peter Hughes, Vice-President Mrs. Karen D'Amico Mrs. Jean Donaldson Ms. Michelle Donus Mrs. Megan Fischbeck Mr. David Gigante
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ABSENT	NONE
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ALSO PRESENT	Kerry A. Keane, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Diane DiGiuseppe, Superintendent
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III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

V. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Ms. DiGiuseppe reported on the following:

- Please be patient with the buses.
- The phone system will have issues as of November 1, 2021.
- Sewer treatment building roof repair.

- Vaccine status of staff around \$20,000 for the app.
- Mr. Doty started as the new Athletic Director. Canned goods for gate fees motion
- A survey will go home to all non-contracted home instruction teachers.
- The Nutrition Committee is open to all that would like to attend.

**MOTION BY DR. HUGHES, SECONDED BY MS. DONUS TO MOVE THE PUBLIC COMMENT UP.
MOTION CARRIED BY ROLL CALL VOTE WITH ALL PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.**

XII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS – NON AGENDA ITEMS

Comments were made regarding:

- Councilman of Kinnelon spoke about the FEMA COVID grant.

A. EDUCATION COMMITTEE
(Mrs. Fischbeck - Chair, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Gigante)

No Action

B. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE
(Ms. Donus - Chair, Mrs. Fischbeck, Mr. Petruccelli)

No Action

C. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
(Mr. Petruccelli - Chair, Mrs. Donaldson, Dr. Hughes)

Agenda Items #1 and #2 represents the Personnel Committee's recommendations. They were voted upon as a group.

CERTIFIED STAFF

APPOINTMENTS

1. The Kinnelon Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of **Rachel Ciottariello** to the position of **Supervisor of School Counseling** at Kinnelon High School, at a salary of \$110,000(prorated), effective on or about November 9, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This action is pending successful completion of all required criminal background checks and approval by the New Jersey Department of Education.
2. The Kinnelon Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, revises the contract for **Marie Wallace**, part-time Music

Teacher from .53 FTE to .66 FTE, at a new salary of \$43,073, M.A. Degree, Step 4, at Kiel and Pearl R. Miller School, for the 2021-2022 school year.

MOTION BY DR. HUGHES, SECONDED BY MRS. DONALDSON TO APPROVE ITEMS #1 AND #2 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

YES Mrs. D'Amico (Abstained #1)
 Mrs. Donaldson
 Ms. Donus
 Mrs. Fischbeck
 Mr. Gigante
 Dr. Hughes
 Mr. Petruccelli

Agenda Item #3 was added to the Agenda.

COACHES/CO-CURRICULAR/SUBSTITUTES/CLINICAL INTERNS/HOME INSTRUCTORS

3. The Kinnelon Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves **Gretchen Cuccio** as the **Girls Soccer Coach** at Pearl R. Miller School, at a stipend of \$5,978, Step 1, for the 2021-2022 school year.

MOTION BY MRS. FISCHBECK, SECONDED BY MRS. DONALDSON TO APPROVE ITEM #3 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE WITH ALL PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

VI. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS – AGENDA ITEMS

VII. ACTION ITEMS

VIII. REVIEW OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 AGENDA

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Personnel
(Mr. Petruccelli - Chair, Mrs. Donaldson, Dr. Hughes)
- B. Education
(Mrs. Fischbeck – Chair, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Gigante)
- C. Policy
(Dr. Hughes - Chair, Mr. Petruccelli)
- D. Finance/Budget
(Mrs. D'Amico - Chair, Mrs. Donaldson, Mrs. Fischbeck)
- E. Security/Facilities
(Mr. Gigante – Chair, Mrs. D'Amico, Ms. Donus)

- F. Negotiations
(Ms. Donus - Chair, Mrs. Flschbeck, Mr. Petruccelli)
- G. Delegates
 - 1. New Jersey School Boards Association
(Dr. Hughes)
 - Leadership school Board Meeting has a study on masks.
 - 2. Morris County School Boards Association
(Mrs. Fischbeck)
 - 3. Legislative Representative
(Mrs. D'Amico)
 - 4. Morris County Educational Services Commission
(Mrs. Donaldson)
- H. Community Relations Committee
(Mrs. Donaldson - Chair, Mrs. Flschbeck, Mr. Petruccelli)
- I. Teacher Liaison Committee
(Mr. Gigante - Chair, Ms. Donus, Mr. Petruccelli)
- J. Kamelot
(Mr. Gigante)
- K. Kinnelon Education Foundation
(Ms. Donus)
 - Officially up and running. Meeting next week to come up with some fundraising ideas.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Board goals from last week, any edits?

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. D'Amico – Did we apply for N95 masks?

Ms. DiGiuseppe – Yes, we have:

	<u>Surgical</u>	<u>N95</u>
Kiel –	300	100
Stonybrook -	300	100
Pearl R. Miller–	300	100
High School -	400	150

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Gigante – Apologized for not being there last week. Thanks to the donor for the turf field.

Mrs. Fischbeck – Excited we are in five days a week. Stonybrook has a new app, Pick Up Patrol. Thank you to the football team for the food drive.

Mrs. D'Amico – Thanks to the people on the Kinnelon Education Foundation. 9/11 is coming up.

Ms. Donus – Thanks for coming.

Dr. Hughes – Stonybrook Principal night. Thanks Diane and Mike for virtual night last week. Pearl R. Miller courtyard work.

Mr. Petruccelli – Thank you to Mrs. Uttel. Welcome Rachel Ciottariello. Thank you to the Kinnelon Education Foundatin and Michelle for all the hard work.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY DR. HUGHES, SECONDED BY MRS. FISCHBECK TO ADJORN THE MEETING AT 7:39 P.M. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE WITH ALL PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

MEETING ADJORNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry A. Keane
Board Secretary