The Open Public Meeting of the Millville Board of Education was held in the Culver Center, located at 110 North Third Street, Millville, NJ, on Monday, January 9, 2017, at 7:00 pm.

The following were present:

- Mr. Beatty Present
- Mrs. Carty Present
- Mr. Cooper Present
- Mrs. Johnson Present
- Mr. McQuade Present
- Mr. Pepitone Present
- Mrs. Perrelli Present
- Mr. Whilden Absent
- Mrs. Wilson Present
- Mrs. Santiago Present

The following were also present:

- Dr. David Gentile, Superintendent
- Mr. Bryce Kell, Board Secretary
- Mrs. Donna Meyers, Assistant Superintendent Personnel
- Dr. Pamela Moore, Assistant Superintendent Curriculum
- Mr. Arnold Robinson, Solicitor

**President's Statement**

The Open Public Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Santiago, and she read a statement as to the time and place of the meeting, as set forth in the "Open Public Meeting Act", (copy attached). She then conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the Open Public Meeting of December 5, 2016, and the Open Public Meeting of December 19, 2016 were reviewed. Mr. Whilden made a motion that the Board approve the minutes as reviewed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pepitone and carried by a unanimous voice vote by all board members.

**Committee Reports**

**Finance and Facilities Committee**

Mr. Beatty reported that the budget process is ongoing, and the high school renovation project is still on target. Also, the visitor side bleachers will be replaced this year.

**Legal Committee**

Mr. Robinson reminded everyone that we will have the annual ethics training at 6:00 p.m. before the board meeting on January 23.
Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Gentile introduced Ray Jacobs, Matt Kass and Jeff Ashton who gave a presentation on the status of the Thunderbolt Academy program. Academy student, Darius, gave his thoughts on the program and his experiences.

Mr. Whilden made a motion that the Board approve the following:

**General – As Recommended by the Superintendent**

*1 Approve the list of out-of-district workshops as indicated in the backup.

*2 Approve the list of field trips as indicated in the backup.

*3 Acknowledge Carol Perrelli as sending district representative from Commercial Township.

*4 Accept the additional $23,398.80 in additional ARRA funds from the State of New Jersey as a result of the State audit by the Federal government.

*5 Approve the Overnight Field Trip for eight students and one chaperone to Long Branch, NJ on February 3 to February 5, 2017 to attend workshops and activities designed to provide students with leadership skills. Costs for the trip will be paid by the Millville Municipal Alliance and the Millville Elks.

*6 Approve Amber Pierce, Family Partner Worker from Holly City Success Center, to present a series of life-skills lessons to students in the Intellectual Disabilities program at Memorial High School. Instruction will be delivered twice weekly in one-hour sessions from February 7 to March 16, 2017 at no cost to the district.

*7 Approve Gaia DiGiacomo, Registered Dietician from Shop Rite, to present a series of lessons on students’ health, wellness, and nutrition in the Intellectual Disabilities program at Memorial High School. Instruction will be given twice per month in one-hour sessions from January 10, 2017 to the end of the school year at no cost to the district.

*8 Approve Denise Jackson from TD Bank, to present a series of lessons on banking and financial life skills in the Intellectual Disabilities program at Memorial High School. Instruction will be given once per month in one-hour sessions from February 2017 to the end of the school year at no cost to the district.

9 Approve acceptance of additional funds in the amount of $9,134 from the Cumberland Empowerment Zone Corporation to supplement additional certified teaching staff, and fulfill all activities as listed in the attached Project Activity Plan with the 21st CCLC Middle School program special education students. The funds must be expended by August 31, 2017.
Resignation

10 Approve the resignation of Brooke Mounts from the position of School Age Child Care Aide effective December 23, 2016.

Leave of Absence

11 Approve the intermittent, paid medical leave of absence for employee #1966 effective December 12, 2016.

12 Approve the paid medical leave of absence for employee #2305 from January 5 to February 17, 2017.

13 Approve the extension of the paid medical leave of absence for employee #4733 to February 1, 2017.

14 Approve the paid medical leave of absence for employee #5414 from December 12, 2016 to January 3, 2017.

15 Approve the paid medical leave of absence for employee #311 from December 13, 2016 to March 13, 2017.

Appointments

The following appointments will become official upon approval from the Board of Education and receipt of all necessary certifications together with successful clearances from the employee physical exam, drug screening and criminal history check.

16 Approve the appointment of Lori Sutter to the position of Teacher of RTI (pc#912) at Holly Heights with a proposed start date of January 3, 2017. She will be paid at the 8th step of the MEA salary guide, $52,373 (pro-rated). – District funding

17 Approve the appointment of Roseann Tirado to the position of Cafeteria Aide (pc#989) at Wood School effective January 10, 2017. She will be paid at the MEA hourly rate of $11.18 for 2.5 hours per day. – District funding

18 Approve the appointment of Kristy Smith to the position of Part-time Cafeteria Worker (pc#316) at Wood School effective January 10, 2017. She will be paid at the MEA hourly rate of $13.32 for three hours per day. – District funding

19 Approve the appointment of Valerie Grennon to the position of 21st Century Middle School Site Coordinator Substitute effective January 10, 2017. She will be paid at the MEA hourly rate of $31. – 21st CCLC – CEZ funding
20 Approve the appointment of Kelsea Turner to the position of Part-time Cafeteria Substitute effective January 10, 2017. She will be paid at the hourly rate of $9. – District funding

*21 Approve the appointment of Darlene Petrella to the position of Home Instructor for 2016-17. She will be paid at the MEA hourly rate of $31. – District funding

*22 Approve the appointment of the following staff to the position of Paraprofessionals for Child Care at Parent Meetings (two positions) for the District:

Charlotte Phillips  Christine Armington

Staff will be paid at the MEA hourly rate of $9.50 for two hours per meeting, not to exceed $960 total expenditure. – IDEA Basic funding

*23 Approve the appointment of Taylor Hitchner to the position of Building Maintenance Worker/Maintenance Repairer (pc#1131) for the District with a proposed start date of February 1, 2017. He will be paid at the 10th step of the BMW/Council 18 contract, $34,585 +6,800 (maintenance repair stipend) = $41,385 (pro-rated). - District funding

*24 Approve the appointment of Annelise Buono to the position of Teacher of Mathematics (pc#135) at Millville Senior High School with a proposed start date of January 10, 2017. She will be paid at the 1st step of the MEA salary guide, $49,873 (pro-rated). – District funding

Budgetary Transfers – As Recommended by the Superintendent

*25 Approve the budgetary transfers for the month ending November 30, 2016.

Board of Education’s Monthly Certification – As Recommended by the Superintendent

*26 Officially certify pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2:13(e) that as of November 30, 2016 and after a review of the secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-extended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2:13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Secretary’s Monthly Certification – As Recommended by the Superintendent

*27 Approve the Board Secretary’s monthly certification of budgetary line item status for November 30, 2016.
Balance Sheet Reports – As Recommended by the Superintendent

*28 Officially accept the four balance sheets from the board secretary for the General Fund, Special Reserve Fund, Capital Projects Fund and the Debt Service Fund as required under the GAAP procedure for the month ending November 30, 2016.

Additional Item

*29 It is recommended the Board of Education approve increasing the pay rate for District Substitute Aides effective January 1, 2017 as follows:

- County Sub Cert – from $17.00 to $21.00
  10 days or longer in the position - $26

- State Sub Cert – from $27.00 to $31.00
  10 days or longer in the position - $36

The above rates are per day.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Pepitone and carried by a unanimous roll call vote by all board members.

Secretary’s Report

Mrs. Whilden made a motion that the Board approve the following:

The reports of the Secretary for November 2016 were ordered, received, and filed as submitted (see attached).

Secretary’s Report – November 2016
Receipts $ 15,869,212.19
Disbursements $ 14,726,135.91
Cash Balance $  8,210,407.31

The motion was seconded by Mr. Pepitone and carried by a unanimous voice vote by all board members.

New Business

Mr. Beatty presented his trip report from the School Boards Convention. He also showed a video of innovations from Corning Glass.
Hearing of the Delegation

Kevin Asselta commented that the life skills we teach to the disabled is great. He said we probably should teach it to all students. He also stated that the track program is great.

Adjournment

Mr. Whilden made a motion that the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pepitone and carried by a unanimous voice vote by all board members.

Bryce Kell, Board Secretary
January 9, 2017