

**GLEN ROCK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Glen Rock, New Jersey 07452  
**DARIO VALCARCEL, JR. MEDIA CENTER**  
September 12, 2017  
**- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES -**

President Torsiello called the meeting to order at 7:00 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, Ms. Scarpelli, Mr. Torsiello

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mr. Bruce Watson, Interim Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Michael Rinderknecht, Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary  
6 Members of the Public  
1 Press Representative(s)

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION: 7:00 PM**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GLEN ROCK BOARD OF EDUCATION** that

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education of Glen Rock must discuss personnel and legal matters; and

**WHEREAS**, The aforesaid subjects are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in a public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, The aforesaid subjects to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in private session pursuant to P.L. 1975 Chapter 231; it is therefore,

**RESOLVED**, That the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in private session by this Board at the conclusion of the public segment of this meeting, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public at the next regularly scheduled meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible but no later than October 31, 2017, if reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

Motion made by Ms. Scarpelli Seconded by Ms. Hillock that the September 12, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned to Closed Session at 7:00 PM.

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

**WORK / REGULAR SESSION CALL TO ORDER: 8:11 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 founded on principles of education, in partnership with a supportive community, provides an exceptional education to all students to cultivate resilient, responsible and engaged global citizens.

**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.

**RECOMMENDED TIMEFRAME**  
**NO MORE THAN 20 MINUTES PER CONTENT AREA**

**PERSONNEL**

➤ **Personnel**

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

**Motion made by Mr. Jadick Seconded by Ms. Hillock to approve Resolution P1 through P8 as listed below.**

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

- P1.** Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves the appointment of Maria Corso a Stronge Certified Evaluator, to perform certificated teacher observations for the 2017-2018 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.n
- P2.** Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves Nicole Hickey to provide volunteer cross country coaching services for Student # 213067 during September 2017.
- P3.** Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, retroactively approves the following certificated staff member to perform summer work on an on-call basis, at the hourly rate listed below, in order to attend IEP-related meetings between July 1 and August 31, 2017, in order to insure compliance with New Jersey Special Education Administrative Code, for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	Hourly Rate	Account #
Christine Cook	\$26.00	11.000.219.110.30.16.210

- P4.** Be it resolved that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, retroactively approves the initial tenure track appointment of the following certificated staff for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Start Date	Step (Salary)	Account Number
Alyssa Murphy	Middle	Special Education	9/1/2017	\$55,554 MA Step 2	11.213.100.101.21.49.213

- P5. Be it resolved that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator accepts the resignation of the following staff for personal reasons:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Debora Paronzini	World Language Coleman/Hamilton	9/1/2017
Corey Lange	Security Greeter	8/25/2017

- P6. Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves the appointment of the following volunteer as advisor to the high school club for the 2017-2018 school year:

Club	Advisor Name
7 Elements Club	Randi Metsch-Ampel*

\*Replaces Brian Montalbano who was previously approved.

- P7. Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves the following student intern assignment in the district during the 2017-2018 school year, at no cost to the Board:

Student Name	College/University	School / Subject	Cooperating Staff Member / Dates
Benjamin Mayer	Rutgers University, Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology	District-Wide/ School Psychology	Dr. Gina Marie Restivo 9/5/17 – 6/30/18

- P8. Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves the following Travel and Conferences for professional development and training purposes as specified below:

Attendee	School/Dep't	Program	Location	Date	Cost	Account
Alice Wright*	Coleman	Writing Effective HIB Reports	Monroe Township, NJ	9/14/2017	\$200.	11.000.218.580.23.23.251
Tina Bacolas	High	Transgender Issues in Interscholastic Athletics	Robbinsville, NJ	9/28/2017	\$170.	11.000.240.580.20.44.251
Ann Chon	Byrd/Central	Annual School Counselor Conference	Edison, NJ	9/29/2017	\$143.	11.000.218.580.23.23.251
Connie Cipolli*	Byrd	AENJ Conference	Long Branch, NJ	10/2/2017	\$254.	11.000.223.580.10.00.000

\*Substitute Required

**NOTE: Conference/Workshop reimbursements are estimated costs. Actual reimbursements to be made in accord with Board Policy, N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 and the State's regulations regarding travel covered under Circular Letter 08-13-OMB and any subsequent Circular Letters which may be issued by the State Office of Management and Budget. The costs for applicable substitute teachers will be in addition to travel costs.**

## GENERAL

### > Governance

- Discussion
- Old Business
  - Ms. McNabola provided a brief update on policies.
  - Mr. Jadick made mention of the district's homework policy and Board discussion ensued.
- New Business/Regular Public meeting items
- Actionable items

### > Instruction and Program

- Discussion
  - Suicide Prevention Awareness & Education Week  
September 10-16, 2017

Mr. Watson discussed the importance of suicide prevention awareness and education. He provided copies of a PowerPoint presentation prepared by Ms. Melissa Brinton, LCSW for Glen Rock High School to the Board.

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

Motion made by Dr. Brennan Seconded by Ms. Carr to approve Resolution G1 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									

**G1.** Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approves Creative Speech Solutions, LLC. to provide Speech/Language Therapist Services from September through November, 2017, at a cost of \$90 per hour for therapy services and \$350 for each speech/language evaluation, to be paid from account # 11-000-217-320-30-16-436.

**BUSINESS**

➤ **Fiscal Management**

- Discussion
- Old Business
  - Ms. Hillock requested a 5YSP discussion be placed on a future agenda. Ms. Scarpelli advised there will be a committee meeting in the near future to bring Mr. Watson up to speed on the 5YSP.
- New Business/Regular Public meeting items
  - HS Tennis Court Change Order (draw from allowance plus additional \$970.25)
  - August 2017 Bills List
  - August 2017 Budget Adjustments/Transfers
- Actionable items

Motion made by Ms. Scarpelli Seconded by Ms. Hillock to extend the discussion for a maximum of 20 minutes.

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

➤ **Operations**

- Discussion
  - Borough/Board Traffic Study

Mr. Torsiello provided an overview of the traffic study proposal; a Board discussion followed.

- Federated Calendar Approval

Mr. Watson explained the reason why the Board must approve the Federated HSA calendar.

- Buildings and Grounds Summer Projects Update

Ms. Carr provided the Board with an update of projects completed during the summer months and also provided a Board update on the HS/MS Indoor Air Quality test results. Further testing will be completed in the upcoming months. All work as suggested by the GREA environmental consultant has been completed. Ms. Carr also noted that all State required water testing for lead has been completed.

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

### **OTHER**

- Tuition Student

Mr. Watson advised the Board about a student from Switzerland that will be attending the High School for the month of October.

- Liaisons

Mr. Hirschberg commented about Glen Rock's outstanding 911 service.

### **STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

- Eric Tymoshenko – Student Council Representative

Mr. Tymoshenko spoke about various student activities taking place. He also referenced the success of the laptop 1:1 initiative rollout.

### **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 9:33 PM.**

A resident commented on the joint traffic study initiative. The resident also asked about the process of getting an item on the agenda.

A resident spoke about the homework policy. The resident also suggested more communication on the HS 1:1 laptop initiative.

**Meeting closed to public comments at 9:42 PM.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Ms. Carr Seconded by Ms. Scarpelli that the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 12, 2017 be adjourned at 9:43 PM.**

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

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Rinderknecht  
Business Administrator/ Board Secretary