

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA
Special Meeting March 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
Clinton Township Middle School Auditorium
with Virtual Access**



CALL TO ORDER: _____ called the meeting to order at _____ p.m.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE:

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was provided through public notice on March 16, 2020.

- a. Sending to three newspapers designated by the Board – Hunterdon County Democrat, Hunterdon Review and Express Times.
- b. Posting on the District Website

ROLL CALL:

	Present	Absent	Time of arrival after meeting has been called to order.
Ms. Lana Brennan			
Dr. Laura Brasher			
Ms. Mary Beth Brooks			
Ms. Catherine Mary Emery			
Ms. Maria Grant			
Dr. Alison Grantham			
Mr. Scott Hornick			
Mrs. Jennifer Kaltenbach			
Dr. Catherine Riihimaki			

Present: *District Administrators:*
_____ Dr. Michele Cone, Superintendent of Schools
_____ Kelly Morris, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Present: _____ Vito Gagliardi, Esq., Board Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: _____ led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCESS GUARDIAN: _____ was appointed Process Guardian.

BOARD PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS/REPORT:

- 1. Preliminary Budget Presentation

FIRST RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC:

PLEASE RESPECT THE 3-MINUTE SPEAKING RULE, AS PER BOARD OF EDUCATION BYLAW #0166R, SO THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

****Virtual participants may sign up to speak using the Zoom chat feature.**

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY:

Action Items 21-BA-023 through 20-BA-025

Action 20-BA-023:

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 preliminary budget includes sufficient funds to implement the proposed planning process as described in this district’s Annual Report pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:7A-11 and to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards;

WHEREAS, the 2020-2021 preliminary budget is in compliance with the requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Clinton Township School District Board of Education approves the preliminary 2020-2021 budget in the amount of \$27,743,131 and authorizes its submission to the Hunterdon County Superintendent of Schools for approval as follows:

General Fund.....	\$ 27,202,006
Special Revenue Fund.....	\$ 568,654
Budget Total:.....	\$ 27,770,660

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2020-2021 budget as described above results in a general fund tax levy in the amount of \$24,238,903 and a debt service tax levy in the amount of \$2,108,081

Action 20-BA-024:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the maximum general fund travel allowance for the 2020-2021 school year shall be established at \$100,000 and the maximum regular business travel amount shall not exceed \$1,200 per employee.

Action 20-BA-025:

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.3(b) allows a district to request the use of banked cap only after it has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority in the budget year;

WHEREAS, after a significant reduction in School Choice Aid and intentional financial planning, the Clinton Township School District Board of Education has determined that there is a need to use the banked cap as follows: 1.) for the purpose of funding the general operations of the school district and 2.) to maintain a thorough and efficient education in the 2020-2021 school year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clinton Township School District Board of Education requests the use of \$276,737 of banked cap in order to support the general operations of the 2020-2021 school year budget.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

	<u>Dr.</u> <u>Brasher</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Brooks</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Emery</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Grant</u>	<u>Dr.</u> <u>Grantham</u>	<u>Mr.</u> <u>Hornick</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Kaltenbach</u>	<u>Dr.</u> <u>Riihimaki</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Brennan</u>
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

SECOND RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC:

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EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed):

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Clinton Township Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Clinton Township Board of Education has determined that the following issues are permitted by N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance and shall be discussed during an Executive Session.

WHEREAS, the nature of the matter(s) to be discussed, reviewed, or heard before the Board, detailed as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13.2 et seq., shall include _____.

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be _____ minutes, after which the meeting shall reconvene and proceed with business wherein action may be taken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clinton Township Board of Education will go into Executive Session for the above stated reasons;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject will be made public at such time as the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to move to Executive Session at _____ (time).

(_____ Ayes; _____ Nays; _____ Abstain; _____ Absent)



RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to move to Executive Session at _____ (time).

(_____ Ayes; _____ Nays; _____ Abstain; _____ Absent)

ADJOURNMENT:

Action 20-AJ-012:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to adjourn the meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Education at _____ (time).

(_____ Ayes; _____ Nays; _____ Abstain; _____ Absent)