NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION NEPTUNE, NEW JERSEY 07753 Pursuant to Executive Order #107 Meeting Conducted Remotely

April 27, 2020 7:00 PM

MINUTES - WORK SESSION

I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m. – The meeting was called to order by Board President Dorothea Fernandez.

This is a public work session of the Neptune Township Board of Education. In accordance with Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, adequate advance written notice of the meeting was made by posting the Schedule of Meetings in the main floor lobby of the Board of Education Administrative Offices, and by delivery to the Asbury Park Press, the Coaster and the Neptune Township Municipal Clerk.

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II. ROLL CALL

| Board Members: Connaughton | P | Harris | 3 | Absent | Howe | P | |
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| Hubbard | P | Jackso | | P | Matson | P | _ |
| Puryear | P | - Grane | elli – | P | Fernandez | P | _ |
| Lopez | P | _ | _ | | _ | | _ |
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| Others Present: | | | | | | | |
| Dr. Crader | | P | Dr. G | ristina | P | | |
| Mr. Leonard | | <u>P</u> | Mr. E | Bartlett | P | | |

III. PUBLIC FORUM - NTEA President commended the teachers and staff for their work during the present health crisis and expressed frustration over the district's response to paying contractual stipends. Dr. Crader responded that the district intends to comply.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Crader provided an update on the status of remote learning and the challenges ahead with regard to graduation and preparation for the new school year in the face of tremendous uncertainty. She updated the Board on recent performing arts successes and awards and noted that there would be no summer music or World Changers. She gave a "shout out" to Mr. Bartlett and Mr. Piddington for their work in supplying community meals.

QSAC Update - Science

Dr. Millaway gave an overview of the recently released results of the standardized science exam that was taken last spring. While overall results were disappointing, they were not out of line with state averages. She noted that this is a new test, federally mandated and replaces the NJASK. It was offered in grades 5, 8 and 11. She noted that the district's curriculum is aligned with the NJ Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) and the district's focus is less on memorizing content and more on developing thinking skills. She addressed Board member questions relating to science & literacy content, STEM, and remote learning opportunities and learning styles of students and staff.

- B. Operations Mrs. Granelli provided a brief summary of matters discussed at the recent Committee meeting and their relevance to the agenda.
- C. Curriculum Ms. Puryear provided a brief summary of matters discussed at the recent Committee meeting and their relevance to the agenda
- D. Personnel Mrs. Connaughton provided a brief summary of matters discussed at the recent Committee meeting and their relevance to the agenda.

V. OLD BUSINESS - None

VI. NEW BUSINESS - The Board discussed the importance of maintaining current information on the district website and other social media platforms, and, in multiple languages as appropriate.

President Fernandez conveyed the Board's appreciation to all of the staff for its hard work in these unprecedented times.

VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Granelli

Second: Matson

| Connaughton | Y | Harris | Absent | Howe | Y |
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| Hubbard | Y | Jackson | Y | Matson | Y |
| Puryear | Y | Granelli | Y | Fernandez | Y |
| Lopez | Y | | | - | |

Time: 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Leonard Board Secretary