

Jersey Shore Area School District
Board of Education – Regular Meeting
Minutes of October 14, 2019

A. Opening

1. Call to Order: Mr. Craig Allen, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Members Present: Mr. Craig Allen, Mr. Harry Brungard, Mr. John Pecchia, Mrs. Michelle Stemler, Mr. Merrill Sweitzer, Mrs. Mary Thomas, Mrs. Kelley Wasson and Dr. Jill Wenrich, Superintendent

Others Present: Chris Kenyon, Esq., Solicitor, Mr. Benjamin Enders, Board Secretary, Dr. Kenneth Dady, Assistant Superintendent, Emmilianne George and Robert Parker, Student Representatives.

Members Absent: Mr. Christopher Fravel and Mrs. Karen Stover

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by students representing the High School from the Sign Language Club; Jillian Waldman, Jenifer Aikey, MaKenzi Connor, Kaitlyn Moyer, and Madie Carlin.

B. Presentations

1. Communications:

- a. Employee of the Month for September, Jodie Wolesslagle, was recognized.
- b. Congratulations to Natalie Charnego, second runner up at the Flaming Foliage Festival, representing Jersey Shore Area School District and Dylan Berguson, as her escort.
- c. Update on ALiCE Drill at the High School.
- d. Update on Bond Refinancing.

2. President's Report: None

3. Student Representative Report:

- a. High School Students participated in the BARK program held at Jersey Shore Area Elementary
- b. The recent Blood Drive netted 27 donations, next Blood Drive at the High School is January 29, 2020.

4. Intermediate Unit Report: None

5. Superintendent's Report:

- a. FBLA weSHOREcare Community Service Project - Stephanie Steinbacher and Max Ferguson
- b. STEM Library – Jennifer Berry-Propst
- c. Career and Technical Education Topics - Steven Keen

K. Executive Session: An executive session was held for personnel and legal issues starting at 7:56 p.m. after which business was conducted.

Meeting resumed at 8:09 p.m.

President Allen pulled item H.1.c., as listed below, from the agenda:

c. Recommend to the board for voting on final action for the three (3) optional plans presented at the Special Meeting of July 10, 2019 and/or possible closure options for the Avis and Salladasburg Elementary Schools as presented at Public Hearings of March 28, 2019, and February 27, 2019, respectively. All subsequent motions will be requested by the Board Chair in the order presented below and voted by roll call.

1. Option 1 – Closure of the administration building with a reconfiguration of all current existing elementary buildings to K-6, (date to be determined). Estimated net recurring operational costs = \$285,904.00

2. Option 2 – All current existing buildings remain, with a reconfiguration of all current existing elementary buildings to the following: Avis Elementary (K-2), Jersey Shore Area Elementary (3-5), and Salladasburg Elementary (K-2), effective 2020-21 school year. Estimated net recurring operational costs = \$164,587.00

3. Option 3 – Closure of the administration building with a reconfiguration of all current existing elementary buildings to the following: Avis Elementary (K-2), Jersey Shore Area Elementary (3-6), and Salladasburg Elementary (K-2) as well as a reconfiguration of the Jersey Shore Area Middle School to include grades 7-8 only with central office administration, (date to be determined). Estimated net recurring operational costs = \$134,587.00

4. Option 4 – Closure of the Avis Elementary building including a reconfiguration of grades as recommended by the Superintendent or by an independent 3rd party feasibility study, if performed, effective 2020-21 school year. Estimated net recurring operational savings = \$122,707.00

5. Option 5 – Closure of the Salladasburg Elementary building including a reconfiguration of grades as recommended by the Superintendent or by an independent 3rd party feasibility study, if performed, effective 2020-21 school year. Estimated net recurring operational savings = \$144,104.00

6. Option 6 – Closure of the Avis Elementary building and the Salladasburg Elementary building including a reconfiguration of all remaining existing buildings to the following: Jersey Shore Area Elementary (K-3), Jersey Shore Area Middle School (4-7), and Jersey Shore Area Senior High School (8-12), effective 2020-21 school year. Estimated net recurring operational savings = \$891,061.00

Motion: A motion was made by Mary Thomas and seconded by John Pecchia to add the following addendum items to the agenda:

D. 1. Personnel Items

- n. appointment of Megan Havrilla as a Special Education Paraprofessional at Jersey Shore Area Elementary School, at an annual salary of \$16,684.00, (prorated for the 2019-20 School year), effective upon receipt of TB test results.
- o. appointment of Jessica Lowe as lunch monitor for Jersey Shore Area Elementary, \$9.06 per hour, effective upon receipt of clearances.

The vote was a unanimous yes. Motion carried

C. Courtesy of the Floor on Agenda Items: None

D. Personnel

1. Personnel Items:

Motion: A motion was made by Merrill Sweitzer and seconded by Mary Thomas to approve Personnel items as listed on the addendum and agenda:

- a. accepting a letter of retirement from Karen Palmeter, Part Time food service employee at Jersey Shore Area Elementary with 18 years of service, effective November 22, 2019.
- b. appointment of Kimberly Smith to a substitute Crossing Guard position at \$12.29 per hour, effective October 15, 2019.
- c. appointment of James Lape to a substitute Crossing Guard position at \$12.29 per hour, effective October 15, 2019.
- d. a day without pay for employee 2019-20-07 on Friday, January 10, 2020.
- e. FMLA from November 12, 2019 thru February 25, 2020 for employee 2019-20-08.
- f. FMLA from September 13, 2019 thru December 13, 2019 (approx.) for employee 2019-20-09.
- g. FMLA from November 4, 2019 thru December 2, 2019 for employee 2019-20-10.
- h. accepting a letter of resignation from Jodi DelRosario, Special Education Paraprofessional at Jersey Shore Area Elementary, effective October 4, 2019.
- i. Catherine Walker as a van driver for Marden's, Inc.
- j. Brooklyn Norman as a bus driver for Marden's, Inc.
- k. appointment of Bernice Hale as Varsity Cheerleader Advisor, at a stipend of \$3040.00 (80% of full stipend \$3800.00) prorated for the 2019-2020 school year, effective October 15, 2019.
- l. appointment of Robert Rook as a paid Auxiliary staff member for the Sports program, effective the 2019-2020 school year.
- m. Joshua Smith as a Volunteer Girls Basketball coach, effective October 15, 2019.
- n. appointment of Megan Havrilla as a Special Education Paraprofessional at Jersey Shore Area Elementary School, at an annual salary of \$16,684.00, (prorated for the 2019-20 School year), effective upon receipt of TB test results.
- o. appointment of Jessica Lowe as lunch monitor for Jersey Shore Area Elementary, \$9.06 per hour, effective upon receipt of clearances.

The vote was a unanimous yes. Motion carried.

E. Curriculum and Instruction: None

F. Building and Grounds: None

G. Finance: None

H. Miscellaneous:

1. Miscellaneous Items

Motion: A motion was made by Harry Brungard and seconded by Mary Thomas to approve the following Miscellaneous items as listed on the Agenda:

- a. Transportation contract between County of Clinton and JSASD at second reading. (Attachment)
- b. assignment of Contract for Therapy Services (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020) between Jersey Shore Area School District and HOPE Enterprises, Inc. to Williamsport Hospital, effective October 1, 2019. (Attachment)

The vote was a unanimous yes. Motion carried.

I. Old Business: None

J. Courtesy of the Floor on Items not on the Agenda:

Bob Pryor-Mifflin Twp. – commented on the decline in student population and removal of flyers from public areas.

Burt Francis-JS Boro – commented on good things going on in the district and the status of his request.

John Shireman-JS Boro – commented on items pulled from the agenda and stated flyer and salaries are public information.

Bob Fox-Pine Creek Twp. I – commented on Miscellaneous item c.

Kayla Calhoun-Avis Boro – commented on outcome of Grant Writer with BLaST IU 17.

K. Executive Session: An executive session was held for personnel and legal issues starting at 8:28 p.m. after which no business was conducted.

Meeting resumed at 10:34 p.m.

L. Adjournment

The October 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin J. Enders
Board Secretary

ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT FOR THERAPY SERVICES CONTRACT

The Contract for Therapy Services between Jersey Shore Area School District ("District") and HOPE Enterprises, Inc. ("HOPE") effective July 1, 2019 (the "Contract") is hereby assigned in its entirety by HOPE to The Williamsport Hospital ("TWH") in accordance with Section 6 of the Contract and the consent of the District. TWH agrees to be solely responsible for all rights, duties and obligations of HOPE under the terms of the Contract effective October 1, 2019.

HOPE Enterprises, Inc.:

Authorized Representative

Attest

Date

**Approved by the Jersey Shore Area
School District:**

Authorized Representative

Attest

Date

The Williamsport Hospital:

President

Attest

Date

**CONTRACT
FOR
JERSEY SHORE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

THIS CONTRACT is entered into by the **County of Clinton** and the Provider, **Jersey Shore Area School District**.

WHEREAS the County has the authority to enter into contracts for the purchase of service by reason of Article XVIII, specifically Sections 1801 through 1807 of the Act of August 9, 1955, Public Law 323, Number 130, known as the County Code, as amended.

NOW THEREFORE the County has the authority and the right to enter into Contracts for the provision of services and wishes to do so.

The County and the Provider, in consideration of that promises set forth in this Contract, each intending to be legally bound, hereby agree that:

1. **Term:** The term of this Contract shall be from **July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020**.
2. **Responsibilities/Services:** The County hereby engages Provider in assisting in the development and coordination of transportation procedures for all children in the legal and physical custody of Clinton County Children and Youth to and from school, when a best determination indicates that the student should remain in the school of origin, as set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding between Provider and County.
3. **Payment Processing/Rate of Pay:** Payment to the Provider shall be in accordance with the Transportation Plan for Foster Care Youth – Jersey Shore Area School District and Transportation Plan for Foster Care Youth – Sugar Valley Rural Charter School. The payment to the Provider by the County shall be made following the Provider's submission of a detailed statement to the Fiscal Office of Clinton County Children & Youth on a MONTHLY or QUARTERLY basis. If a quarterly basis is preferred, the statement date shall end on March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.

Provider's costs shall be in accordance with the Jersey Shore Area School District bus transportation rate. The present rates are: \$2.25 per mile, \$11.99 per hour for layover and a minimum of \$68.57 for any bus run. If the rates are re-determined at any time during the fiscal year due to reasonable circumstances, the rates will change in accordance with the newly determined charges. If an impasse should occur the rates will be calculated in accordance with Title 22 PA Code Chapter 23 et seq.

4. **Excuse for Delay:** Neither the County nor the Provider shall be held responsible for any delay or failure to perform, when that delay or failure is due to causes beyond the control of that party: such as fires, floods, unusually severe weather, and other casualties, epidemics, strikes, acts of God, delays or defaults by public carriers, which cannot reasonably be forecast or provided against.
5. **Confidentiality:** The Provider and the County, their agents and employees shall perform their respective obligations under this Agreement in such a manner as to insure that records, names and identities of persons transported, including all persons formerly transported, shall remain confidential, except as disclosure is permitted by law.

6. Termination:

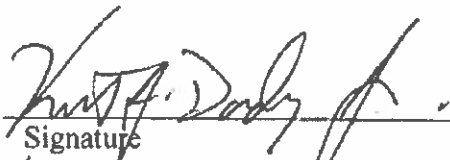
- a) For Convenience. The County may terminate this Contract for its convenience at any time upon written notice to Provider.
 - b) For Cause. If the County fails to remit compensation due Provider within ten (10) days of written notice of failure to pay. Provider may terminate this Contract upon written notice to County.
 - c) Rights upon Termination. Upon termination of this Contract the County shall continue to be obligated to remit payment to Provider for all Services provided up through the date of termination. Thereafter, the Provider shall have no further right to compensation.
7. This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the County and the Provider. It may be amended only in writing, duly authorized and executed, and attached to this original contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and Provider have caused this Contract to be executed effective July 1, 2019.


PROVIDER:


**JERSEY SHORE AREA SCHOOL
DISTRICT**

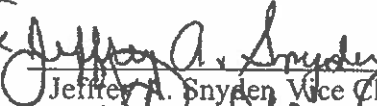
CLINTON COUNTY:



Signature
Kenneth J. Dady, Jr. Assistant Superintendent
Print Name & Title

Signature
Craig Allen, Board President
Print Name & Title


Date

 7/25/2019
Robert B. (Pete) Smeltz Jr. Chairman Date

 7/25/2019
Jeffrey A. Snyder Vice Chairman Date

 7/25/2019
Paul W. Conklin, Commissioner Date

ATTEST:

 7-25-19
Jann R. Meyers, Chief Clerk Date