

**The Board of Education of Moorestown Township  
Moorestown, New Jersey  
MINUTES  
William Allen Middle School  
March 26, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.**

**I. Call to Order**

The Special Meeting of the Moorestown Township Board of Education is called to order. This meeting is called in conformance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” with adequate notice provided as follows:

- Notice filed with the Courier Post on February 1, 2019
- Notice filed with the Burlington County Times on February 1, 2019

**II. Moment of Silence**

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

**IV. Roll Call**

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| Present | Mr. Jack Fairchild   |
| Absent  | Mrs. Tinamarie Nicolo-Dorfner                                |
| Absent  | Mrs. Alexandria Law  |
| Present | Ms. Lauren Romano  |
| Present | Mrs. Caryn Shaw  |
| Absent  | Mr. Mark Villanueva  |
| Present | Mr. Maurice Weeks  |
| Present | Mr. David A. Weinstein, Vice President                       |
| Present | Dr. Sandra Alberti, President                                |
| Absent  | Mr. Arthur F. Ridsen, Esq., Solicitor                        |
| Present | Dr. Scott McCartney, Superintendent                          |
| Present | Mrs. Joanne D'Angelo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary |
| Absent  | Ms. Carole Butler, Director of Curriculum and Instruction    |
| Present | Dr. David Tate, Director of Special Education                |
| Absent  | Mrs. Debora Belfield, Director of Personnel                  |
| Absent  | Mr. Jeffrey Arey, Director of Instructional Technology       |

**V. Community Forum: “Navigating Stress in Moorestown” – Part 2**

Dr. McCartney opened the meeting by providing the statistics on the number of students who have been referred for help due to issues with stress this year.

Mr. Weeks provided an overview of the Community Forum series.

Mrs. D'Ambra introduced the professionals in attendance who will be providing advice on various stressors impacting students:

- Cate Booth, Substance Abuse Counselor, Moorestown High School
- Joanne Broder Sumerson, PhD, Research Psychologist, President-elect of the Society for Media Psychology & Technology Division of the American Psychological Association

- Lauren Emma, Clinical Social Work/Therapist, LCSW of Courage and Wellness Therapy
- Andrea Valente, Clinical Social Work/Therapist, MSW, LCSW of Courage and Wellness Therapy
- Valerie Shopp, Social Worker, Moorestown Child Study Team

Attendees gathered at four tables, each moderated by one or two of the professionals to answer questions they posed. The groups moved to another station after each 15-minute session.

After the small group sessions, the larger group debriefed to review the topics covered.

Mr. Weeks invited everyone to attend the next meeting which will be held on May 14, 2019.

**VI. Adjournment – 8:06 p.m.**

Moved by: Mr. Weinstein      Second: Mrs. Shaw      Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

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Joanne P. D'Angelo  
Board Secretary