

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – May 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Approved May 13, 2014

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Kevin Kerfoot called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m. and asked everyone to please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:

Kevin Kerfoot read the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. The Board has fully complied with the notice requirements by advertising in The Express Times & The Star-Ledger posting publicly and by notifying the Municipal Clerk of the date, time and place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present

President, Kevin Kerfoot
Sara Dickinson
Peggy Shelton

Absent

Vice-President, Craig Levesque

Others Present

Maria Eppolite, Superintendent
Tim Mantz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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II. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

III. PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET

Motion made by Kevin Kerfoot, seconded by Peggy Shelton, to adopt the following resolution to approve the 2014-15 school district budget;

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2014-2015 school district budget as follows;

	Budget	Local Tax Levy
General Fund	\$3,181,552	\$1,588,454
Special Revenue Fund	<u>72,237</u>	
Total Base Budget	\$3,253,789	\$1,588,454

WHEREAS, the Bloomsbury Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

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WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.2(b), to a maximum expenditure of \$7,500 for all staff and board members.

Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm on a motion by Kevin Kerfoot, seconded by Peggy Shelton.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mantz
Board Secretary/B.A.

Respectfully submitted,

Board Member