

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – July 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Approved July 30, 2019

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Daniela Albright called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and asked everyone to please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:

Daniela Albright 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, Daniela Albright
Vice-President, Kristin Santoro
John Tufaro
Kaydeon Whidbee

Absent

John Albright arrived at 7:11 pm

Others Present

Dr. Jenniffer Marycz, Chief School Administrator
Tim Mantz, Board Secretary

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II. PRESENTATIONS

None

III. PTO REPORT

Dr. Marycz said that the PTO is working with her regarding upcoming events and projects.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

C. Negotiations Committee

Daniela Albright told the Board that the next meeting with the BEA is scheduled for September 5th.

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D. Bloomsbury Sustainability Committee

Daniela Albright reported that she and Dr. Marycz met with Greg Troxell, the Superintendent of the Phillipsburg School District, as well as the Phillipsburg Board of Education President to discuss the various topics that Board Attorney John Comegno touched upon at the previous meeting. Mrs. Albright and Dr. Marycz asked the Phillipsburg representatives to consider passing a resolution to explore a feasibility study.

Mrs. Albright and Dr. Marycz also met with the Bloomsbury Mayor, the town CFO and later the Town Council to keep them updated on the high school situation.

Mrs. Albright and Dr. Marycz also met with the representatives from the North Hunterdon Regional High School about potentially sending Bloomsbury students to the high school and they were very receptive. North Hunterdon would be willing to pass a resolution voicing their support of exploring a feasibility study at the August 20th board meeting.

The Bloomsbury Board agreed to pass the like resolution at its next meeting on July 30th.

John Albright, Bloomsbury's representative to the Phillipsburg Board of Education, said that the Phillipsburg Board of Education met the previous Monday to discuss Bloomsbury's situation. The Phillipsburg Board's general opinion is that they are not in favor of Bloomsbury breaking the send/receive relationship. The other sending districts to Phillipsburg were particularly concerned as to how Bloomsbury students leaving might affect the tuition rate going forward. Mr. Troxell invited Dr. Marycz and Daniella Albright to meet with the Phillipsburg Board of Education at their next meeting.

V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Dr. Marycz said that she is preparing for the upcoming school year and working on student schedules.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VII. ACTION ITEMS: Chief School Administrator's Recommendations

CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Board of Education and/or its standing committees, for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion.

A. Consent Agenda Motion: BOARD AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kristin Santoro, to approve the following board affairs agenda items **1.1** through **1.7**;

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Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 1.1** To approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 regular meeting.
- 1.2** To approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 executive session.
- 1.3** To authorize the submission of the 2019-2022 Comprehensive Equity Plan.
- 1.4** To approve the district's Student Safety Data System Report for the period of 1/1/19 to 6/30/19 reporting no incidents, no incidents leading to removal, no HIB alleged, no HIB trainings and three HIB programs.
- 1.5** To approve the district's Student Safety Data System Report for the 2018-19 school year reporting no incidents, no incidents leading to removal, no HIB alleged, five HIB trainings and five HIB programs.
- 1.6** To approve the NJDOE official release of the 2017-18 Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights District and School Grade Report with a score of 77/78.
- 1.7** To approve the NJDOE official release of the 2018-19 Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights District and School Grade Report with a score of 77/78.

B. Consent Agenda Motion: BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion made by Kristin Santoro, seconded by Daniela Albright, to approve the following business affairs agenda items **2.1** through **2.5**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 2.1** To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$66,091.43 for the period June 12, 2019 through June 30, 2019 as presented, noting that Commissioner approval was not required, and received, as the year to date transfers on a cumulative basis do not exceed 10% pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1.
- 2.2** To approve, on the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **May 2019** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education certifies that as of **May 31, 2019**, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 2.3** To approve, on the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **June 2019** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education certifies that as of **June 30, 2019**, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 2.4** To approve the June 30, 2019 current expense bill list for check numbers 16748 to 16784 totaling \$219,101.35.

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2.5 To approve the July 17, 2019 current expense bill list for check numbers 16785 to 16798 totaling \$77,543.51.

C. Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kristin Santoro, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda item **3.1**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3.1 To hire Matt Garfein as the Head Custodian for the 2019-20 school year at an annual salary of \$62,000.

D. Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Kristin Santoro, seconded by Daniela Albright, to approve the following school affairs agenda items **4.1** through **4.2**;

Motion carried by roll unanimous call vote.

4.1 To approve a tuition contract for placement of the identified student in The Midland School for the 2019-20 school year at an tuition rate of \$75,085.50.

4.2 To approve the attendance of staff members at the following conferences:

- Jenniffer Marycz to the Annual Hunterdon County Superintendents Conference on 9/26/19 & 9/27/19 in Shawnee, PA. Cost is \$189.50 registration fee.
- Linda Eich to the “Google Docs for Administrative Assistants and Secretaries” training on 8/2/19 and 8/9/19 in Bridgewater, NJ. Cost is \$300 registration and mileage expense.
- Auburn Donaruma and Kim Rohrer to the Social & Emotional Learning Workshop on 8/20/19 and 8/21/19 in Bethlehem, NJ. Cost is mileage expense.

VIII. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Marycz gave the Board background the removal of tree branches from a tree on a property adjacent to the school as well as an update on the fire doors.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kristin Santoro, that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session at 7:32 pm to discuss Student, Personnel and Legal issues.

Motion carried unanimous voice vote.

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XI. RECONVENE

Motion by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kristin Santoro, that the Board of Education returns to regular session at 8:35 pm.

Motion carried unanimous voice vote.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm on a motion by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kristin Santoro.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mantz
Board Secretary/B.A.

Respectfully submitted,

Board Member