

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
Approved May 2, 2023

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Daniela Albright called the meeting to order at 7:01 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

John Albright

Gabriel Lyons

John Tufaro

Absent

Vice-President, Kaydeon Whidbee

Others Present

Dr. Jenniffer Marycz, Chief School Administrator

Tim Mantz, Board Secretary

Flag Salute

II. PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Marycz conducted the Honor Roll presentation.

III. PTO REPORT

Jada Decker said that the PTO met this afternoon to continue planning Field Day and to discuss upcoming events including a game night this Friday and Nerf Gun Wars on 4/26. They are providing breakfast during state testing week and will be catering breakfast and lunch during Teacher Appreciation Week.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dr. Marycz said that the Porzio firm provided an estimated cost of \$200K to defend the feasibility study to the fullest should that be necessary.

V. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Olivia Bickert reported on the present activities of the Student Council.

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VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Dr. Marycz discussed the FY23 calendar revision on the agenda for approval.

Dr. Marycz said that, to date, nobody has signed up for the Work Family Connection after school program.

Dr. Marycz met with Senator Oroho’s office the previous week to discuss state funding for schools specifically for school resource officers.

Dr. Marycz recognized Shannon Williamson as Bloomsbury’s Teacher of the Year. Due to state testing, she will unfortunately not be able to participate in the county TOY luncheon. As a result, the Sunshine Committee will be honoring her in district.

Dr. Marycz congratulated Sally Jo Pulcini on her retirement and thanked her the tremendous amount she has done and meant to the Bloomsbury School District.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VIII. 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 John Tufaro, to approve the following board affairs agenda items **1.1** through **1.3**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1.1 To approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023 regular meeting.

1.2 To approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023 executive session.

1.3 To approve the first reading of the following policies and regulations:

- P 0144 Board Member Orientation & Training (Revised)
- P&R 2520 Instructional Supplies (M) (Revised)
- P 3217 Use of Corporal Punishment (Revised)
- P 4217 Use of Corporal Punishment (New)
- P 5305 Health Services Personnel (M) (Revised)
- P & R 5308 Student Health Records (M) (Revised)
- P & R 5310 Health Services (M) (Revised)
- P 6112 Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures (M) (Revised)
- R 6115.01 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls – Allowability of Costs (M) (New)
- P 6115.04 Federal Funds – Duplication of Benefits (M) (New)
- P 6311 Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants (M) (Revised)
- P 7440 School District Security (M) (Revised)

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P 9100	Public Relations (Abolished)
P 9140	Citizens Advisory Committees (Revised)
R 9140	Citizens Advisory Committee (M) (Abolished)

B. Consent Agenda Motion: BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Gabriel Lyons, to approve the following business affairs agenda items **2.1** through **2.9**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 2.1** To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$60,000 for the period March 15, 2023 through April 11, 2023 as presented, noting that Commissioner approval was not required 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 the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **February 2023** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c, the Board of Education certifies that as of **February 28, 2023**, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10a and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 2.3** To approve the April 11, 2023 current expense bill list for check numbers 18516 to 18550 totaling \$310,864.67.
- 2.4** To approve a Shared Services Agreement with the Greenwich Township Board of Education for Occupational Therapy services for the 2023-24 school year, not to exceed 6 hours per week, billed at an hourly rate of \$58.69.
- 2.5** To approve a Shared Services Agreement with the Pohatcong Township Board of Education for the purposes of sharing an Art Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year whereas the Bloomsbury Board of Education will reimburse the Pohatcong Township Board of Education an amount not to exceed \$30,272 of the total cost of the overall pay and benefit package of the Art Teacher provided.
- 2.6** To approve a Shared Services Agreement with the Holland Township Board of Education for the purposes of sharing a Library/Media Arts Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year whereas the Bloomsbury Board of Education will reimburse the Holland Township Board of Education an amount not to exceed \$857.33 of the total cost of the salary of the Library/Media Arts Teacher provided.
- 2.7** To approve a public school services contract with the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission for the 2023-24 school year per the service rate proposal.
- 2.8** To approve an agreement with the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission to provide a Speech and Language Specialist for the ESY'23 at \$97.38/hr and 2023-24 school year at a cost of \$77,749.24 for salary plus benefit costs.
- 2.9** To approve the Shared Services Agreement with the Pohatcong Township Board of Education for contracted Speech & Language Specialist Services for the 2023-24 school year whereas the Pohatcong Township Board of Education will reimburse the Bloomsbury Board of Education 60% of the overall cost of the Specialist.

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C. Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Gabriel Lyons, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda items **3.1** through **3.6**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 3.1** To approve Gayle Lewis to provide occupational therapy services for the 2023 extended school year at an hourly rate of \$50.
- 3.2** To approve Hope Educational Associates, LLC to provide school psychological services including psychological evaluations, consultation services and attendance at meetings for the 2023-24 school year at a rate of \$445/evaluation and \$75/hr for consultation service and attendance at meetings.
- 3.3** To approve Allison Peck to provide physical therapy services for the 2023-24 school year at an hourly rate of \$89.
- 3.4** To accept Sally Jo Pulcini’s letter of retirement effective 7/1/23.
- 3.5** To approve Margaret Maley as a substitute teacher for the 2022-23 school year pending criminal history check and approval of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.
- 3.6** To approve Linwood Williamson as a substitute custodian for the 2022-23 school year pending criminal history check and approval of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.

D. Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

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

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 4.1** To approve the revised 2022-23 school calendar adjusted due to snow days.
- 4.2** To approve the attendance of staff members at the following conferences:
 - Karen Bolmarcic to attend the “Climate Change” workshop on April 27, 2023 in New Brunswick, NJ. Cost is \$150 registration and mileage.
 - Karen Bolmarcich and Lisa Hutchison to attend the “Responding to School Bomb Threats” workshop on April 25, 2023 in Flemington, NJ. Cost is mileage.
 - Katie Scuderi to attend the “School Safety and Violent Event Incident Management Training” on May 8, 2023 in Flemington, NJ. Cost is \$185 registration and mileage

IX. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed the Sunshine Committee honoring Shannon Williamson as the Bloomsbury Teacher of the Year and decided it would give \$250 towards the celebration.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm on a motion by Daniela Albright, seconded by Gabriel Lyons.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mantz
Board Secretary/B.A.

Respectfully submitted,

Board Member