

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – October 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
Approved November 14, 2023

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Daniela Albright called the meeting to order at 7:00 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

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II. PRESENTATIONS

None

III. PTO REPORT

Wendy Parcell told the Board the PTO hosted an “Ice Cream Social” that made over \$500. She discussed upcoming events that included a Fall Festival this upcoming Friday and a Boomsbury Skate Night next week. She also reported that a PTO treasurer had been appointed.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dr. Marycz provided an update regarding the case with the Phillipsburg School District. Discovery was scheduled for November and the case will be brought in front of an administrative law judge in January.

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V. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Kim Gasparovic said student council elections were upcoming and plans to have a representative at the November meeting.

VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Dr. Marycz told the Board that September’s “Open House” went well and the parent portal for scheduling parent/teacher conferences was open.

Dr. Marycz provided an update regarding the bill allowing Alpha/Bloomsbury/Pohatcong to regain voting representation on the Phillipsburg Board of Education.

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 **1.5**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1.1 To approve the minutes of the September 12, 2023 regular meeting.

1.2 To approve the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP).

1.3 To approve the Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet (M-1).

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

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| P 1524 | School Leadership Councils (Abolished) |
| P 2270 | Religion in the Schools (Revised) |
| P 3161 | Examination for Cause (Revised) |
| P & R 3212 | Attendance (M) (Revised) |
| P 3324 | Right of Privacy (Revised) |
| P & R 3432 | Sick Leave (Abolished) |
| P 4161 | Examination for Cause (Revised) |
| P & R 4212 | Attendance (M) (Revised) |
| P 4324 | Right of Privacy (Revised) |
| P & R 4432 | Sick Leave (Abolished) |
| P & R 5111 | Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (M) (Revised) |
| P & R 5116 | Education of Homeless Children and Youths (Revised) |
| P & R 5460.02 | Bridge Year Pilot Program (M) (Abolished) |
| P 6361 | Relations With Vendors for Abbott Districts (Abolished) |
| P 8500 | Food Services (M) (Revised) |
| P 8540 | School Nutrition Programs (M) (Abolished) |

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P 8550 Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Bill (M) (Abolished)

1.5 To approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies and regulations:

- P&R 1642.01 Sick Leave
- P&R 2419 School Threat Assessment Teams

B. Consent Agenda Motion: BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by John Tufaro, to approve the following business affairs agenda items **2.1** through **2.2**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2.1 To approve the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **August 2023** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c, the Board of Education certifies that as of **August 31, 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.

2.2 To approve the October 10, 2023 current expense bill list for check numbers 18755 to 18803 totaling \$373,534.62.

C. Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by John Tufaro, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda items **3.1** through **3.3**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3.1 To hire Maureen Woerner as a part time paraprofessional for the 2023-24 school year, beginning October 11th, at an annual salary of \$22,784, prorated for time worked, pending criminal history check and approval N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.

3.2 To approve Christie Leonard to obtain 14 observation hours in the kindergarten classroom.

3.3 To accept Kevin Biedukiewicz’s letter of resignation effective 12/3/23.

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 **4.3**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- Katie Scuderi to attend CPR recertification class on 10/9/23 in Allamuchy, NJ. Cost is \$95 registration plus mileage.
- Troudai Ayoub, Kevin Biedukiewicz, Abby Cohen, Lisa Hutchison, Jenniffer Marycz, Zach Moyer and Emily Slack for in-house CPR training on 10/9/23. Cost is \$60 per person.

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- Kim Gasparovic and Dianna Pulcini to attend ELA Curriculum roundtable on 10/10/23 in Flemington, NJ. Cost is mileage.
- Angela Matus and Katie Scuderi to virtually attend HIB Law Update on 11/2/23. Cost is \$125 per person.
- Kim Gasparovic to attend the Math Roundtable on 11/1/23 in Flemington, NJ. Cost is mileage.
- Kim Gasparovic to attend the virtual social studies meeting on 10/5/23 at no cost.
- Angela Matus and Kim Gasparovic to make a Warren County Vocational School Visit on 10/20/23. Cost is mileage.

4.2 To approve the following field trips:

- 8th grade to Camp Bernie on 11/2/23 & 11/3/23 in Port Murray, NJ.

4.3 To approve the 2023-24 Nursing Services Plan.

IX. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Daniela Albright told the Board that the Town Council would be discussing the possibility of approving a cannabis dispensary at the truck stop at their meeting on 10/24.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 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