

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – January 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
Approved February 26, 2024

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Daniela Albright called the meeting to order at 7:02 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, Kaydeon Whidbee
Gabriel Lyons
John Tufaro

Absent

John Albright

Others Present

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

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II. PRESENTATIONS

None

III. PTO REPORT

None

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dr. Marycz reviewed the meeting she had with Porzio that afternoon. The Phillipsburg Board of Education has not submitted a rebuttal. North Hunterdon has yet to approve a tuition rate for the initial send/receive relationship. Dr. Marycz discussed the upcoming steps.

V. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

None

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VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Dr. Marycz stated that PTO hosted holiday breakfast for the staff was great and discussed the upcoming activities for the students.

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 Kaydeon Whidbee, 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 December 12, 2023 regular meeting.
- 1.2** To approve the minutes of the January 3, 2024 reorganization meeting.
- 1.3** To approve the submission of the Preschool Education Act grant application in the amount of \$193,206.
- 1.4** To approve the district’s Student Safety Data System Report for period one (August 31, 2023 through December 31, 2023) reporting no incidents leading to removal, no HIB alleged, 4 HIB trainings and 9 HIB programs.
- 1.5** To accept the High Impact Tutoring Grant in the amount of \$38,000.

B. Consent Agenda Motion: BUSINESS AFFAIRS

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

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 **November 2023** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c, the Board of Education certifies that as of **November 30, 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 acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **December 2023** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c, the Board of Education certifies that as of **December 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

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that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

- 2.3** To approve the January 23, 2024 current expense bill list for check numbers 18886 to 18937 totaling \$488,488.30.
- 2.4** To approve a joint transportation agreement with the Warren County Special Services School District for the 2024-2025 school year with an Administrative Fee of 4.5%.
- 2.5** To approve a memorandum of agreement with the Warren County Special Services School District to provide a speech therapist for the 2023-24 school year, beginning on January 16, 2024, at a cost of \$17,050.

C. Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

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

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 3.1** To hire Thomas Scuderi as a substitute teacher for the 2023-24 school year pending criminal history check and approval N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.

D. Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kaydeon Whidbee, 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 attendance of staff members at the following conferences:
- Kim Gasparovic to attend the State Assessment PD Hunterdon County Curriculum meeting on 1/17/24 in Flemington, NJ. Cost is mileage.
 - Kim Gasparovic and Troudai Ayoub to attend the Building a Bridge Bringing General Ed and Special Ed Together to Support Inclusion on 4/24/24 in East Windsor, NJ. Cost is \$112.74 total registration and mileage.
- 4.2** To approve the following field trips:
- 6th grade to Clinton Township Middle School on 2/22/24 in Clinton, NJ.

IX. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed establishing Board goals.

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 7:23 pm on a motion by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kaydeon Whidbee.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mantz
Board Secretary/B.A.

Board Member