

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
Preliminary

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
Vice-President, Kaydeon Whidbee
Gabriel Lyons

Absent

John Albright
John Tufaro

Others Present

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

Flag Salute

II. PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Marycz and Daniela Albright presented the honor roll awards.

III. PTO REPORT

None

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Daniela Albright said that she and Kaydeon Whidbee virtually attended North Hunterdon’s March board meeting where both resolutions involving the potential send/receive with Bloomsbury passed unanimously.

V. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

None

VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Dr. Marycz said the District Report Card is now public and reviewed the results.

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Dr. Marycz said that Career Day would be on May 17th.

Dr. Marycz reported that Mrs. Shackelford would stay for the remainder of the year as the Health/PE teacher.

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 **1.4**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 1.1** To approve the minutes of the March 12, 2024 regular meeting.
- 1.2** To approve the minutes of the March 12, 2024 executive session.
- 1.3** Approve the 2024/2025 Preschool Operational Plan.
- 1.4** To approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies and regulations:
 - P 1140 Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action (M) (Revised)
 - P 1523 Comprehensive Equity Plan (M) (Revised)
 - P 1530 Equal Employment Opportunities (M) (Revised)
 - R 1530 Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure (M) (Revised)
 - P 1550 Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (M) (Revised)
 - R 2200 Curriculum Content (M) (Revised)
 - P 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M) (Revised)
 - R 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint Procedure (M) (Revised)
 - P 2411 Guidance Counseling (M) (Revised)
 - P 3211 Code of Ethics (Revised)
 - R 5440 Honoring Student Achievement (Revised)
 - P 5570 Sportsmanship (Revised)
 - P 5750 Equitable Educational Opportunity (M) (Revised)
 - P 5755 Equity in Educational Programs and Services (M) (Abolished)
 - P 5841 Secret Societies (Revised)
 - P 5842 Equal Access of Student Organizations (Revised)
 - P & R 7610 Vandalism (Revised)
 - P 9323 Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition (Revised)
 - P & R 2423 Bilingual Education (M) (Revised)

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P & R 2431.4 Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries
(M) (Revised)

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 **2.4**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 2.1** To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$37,000 for the period March 13, 2024 through April 9, 2024 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 **March 2024** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c, the Board of Education certifies that as of **March 31, 2024**, 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 9, 2024 current expense bill list for check numbers 19010 to 19040 totaling \$296,890.70.
- 2.4** To approve the Interlocal Services Agreement with the Pohatcong Township Board of Education for contracted School Business Administration Services for the 2024-25 school year at a fee of \$70,000.

D. Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kaydeon Whidbee, to approve the following school affairs agenda item **4.1**.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 4.1** To approve the attendance of staff members at the following conferences:
 - Kim Gasparovic and Jenniffer Marycz to attend the Preschool Meeting at the Mercer County Library on 4/11/24. Cost is mileage.

IX. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Daniela Albright referenced a letter issued by the Hunterdon County Board of County Commissioners calling for school funding formula reform along with their displeasure that numerous schools in the Hunterdon County were slated to have their state aid cut. They were going to petition the Governor's office to reinstate those funding cuts.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

Renee Bickert thanked the Board for all of their hard work and efforts for the Bloomsbury School commenting that both of her daughters received a wonderful education at Bloomsbury.

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XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 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