

BLOOMSBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
Approved March 11, 2025

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
Vice-President, Kaydeon Whidbee
Gabriel Lyons
John Tufaro

Absent

John Albright

Others Present

Tim Mantz, Board Secretary

Flag Salute

II. PRESENTATIONS

None

III. PTO REPORT

Jessica Flizack said that the Paint Night was successful. Upcoming events include the Sweetheart Dance on 2/21/25 at the Bloomsbury Fire House, the book fair the week of 3/17/25, Kids Bingo on 3/21/25 and the Tricky Tray end of September/early October.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Daniela Albright said that the committee had a call with the Porzio firm to discuss the beginning the necessary feasibility study for the regionalization process. The district hopes to have the question on the November ballot.

V. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

None

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VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

None

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 January 14, 2025 regular meeting.
- 1.2** To approve the DPR scores for QSAC with the County Scores included.
- 1.3** Be it resolved that the Bloomsbury Board of Education approves the filing of a waiver to exempt the Bloomsbury School District’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) due to the fact that the district projects an enrollment of less than 40 Medicaid eligible students.
- 1.4** To accept the Stabilized School Budget grant award of \$5,618 for the 2024-25 school year.
- 1.5** To approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies and regulations:
 - P 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (M) (Revised)
 - P 5533 Student Smoking (M) (Revised)
 - R 5533 Student Smoking (Revised)
 - P & R 7441 Electronic Surveillance In School Buildings and On School Grounds (M) (Revised)
 - P&R 9320 Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies (M) (Revised)
 - P2365 Acceptable Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) (New)
 - P 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (M) (Revised)
 - P 5460 High School Graduation (M) (Revised)
 - P 5516 Use of Electronic Communication Devices (Revised)
 - R 5516 Use of Electronic Communication Devices (New)
 - P 5701 Academic Integrity (Revised)
 - P 5710 Student Grievance (Revised)
 - P 8500 Food Services (M) (Revised)
 - P 9163 Spectator Code of Conduct for Interscholastic Events (M) (New)

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 **2.3**;

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Motion carried by roll call vote. All members voting in the affirmative with Daniela Albright abstaining from check 19492.

- 2.1** To approve the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **January 2025** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c, the Board of Education certifies that as of **January 31, 2025**, 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 February 11, 2025 current expense bill list for check numbers 19460 to 19505 totaling \$289,133.65.
- 2.3** To approve Nick Brewer for snow removal at a cost of \$200-\$300, dependent upon whether plowing is necessary, per time needed.

C. Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by Daniela Albright, seconded by Kaydeon Whidbee, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda items **3.1** through **3.5**;

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 3.1** To approve Greg Ogden as the full time Facilities Manager for the 2024-25 school year, beginning 2/11/25, at an annual salary of \$68,500, prorated for time worked, pending criminal history check and approval of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.
- 3.2** To approve Lacy Rauf as a substitute custodian for the 2024-25 school year, beginning 2/11/25, at an hourly rate of \$20 pending criminal history check and approval of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.
- 3.3** To approve John Marason as a part-time custodian for the 2024-25 school year, beginning 2/11/25, at an hourly rate of \$20 pending criminal history check and approval of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.
- 3.4** To approve Maeve Flick as a substitute custodian for the 2024-25 school year, beginning 2/11/25, at an hourly rate of \$20 pending criminal history check and approval of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6.
- 3.5** To approve a FMLA maternity leave of absence for Taylor Gibson from September 1, 2025 through November 21, 2025 in accordance to Article V of the "Agreement Between the Bloomsbury Board of Education and the Bloomsbury Education Association".

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 **4.3**.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 4.1** To approve the 2025-26 school year calendar.

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

- Kim Gasparovic to attend articulation meetings on 2/11/25, 2/12/25 and 3/18/25 at North Hunterdon High School. Cost is mileage.
- Emily Slack to attend an articulation meeting on 2/12/25 at North Hunterdon High School. Cost is mileage.
- Catherine LePage to attend a CST articulation meeting on 2/20/25 at North Hunterdon High School. Cost is mileage.
- Stevie Ader to attend a Science articulation meeting on 3/18/25 at North Hunterdon High School. Cost is mileage.

4.3 To approve the following field trips:

- Grades 6-8 to RVCC on 3/4/25 in Branchburg, NJ.

IX. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

None

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 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