

**BRICK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
REORGANIZATION MEETING
DATE: JANUARY 5, 2017**

Location/Time: 7:00 PM, Brick Township High School
346 Chambers Bridge Road, Brick, NJ 08723

Present: Ms. Cusanelli, Ms. Cantillo, Mr. Barton, Ms. Pakala, Ms. Wohlrab,
Mr. White and Mr. Lamela

Also present: Mr. Gialanella, Interim Superintendent
Mr. Edwards, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ms. McNamara, District Testing Coordinator
and, Mr. Nicholas Montenegro, Legal Counsel

Mr. Edwards opened the meeting with a salute to the flag, moment of silence and roll call.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT NOTICE

Mr. Edwards announced: "The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law 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 discussed or acted upon." In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Brick Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be posted on the Administration Office bulletin board, the official District website and Channel BTV-20, and sent to the Asbury Park Press and Municipal Clerk's Office.

**1. Board Secretary reads the Statement of Election Results
Members of the Board of Education, Brick Township
Votes Processed - Polling Place/Percent:**

NAME	PERCENT	VOTE COUNT
Walter Campbell	13.72%	6,097
Madeline Colagiovanni-Iannarone	15.39%	6,836
Daisy Haffner	27.79%	12,345
Melita Gagliardi	24.29%	10,794
John O'Rourke	12.50%	5,552
Victor Finamore	6.00%	2,665
Write-In	0.32%	141

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2. Board Secretary Administers Oath of Office to New Board Members

I, _____ do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and this State, under the authority of the people, So help me God.*

I, _____ do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I possess the qualifications prescribed by law for the office of member of a board of education and that I will faithfully, impartially and justly perform all duties of that office according to the best of my ability, So help me God.

Mr. Edwards asked for a motion for the Adoption of the Code of Ethics, a motion was made by Ms. Pakala, seconded by Ms. Wohlrab with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

3. Adoption of the Code of Ethics for School Board Members

A school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and Court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the Educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning and appraisal and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.

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- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that my compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgement to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

4. Board Secretary Seeks Nomination for President

Mr. Edwards asked for a motion for nomination for President, Ms. Wohlrab makes a motion to nominate Mr. Lamela seconded by Ms. Pakala, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohirab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

5. President Assumes the Chair and Seeks Nominations for Vice President

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion for nominations for Vice President, Mr. Barton makes a motion to nominate Ms. Wohlrab, seconded by Ms. Pakala, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes

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Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

**6. To approve Board Meeting dates until the next Reorganization Meeting.
Attachment #1.**

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to approve Board Meeting dates until the next Reorganization Meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Barton seconded by Ms. Wohlrab.

Ms. Cantillo asked why the dates of the Board Meetings has been changed. Mr. Lamela answered that he was involved in a discussion and with low attendance we thought we would try these dates.

Ms. Cantillo commented that this was tried before and because of the financials it didn't work.

Mr. Edwards answered that it was discussed and determined that the new dates will not cause any issues.

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	No
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

7. To adopt the Asbury Park Press as the official newspaper and the Brick Times and the Star Ledger as the alternate newspapers for the District, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-18.

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to adopt the official newspaper and alternate newspapers for the District, with a motion made by Ms. Cantillo seconded by Ms. Wohlrab, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

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8. **To authorize the personnel listed below to sign checks, effective from this date until the 2016 Reorganization Meeting, as follows:**

RESOLVED, that the President, Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies be empowered to sign all checks, drafts, notes, acceptances, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Brick Township Board of Education, effective from this date until the 2016 Reorganization Meeting, and granting authority to have necessary signature plates made to be used to sign checks.

RESOLVED, that the Principal, Assistant Principal, Board Secretary and/or Assistant Business Administrator be empowered to sign all checks for the high school and middle school Student Activities Account. Each check shall require (2) signatures.

RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary and Assistant Business Administrator be empowered to sign all checks for the Elementary School Student Activity Account.

RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies be empowered to sign all checks for the District-Wide Payroll Agency Account. Each check shall require two (2) signatures.

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to authorize personnel to sign checks from this date until the 2016 Reorganization Meeting, with a motion made by Ms. Wohlrab seconded by Mr. Barton, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

9. **To appoint Dennis Filippone as the District Affirmative Action Officer, effective 01/02/17 through 06/30/17.**

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to appoint Dennis Filippone as the District's Affirmative Action Officer, with a motion made by Ms. Pakala seconded by Ms. Cantillo, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Abstain
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

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10. To appoint Anne Marie Dayton as the District 504 Officer/Homeless Liaison.

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to appoint Anne Marie Dayton as the District 504 Officer/Homeless Liaison with a motion made by Ms. Cantillo seconded by Ms. Wohlrab, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

11. To appoint James W. Edwards, Jr., CPA as the Appointing Authority, effective 01/02/17 through 06/30/17.

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to appoint Mr. Edwards as the Appointing Authority effective 01/02/17 through 06/30/17 with a motion made by Ms. Pakala seconded by Mr. Barton, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

12. To appoint James W. Edwards, Jr., CPA as the District Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO).

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to appoint Mr. Edwards as the District Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO), with a motion made by Ms. Wohlrab seconded by Ms. Pakala, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

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- 13. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the Brick Township Board of Education or their designee, be designated as the Boards' agents to request state and federal funds under the existing State and Federal Laws for the period from the date of this Reorganization Meeting to the Board Reorganization Meeting in the next calendar year.**

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to approve designees to request state and federal funds with a motion made by Ms. Pakala seconded by Ms. Wohlrab, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

14. Adoption of all existing Board Policies and Regulations

Mr. Lamela asked for a motion to adopt all existing Board Policies and Regulations with a motion made by Mr. Barton seconded by Ms. Wohlrab, with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

BOARD COMMENT:

Ms. Cantillo welcomed the new Board Members and wished them the best of luck and to remember why you are here and always put our students first and always try to accomplish something in a positive manner.

Ms. Haffner thanked her family, friends and community for voting and stated she is looking forward to working with the District.

Mr. Lamela commented that he would like to thank Mr. White and Ms. Cusanelli for their service and the insight they continue to give.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT

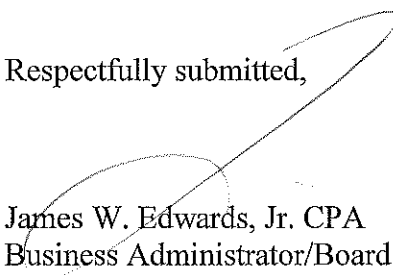
There being no further business before the Board, at 7:50 PM a motion was made by Ms. Cantillo, seconded by Ms. Wohlrab and with the following roll call vote, the Board of Education **adjourned** this meeting.

Motion: Ms. Cantillo

Second: Ms. Wohlrab

Ms. Gagliardi	Yes
Ms. Cantillo	Yes
Mr. Barton	Yes
Ms. Pakala	Yes
Ms. Wohlrab	Yes
Ms. Haffner	Yes
Mr. Lamela	Yes

Respectfully submitted,


James W. Edwards, Jr. CPA
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**BRICK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING DATES
for 2017 and 2018 Reorganization
The Board of Education reserves the right to change
its schedule of annual meeting dates as necessary**

THURSDAY	01/12/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	02/09/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BMHS
THURSDAY	03/09/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	04/06/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	04/27/17	PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	05/11/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	06/08/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	07/13/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	08/10/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	09/14/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	10/12/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	11/02/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	12/14/17	REGULAR MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS
THURSDAY	01/04/18	REORGANIZATION MEETING	7:00 PM, Location: BTHS