

The Regular Meeting of the Commercial Township Board of Education was held in the Commercial Township Board of Education Building, located at 1308 North Avenue, Port Norris, NJ, on Monday, August 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Board President, Mrs. Perrelli, opened the meeting at 6:00 PM, leading the group in the pledge to the flag. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Board President, Mrs. Perrelli, read the following statement:

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 meeting of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Commercial Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place advertised in the Press of Atlantic City and South Jersey Times, and posted in the Commercial Township Schools and District Office. CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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Roll call was performed by Board Secretary, Trish Birmingham, and is listed as follows:

Mrs. Abbott	Present
Mrs. DeFabrites	Present
Mr. DeFabrites	Present
Mrs. Pettit	Absent
Mrs. Porter	Present
Mr. Jay Sutton	Absent
Mr. Ronald Sutton, Jr.	Present
Mrs. Wilson-Smith	Present
Mrs. Perrelli	Present

The following were also present:

Dr. Daniel Dooley, Superintendent/Principal
Ms. Lawren Birmingham, Board Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

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None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Transportation - A brief update regarding routes, insurance, fuel, etc. was verbally provided by Ms. Birmingham. TRANSP

Motioned by Mrs. Porter and seconded by Mr. DeFabrites that the Board of Education approve the following:

PERSONNEL

NEW HIRES

2. New Hire

a. Barbara Esposito as an ASP Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. She will be placed on Step 1 of the MA salary guide at \$55,265.

b. Gwen O'Donnell as a Speech Therapist for the 2017-2018 school year, pending receipt of standardized certification. She will be placed on on Step 1 of the MA salary guide at \$55,265. She will be paid \$75 per day until certification is received.

c. Shellbie Yard as an Instructional Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. She will be placed on Step 1 of the salary guide at \$24,436.

d. Kelsey Bracco as an Instructional Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. She will be placed on Step 1 of the salary guide at \$24,436.

e. Luz Ortiz as an Instructional Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. She will be placed on Step 1 of the salary guide at \$24,436.

Discussion took place in regards to the District needs for these positions. Questions were posed in regards to aides as bus drivers and their salaries, hourly rate, possible overtime, and benefits, to which Dr. Dooley and Ms. Birmingham replied to.

Ayes: (7) Noes: (0) Abstain: (0) Motion Carried

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Michelle Ronan – Thanked Dr. Dooley and Mrs. Thomson for meeting with her and her son. Michelle also had a question regarding her son’s bus stop, to which Dr. Dooley replied he’d look into for correction.

Veronica Trio – Stated her son’s bus stop was moved and asked if it could be changed due to work schedules and parental availabilities. Dr. Dooley replied he’d look into the situation for correction/updating.

Discussion of implementing an informational all-call phone message for the purpose of relaying transportation updates was mutually agreed upon.

ADJOURN

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Motioned by Mr. DeFabrites and seconded by Mrs. Abbott that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting. (6:44 pm)

Ayes: (7) Noes: (0) Abstain: (0) Motion Carried



Lauren Birmingham, Board Secretary
August 28, 2017