

A Special Session of the Board of Education of the Township of Pittsgrove, County of Salem, New Jersey, was held on Thursday October 9, 2014, 6:00 P.M., Arthur P. Schalick High School.

Board President, Mr. Dominick Miletta, opened the meeting at 6:19 P.M., leading the group in the pledge to the flag.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Board President, Mr. Dominick Miletta, read the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Pittsgrove Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by notifying the Clerk of the Township of Pittsgrove and having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Pittsgrove Township Municipal Building, Today's Sunbeam, The News of Cumberland County, The Daily Journal and the Elmer Times.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

Board President, Mr. Dominick Miletta, read the District Mission Statement:

In partnership with the community, we promote the academic and personal growth of each student through rigorous programs that support lifelong learning.

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Mr. Miletta, Board President, called for a Roll Call of the Board:

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Lawlor, Mrs. Mullin, Mrs. Penven, Mr. Rump, Mr. Wheaton, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Miletta

Members Absent: Mrs. Conover, Mrs. Snyder, Mr. Wentzell

Also in Attendance:

Mr. Henry Bermann, Superintendent; Mrs. Suzanne R. Fox Abdill, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Theresa Lewis, NJSBA Representative; staff members and the public.

Moved by Mr. Lawlor and seconded by Mrs. Penven that the Board of Education approve conducting the NJSBA presentation after the Audience Participation section of the meeting. Unanimously Approved

PRESENTATION

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Lawlor and seconded by Mr. Rump that the Board of Education accept the notice of retirement from Maintenance Secretary, Michele Mayer, effective immediately. (See Page 83) Unanimously Approved

RETIREMENT M. MAYER

Moved by Mr. Lawlor and seconded by Mrs. Penven that the Board of Education approve the following appointments for the Title 1 Extended Day Programs. Staff members will be paid via NCLB grant funds at the contracted tutoring rate. Title 1 Programs commenced October 6, 2014.

TITLE I

Elmer Elementary School

Gwen Acosta, Gail Lazzati, Donna Poolake, Karen Snyder, Alternate: Annette Scholl

Olivet Elementary School

Ron Athey, Christine Cunningham, Robert Hall, Carly Lovelace, Brandon Mathews

PTMS

Traci Armentani, Kimberly Hetzell, Lisa McClintock, Jeremy Smith, Daniel Wyckoff Unanimously Approved

FIELD TRIP Moved by Mr. Lawlor and seconded by Mr. Rump that the Board of Education approve the APSHS field trip request to Cooper Hospital, October 17, 2014. (See Page 84)
Unanimously Approved

The Board asked for clarification on how students are selected for this trip.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
No comments.


PRESENTATION PRESENTATION
NJSBA Representative, Theresa Lewis, gave a presentation on *The Effective Board Member*. (See Page 83)

The Board will hold another retreat in January 2015 on Policy.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION
No Closed Session.

The Board Self Evaluations are due November 4, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT Moved by Mrs. Mullin and seconded by Mr. Rump that the Board of Education Meeting be adjourned at 8:10 P.M.
Unanimously Approved



Suzanne R. Fox Abdill, Board Secretary



The Effective Board Member

The board member who works best is one who knows what the job is. In describing the role of the effective board member, at least the following should be considered:

1. The board member gives primary allegiance to the children and to providing for all students to achieve through establishing an effective educational program – and exhibits that allegiance by focusing the majority of time and effort on the establishment and oversight of DISTRICT goals.
2. The board member is elected to represent all the people of the school district –avoiding special interest representation and personal agendas.
3. The board member recognizes that only the corporate board has authority and that board action is corporate action. Once a decision has been made, it becomes the board's decision, and individual action against the decision is not only inappropriate, but also damaging to the forward movement of the district and the board's credibility.
4. The board member knows the value of thoughtfully conceived written policies for district operation.
5. The board member leaves the execution of policy to the superintendent and views the superintendent as a professional adviser on all matters affecting the district.
6. The board member insists upon having a community that is fully informed about its schools and its school board.
7. The board member uses established channels of communication, and promotes those channels in conversation with the public.
8. The board member utilizes facts in deciding between alternative courses of action.
9. The board member recognizes that certain decisions are the prerogative of the professional staff and sustains decisions made by the professional in such instances.
10. The board member recognizes that staff members and students (of appropriate age) should have an opportunity to give input to the full board concerning policies and programs that affect them.

9/29/2014

Pittsgrove Township Schools Mail - Fwd: Letter of Intent to Retire

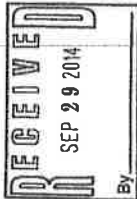


Fwd: Letter of Intent to Retire

Suzanne R. Fox Abdill <sfox@pittsgrove.net>
To: Shelly Ellis <selis@pittsgrove.net>, Diane Johnson <djohnson@pittsgrove.net>, Henry Bernamm <hbernamm@pittsgrove.net>

Mon, Sep 29, 2014 at 12:09 PM

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From: Michele Mayer <mismayer2000@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, Sep 29, 2014, at 9:40 AM
Subject: Letter of Intent to Retire
To: Suzanne Fox <sfox@pittsgrove.net>



Dear Board Members,

It is with great sorrow that I submit my Letter of Intent for Disability Retirement from the position of Maintenance Secretary. This is effective immediately as I can no longer perform the functions necessary to complete the job tasks required of me.

I will greatly miss working at Pittsgrove Township Schools and all of the people I have come to know and love.

Respectfully,

Michele Mayer
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DONNA MEYERS Principal
DOUGLAS VOLOVAR Assistant Principal
MICHAEL CLARKE Athletic Director
ANGELA WILLIAMS Director of Guidance

TO: MR. HENRY BERMANN, SUPERINTENDENT

FROM: MRS. DONNA MEYERS, PRINCIPAL *DM*

DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2014

RE: FIELD TRIP-APPROVAL REQUEST - OCTOBER 9TH BOE MEETING

I am requesting approval at the October 9th Board of Education meeting for the following field trip.

Date of Trip: 10/17/14

School: APSHS

Group: Grades 9-12 - Career Exploration and Substance Abuse Prevention

Destination & Event: Cooper Hospital - Trauma Injury Prevention Program (TIPP)

Staff Member: Ms. Dana Logandro

Transportation: 1 bus

Number of Students: 22

Cost: \$254.24 plus parking fees, if any

The Field Trip Request Form is attached. Thank you for your consideration.

Attachments