

PITTSGROVE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES –DECEMBER 3, 2011

A Special Meeting/Board Retreat of the Board of Education of the Township of Pittsgrove, County of Salem, New Jersey, was held on December 3, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., Pittsgrove Township Middle School Room 112, 1082 Almond Road, Pittsgrove, NJ.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Johnson, Mr. May, Mr. Mileta, Mr. Rumpp, Mr. Schmidt, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Berwick, Mrs. Conover, Mrs. Snyder (arrived at 10:09 A.M.)

Members Absent: Mrs. Schneider

Mr. Henry Bermann, Superintendent; Mr. Michael Brodzik, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Suzanne R. Fox Abdill, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Ms. Donna Meyers, Principal, A.P. Schalick High School; Ms. Angela Williams, Director of Guidance; Mr. Mike Clarke, Athletic Director; Mr. Elliot Merenbloom, Presenter.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Board President, Mrs. Melissa Conover, opened the meeting at 9:20 A.M., leading the group in the pledge to the flag and reading the following statement:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting law was enacted to ensure the rights 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.

Board President, Mrs. Melissa Conover, read the District Mission Statement:

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The Pittsgrove Township School District promotes the academic and personal growth of all students to the best of their abilities with a rigorous program that supports personal strengths and self-sufficiency, inspiring an ethic of lifelong learning. We strive to instill traditional values and a diversity of 21st century skills necessary to succeed in global environment.

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Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Brodzik began the presentation on scheduling and Ms. Meyers, Ms. Williams, and Mr. Clarke reviewed the proposed "5 x 5" block schedule for the 2012-2013 school year. The pro's and con's of the "5 x 5" schedule versus the current "4 x 4" schedule were discussed. The impact of those schedules on student and teacher time were assessed, as well.

2012-2013 PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Mr. Elliot Merenbloom presented scheduling options for schools, which included an 80 minute class schedule, additional smaller time slots for elective classes or clubs or remediation, and credit recovery.

SCHEDULING OPTIONS

Mr. Merenbloom left the meeting at 1:10 P.M.

Ms. Meyers and Ms. Williams presented an overview of Option 2 and Mr. Clarke reviewed Option 2 as it relates to Physical Education.

OPTION 2

Mrs. Snyder left the meeting at 2:15 P.M.

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AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION I
There were no comments.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- Field Trip for SACC on December 9, 2011

CLOSED SESSION I
None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mrs. Smith seconded by Mrs. Berwick that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned. (2:55 P.M.)
Unanimously approved

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SUZANNE R. FOX ABDILL, BOARD SECRETARY