

SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Public Meeting Agenda
October 28, 2021
(7:30 p.m. Executive Session)
8:00 p.m. Public Session- Terrill Middle School Auditorium

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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_____ Mrs. Amy Boroff
_____ Ms. Deb Brody
_____ Mrs. Karen Mitchell
_____ Ms. Stephanie Suriani
_____ Ms. Tonya Williams
_____ Ms. Amy Winkler
_____ Mr. Evan Murray, Vice President
_____ Dr. Karen Kulikowski, President

OTHERS PRESENT

_____ Joan Mast, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
_____ Robert A. McGarry, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent of
Curriculum and Instruction
_____ Christopher Jones, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
_____ Jeanne Cleary, Director of Operations and Special Projects
_____ James Canellas, Assistant Business Administrator/
Assistant Board Secretary
_____ Peter N. Pitucco, Director of Human Resources
_____ Lisa Rebimbas, Director of Special Services
_____ Douglas Silvestro, Esq., Board Attorney

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: WHEREAS, the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning Personnel and Legal Matters; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid subjects are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in a public meeting; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid subjects to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in private session pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 231,

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in private recess by this Board and administrative staff, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

BOARD PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENT

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting 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 Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Board of Education offices located at 512 Cedar Street, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. Such notice was also provided in written notice forwarded to the *Times*, now known as the *Union County Hawk*, the *Star Ledger*, the Township Clerk of Scotch Plains and the Borough Clerk of Fanwood in the revised Annual Notice of Regularly Scheduled Meetings as adopted September 1, 2021.

INSTRUCTIONAL UPDATE

- Recognition of Girls Tennis Team

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Community Relations
- Curriculum
- Facilities
- Finance
- Negotiations Update
- Personnel
- Policy
- Strategic Planning
- Student Activities and Athletic
- Wellness and Equity

LETTERS TO THE BOARD

Two emails were received from the public. The appropriate administrator responded.

BOARD MOTIONS

CURRICULUM REPORT

1-C Approved October 14, 2021

2-C Move that the Board of Education approves the following revised Out of District SY21-22 placements:

- *3-C Move that the Board of Education approves the revised Student Calendar where Election Day, November 2, 2021 is closed for students and is a Professional Development Day for teachers and November 8 is a single session day for Elementary Schools.
- *4-C Move that the Board of Education acknowledges the receipt of the report presented by the Superintendent on the October 15, 2021 enrollment numbers.
- *5-C Move that the Board of Education approves the following field trips:
- High School Robotics Club requests to go to Don Bosco Prep High School in Ramsey, NJ on Nov. 13, 2021. 17 students and 2 chaperones will compete in a Robotics competition.
 - High School Robotics Club requests to go to Dwight Morrow High School in Englewood, NJ on Jan. 15, 2022. 15 students and 2 chaperones will compete in a Robotics competition.
 - High School Robotics Club requests to go to Bayonne High school in Bayonne, Bayonne, NJ on Feb. 6, 2022. 17 students and 2 chaperones will compete in a Robotics competition.
 - SPFHS DECA requests to attend the DECA State competition Feb. 28, 2022 through March 2, 2022 at Harrah's Convention Center in Atlantic City, NJ. 50 students and 5 chaperones will attend.
 - SPFHS DECA requests to attend the DECA NAtional competition April 22-27, 2022 in Atlanta Georgia. 23 students and 3 chaperones will be attending.

PERSONNEL REPORT

- *1-PERS Move that the Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendations for personnel on the Personnel Report dated October 28, 2021 in the areas noted below: (Roll Call Vote)

1. Retirements
2. Resignations/Terminations
3. Appointments
4. Change of Status
5. Leaves of Absence
6. Sixth Period Assignment
7. Nurse Stipend
8. Auxiliary Employment
9. Substitute Staff

BUSINESS REPORT

*1-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the staff training report dated October 28, 2021.

*2-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the following related services vendors for 2021 ESY and 2021-2022 School Year:

2021 ESY

Related Service	Service Provider	Rate
Behavioral/Educational Consultants	Brett DiNovi & Associates	\$130/\$55.00

2021-2022 School Year

Related Service	Service Provider	Rate
Bilingual Evaluations (Speech, Psych, Education, Social)	The Learning Tree	\$800.00
Home/Bedside Instruction	St. Clare Hospital	\$55.00
Psychological Evaluations	Erin Mori	\$300.00
Psychiatric Evaluations	Platt Psychiatric	\$750.00-Basic - \$1,300.00 Complex
Psychiatric Evaluations	Dr. Bryan Fennelly	\$715.00 Basic - \$775.00 Emergency
Neurological Evaluation	Dr. Kavita Sinha	\$400.00
Neuropsychological Evaluation	Dr. Ilyse O'Desky	\$4,000.00
Neurological Evaluation	Children's Specialized Hospital	\$930.00
Vocational Assessment	Jewish Vocational Service	\$900.00
Speech Language and Social Communication Evaluation	Princeton Speech Learning Center	\$1,800.00
Neuropsychological Evaluation	Morris Psychological Group	\$3,600.00

- *3-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the:
- a) transportation agreement contracted out via Somerset County Educational Commission effective September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022; and
 - b) transportation to the Phoenix Center for Student Cases 08-20 and 08-13 for the 2021-2022 School Year at the per diem rate of \$278 with required personal aide and additional \$140 for two bus aides (\$70 each).

*4-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the proposal by Global Mark Security LLC (28 Overlook Road, Livingston, NJ 07039) to provide S.O.R.A (NJ Security Officers Registration Act) security officers at the High School at the rate of \$45 per hour effective October 5, 2021 through October 4, 2022.

*5-BUS Move that the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), designates Christoher Jones, School Business Administrator, Board Secretary, as the (Qualified) Purchasing Agent for the Board of Education and authorizes to award contracts, in full accordance with the law, for purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate in a contract year the total sum of \$44,000.00 (bid threshold) without public advertising for bids. Furthermore, Christopher Jones is authorized to solicit competitive quotations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(a) and to award contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(c). In the absence or unavailability of the Purchasing Agent, the board hereby authorizes James Canellas, Assistant Business Administrator, to approve contracts in the absence of the Business Administrator, Christopher Jones, and to award contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a).

*6-BUS Move that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the 2022-2023 Tentative Budget Calendar.

*7-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the following theater vendors:

Name	Title	Stipend To Be Paid From Proceeds
Jill Cookingham	Park MS Musical Choreographer	\$1,000
Katherine Lewis	Park MS Musical Director/Producer	3,443
Morgan Knight	Rep Theater Director	4,000
Morgan Knight	Rep Theater Choreographer	2,250
Joanne Sprague	Rep Theater Costume Designer	1,500
Emalina Thompson	Terrill MS Musical Director/Producer (A)	3,443
Beth Kasper	Terrill MS Musical Director/Producer (B)	3,443
Gailmarie Sprague	Terrill MS Musical Choreographer	1,000

- *8-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves Christopher Jones School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, to prepare all student athletic transportation bid specifications for the board of education.
Reference—N.J.A.C. 6A:27-9.2 (c)
- *9-BUS Move that the Board of Education authorizes Christopher Jones, Business Administrator/Board Secretary to approve the payment of bills between board meetings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-4.1. Such warrants shall be presented to the board at the next Regular Business Meeting for ratification.
- *10-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the Sidebar Nurse Stipend Agreement where the nurses will receive a \$4,000 stipend funded by the federal grant ARP - ESSER III.
- *11-BUS Move that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the district schools Security and Fire Drill Reports for the month of September 2021.
- *12-BUS Move that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of Board Secretary's Reports, Treasurer of School Funds Reports, and Budget Adjustments:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c), the Board Secretary certifies that as of September 30, 2021, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a); and that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c), the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports, certifies that no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b).
Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Education approves receipt of Budget Transfers, the Board Secretary's Report and the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month ending September 30, 2021.
- *13-BUS Move that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the following disbursement listings dated September 30, 2021:
- Creative Summer Workshop
 - Cafeteria
 - Payroll Agency Account
 - Petty Cash
 - Music Account
 - Athletic Account
 - Elementary Student Activity
 - Park and Terrill Middle Student Activity
 - High School Student Activity

- *14-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves bills for the period of September 25, 2021 through October 22, 2021 in the amount of \$

- *15-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the 2021-2022 Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program Agreements for the JCC in the amount of \$700.16.

- *16-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the Summit Management Solutions, LLC agreement for a Business Consultant for the approximate time period of December 1, 201 through March 31, 2022 in the amount of \$5,000 per month.

- *17-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the disposal of the following items via public bid sale:

Description	Quantity
Dell 3180 ChromeBooks	280

WHEREAS, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District is desirous of selling said surplus property in an “as is” condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, County of Union, approves the disposal of listed equipment by public bid sale and reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.

- *18-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the release of Maintenance Reserve Funds for the Airphone System upgrade at the Central Office up to \$10,000.

- *19-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the release of Maintenance Reserve Funds for MedEvac air filters up to \$40,000.

- *20-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the Swing Education Contract for additional services for substitute teachers and substitute aides at the current substitute pay rates plus an additional 25% service fee. The Swing Education Services are supplemental to the current district substitutes.

*21-BUS Move that the Board of Education approves the special education legal settlement for Case # 21-08.

*22-BUS Move that the Board of Education authorizes submission of the 2020-2023 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M-1 Reports as presented by the Business Administrator.

BOARD POLICIES

*1-POL Move that the Board of Education approves the first reading of the following board policies on October 28, 2021

1648.13	School Employee Vaccination Requirements
1648.14	Safety Plan for Healthcare Settings in School Buildings-COVID-19
2425	Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program
5751	Sexual Harassment of Students

NEW BOARD BUSINESS

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

1-OBB Liaison Reports

- Affordable Housing
- Garden State Coalition (GSCS)
- Municipal Alliance Committee (MAC)
- NJ School Boards Association
- PTA Council
- Presidents Council Meeting
- SP-F Shared Services
- Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation (TRHT)
- Union Co. Educational Services Commission (UCESC)
- Union Co. School Boards Assoc.

2-OBB Request to Attend Workshops and Workshop Reports

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Move that the Board of Education approves the minutes listed below:

1. September 29, 2021- Regular Board Meeting - Executive Session
2. September 29, 2021 - Regular Board Meeting

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UPCOMING SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, November 11 - Open Agenda Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 18 - Regular Public Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Move to adjourn