

**MINUTES OF THE BLOOMSBURY
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The February 18, 2009 Meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM by Karyn Frey, Board Vice-President. Notification has been given in conformance with the Sunshine Law: In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (NJSA 10:4-6) adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Bloomsbury Borough Council and posted at the Bloomsbury Elementary School, Bloomsbury Post Office, and filed in the Board Office with the Board Secretary.

ROLL CALL

Present: Karyn Frey, Cathy Foulk (arrived at 5:15 pm), Marnie Carrick and Robert Furnari

Absent: Michael Galuppo

Others Present: Michael Slattery, CSA and Teresa Barna, SBA/BS

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

A 2009-2010 budget Excel spreadsheet was developed and distributed to the board for its review. Topics of discussion surrounded tuition charges to Phillipsburg High School, and out of district placements. The board asked for an itemization of stipends listed in the Other Category. Salaries for certain personnel were reallocated to the proper line item.

Mr. Slattery presented educational recommendations for the board to consider as added programs for the 2009-2010 school year. Items for consideration include an additional day for the Technology teacher, computers for the library and stage, RealCare Baby II+ bundle for health education, a shared services agreement for the school social worker, a professional development program for the Superintendent, a school-wide professional development program through North Eastern Pennsylvania Writing project and curriculum writing for several content areas.

The Board discussed the possibility connecting to the public water system within the next year and budgeting for this added expense.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board made the following changes and additions to their meeting schedule:

Reschedule the Re-Organization Meeting from April 21, 2009 to April 29, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

Budget Meeting for approval of the preliminary budget – March 16, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

Public Hearing on the 2009-2010 budget – April 1, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

The Board discussed changing their regular meeting dates. Beginning in May the board will meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Hearing no further business, the board adjourned at 6:48 pm on a motion by Karyn Frey, second by Marnie Carrick. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa E. Barna, RSBO
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

Respectfully Submitted,

Board Member