

**MINUTES OF THE BLOOMSBURY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING**

The April 29, 2009 Re-organization Meeting was called to order at 7:13 PM by Teresa E. Barna, Board Secretary. 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, the Bloomsbury Borough Council and posted at the Bloomsbury Elementary School, Bloomsbury Post Office, and filed in the Board Office with the Board Secretary.

**FLAG SALUTE** was recited by all present.

**OFFICIAL RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

**Elected Officials:**

Three-year seat	Cathy Foulk	43 Votes
Two –Year Unexpired	Robert Furnari	62 Votes
General Fund Tax Levy:	\$1,526,773	YES -50 NO – 15

**OATHS OF OFFICE**

Catherine Foulk and Robert Furnari recited the Oath of Office.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Michael Galuppo, Karyn Frey(arrived at 7:22 pm), Cathy Foulk, Marnie Carrick and Bert Furnari

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Michael Slattery, CSA and Teresa Barna, Business Admin. /Board Sec’y

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mrs. Barna called for nominations for President.

Motion by Cathy Foulk, second by Marnie Carrick to nominate Michael Galuppo for President.

Motion by Cathy Foulk, second by Marnie Carrick to close nominations for President. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote.

**Vote: 4 – Yes. Motion carried to elect Michael Galuppo for President of the Board.**

Mrs. Barna called for nominations for Vice-President.

Motion by Marnie Carrick, second by Michael Galuppo to nominate Karyn Frey for Vice-President.

Motion by Bert Furnari, second by Cathy Foulk to close nominations for Vice-President. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote.

**Vote: 4 – Yes. Motion carried to elect Karyn Frey for Vice-President of the Board.**

**REORGANIZATION**

**R-161-09                      ADOPTION OF POLICIES**

Motion by Cathy Foulk, second by Bert Furnari that be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves all school policies as written and contained in the Board Policy Manual for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

It was noted that the revised policy manual was sent to the New Jersey School Boards Association for their review. The response was favorable with glowing remarks and just a few recommendations. The board is on target with where it needs to be for QSAC.

**R-162-09                      ADOPTION OF CURRICULUM**

Motion by Bert Furnari, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the existing curriculum and textbooks for implementation in the 2009-2010 school year.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-163-09                      APPOINTMENTS FOR 2009-2010**

Motion by Karyn Frey, second by Bert Furnari that be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following appointments/re-appointments for the 2009-2010 school year:

Board Secretary	Teresa E. Barna
Auditor	William Colantano, Jr.
Treasurer of School Monies	Patti Fischer
School Attorney	Paul Barger, Barger & Bolger
School Physician	Randy Klein
Insurance Agent	Brown & Brown of New Jersey, Inc.
Dental Insurance Agent	Grinspec Consulting
Affirmative Action Officer	Tina Glackin
Custodian of Records	Teresa E. Barna
Integrated Pest Management Coor.	Michael Slattery
Chemical Hygiene Officer	Steven Weber
Designated Person (AHERA & RTK)	Steven Weber

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-164-09                      DESIGNATION OF BANK DEPOSITORIES**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Marnie Carrick that be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education Recommend that Board designate the PNC Bank as the official depository of school funds for savings, checking, and investment funds and approval of the designation of signatures as follows:



**R-169-09**                      **ESTABLISH BOARD COMMITTEES**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Karyn Frey that be it

RESOVLED that the Board of Education establishes the following Board Committees with the following board members appointed to each committee for the 2009-2010 school year:

Policy	Karyn Frey, chair, / Michael Galuppo
Building & Grounds/Finance	Bert Furnari, chair, / Marnie Carrick
Personnel	Marnie Carrick, chair, / Bert Furnari
Public Relations	Karyn Frey, chair, / Cathy Foulk
Education	Michael Galuppo, chair, / Cathy Foulk

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-170-09**                      **APPOINT DELEGATES/REPRESENTATIVES**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOVLED that the Board of Education appoint the following delegates/representatives for the 2009-2010 school year:

NJSBA delegate and alternate	Michael Galuppo/Karyn Frey
Educational Liaison Committee	Marnie Carrick/Michael Galuppo
Borough Council Liaison	Cathy Foulk/Karyn Frey
Educational Services Commission	Karyn Frey/Bert Furnari
Hunterdon County SBA & alternate	Marnie Carrick/Michael Galuppo
Safety Committee	Bert Furnari/Cathy Foulk
Phillipsburg Board of Education	Cathy Foulk

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-171-09**                      **ESTABLISH PETTY CASH FUNDS**

Motion by Marnie Carrick, second by Karyn Frey that be it

RESOVLED that the Board of Education establish a petty cash account for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$300 and appoint the Business Administrator to disburse and receive monies for this account. The maximum amount to be disbursed for a single transaction shall be set at \$40.00.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-172-09**                      **LOCAL TAX PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

Motion by Cathy Foulk, second by Karyn Frey, that be it

RESOVLED that the Board of Education requests the Borough to provide local tax levy funds for the 2009-2010 school year based on the following schedule:

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter: August 1, 2009	\$ 381,693.25
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter: November 1, 2009	\$ 381,693.25
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter: February 1, 2010	\$ 381,693.25
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter: May 1, 2010	\$ 381,693.25

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-173-09**

**CODE OF ETHICS**

Motion by Bert Furnari, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education in accordance with Policy File Code 9271: Code of Ethics, the Board of Education has discussed the Board Member Code of Ethics annually.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-174-09**

**DESIGNATE PURCHASING AGENT**

Motion by Karyn Frey, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Teresa E. Barna, as the district purchasing agent for the 2009-2010 school year to implement policy and procedure in accordance with Chapter 18A:18A etc., "Public Schools Contracts Law"

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-175-09**

**DESIGNATE BID & QUOTE THRESHOLD**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Marnie Carrick that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education designate a bid threshold of \$29,000 and a quote threshold of \$4,350 for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Marianne Treanor stated that she sees that the Board will be taking action to contract with the Phillipsburg Board of Education, has the Board discussed any other high schools? The Executive County Superintendents are being pressed by the State to recommend consolidation of schools. There are feasibility studies involved and withdrawing from Phillipsburg would require a request to the State of New Jersey. Only with their permission, could Bloomsbury withdraw from the send/receive relationship with Phillipsburg. The State would take all things into consideration in making this determination. Impact on both districts financially and demographically are just a few examples of what the State would take into consideration.

At this time, the Board took a five minute break.

**DIANE MORRIS – REPRESENTATIVE OF NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION**

- A. Board Self Evaluation – Diane reviewed the results of the Board Self-Evaluation.
- B. Superintendent Evaluation – The Board reviewed the Superintendent Evaluation. The summary, narrative report needs to be completed and discussed with Mr. Slattery.

Diane Morris left at 8:54 pm.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Custodian Report
- Letter from Lorraine Wrede
- Letter thanking the Learning Express for their donation of preschool equipment

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Karyn Frey that the minutes of the April 1, 2009 special meeting be approved and filed.

**Vote: 5 - Yes. Motion carried.**

## **CERTIFICATION**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with NJAC 6:20-2:13 the Board of Education certifies to the best of their knowledge, that no major account or fund has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations.

**Roll Call Vote: 5 - Yes. Motion carried.**

## **BILL LIST**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Karyn Frey that be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the payment of the bills for April 2009 in the amount of \$215,226.41.

**Roll call vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

## **BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT AND REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the Board Secretary's Report and Report of the Treasurer for the month ending February 28, 2009.

**Roll call vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

## **BUDGET TRANSFERS**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Bert Furnari that be it

RESOLVED, the Board approves transfers within the 2008-2009 school year budget in the amount of \$29,027.00 as presented.

**Roll call vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

## **CSA'S REPORT**

- Budget
- QSAC
- Testing
- Policy
- Code of Conduct

## **NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS**

**R-176-09      RE-EMPLOYMENT OF TENURED STAFF FOR THE  
2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Marnie Carrick that resolution R-176-09 be tabled.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion tabled.**

**R-177-09      RE-EMPLOYMENT OF NON-TENURED STAFF ELIGIBLE  
FOR TENURE 2009-2010**

Motion by Marnie Carrick, second by Michael Galuppo that be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, offer re-employment for the 2009-2010 school year to the following non-tenured certified staff that are eligible for tenure September 2009 at the proper step of the salary guide.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>Step/Degree</b>
Mottley, Kelly	Teacher	1	10/MA

**Roll call vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-178-09      2009-2010 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Motion by Cathy Foulk, second by Michael Galuppo that be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the school calendar for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-179-09      TUITION CONTRACT WITH PHILLIPSBURG  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Motion by Bert Furnari, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve a tuition contract with the Phillipsburg Board of Education for the 2009-2010 school year as follows:

43 students      \$11,025 per student      TOTAL: \$474,075

**Roll Call Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-180-09      NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION  
SAFETY GRANT**

Motion by Karyn Frey, second by Michael Galuppo that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, hereby approves the submission of the grant application for the 2009 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group's Eric West Subfund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

**Roll Call Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-181-09      EMPLOYEE TRAVEL AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Karyn Frey that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approves travel and expense reimbursement for district employees as follows:

<b>WORKSHOP</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<b>PROJECTED COST</b>
Teacher of the Year Luncheon	June 5, 2009	Poly-Tech	Donna McLennan	Registration: \$0 Mileage: \$6.20 (20 miles @ \$.31)
Lopatcong Tech Day	May 22, 2009	Phillipsburg, NJ	Laney Borgstrom	Registration: \$50 Mileage: \$4.65 (15 miles @\$\$.31)

**Roll Call Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-182-09      REVISE 2009-2010 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET**

Motion by Marnie Carrick, second by Cathy Foulk,

WHEREAS, P.L. 2009, c22(S-15) requires the New Jersey Department of Education to reduce State Aid for regular and county vocational school districts in the amount of the allowable PERS deferred amount, and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2009, c22(S-15) requires the reduction in State Aid regardless of whether the district elects the 50% deferment or elects to pay the PERS Pension Liability obligation at 100%, and

WHEREAS, the Bloomsbury Board of Education has elected to pay 100% of the 2009 PERS Pension Liability obligation and will receive a reduction in State Aid for the 2008-2009 budget, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bloomsbury Board of Education hereby reduces its 2008-2009 budget as follows:

**Revenue**

Equalization Aid            10-3176                            (\$6,621)

**Appropriation**

11-000-251-270            Central Serv. Health Ben.            (4,000)

11-000-310-930            Transfer for Deficit                    (2,621)

**Roll Call Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-183-09      STUDENT TEACHER AGREEMENT**

Motion by Cathy Foulk, second by Bert Furnari, that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve a Student Teaching Agreement with Centenary College for Fall 2009.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-184-09**                      **STUDENT OBSERVATION**

Motion by Bert Furnari, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, authorize Christina M. Pulcini to observe and shadow Mrs. Pulcini for a day.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-185-09**                      **REQUEST FOR USE OF FACILITIES**

Motion by Karyn Frey, second by Cathy Foulk that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approves the following request(s) for use of the facilities:

BES PTO	Friday, May15, 2009	Areas of building as per
	5:00-11:00 pm	request
BES PTO	Friday, May 1, 2009	Areas of building as per
	5:00-10:00 pm	request

**Vote: 5 – No on Friday May 15, 2009. Motion not carried. 5 – Yes on Friday May 1, 2009. Motion carried.**

**R-186-09**                      **FIELD TRIP**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Marnie Carrick that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approves the following field trip:

PreK-2	May 18, 2009,	Pax Amicus Playhouse, Budd Lake, NJ
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**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

A discussion took place regarding what grade levels should be invited to attend the dance.

**R-187-09**                      **SUN SAFETY PROGRAM**

Motion by Marnie Carrick, second by Karyn Frey, that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Marc Katz of the Hunterdon County Health Department to conduct a Sun Safety Presentation on May 15, 2009 at 2:00 pm.

**Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-188-09**                      **TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT WITH WARREN COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Motion by Cathy Foulk , second by Bert Furnari that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves an agreement with Warren County Special Services School District for coordinated transportation services for the 2009-2010 school year for an administrative fee of 4% of the contract cost as per the attached agreement.

**Roll call vote: 4 – Yes. Motion carried.**

Mr. Furnari had left the room temporarily.

**R-189-09**                      **LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE**

Motion by Karyn Frey, second by Cathy Foulk, that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Katie Serback as a longt-term substitute for Grade 8, Social Studies effective May 4, 2009 through June 30, 2009 at Step 1, BA/\$40,989 prorated and without benefits.

**Roll Call Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**R-190-09**                      **STAFF FOR CURRICULUM WRITING**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Karyn Frey, that be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the following staff to write curriculum at the contracted rate, not to exceed 10 hours per subject area:

Employee Name	Subject Area
Alane Borgstrom	Music and Technology
Deb Hill-Whipple	Phys. Ed. and Health
Wendy Roth	Art

**Roll Call Vote: 5 – Yes. Motion carried.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Marnie Carrick,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session at 10:03 pm to discuss student related issues and the Superintendent Evaluation.

**Vote: 5 - Yes. Motion carried.**

Motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Karyn Frey, that the Board of Education returns to regular session at 10:23 pm.

**Vote: 5 - Yes. Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:24 pm on a motion by Michael Galuppo, second by Cathy Foulk.

**Vote: 5 - Yes. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Teresa E. Barna, RSBO  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Board Member