



BEVERLY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
601 Bentley Avenue
Beverly, New Jersey 08010
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REGULAR MEETING

Beverly City School
August 19, 2021

6:00 PM
Beverly School Cafeteria/Gymnasium

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Board President, Richard Wolbert and the following was read: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting law was enacted to ensure 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 Beverly City Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be given by having the date, time, and place faxed to City Hall on Broad Street and advertised in the Burlington County Times in writing on April 13, 2021. A copy was also submitted to the Beverly Post Office.

There will be two opportunities for public input at every Board of Education meeting. The first opportunity, titled "Public Comment on Agenda Items Only," is your opportunity to provide comments to the Board of Education, prior to the Board taking action. This opportunity is only for items that appear on the agenda.

The second opportunity, titled "Public Comment," is your opportunity to ask questions or provide comment that may be of interest to the educational welfare of the district but is not restricted to agenda items only.

At no time during these public comment periods will the Board allow disparaging remarks about students, district personnel, or members of the Board of Education. In addition, the Board will not allow remarks about specific students or district personnel. If such remarks are made, the Board President will declare the speaker out of order and will request the speaker cease and desist from making such comments. Refusal to do so may result in removal from the Board meeting.

2. Board President, Mr. Wolbert lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Present	Robert Thibault	Present
Donato Marable	Present	Richard Wolbert	Present

4. Richard Wolbert, Board President opened the meeting.

5. Board Member Comments on the Agenda



There were no board comments on the agenda.

6. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

There were no public comments on the agenda.

7. A motion was made by Barbara Kelly and seconded Donato Marable by to approve MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the regular meeting minutes for July 15, 2021.

Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Affirmative	Robert Thibault	Affirmative
Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative

MONTHLY FINANCIALS/CONTRACTS:

8. A motion was made by Donato Marable and seconded by Barbara Kelly to approve the following action items A through C will be considered under consent agenda. Any item that requires further discussion may be pulled from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.

A. MOTION: To approve the purchase orders in the amount of \$1,187,520.16 for the month of August 2021.

B. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the bills totaling \$357,452.81 for the month of August 2021 to be paid, and the Secretary and the President be hereby authorized and directed to draw orders on the Treasurer for the payment of same.

C. MOTION: To approve the gross payroll wages for the pay period ending July 15, 2021 in the amount of \$40,397.51 and for the pay period ending July 31, 2021 in the amount of \$48,564.74 in the total amount of \$88,962.25 for the month of July 2021.

Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Affirmative	Robert Thibault	Affirmative
Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative

FINANCIALS/CONTRACTS:

9. A motion was made by Barbara Kelly and seconded by Robert Thibault to approve the following action items A through F will be considered under consent agenda. Any item that requires further discussion may be pulled from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.



A. MOTION: To approve the following 2020-2021/2021-2022 school year tuition for out-of-district placement:

School	# of Students	Cost	Effective	Comments	Total
BCSSSD	4	\$5,834.00	ESY	1:1 Aid	\$23,336.00
GCSSSD	1	\$4,500.00	ESY		\$4,500.00
Cinnaminson	2	\$2,426.00	ESY		\$4,852.00
BCIT	53	\$3,587.00	9/1/2021-6/30/2022	(student count based on a 4 year average of ASSA counts)	\$190,111.00
Cinnaminson High School	1	\$45,285.00	9/1/2021-6/30/2022		\$45,285.00
Cinnaminson High School	1	\$43,437.00	9/1/2021-6/30/2022		\$43,437.00

B. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Board to authorize George M. Gahles, Business Administrator to be added as a signer on the General Account.

C. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Logmein contract for the 2021-2022 school year in the amount of \$839.99.

D. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Leah McLaughlin Rueda, Smiling Speech, to conduct Bilingual Spanish Speech and Language evaluations in the amount of \$700.00 per evaluation on an as needed basis.

E. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Spiezele Architectural Group's amended professional services agreement for the new module classroom addition in the amount of \$25,950.00

F. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following REVISED substitute pay rates for the 2021-2022 School Year:

Custodian -	\$16.50 per hour
	\$17.50 per hour (with Black seal)

Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Affirmative	Robert Thibault	Affirmative
Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative



PERSONNEL:

10. Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Barbara Kelly and seconded Donato Marable by to approve the following action items A through P will be considered under consent agenda. Any item that requires further discussion may be pulled from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.

A. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Dr. Elizabeth Giacobbe as the Superintendent of the Beverly City School District.

B. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Dr. Elizabeth Giacobbe as the Principal of the Beverly City School District.

C. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve to adjust salaries for the following teacher by virtue of the accumulations of advanced status credits on the salary guide in accordance with Board-BEA negotiated agreement for the 2021-2022 school year, said adjustments to be paid the first reasonable pay period:

Teacher	From	Old Salary	To	New Salary
Meredith Shockley	Step #11 BA	\$59,667.00	Step #11 BA + 15	\$63,367.00

D. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the REVISED FMLA for Caitlin Stone, to return October 4, 2021.

E. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Jeremiah Charles, Paraprofessional, effective August 9, 2021.

F. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Audrey McMillian, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

G. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Denasia Jennings, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

H. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Mikaela Santucci, Paraprofessional, effective August 10, 2021.

I. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Kelsey Meyer, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

J. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Jaelynn Hernandez, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

K. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Dawn Jones, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.



L. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Kenya Marshall, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

M. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Edward Carragher, Bus Driver, \$5,000.00 annual stipend for Palmyra bus run, effective September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

N. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Alanna Schwoebel, Paraprofessional, Step #11, at the rate of \$18.55 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

O. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Jose Williams, Substitute Custodian at the rate of \$16.50 per hour, effective August 20, 2021.

P. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the termination of Lekette Shim, Paraprofessional effective August 18, 2021.

Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Affirmative	Robert Thibault	Affirmative
Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION:

11. Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Barbara Kelly and seconded Donato Marable by to approve the following action items A through R will be considered under consent agenda. Any item that requires further discussion may be pulled from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.

A. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Tools of the Mind Curriculum for Pre-Kindergarten for the 2021-2022 school year.

B. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve to approve employees children to attend the school in Beverly in accordance with Board policy 5111:

- Lois Harmon – C.H. , C.H., J.H.
- Peg Gunkel – C.G.
- Ed Carragher – D.C.

C. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the contract of SGO/SGP/Teacher Evaluation Scoring Sheet Employment Proposal of Michael McConnell for the 2021-2022 school year in the amount of \$3,000.00.



D. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Danielson model for teacher evaluation for the 2021-2022 school year.

E. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the renewal of Reflex Math Site License for all students at a rate of \$3,295.00.

F. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Beverly City School District Burlington County Mentoring Plan for the 2021-2022 school year.

G. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Beverly City School District Safety and Security Plan for the 2021-2022 school year.

H. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Beverly City School District Professional Development Plan for the 2021-2022 school year.

I. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Student-Family Handbook.

J. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Staff Handbook.

K. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve to accept the grant award for the FY22 IDEA in the amount of:

Basic: \$122,570.00
Preschool: \$3,410.00

L. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the renewal quote for products and services using Schoolnet (edConnectNJ) in the amount of \$10,867.24 for the 2021-2022 school year.

M. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the music curriculum for the 2021-2022 school year.

N. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the renewal of Schoolwide Fundamentals Unlimited virtual resources in the amount of \$2,197.00 for schoolwide access.

O. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approved the REVISED 2021-2022 school year calendar.

P. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the counseling proposal funded by the Title IV grant monies in the amount of \$12,086.00.

Q. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Amie Jones as a mental health counselor twice a month for ten months in the amount of \$151.00 per hour, four hours a day for a total not to exceed \$12,086.00, funded by Title IV.

R. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan for Beverly City School District.



Roll Call

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Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

12. Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Barbara Kelly and seconded Donato Marable by to approve the following action items A and B will be considered under consent agenda. Any item that requires further discussion may be pulled from the consent agenda and acted upon separately.

A. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the professional development in the amount of \$100 per day for the following staff:

- Kayla Costigan
- Audrey McMillian
- Francesca DiMedio
- Heather Farrelly
- Heather Fischer
- Meredith Shockley

B. MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the professional development for Brian Savage to attend the Fall Conference for NAFIS Impact Aid Fall Conference on September 19-21, 2021, the amount is \$1,500.

Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Affirmative	Robert Thibault	Affirmative
Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative

13. Old Business –

- Modular Units - The contract is currently under attorney review and paperwork is progressing on the purchase of the modular unit which will hold six (6) classrooms.

14. New Business

There was no new business this month.

15. Correspondence



There was no correspondence for the month.

16. Board Comments

Robert Thibault voiced his concern regarding the LGTBQ curriculum and believes it is an overreach. He wanted to make sure the curriculum was appropriate at certain ages. He noted little kids are innocent and the teaching of the LGTBQ curriculum is not appropriate at the younger grades. Dr. Giacobbe noted that representation of the LGTBQ curriculum is very important. She noted that some Beverly Staff are part of the LGTBQ community and the curriculum talks about the contributions of the LGTBQ community. Richard Wolbert noted that the District approaches the curriculum in a very professional manner.

17. The open to the public comment portion of the meeting began at 6:32 p.m. and closed at 6:49 p.m.

Kelsey Snively, 1315 Marble Ave, Roebling, NJ spoke about the writing competition she is organizing and the concept is "spooky." She is hopeful that many Beverly students will participate. She noted there will also be a family event on October 15 and 16 at the Beverly Housing Project. The fall event will include a pumpkin carving contest. Finally, she noted she also is a member of the LGTBQ community and she believes that education is a great way to help of students deal with it. She also noted that it is important what is being said is monitored.

Beverly Hoff, 124 Riverbank, Beverly NJ, noted that young children don't judge and that we need to stop being so critical with regard to the LGTBQ curriculum.

John Hoff, 124 Riverbank, Beverly NJ agreed with the above comments.

18. Adjournment

A motion was made by Barbara Kelly and seconded by Donato Marable to adjourn the Board of Education Meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Roll Call

Barbara Kelly	Affirmative	Robert Thibault	Affirmative
Donato Marable	Affirmative	Richard Wolbert	Affirmative

Respectfully submitted:

Brian F. Savage

Brian F. Savage, Ed.D.

Staff Accountant/Board Secretary