

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held in the Conference Room, of the School Administration Building, on Tuesday, March 28, 2017.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM by President Smith.

The following meeting notice was read:

The date, location and time of this regular meeting were mailed to *THE INDEPENDENT PRESS*, *BLOOMFIELD LIFE*, the *STAR LEDGER*, and posted on the Bloomfield School District website and delivered to the Township Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield on January 4, 2017.

Board Members Present: Mr. Daniel Anderson
Ms. Jill Fischman – (arrived at 6:45 PM)
Mr. Michael Heller
Ms. Ruth Hidalgo – (arrived at 7:45 PM)
Ms. Linda Lo
Ms. Lillian Mancheno
Ms. Gladys Rivera – (arrived at 7:30 PM)
Ms. Ellen Rogers – (arrived at 6:45 PM)
Ms. Emily Smith

Staff Members Present: Salvatore Goncalves, Superintendent
Sandra Searing, Assistant Superintendent
Mark Resnick, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Nicholas Dotoli, Director of Administration/General Counsel
Linda Colucci, Director of Special Services
Joanne Decker, Director of Student Achievement
Margaret Contaldi, Director of Professional Development

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Ms. Smith.

Upon the motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Smith, the following resolution was introduced:

RESOLUTION TO MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION – (No Executive Session)

Res. 150 “BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant of N.J.S. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13 that the Bloomfield Board of Education hold a closed session on March 28, 2017 at _____ PM regarding _____.”

PRESENTATIONS

- **Foley Field Foundation – Mike Napolitano**
 - ✓ Mike Napolitano stated that Investors Bank gave a \$100,000.00 donation to the Foley Field Foundation towards Phase III of the Activity Building at Foley Field.
- **Carteret: Chrome Cafe`- Media Center Makeover – John Baltz, Angela Brisini, & Carteret Students (DG-1) (DG-3) (BG-1) (BG-4)**
 - ✓ John Baltz gave a presentation on Carteret’s Library Learning Hub/Chrome Cafe`.
- **Watsessing: Full STEAM Ahead – Dr. Gina Rosamilia, Athena Giordano, Kelley Krick, Jeff Dieterle, Monika Martin & 4th Grade Violinists (DG-1) (DG-3) (BG-1)**
 - ✓ Dr. Rosamilia and staff gave an overview of “STEAM” guides which links to student literacy.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC – (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

There shall be a maximum of forty-five (45) minutes for public comments. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. The first public comment portion shall be limited to agenda items only.

- A resident complimented Mr. Baltz and Dr. Rosamilia on their presentations.
- A resident stated that Kindergarten registration is from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM which causes a problem for parents. She stated that there needs to be more flexibility in the registration process.
 - ✓ Mr. Goncalves responded.

REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Goncalves reported the following:
 - ✓ There were eight (8) BMS students that won the Challenge 24 Competition.
 - ✓ Additional accolades were given to the elementary pupils.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Ms. Smith reported that there is currently a two-year waiting period to move the board election back to April.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon the motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the following recommendations were introduced:

Recommending the approval of the amended Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

Recommending the approval of the amended Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

Recommendation carried (8-0-1) with Ms. Hidalgo abstaining.

RESOLUTIONS

PERSONNEL & MANAGEMENT

Report: Mr. Dotoli gave his Personnel & Management Committee Report.

Upon the motion of Mr. Heller, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the following resolutions were introduced:

Res. 151 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Appointments as listed:"

Non-Certified:

Marlena Gaines
No relative working in district

Paraprofessional
Forest Glen
ABA Classroom/\$23,346.58
Eff: 3/29/2017
Re: Open position
11.216.100.106.20.30

Steven Puryear
No relative working in district

Paraprofessional
High School-PRIDE
60 College Credits/\$20,162.95
Eff: Pending Certification
Re: Robert Finley
11.213.100.106.50.30

Laurie Venezia
Relative working in district
No nepotism applicable

Office Aide
Brookdale School
Step 1 - \$10,316.61
Eff: 9/1/2017
Re: Lucille Laird
11.000.240.110.20.92

Res. 152 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Leave of Absence as listed:"

Kristin Graziano

Teacher
Berkeley School
Disability LOA
Eff: 5/30/2017 – 6/9/2017
FML+NJFML
Eff: 6/12/2017 – 11/3/2017
Returning: 11/6/2017

Anthony Todaro Jr.

Custodian
Middle School
NJFML
Eff: 5/9/2017 – 6/19/2017
Returning: 6/20/2017

Res. 153 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Substitutes as listed:”

Stephanie Gruskin	Standard – Elementary	Substitute Teacher 2016-2017 School Year
Muhammad Haque	CE – Earth Science	Substitute Teacher 2016-2017 School Year
Lauritha Lane	CE – Preschool-3	Substitute Teacher 2016-2017 School Year
Whitney Perez	County Certificate	Substitute Teacher 2016-2017 School Year
Paul Pitter	County Certificate	Substitute Teacher 2016-2017 School Year

Res. 154 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Extra Compensation Title as listed.”

NAMES: Luis Quito	LOCATION: BHS
PROGRAM: ESL Café	DATES: March – June 2017
COMMENTS: 90 hrs. @ \$31/hr. 20-241-100-101-59-99	TOTAL AMT. OF REQUEST: \$2790.00 TITLE III FUNDED 2016-2017

NAMES: Agustina Batista; Eduardo Reyes	LOCATION: Fairview School
PROGRAM: ESL Evening Parent Classes 2	DATES: March - May 2017
COMMENTS: 24 hrs./teacher @\$31. /hr. 20-241-100-101-59-99	TOTAL AMT. OF REQUEST: \$1488.00 TITLE III FUNDED 2016-2017

NAMES: Agustina Batista	LOCATION: Fairview School
PROGRAM: ESL Morning Tutoring 2	DATES: March – May 2017
COMMENTS: 40 hrs. @ \$31. /hr. 20-241-100-101-59-99	TOTAL AMT. OF REQUEST: \$1240.00 TITLE III FUNDED 2016-2017

NAMES: Juan Mendez; Samantha Dixon; Yvonne Ruiz	LOCATION: BMS
PROGRAM: BMS Tutoring Center 2	DATE: March – May 2017
COMMENTS: 10 hrs./teacher.@ \$31. /hr. 20-231-100-101-41-99	TOTAL AMT. OF REQUEST: \$930.00 TITLE I FUNDED 2016-2017

NAME: Mary Fair	LOCATION: BMS
PROGRAM: Sub for ELL Café	DATES: March 28, 2017-June 15, 2017
COMMENTS: \$31/hr. 20-241-100-101-59-99	TOTAL AMT. OF REQUEST: N/A TITLE III FUNDED 2016-2017

Approval of Sidebar Agreement

Res. 155 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the attached sidebar agreement between Bloomfield Board of Education and UAW 1612.”

Note:

- Ms. Fischman had questions regarding the minutes in the packet.
- Ms. Smith stated an ad or press release should be put in the papers regarding transgender symposium.
- Mr. Heller asked to use PDF version for website.
- Ms. Lo requested flyers in different languages.

Recommendation carried (8-0-1) with Ms. Fischman voting no.

FINANCE & FACILITIES

Report: Mr. Heller provided the Finance & Facilities Committee Report.

Mr. Heller reported the following:

- The need for an update of the Long-Range Facility Plant (LRFP) with the assistance of the District's Architect of Record.
- The Committee has reviewed the 2017-2018 budget presentation which is strong, in part, due to recent Position Control update
- The 2017-2018 budget contemplates facility expenditures to be included in the April 25th presentation
- Mr. Heller also made note of approval of grant request and donation of Investors Bank to Foley Field Foundation.

Upon the motion of Mr. Heller, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the following resolutions were introduced:

Approval of Transfers

Res. 156 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the transfer of funds in accordance with NJSA 18A:22-8.1 and 18A:22-8.2 within the adopted 2016/2017 budget."

Approval of Secretary's Report

Res. 157 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Board Secretary's Report for the month ended February 28, 2017, 2017, as per the attached. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-1.11(a), the Bloomfield Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certified that, to the best of knowledge, as of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year."

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Res. 158 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 28, 2017."

Payment of Bills

Res. 159 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the payment of regular bills as per the listing submitted on March 28, 2017."

NJDOE Capital Project Application – Roof/Lintel Replacement at Carteret School

Res. 160 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Township Board of Education approves plans prepared by the architect of record for the Roof/Lintel Replacement at Carteret School, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Township Board of Education approves the submission of an application of said plans as another Capital Project to the NJDOE, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the district is not seeking State grant funding for this project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Township Board of Education approves any necessary amendments to the District's current Long Range Facilities Plan pursuant to the above noted project."

NJDOE Capital Project Application – Boiler Replacement at Carteret School

Res. 161 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Township Board of Education approves plans prepared by the architect of record for the Boiler Replacement at Carteret School, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Township Board of Education approves the submission of an application of said plans as another Capital Project to the NJDOE, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the district is not seeking State grant funding for this project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Township Board of Education approves any necessary amendments to the District's current Long Range Facilities Plan pursuant to the above noted project."

Approval to Submit Grant Application

Res. 162 "RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the submission of the grant application for the 2017 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Educational Insurance Fund, a subsidiary of New Jersey School Insurance Group, for the purposes described in the application in the amount of \$14,466.46 for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018."

Approval to Accept Donation

Res. 163 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the donation of the Community Activities Building improvement from the Foley Field Foundation in return for a one-time donation in the amount of \$100,000.00 to the Foley Field Foundation. Said donation to be allocated towards the purchase, construction and installation of the appropriate materials, equipment, signage, and recognitions associated with the Bloomfield Board of Education approved plans for this improvement.”

Approval of Out-of-District Tuitions

Res. 164 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following out-of-district tuition for the 2016-2017 school year:

<u>Student/State ID</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
#7336531451	Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey	\$23,001.93 each
#1721542369		\$ 9,889.74 (1:1 each)
#6065710186		

Note: Ms. Smith wanted clarification on the out-of-district placement in Resolution #164.
Ms. Fischman requested clarification on the expenditure year for the projects at Carteret.

Carried unanimously (9-0)

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Report: Ms. Searing gave her Curriculum & Instruction Committee Report.

Ms. Searing reported the following:

- Conference call items:
 1. NJQSAC
 2. Curriculum & Program review by NJDOE
 3. Teacher evaluation demonstration
 4. Budget Power Point – curricula objectives
- Superintendent’s Technology Task Force
- Discussion of “Defined STEM”

Upon the motion of Ms. Mancheno, seconded by, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the following resolution was introduced:

Approval of Professional Conferences

Res. 165 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, authorizes certified staff to attend the attached conferences. Each Conference is directly associated and within the scope of the duties as identified in 18A:11-15(b) and Chapter 53/A5.”

Carried unanimously (9-0)

Note: Mr. Heller wants presentations emailed the Friday before the Tuesday Board meeting.
Ms. Fischman needs documents well in advance of the committee meeting.
Mr. Heller stated the creation of a “Google doc”/ ”Google Slide” shared to the Board would be appropriate for the 2018-2019 Budget.

POLICY/REGULATION

Motion to table Resolution #166 was made by Ms. Fischman, seconded by Mr. Heller.

All in favor (9-0)

Approval of First Read Policy – (TABLED)

Res. 166 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the first reading of the following policy:”

Policy #7550 Criteria for Naming Schools and School Facilities

Upon the motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the following resolution was introduced:

Approval of Second Read Policies & Regulations

Res. 167 “RESOLVED that the Bloomfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves and adopts, upon the second reading of the following policies:”

Policies & Regulations:

Policy #1510	Americans with Disabilities Act – Revised (M)
Policy #2418	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 – Students (New) (M)
Policy #5116	Education of Homeless Children – (Revised)
Policy #8330	Student Records (Revised) (M)

Policies:

Policy #2415.30	Title I – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (New) (M)
Policy #5330.04	Administering an Opioid Antidote (New)

- Note:** - Mr. Heller stated that Policy #1510 should be cross-referenced with Policy #3357 Service Animals.
- Ms. Rogers asked a question about Educational Stability Act.
 - Mr. Heller noted that Strauss Esmay’s Policy Alert states that clarification in the policy language is forthcoming from NJDOE and NJDCF on Policy #2415.30.

Carried unanimously (9-0)

Upon the motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Heller, the following resolution was introduced:

Approval to Name BMS Auditorium

Res. 168 “WHEREAS, the Bloomfield Board of Education can name facilities to memorialize the outstanding service, legacy, or career of a member of the community, and;

WHEREAS, Dominick J. Ferrara III served the Bloomfield Community where he lived since 1975, and;

WHEREAS, Dominick J. Ferrara III, was a music educator, founder of the music education program, and later Director of Music Education at Secaucus Public Schools for over 35 years, and;

WHEREAS Dominick J. Ferrara III was founding director of the Garden State Concert Band in 1979 and was conductor of the Bloomfield Civic Band for over 43 years, and;

WHEREAS Dominick J. Ferrara III was past president of the Bloomfield Federation of Music and past president of Bloomfield UNICO;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bloomfield Board of Education, after careful consideration and due deliberation, honors Mr. Dominick J. Ferrara III, by naming the Bloomfield Middle School Auditorium, the Dominick J. Ferrara III Memorial Auditorium, in recognition of his teaching and artistry which has influenced two generations of students in Bloomfield’s Schools.”

Carried unanimously (9-0)

Upon the motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the following resolution was introduced:

Designation of a Delegate and Alternate to the New Jersey School Boards Association

Res. 169 “WHEREAS, following the January 3, 2017 Reorganization Meeting, the Board hereby selects Mr. Heller as the delegate and Ms. Smith is hereby selected as the alternate delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association for the 2017/2018 school year.”

Carried unanimously (9-0)

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

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- A resident questioned the curriculum committee change.

FACILITIES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Mr. Heller thanked Ms. Decker for English learner data.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Rogers stated as being the delegate for Essex County Educational Services Commission, she will provide updates including transportation.
- Mr. Heller thanked Ms. Rogers for updates as the ECESC has not updated its website with agendas or minutes for several years.
- Ms. Smith is looking for new ways to disseminate Board candidate information.
- Ms. Smith conferred with NJSBA regarding the use of the district's website to facilitate the board of education's election information.
- The Board be cleared for information about new candidates.
- Mr. Heller stated it is not the Board of Education to help inform about candidates. It's the candidates job.
- Ms. Fischman and Mr. Heller addressed concerns with Ms. Smith's suggestions.

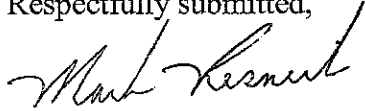
INFORMATION ITEMS

- Mr. Heller stated Berkeley's Sixth Annual 5K run is on Sunday, April 30, 2017 at 9:00 AM. People can contact the Berkeley Home and School via Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/BerkeleyHomeAndSchool>.
- There has been no BOE representative at Berkeley since January.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon the motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Mancheno, this meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Resnick
Business Administrator/Board Secretary