

**BURLINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PUBLIC WORK SESSION  
November 14, 2018**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The November 14, 2018 Work Session Meeting of the Burlington Township Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Maryann McMahon-Nester, Board President, at 6:12PM. in the Board Conference Room, Hopkins Building, located at 710 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ.

**II. STATEMENT OF CONFORMANCE**

Notice is hereby given that this meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and that adequate notice has been provided as follows:

On January 15, 2018 the Secretary gave notice of this Work Session meeting to be held at 6:00PM. in the Board Conference Room, Hopkins Building. This notice was advertised in the following manner:

- (a) Posted notice on the entranceway; Door #18 of the BTHS Hopkins Building;
- (b) Notices were sent to the Township Clerk, the Burlington County Times and the Trenton Times.

**III. FLAG SALUTE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

	<u>ARRIVAL</u>	<u>DEPARTURE</u>
Mrs. Lisa Bungarden	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mrs. Donna Custard	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mrs. Susan Eichmann	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mr. Christopher Holmes	6:21 PM	9:18 PM
Mrs. Antoinette Minors-Ferguson	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mr. Jack Newman	Absent	---
Mrs. Velina Marie Riggi	6:16 PM	9:18 PM
Ms. Michelle Spotts	Absent	---
Mrs. Maryann McMahon-Nester	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mrs. Mary Ann Bell, Superintendent	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mr. Nicholas Bice, BA/Board Secretary	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Ms. Ann Britt, Asst. Supt. for Curr. & Inst.	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mr. Christopher Giannotti, Asst. Supt. for Sp. Ed.	6:12 PM	9:18 PM
Mr. David Serlin, Solicitor	Absent	---

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**V. PRESENTATION**

Mr. Rob Inverso of Inverso and Stewart presented the 2017-2018 Audit Review to the Board Members.

**VI. BOARD DISCUSSION**

The following items were discussed:

- Scheduled Meetings:
 

11/20/18	DEAC
12/3/18	Emergency Preparedness
2/4/19	“ “
1/29/19	Faith Based
- Alternating Mondays - Athletic & Climate Advisory Committees
- MS Principal search update involves input sessions and electronic survey, planning staff and student sessions.
- Guidance Director in district today. Officially starts in December with meetings with Guidance Departments scheduled.
- HS Vice Principal - Will follow similar process to MS Vice Principal. Position also serves as HS Math Supervisor.
- QSAC DPR review
- FWS Honor Roll Certificates being mailed and recognition of students at Renaissance ralley being discussed.
- State Football Game - will be delayed until Saturday due to the weather. Facilities staff is working on plan to make sure the field is in good condition for the game.

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Appendix WS1**

**Policy Committee** - [see report](#)

*The Board took a brief recess from 8:00PM to 8:10PM.*

**Scholarship Committee Report** - [see report](#)

**Curriculum Committee** - Mrs. Eichmann stated that the 11/13 report will be ready for the next meeting. Discussed at the meeting was TV Media Production curriculum and alternate PE courses. [See report for 10/30/18.](#)

**Burlington Twp. Foundation** - Mrs. Minor-Ferguson's report will be presented at the next meeting. The Committee discussed the Craft Show taking place on Novmber 17th. The BTF Treasurer gave an update on financials and subgroups gave updates on upcoming events.

**Negotiations Committee** - Mrs. Custard said the Committee is continuing the process for negotiations with BTEA.

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**VIII. NJSBA CONFERENCE**

The Board discussed their reflections concerning the 2018 Workshop in Atlantic City.

**IX. BOARD AGENDA REVIEW**

The Board reviewed the upcoming agenda for the Board Meeting on November 28, 2018.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On the motion by Mrs. Minors-Ferguson, seconded by Mrs. Riggi, to recommend to adopt a resolution to move into executive session at 8:49PM.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

**RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED, THAT PURSUANT to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, the public shall be excluded from this portion of the meeting involving the discussion of:

1. Matters Relating to Employment Relationship
  - a. Maternity leave grievance
  - b. Staff retirements
  - c. Substitute incident
  - d. Staff certification
  - e. Paid sick leave law
2. Matters Required by Law to Be Confidential
  - a. HIB case review
3. Matters Involving Individual Privacy
  - a. MS student matter
4. Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege
  - a. Settlement agreement for Special Education

FURTHER RESOLVED, that discussion of such subjects in Executive Session will be disclosed to public at some later time.

On the motion of Mrs. Custard, seconded by Mrs. Riggi, to approve the return to regular Session at 9:18PM. Roll Call Vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried. **Appendix WS2**

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**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Mrs. Custard, seconded by Mrs. Riggi, approval was made to adjourn at 9:18PM. Roll Call Vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

Respectively submitted,



Nicholas Bice  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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A Resolution Providing for a Meeting Not Opened To the Public  
in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public  
Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

Whereas, the Board of Education of the Township of Burlington is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., and

Whereas, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that an executive session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

Whereas, it is necessary for the said Board of Education of the Township of Burlington to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b and designated below:

- (1) Matters Required by Law to be Confidential: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- (2) Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
- (3) Matters Involving Individual Privacy: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family, circumstances and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

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- (4) Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions, which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.
- (5) Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds: Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.
- (6) Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.
- (7) Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege: Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.
- (8) Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.
- (9) Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty: Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act or omission for which the responding party bears responsibility

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Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Burlington assembled in executive/public session on **November 14, 2018** that at 8:49PM to 9:18PM an **executive session** was closed to the public on **November 14, 2018** in the Board meeting room, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Board of Education that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of the Township of Burlington at an executive/public meeting held on **November 14, 2018.**

Respectfully submitted,



Nicholas Bice  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary