

**BURLINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC WORK SESSION
December 12, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The December 12, 2018 Work Session Meeting of the Burlington Township Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Susan Eichmann, Board Vice President, at 6:09PM. 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	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mrs. Donna Custard	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mrs. Susan Eichmann	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mr. Christopher Holmes	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mrs. Antoinette Minors-Ferguson	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mr. Jack Newman	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mrs. Velina Marie Riggi	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Ms. Michelle Spotts	Absent	---
Mrs. Maryann McMahon-Nester	6:31 PM	8:26 PM
Mrs. Mary Ann Bell, Superintendent	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mr. Nicholas Bice, BA/Board Secretary	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Ms. Ann Britt, Asst. Supt. for Curr. & Inst.	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mr. Christopher Giannotti, Asst. Supt. for Sp. Ed.	6:09 PM	8:26 PM
Mrs. Liz Scott, Dir. of HR & Community Relations	6:09 PM	6:45 PM
Mr. David Serlin, Solicitor	Absent	---

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V. PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Scott gave a presentation to the Board Members regarding the Burlington Township Gifted ENCORE program.

Mr. Giannotti gave a Special Education update to the Board.

VI. BOARD DISCUSSION

The following items were discussed:

- 2019-2020 calendar with a follow-up from the Communications Committee.
- SSDS - new system that was previously known as EVVRS. Formal presentation will be made once clarification comes from the State.
- NJ.com article regarding transportation
- MS principal - input sessions are complete. Information will be compiled and presented to the Board. One input session was with the students which yielded some other conversations as well.
- Mr. Bice gave an overview of the upcoming reorganization meeting.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum Committee - [see report](#)

Burlington Township Foundation Liaison - [see report](#)

Finance Committee - [see report](#)

Negotiations Committee - Mrs. Custard reported that the Committee continues to meet with the BTEA and is making progress.

VIII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

None

IX. BOARD AGENDA REVIEW

The Board reviewed the upcoming agenda for the Board Meeting on December 19, 2018.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On the motion by Mrs. Minors-Ferguson, seconded by Mrs. Eichmann, to recommend to adopt a resolution to move into executive session at 8:04PM.

Roll Call Vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION (Continued)

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 Required by Law to Be Confidential
 - a. HIB case review

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 8:24PM. Roll Call Vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried. **Appendix WS1**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

The Governor's Educators of the Year announcement will be made on Friday, December 7th.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mrs. Eichmann, seconded by Mrs. Custard, approval was made to adjourn at 8:26PM. Roll Call Vote: 8 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 **December 12, 2018** that at 8:49PM to 8:24PM an **executive session** was closed to the public on **December 12, 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 **December 12, 2018.**

Respectfully submitted,



Nicholas Bice

Business Administrator/Board Secretary