

**Galloway Township Board of Education Agenda  
Office of the Board Secretary  
101 South Reeds Road  
Galloway, NJ 08205**

**MINUTES**

**June 5, 2023**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Members present**

Mrs Madeline Avery, Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth, Mrs Susan Coll-Guedes, Mr James Gentile, Dr Sherri Parmenter, Mr Richard Dase, Mrs Suzette M Carmen

Mrs. Susan Coll-Guedes arrived at 6:17 PM

**Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM**

**1. MEETING OPENING**

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order

Procedural: 1.2 Open Public Meeting Statement

Procedural: 1.3 Roll Call

Procedural: 1.4 Flag Salute

**2. MINUTES**

Action: 2.1 March 6, 2023 - Executive Meeting Minutes

Action: 2.2 March 6, 2023 - Special Meeting Minutes

Action: 2.3 March 13, 2023 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: 2.4 April 3, 2023 - Executive Meeting Minutes

Action: 2.5 April 3, 2023 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: 2.6 Approve Minutes Items #2.1 through #2.5

Approve Minutes Items #2.1 through #2.5

Dr. Beshara-Blauth abstained from #2.4 and #2.5

Mrs. Coll-Guedes was not present at vote,

Motion by Mr James Gentile, second by Dr Sherri Parmenter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mrs Madeline Avery, Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth, Mr James Gentile, Dr Sherri Parmenter, Mr Richard Dase, Mrs Suzette M Carmen

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Information: 3.1 Guidelines for Public Comment at the Board of Education Meeting

### **4. PRESENTATIONS**

Presentations: 4.1 Introduction of Student Council Representative

Presentations: 4.2 Congratulations to 2023 Phillies All-Star Student, Jeremiah Scates

Presentations: 4.3 Congratulations to GTMS Students for their artwork being featured at the NJASBO Conference

Presentations: 4.4 Congratulations to the ACUA's 2023 Recycled Arts Contest Winners

Presentations, Information: 4.5 Congratulations to the GTMS Track and Field Students that placed at the Cape-Atlantic League Middle School Championships

Presentations, Information: 4.6 Congratulations to the Roland Rogers Climate Innovation Challenge Winners

Presentations: 4.7 Congratulations to the Drill/Step Team on Winning 1st Place at The Bridging the Gap Competition

Presentations: 4.8 Student Safety Data System (SSDS) Report Period 1 (September 2022 - December 2022) & 21-22 HIB Grades

### **5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Presentations, Reports: 5.1 Attorney's Report

Information, Reports: 5.2 Student Enrollment Report

Information, Reports: 5.3 Out-of-District Suspension Report

Information, Reports: 5.4 Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report

Information: 5.5 Update on Operations and Programs

Information: 5.6 NO VOTE NEEDED - Informational Items Only

### **6. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

Action: 6.1 Approve submission of the 2022-2023 Bilingual Program Waiver

Action: 6.2 Fieldtrips

Action: 6.3 Fieldwork

Action: 6.4 Approve Clinical Affiliation Agreement between Galloway Township Public Schools and Emerson College

Action: 6.5 Approve Curriculum & Instruction Items #6.1 through #6.4

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Motion by Mr James Gentile, second by Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mrs Madeline Avery, Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth, Mrs Susan Coll-Guedes, Mr James Gentile, Dr Sherri Parmenter, Mr Richard Dase, Mrs Suzette M Carmen

## **7. FINANCE & FACILITIES**

Information, Reports: 7.1 Finance and Facilities Committee Update

Action, Information, Reports: 7.2 Food Service Reports

Action: 7.3 Investment Report(s) for April 30, 2023

Action: 7.4 Board Secretary's Monthly Certification

Action: 7.5 Financial Report of the Board Secretary

Action: 7.6 Board Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Action: 7.7 Transfers for Ratification

Action: 7.8 Bills for Payment

Action: 7.9 Galloway Township Medical Insurance and Prescription Plan Insurance Renewals with Horizon

Action: 7.10 School Business Administrator to pay additional June 2023 bills

Action: 7.11 School Business Administrator to make additional transfers

Action: 7.12 Maintenance Reserve Account Withdrawal

Action: 7.13 Deposit into the District Maintenance Reserve Account

Action: 7.14 Deposit into the District Capital Reserve Account

Action: 7.15 Deposit into the District Emergency Reserve Account

Action: 7.16 2023-2024 Anticipated Contracts to be Renewed, Awarded, or to Expire during the school year

Action: 7.17 Professional Services Contract(s)

Action: 7.18 2023-2024 Itinerant Services Agreements

Action: 7.19 Accept Gifts, Grants & Donations

Action: 7.20 Submission of Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation/LISC Grant

Action: 7.21 Submission of 2023-2024 ESEA application

Action: 7.22 Submission of ROD Grant Project Applications to the NJDOE

Action: 7.23 Home Instruction

Action: 7.24 Transportation Agreement(s)

Action: 7.25 Transportation NJ Bill Support Resolution

Action: 7.26 Transportation for McKinney Vento Students

Action: 7.27 Professional Development

Action: 7.28 Attendance Officer Travel

Action: 7.29 2022-2023 Tuition Received for Special Education Students

Action: 7.30 2023-2024 Tuition Received for Special Education Students

Action: 7.31 2023-2024 Out of District Tuition for Special Education Students

Action: 7.32 2023-2024 Preschool Education Program Contract for Head Start

Action: 7.33 Lead Testing Statement of Assurance

Action: 7.34 Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property

Action, Information: 7.35 Community Use of School Facilities

Action: 7.36 Approve Finance & Facilities Items #7.2 through #7.35

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Mr. Dase abstaining from item # 7.8, PO 302824

Motion by Mr James Gentile, second by Dr Sherri Parmenter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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## **8. PERSONNEL**

Action: 8.1 Retirement(s)

Action: 8.2 Approve Agenda Item #8.1

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Motion by Mr James Gentile, second by Mrs Madeline Avery.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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Action: 8.3 Resignation(s)

Action: 8.4 Transfer(s)

Action: 8.5 Appointment(s)

Action: 8.6 Leave(s) of Absence

Action: 8.7 Adjustment(s)

Action: 8.8 Job Description

Action: 8.9 Approve Personnel Items #8.3 through #8.8  
Approve Personnel Items #8.3 through #8.8

Motion by Mr James Gentile, second by Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mrs Madeline Avery, Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth, Mrs Susan Coll-Guedes, Mr James Gentile, Dr Sherri Parmenter, Mr Richard Dase, Mrs Suzette M Carmen

Information: 8.10 Introduce and Welcome New Hires

## **9. POLICY**

Information: 9.1 Policy Committee Meeting Update

Action: 9.2 Policy 3327 Relations with Vendors, Revised, Single Reading

Action: 9.3 Policy 3542.31 Free or Reduced Price Lunches, Milk, Revised, Single Reading

Action: 9.4 Policy 5131.5 Vandalism, Violence

Action: 9.5 Policy 6145.3 Publications

Action: 9.6 Policy 6164.1 Intervention and Referral

Action: 9.7 Approve Policy Items #9.2 through #9.6  
Mrs. Carmen asked about universal breakfast. Mrs. Nixon responded.

Approve Policy Items #9.2 through #9.6

Motion by Dr Sherri Parmenter, second by Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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## **10. BOARD INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Information: 10.1 Youth Advocacy Committee Meeting Update

Information: 10.2 Board Calendar

Information: 10.3 Special Events

## **11. OLD BUSINESS**

Action: 11.1 Affirm HIB Determination Reports

Action: 11.2 2022-2023 Calendar Revision

Action: 11.3 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Safe Return Plan Update

Action: 11.4 Approve Old Business Items #11.1 through #11.3

Mr. Dase asked if the 2023-2024 school calendar was already a half day for Absegami graduation. Mr. Santilli confirmed.

Approve Old Business Items #11.1 through #11.3

Motion by Mr. James Gentile, second by Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mrs. Madeline Avery, Dr. Alexa Beshara-Blauth, Mrs. Susan Coll-Guedes, Mr. James Gentile, Dr Sherri Parmenter, Mr. Richard Dase, Mrs. Suzette M Carmen

## **12. NEW BUSINESS**

Action (Consent): 12.1 Grant Superintendent Hiring Authority

Action: 12.2 Approve New Business Item #12.1

Mr. Dase requested hiring updates be in the bulletin between meetings. Mr. Santilli confirmed.

Approve New Business Item #12.1

Motion by Mr James Gentile, second by Dr Sherri Parmenter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mrs Madeline Avery, Dr Alexa Beshara-Blauth, Mrs Susan Coll-Guedes, Mr James Gentile, Dr Sherri Parmenter, Mr Richard Dase, Mrs Suzette M Carmen

## **13. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Information: 13.1 Guidelines for Public Comment at the Board of Education Meeting

1. Jacob Muntazar, Galloway resident shared a learning tool he created. He provided contact and pricing information.

13.2

Mrs. Susan Coll-Guedes, Board Member

- She was devastated to hear about the library changes for 2023-2024. She was training at a library last week. It was disheveled and when she asked the teachers why, they said because they share librarians. By doing this we reduce the quality of our instruction. What if this was done with food service or something else. When she thinks about messy libraries it breaks her heart. We as a Board set the mission so it is her concern. To think anyone can do the job is wrong. NJ mandates a library. Also, the importance of gifted education. We as a district have to work on that as well. Mr. Santilli addressed concerns during Superintendent's report.

Mr. Rich Dase - congratulated to all the honorees.

## **14. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Procedural: 14.1 Possible Recess to Executive Session

Action: 14.2 Reconvene Open Public Meeting

**15. EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION (IF NEEDED)**

Action: 15.1 Possible Action from Executive Session

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Action: 16.1 Adjourn Meeting  
Motion to adjourn the meeting

Motion by Mr. James Gentile, second by Dr Sherri Parmenter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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