

If you did not have a chance to attend the Board of Education Business Meeting held on Tuesday, May 16th, here is what you missed:

Dr. Labbe began the presentation portion of the meeting by asking Mr Ciak, Mrs. Bloom, Ms. Hill, and several building principals to assist him and the Board of Education in recognizing and honoring the 2016-17 Teachers of the Year, Education Service Professionals of the Year, and Educational Support Professionals of the Year noted below.

2016-17 Governor’s Educators of the Year

School	Teacher	Educational Services Professional	Educational Support Professional
Arleth	Rachel Gelfand	Kelly Vasile	Anna Marie Melanaski
Eisenhower	Carol Seaman	Beverly Fitzsimmons	Michele Mattiello
Truman	Cvetelina Horvat	Wendy Cacioli	Susan McDonough
Wilson	Jennifer Golda	April Magistro	Patricia Rasa
SUES	Dana Giorgianni	Donna McDonald	Mary-Jane Kerr
SMS	Kulsum Farooqui	N/A	Margaret Ritter
SWMHS	Linda Jakubik-Tanchyk	Joseph Abruscato	Jolanta Raducha
Project Before Selover Transportation			Grace Restivo Lisa Cetta Rosalia White

The Board then moved action items from the Superintendent’s Report onto the Board Agenda.

Among other motions, on the Vision 2030 Finance and Infrastructure portion of the agenda, the Board approved resolutions to appoint the Busch Law Group as Board Attorney, Samuel Klein and Company as Board Auditors, and the DI Group Architecture as Board Architect of Record from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. In addition, the BOE approved the renewal of the contract with Springboard Education in America LLC, for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, for before and after care services and awarded the Pizza Contract for the month of June 2017 to S & Z Food Service Corp and T/A Domino’s Pizza. It also accepted a donation of fourteen Chromebooks and a MobiLab® cart valued at \$3,026 from the Wilson School PTO, and a Substance Prevention Municipal Alliance Grant from the Sayreville Alliance for Family Education Municipal Alliance in the amount of \$12,600, along with the facilitator stipends funded by it. Furthermore, the Board approved several building permits, some for a fee in accordance with the district Use of Facilities Fee Schedule; and several student trips with transportation costs, including some for Summer Enrichment. Finally, the Board of Education approved of staff and students on the SWMHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) team to attend the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Garden Grove, CA; transportation services for the Sayreville Senior Prom on Friday, May 19, 2017, to The Imperia in Somerset, NJ; and membership for SWMHS in the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association for the 2017-18 school year.

On the Vision 2030 Student Achievement portion of the agenda, the Board approved the Marking Period, Back-to-School Night and Conference Calendars for the 2017-2018 school year, as well as several co-curricular trips and activities.

On the Vision 2030 Governance portion of the agenda, the Board approved a corrective action plan for non-compliance with the Anti Bullying Bill of Rights. In addition, the BOE approved of the abolishment of the position of Financial Bookkeeper, effective June 30, 2017. Finally, the Board of Education approved two new administrator job descriptions.

On the Vision 2030 Personnel portion of the agenda, as well as other motions, the Board of Education accepted the retirements of Gaetana Menzel, Lunchroom/Playground Aide at Eisenhower Elementary School and Lori Rosen, Spanish Teacher at Sayreville War Memorial High School. Likewise, the BOE accepted the resignation of Danielle Puzzo, Kindergarten/Grade 1 Teacher at Wilson Elementary School. It also approved several leave of absences (LOA) for 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years, and appointed an Assistant Business Administrator and special education teacher for the 2017-18 school year. In addition, the Board renewed certificated staff members for the 2017-18 school year, hired six certificated and one non-certificated substitutes, and appointed several advisors and coaches to work in the Summer Unified Track and Field season from May 17, 2017 until June 16, 2017. Finally, the Board of Education approved the Secretarial Summer Hours (2017) Sidebar Agreement between the Sayreville Board of Education and the Sayreville Education Association, appointed staff for 2017 Camp XL (ESY), Summer IEP Work, and Summer Enrichment, and approved several professional days.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, a community member asked why the district was abolishing the bookkeeper position. She also questioned why the district was funding the SWMHS International Society trip. Finally, she suggested that student clubs, such as FBLA and Odyssey of the Mind, fundraise to pay for a portion of their very expensive national competitions. At the conclusion of public comment, the President of the Howell Board of Education read a resolution recently approved by the Howell BOE, which recognized and honored Mr. Ciak for becoming the first President of the National School Boards Association from New Jersey in 50 years.

During open discussion, Mrs. Batko reviewed the SWMHS New Jersey Performance Report. Later, Mr. Balka reviewed what was discussed during the last BOE Finance Committee Meeting, as did Mr. Biesiada with regard to the last BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting. Mrs. Bloom then shared the feedback on staff morale recently provided to her by the Teamsters. Lastly, Mr. Esposito asked his fellow Board members to state their position on the hiring of part time campus security monitors, which resulted in no member publicly expressing opposition to this.

If you would like to view the meeting PowerPoint presentation, click [here](#). Likewise, to see the video of this meeting, click [here](#).

The next meeting, which is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017**, will be a special meeting. If you would like to see the agenda for this meeting, please visit the BOE Agenda page on our website when it is posted in the evening on **Friday, June 9th**. In addition, a complete copy of the May 16th meeting minutes will be posted on the BOE Meeting Minutes page of the website once they are approved by the BOE during the next Business Meeting on **June 13, 2017**.