

If you did not have a chance to attend the Board of Education Business Meeting held on Monday, January 20th, here is what you missed:

Dr. Labbe began the presentation portion of the meeting by reviewing the 2015-16 Budget Calendar. He then introduced James Brown, Principal of Sayreville War Memorial High School and Donna Jakubik, Principal of the Sayreville Middle School. Beginning with Mr. Brown, both principals presented their respective 2015-16 proposed discretionary supplies budget. During her presentation Ms. Jakubik stressed the importance of global competency for her students and identified the following goals for the middle school: prepare all students for college and careers, increase student learning by ensuring quality curriculum, instruction, and assessment, and to provide up to date and relevant technological resources. Upon the completion of her presentation, Ms. Jakubik reported that she is also proposing a \$32,534 decrease in spending. During his presentation, Mr. Brown also stressed increasing the performance of his students, particularly in mathematics and science. He reported that due to the need for calculators and a new math textbook, he is proposing expenditure increases of nearly \$200,000.

Dr. Labbe concluded the presentation portion of the agenda by reviewing a draft of the 2014-17 Vision 2030 Finance and Infrastructure Strategic Action Plan to the Board and public. According to his presentation, Dr. Labbe proposed that in order to achieve the goal of developing an efficient and fiscally responsible budget year after year, the activities within the action plan would enable the district to increase new revenue (transportation, advertising, etc.), total revenue for facility usage, tuition, and food services, and to decrease energy and utility expenditures.

If you would like to see the meeting and each of the above mentioned PowerPoint presentations, please click [here](#).

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 tuition contracts for a several students from Sayreville, who are now homeless and living in Denville. In addition, the BOE amended its contract with Di Cara/Rubino Architects for Roof Replacement at the Sayreville War Memorial High School in the amount of \$85,600.00, amended the 2015 Sayreville BOE meeting dates by removing April 14, 2015 and adding April 21, 2015, approved a professional services agreement with NJ CARE for applied behavioral analysis services, and approved the purchase of an electronic student registration software called InfoSnap. Lastly, they approved Sayreville Middle School Cheerleading competitions costs, several student trips with transportation costs, and an out of district placement tuition and bedside tutoring for two students with disabilities.

On the Vision 2030 Student Achievement portion of the agenda the Board approved revisions to the 2015-16 School District Calendar, the participation of middle and high school students in the 2014-2015 Middlesex County Arts Middle and High School Program, and the January 2015 HIB Report, including any investigations and/or recommendations for action provided by the Superintendent. The BOE also approved a new course at Sayreville War Memorial High School called Advanced Placement Environmental Science, new books to be used in the Sayreville Middle School language arts program, and several co-curricular activities, including, but not

limited to the AP Night/Freshman Orientation on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the SWMHS Cafeteria and Auditorium.

On the Vision 2030 Governance portion of the agenda the BOE read for a second and final time and thus adopted the following revised policies and regulations: P3542.1 – Local Wellness and Nutrition, R5141.3 – Health Examinations, and P6142.10 – Technology.

On the Vision 2030 Personnel portion of the agenda, as well as other motions, the Board of Education accepted the retirement of Patricia Crisafi, Cafeteria Worker at the Arleth Elementary School; Maureen Grossmann, Secretary to the Principal at Wilson Elementary School; and Maryellen Henn, Paraprofessional at Arleth Elementary School. Likewise, the Board accepted the resignations of the Stage Production/Shop Advisor at Sayreville War Memorial High School and a Spanish Teacher at the Eisenhower Elementary School. The BOE also rescinded the appointment of an Assistant Softball Coach at Sayreville War Memorial High School, approved several leaves of absence, and appointed several non-certified and certified staff members, as well as some certified and non-certified substitutes. Finally, the Board appointed co-curricular advisors, co-advisors, coaching aides, Title 1 Tutors from the Samsel Upper Elementary School, and several curriculum writers.

The next meeting will be workshop meeting. It will be held on Tuesday, February 3rd. During this meeting Dr. Marilyn Shediak, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, will make a presentation on the proposed 2015-16 Curriculum and Instruction Budget, and Eric Glock-Molloy, Director of Special Project/Technology will present the proposed 2015-16 Technology Budget.

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