

Meeting # 1

Lyndhurst, NJ
January 8, 2018

The Lyndhurst Board of Education held a Public meeting on January 8, 2018 at 6:45 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Scott Bisig, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and requested all those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Swearing in of new Board Members:

Joseph Abruscato
Erin Keefe
James Vuono

ROLL CALL

The following Board members answered roll call: (9) Joseph Abruscato, Susan Alcuri, Chris Andrinopoulos, James Donovan, Erin Keefe, Ronald Grillo, Sheri Jarvis, Josephine Malaniak, James Vuono

Also present: Shauna DeMarco, Superintendent, and Scott T. Bisig, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT

President James Vuono announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided, in writing, to each Board member, The Record, The Observer, The South Bergenite, the Township Clerk, and posted in the lobby of the Town Hall and the Board Office.

Public Comments

None

Agenda Item:

None

Reorganization Meeting
January 8, 2018

REORGANIZATION

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted action will be entertained.

Nomination and Election of President

1. To nominate James "Chizzie" Vuono as President of the Board of Education

A motion by Josephine Malaniak and second by Susan Alcuri to nominate James Vuono

Roll Call For: (8) Joseph Abruscato, Susan Alcuri, Chris Andrinopoulos, James Donovan, Erin Keefe, Ronald Grillo, Sheri Jarvis, Josephine Malaniak

Abstained: (1) James Vuono

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Nomination and Election of Vice-President

2. To nominate Susan Alcuri as Vice-President of the Board of Education

A motion by James Vuono and second by Ron Grillo to nominate Susan Alcuri

Roll Call For: (8) Joseph Abruscato, Chris Andrinopoulos, James Donovan, Erin Keefe, Ronald Grillo, Sheri Jarvis, Josephine Malaniak, James Vuono

Abstained: (1) Susan Alcuri

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A motion by James Vuono and second by Ron Grillo

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached New Jersey School Board Association (NJSBA) Code of Ethics pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et.seq. See attached document to be executed.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

Motion made by Josephine Malaniak seconded by Sheri Jarvis and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott T. Bisig
School Business Administrator
Board Secretary

Code of Ethics

According to New Jersey statute, a school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best-qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.