



TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

**ORGANIZATIONAL / REGULAR BUSINESS  
MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 3, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The January 3, 2023 Organizational/Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education, Township of Pequannock, County of Morris, was called to order at 7:00 pm in the Pequannock Township High School Auditorium, 85 Sunset Road, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444, by Gordon E. Gibbs, Board Secretary. The following statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, notice of this meeting has been properly advertised in the Daily Record and the Suburban Trends, its agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations, and a copy has been filed with the Pequannock Township Clerk.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Report of the November 8, 2022 Annual School Board Election – Gordon E. Gibbs, Board Secretary

<b>Three (3) Three-Year Full Terms</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
Edward J. White	2,619
Gregory MacSweeney	2,724
Vincent Pompeo	2,718
Danielle Esposito	3,064
Richard Prezioso	2,168
Erin Heider	2,658
Write-In	51
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,002</b>

**ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE**

Gordon E. Gibbs, Board Secretary, administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Board members:

- Mrs. Danielle Esposito
- Mr. Greg MacSweeney
- Mr. Vincent Pompeo

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Blumert Mr. Sam Ciresi Ms. Megan Dempsey  
Mrs. Danielle Esposito Mr. Timothy Gitin Mr. Greg MacSweeney  
Mr. Vincent Pompeo Mr. Brian Senyk Mrs. Cara Shenton

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Portas Ed.D., Superintendent  
Gordon E. Gibbs, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Jaclyn M. Morgese, Esq., Board Attorney

**ORGANIZATIONAL ACTION**

O-06-23 Election of the President  
O-07-23 Election of the Vice President

*By-Law # 0152 Board Officers:  
Any member may place a member's name in nomination; a second is not required. Election for each office will be conducted by a vote when the nominations for that office are closed. The candidate receiving a majority vote of the members of the Board present and constituting a quorum will be elected to office. Voting shall take place by verbal roll call vote after nominations are closed. When more than one person has been nominated, the Board will vote on candidates in the order in which they were nominated. In the event no candidate receives a majority vote of the members of the Board present and constituting a quorum, the procedure shall continue until someone receives a majority vote.*

**RESOLUTION NO. O-06-23**  
**ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT**

RESOLVED, that Brian Senyk was nominated for President. Move to appoint Brian Senyk as President of the Board of Education.

Nominated by: Joseph Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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Mr. Blumert commented that it was an honor to serve as Board President at a very challenging time. He discussed proud moments during his tenure. He thanked Dr. Portas and the staff and he remarked that he will continue to advise the board.

**RESOLUTION NO. O-07-23**  
**ELECTION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT**

RESOLVED, that Danielle Esposito was nominated for Vice President. Move to appoint Danielle Esposito as Vice President of the Board of Education.

Nominated by: Cara Shenton	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**BOARD PRESIDENT COMMENTS**

Mr. Senyk thanked the board for electing him. He thanked Mr. Blumert and Mrs. Shenton for their service. He congratulated Mrs. Esposito and the newly elected board members. He remarked that a primary goal of the board is student achievement.

**BOARD VICE PRESIDENT COMMENTS**

Mrs. Esposito thanked Mr. Blumert and Mrs. Shenton for their hard work. She thanked her family and the community for their support. She commented that the students come first. She congratulated Mr. MacSweeney and Mr. Pompeo.

Mr. Senyk announced committees and representatives as follows:

Committees

Policy: Megan Dempsey - Chair, Cara Shenton, Vincent Pompeo

PMC: Sam Ciresi – Chair, Cara Shenton, Joseph Blumert

FFA: Joseph Blumert – Chair, Timothy Gitin, Danielle Esposito

CIS: Greg MacSweeney – Chair, Danielle Esposito, Vincent Pompeo

Representatives

SEPAC – Danielle Esposito

Morris County School Boards – Megan Dempsey

Morris County Ed. Services Commission – Greg MacSweeney

Pequannock Township Education Foundation – Danielle Esposito

Dr. Portas congratulated the new board members. He thanked Mr. Blumert and Mrs. Shenton for their leadership.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Members of the public may speak once for a maximum period of five minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak on any agenda item during their five minutes. If a member of the public raises a question, all questions should be directed to the Board President. Please state your name and sign in before you begin.

- Ann Marie Finnen, PTEA Vice President and Elementary Music Teacher thanked every board member for their service. She welcomed Mr. Pompeo, on behalf of the association. She recognized the achievements of Mr. Blumert and Mrs. Shenton. She congratulated Mr. Senyk and Mrs. Esposito. She commented that the association is ready to partner with the board to continue its work in improving the district. She thanked Mr. Smith for his service to the district and she commented that he was not only a voice for teachers and athletics, but also for the arts.

**APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS**

**POLICY**

**Ms. Megan Dempsey, Chair**

- P-12-23 Adoption of Policies and Bylaws
- P-13-23 Adoption of NJSBA Code of Ethics
- P-14-23 Approval of Evaluation Instrument for Board of Education

**RESOLUTION NO. P-12-23**

**ADOPTION OF POLICIES AND BYLAWS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopts the policies and bylaws of the Pequannock Township Board of Education through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Dempsey	Second by: Shenton	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. P-13-23**

**ADOPTION OF NJSBA CODE OF ETHICS**

RESOLVED, that all meetings of the Board of Education adopts the Board Member Qualifications, Prohibited Acts and Code of Ethics, Bylaws No. 0142, as presented, discussed, and attested to.

- A. I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes should 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 which 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 which 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. But 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 schools.
- 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 such complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

Motion by: Dempsey	Second by: Shenton	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. P-14-23**

**APPROVAL OF EVALUATION INSTRUMENT FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the evaluation instrument established by the New Jersey School Boards Association for their annual self-evaluation, per Board Policy 0134.

Motion by: Dempsey	Second by: Shenton	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**FINANCE, FACILITIES, AND ATHLETICS**

**Mr. Joseph Blumert, Chair**

- FFA-78-23 Designation of Official Publications
- FFA-79-23 Approval of Annual Board Meeting Dates
- FFA-80-23 Approval of Petty Cash Funds and Custodians
- FFA-81-23 Approval of Depositories and Signatories
- FFA-82-23 Approval of Mandatory Direct Deposit Program
- FFA-83-23 Approval of Budget Transfers
- FFA-84-23 Appointment of Board Secretary
- FFA-85-23 Appointment of Custodian of Records
- FFA-86-23 Appointment of Investment Officer
- FFA-87-23 Appointment of Purchasing Agent and Authorization to Seek Bids
- FFA-88-23 Appointment of Treasurer of School Monies
- FFA-89-23 Approval of Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.)
- FFA-90-23 Appointment of Board Attorney
- FFA-91-23 Appointment of Auditor
- FFA-92-23 Appointment of Bond Counsel
- FFA-93-23 Appointment of Architect of Record
- FFA-94-23 Appointment of Representative to Morris County Educational Services Commission
- FFA-95-23 Approval to Submit Grant Application to the NJ Clean Energy Program for Repair and Replacement of Mechanical Equipment and Systems throughout the District
- FFA-96-23 Approval to Submit Grant Application to the NJROD Program for Repairs and Replacement of Univents, Windows and Asbestos Containing Ceiling Systems throughout the District

**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-78-23**

**DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, designates the *Daily Record* as the official publication of the district for receipt and publication of legal advertisements and notices in accordance with law, and further, authorizes the Board Secretary to utilize *Suburban Trends*, *The Record & Herald News*, and *The Star-Ledger* for advertisements and notifications as may be deemed appropriate through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-79-23**

**APPROVAL OF ANNUAL BOARD MEETING DATES**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the notice of annual meetings of the Board of Education through the next organization meeting in January 2024 and directs the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to advertise and post the notice in accordance with policy. The meetings will be held at the Pequannock Township High School at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, February 6, 2023 Workshop Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, March 6, 2023 Workshop Meeting
Wednesday, March 15, 2023 Regular Business/Preliminary Budget Meeting
Monday, April 3, 2023 Workshop Meeting

Monday, April 17, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, May 1, 2023 Workshop/Public Budget Hearing Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, June 5, 2023 Workshop Meeting
Monday, June 26, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, July 24, 2023 Workshop/Regular Business Meeting
Monday, August 21, 2023 Workshop/Regular Business Meeting
Tuesday, September 5, 2023 Workshop Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, October 2, 2023 Workshop Meeting at Cedar Crest
Monday, October 16, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, November 6, 2023 Workshop Meeting
Monday, November 20, 2023 Regular Business Meeting
Monday, December 11, 2023 Workshop/Regular Business Meeting
Thursday, January 4, 2024 Organizational/Regular Business Meeting

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-80-23**  
**APPROVAL OF PETTY CASH FUNDS AND CUSTODIANS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following list of Petty Cash Funds and their custodians for through the next organization meeting in January 2024:

LOCATION	AMOUNT	CUSTODIAN
Central Office	\$300	Gordon Gibbs
Special Services	\$600	Helena Branco

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-81-23**  
**APPROVAL OF DEPOSITORIES AND SIGNATORIES**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Lakeland Bank, Oak Ridge, NJ, to be hereby designated as the recipient of General Fund for bills, debt service, Capital Reserve Fund and Capital Projects Funds, Payroll account, summer savings account; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakeland Bank, be and is hereby designated to receive wire transfer of state aid funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakeland Bank, be designated as depository for the Trust and Agency account, and all extracurricular funds, the school lunch fund, all federal funds, donation and scholarship funds through the next organization meeting in January 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakeland Bank, is hereby designated as the recipient of funds for debit card usage for Flexible Benefit Plan transactions through the next organization meeting in January 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Webster Bank/Sterling National Bank as Escrow Agent, is hereby designated as Energy Savings Improvement Plan (ESIP) account through the next organization meeting in January 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signatories for all accounts be in accordance with the following summary:

LAKELAND BANK ACCOUNT	SIGNATORIES
General Account	Board President, School Business Administrator, and Board Treasurer
Food Service Account	Board President, School Business Administrator, and Board Treasurer
Capital Reserve	Board President, School Business Administrator, and Board Treasurer
Capital Projects Account	Board President, School Business Administrator, and Board Treasurer
Summer Savings	Board President, School Business Administrator, and Board Treasurer
Payroll Account	School Business Administrator or Board Treasurer
Flexible Savings Account	School Business Administrator or Board Treasurer
Payroll Agency	School Business Administrator or Board Treasurer
Unemployment Trust	School Business Administrator or Board Treasurer
Scholarship Account	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, PTHS Principal (2 of 3)
PTHS Student Activities	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, PTHS Principal (2 of 3)
PTHS Interscholastic Athletic Account	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, PTHS Principal (2 of 3)
FBLA	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, PTHS Principal (2 of 3)
PV Student Activities	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, PV Principal (2 of 3)
Enterprise	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, Treasurer (2 of 3)
Donations Trust	Superintendent, School Business Administrator, Treasurer (2 of 3)
<b>WEBSTER BANK/ STERLING NATIONAL BANK AS ESCROW AGENT</b>	School Business Administrator

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-82-23**  
**APPROVAL OF MANDATORY DIRECT DEPOSIT PROGRAM**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent, re-approves a mandatory direct deposit program in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-15h and Board Policy 6511, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakeland Bank, be and is hereby designated to implement the direct deposit requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:14-15h, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all employee groups are subject to the Board’s direct deposit requirements.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-83-23**  
**APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves, as provided by N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 amended, the Superintendent of Schools be designated to approve such line item budget transfers as are necessary between Board of Education meetings, and that such transfers shall be reported to the Board of Education ratified and duly-recorded in the minutes of such meeting not less than monthly through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-84-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF BOARD SECRETARY**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Gordon Gibbs as Board Secretary through the next organization meeting of January 2024, and that Gordon Gibbs will be covered by the Public Official Bond in the amount of \$300,000.00.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-85-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Gordon Gibbs, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary as the Custodian of Records for the Pequannock Township Public Schools through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-86-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF INVESTMENT OFFICER**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Gordon Gibbs, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as the investment officer of Board funds through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-87-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING AGENT AND AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BIDS**

RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Pequannock Township Board of Education, in the County of Morris, in the State of New Jersey, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, re-affirms its bid threshold at \$44,000, and quote threshold of 15% or \$6,600; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby appoints Gordon Gibbs as the Qualified Purchasing Agent to exercise the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2b, with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility and accountability of the purchasing activity of the Board of Education.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-88-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Raymond Karaty as the Treasurer of School Monies through the next organization meeting in January 2024, at an annual salary of \$5,469.00 and that the district provide the Custodian with the Public Official Bond in the amount of \$300,000.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-89-23**  
**APPROVAL OF PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (P.A.C.O.)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Gordon Gibbs, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as the Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.) through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-90-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEY**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC, Westfield, NJ, as Board Attorney for all legal matters and services, including labor, through the next organization meeting in January 2024, at the rate of \$170.00 per hour, as per contract.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-91-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints the firm of Nisivoccia LLP of Mount Arlington, NJ, as district auditor through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-92-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Andrea Kahn, Esq., of the firm McManimon, Scotland & Bauman, LLC of Roseland, NJ, as its legal advisor for bond counsel matters, through the next organization meeting in January 2024, at the hourly rate of \$215.00, as per contract.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-93-23**  
**APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECT OF RECORD**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Solutions Architecture, of Verona, NJ, as Architect of Record through the next organization meeting in January 2024, at the hourly rate of \$165.00 for the Principal In Charge and the fee schedule for other staff in accordance, as per contract.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-94-23**

**APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO MORRIS COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Greg MacSweeney as representative to the Morris County Educational Services Commission through the next organization meeting in January 2024.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-95-23**

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NJ CLEAN ENERGY – SMALL BUSINESS VENTILATION & ENERGY EFFICIENCY VERIFICATION AND REPAIR (SSB-VEEVR) PROGRAM FOR THE REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENT OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT & SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT**

RESOLVED, that the Pequannock Board of Education, in the county of Morris, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves submission of an application for grant funds to the New Jersey Clean Energy Program for the repairs and installation of fresh air units throughout the school district in order to meet the minimum ventilation and filtration requirements at a cost of \$2,905,500.00 based on a HVAC Assessment that was provided by the school’s architect. If awarded, the district could receive up to 75% percent of the requested amounts and the projects will be included in the 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-96-23**

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NJ R.O.D. (Regular Operating District) GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENT OF UNIVENTS, WINDOWS, AND ASBESTOS CONTAINING CEILING SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT**

RESOLVED, that the Pequannock Board of Education, in the county of Morris, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves submission of s ROD (Regular Operating District) Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Education for review and approval and for amendment to the Long-Range Facilities Plan. It is further understood that the District is seeking funding under the Grant Program for this project. The project includes: the repairs and installation of fresh air units throughout the school district in order to meet the minimum ventilation and filtration requirements at a cost of \$2,905,500.00 based on a HVAC Assessment that was provided by the school’s architect. The application will also include replacement windows at a cost of \$4,610,000.00, and asbestos containing ceiling systems replacement at Hillview Elementary at a cost not to exceed \$350,000.00. If awarded, the district could receive forty percent of the requested amounts and the projects will be included in the 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**PERSONNEL, MANAGEMENT, AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

**Sam Ciresi, Chair**

- PMC-147-23 Approval of the Appointment of Delegate to the New Jersey School Board Association/Morris County School Board Association
- PMC-148-23 Approval of the Appointment of Liaison to the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) for the 2021-2022 School Year
- PMC-149-23 Approval of the Appointment of Liaison to the Pequannock Township School District Education Foundation for the 2021-2022 School Year
- PMC-150-23 Approval of Health and Safety Officer Assignments
- PMC-151-23 Acceptance of Reports - 2022-2023 School Year
- PMC-152-23 Approval of Unpaid Absence - 2022-2023 School Year

**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-147-23**

**APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATE TO THE NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION/MORRIS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Megan Dempsey as Delegate/Representative to the New Jersey School Boards Association and the Morris County School Boards Association for one (1) year, beginning immediately and that the policy authorizing the duties of the delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association be approved as follows:

1. Represent the Board at meetings of the New Jersey School Boards Association and the Morris County School Boards Association.
2. Study and report to the Board all proposed State and Federal Legislature of interest and relevance.
3. At the direction of the Board, prepare proposed resolutions for submission to the State School Boards Association.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: MacSweeney	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-148-23**

**APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF LIAISON TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEPAC) FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, moves to appoint Danielle Esposito as liaison to the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) for the 2022-2023 School Year.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: MacSweeney	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-149-23**

**APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF LIAISON TO THE PEQUANNOCK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, moves to appoint Danielle Esposito as liaison to the Pequannock Township School District Education Foundation for the 2022-2023 School Year.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: MacSweeney	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-150-23**  
**APPROVAL OF HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following assignments for Dwight Andersen, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, through the next organization meeting in January 2024 for required environmental and health and safety:

- 1) Right-to-Know Coordinator
- 2) Indoor Air Quality Designee
- 3) Chemical Hygiene Officer
- 4) Integrated Pest Management Coordinator
- 5) Designated Person for AHERA

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: MacSweeney	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-151-23**  
**ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS - 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the following reports:

- Enrollment Report
- Suspension Report

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: MacSweeney	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-152-23**  
**APPROVAL OF UNPAID ABSENCE - 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves an unpaid absence for the following personnel for the 2022-2023 school year:

EMPLOYEE ID	DATE
#2910	1/13/2023

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: MacSweeney	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL SERVICES**  
**Greg MacSweeney, Chair**

CIS-57-23 Approval of Workshop/Conference Attendance and Reimbursement of Related Travel Expenses

**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-57-23**  
**APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT OF RELATED TRAVEL EXPENSES**

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated functions was previously approved by the Superintendent of Schools, as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendees and the school district’s professional development plan; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the functions was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district and is deemed fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at these functions will be in compliance with state travel payment guidelines established by the Department of Treasury and the Federal Office of Management and Budget; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Pequannock Township Board of Education approves these attendances; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the reimbursement of the related travel expenses shall be in accordance with the above-mentioned guidelines. These are “not-to-exceed” amounts:

<b>DATES</b>	<b>EMPLOYEE</b>	<b>CONFERENCE/ WORKSHOP LOCATION</b>	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	<b>TRAVEL/ LODGING</b>	<b>SUB COST</b>	<b>ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENSE</b>
1/20/23	R. Hayzler	2023 Law Day Symposium, Morris Plains	\$-0-	\$20.68	n/a	\$20.68
1/20/23	M. Portas	2023 Law Day Symposium, Morris Plains	\$-0-	\$20.68	n/a	\$20.68
1/20/23	J. Seborowski	2023 Law Day Symposium, Morris Plains	\$-0-	\$20.68	n/a	\$20.68
2/14/23, 3/8/23, 3/29/23	C. Dorn	NJPSA/FEA Special Ed Litigation Cert Program	435.00	\$159.05	n/a	\$594.05
3/10/23	N. Schneider	CT ABA Conference Hartford, CT	\$135.00	\$-0-	n/a	\$135.00

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 9-0-0
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**OTHER**

O-08-23 Approval of HIB Investigation Decisions

**RESOLUTION NO. O-08-23**

**APPROVAL OF HIB INVESTIGATION DECISIONS**

RESOLVED, that the Pequannock Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in the following HIB Investigations and directs the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.

INVESTIGATION NO.
PV-06-23
PV-07-23

Motion by: Gitin	Second by: Ciresi	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-1 Abstain: Pompeo
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**OPEN TO PUBLIC ANY TOPIC**

Members of the public may speak once for a maximum period of five minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak on any topic during their five minutes. If a member of the public raises a question, all questions should be directed to the Board President. Please state your name and sign in before you begin.

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Senyk asked Mr. Gibbs to provide an update on when the demographic report will be completed. Mr. Gibbs responded that a draft will be provided by next Friday, and he anticipates a completed report by February 6th. Ms. Dempsey provided an update on upcoming policy changes, that will be reviewed by the committee.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Policy 0153 needs updating and will go to the Policy Committee for review.

**BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board thanked Mr. Blumert and Mrs. Shenton for their leadership. They congratulated the new board members and Mr. Senyk and Mrs. Esposito. Mr. Pompeo was welcomed. Mr. Blumert thanked all for the kind words. Mrs. Shenton expressed congratulations and thanked Mr. Senyk and Mrs. Esposito.

**CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

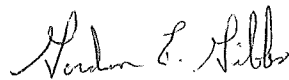
RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L., the Board has the authority to adjourn to closed session to discuss student matters. Said matters will be made public upon their disposition.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Dempsey	Voice Vote: 9-0-0	Time: 7:34 pm
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**ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Motion by: Dempsey	Second by: Esposito	Voice Vote: 9-0-0	Time: 8:24 pm
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Respectfully,



Gordon E. Gibbs  
Board Secretary

**FUTURE PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS**

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 Regular Business Meeting	7:00 pm	PTHS
Monday, February 6, 2023 Workshop Meeting	7:00 pm	PTHS