

BERLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

West Berlin, New Jersey 08091

June 6, 2023

Special Action Meeting Minutes

“Educating Today for Tomorrow’s Success”

1. Call Meeting to Order

I, Scott Golden, President, call this meeting to order under the Open Public Meetings Act at 6:00pm.

This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the Minutes, that in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the “Open Public Meetings Act,” the Berlin Township Board of Education on June 1, 2023, caused to be posted at the Business Office of the Board of Education located at 225 Grove Avenue, West Berlin, New Jersey and advertised in the Courier Post on June 1, 2023 a meeting notice setting forth the time, date and location of this meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Yr Began/Current Term Expires

Mr. Brian Davis	<u>Present</u>	2012 / 2024
Mrs. Kimberly Reed, Vice President	<u>Present</u>	2015 / 2024
Mrs. Lisa Hill-Muff	<u>Present @ 6:02pm</u>	2018 / 2024
Ms. Rebecca Allen	<u>Absent</u>	2021 / 2023
Mrs. Kayla Hanna	<u>Absent</u>	2021 / 2023
Mr. Scott Golden, President	<u>Present</u>	2021 / 2025
Mr. Keith Jones	<u>Present</u>	2023 / 2025
Mrs. Michele Williams-Oriente	<u>Present</u>	2023 / 2025
Dr. Edythe Austermuhl, Superintendent	<u>Present</u>	
Mrs. Megan Stoddart, Business Administrator	<u>Present</u>	
Ms. Lauren Tedesco, Solicitor	<u>Present</u>	

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4. Executive Session – In

Motion by Kimberly Reed, seconded by Keith Jones to go into Executive Session to discuss: personnel, legal, contractual and negotiation issues. Time in: 6:01pm.

- Donaldson Hearing Follow Up

Resolution for Executive Session:

Whereas Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and whereas this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Berlin Township Board of Education, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion and action upon hereafter specified subject matters. They are:
 - a. Any matter which by express provision of federal law or state statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential.
 - b. Matters dealing with Federal Funding.
 - c. Discussion of any materials, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
 - d. Matters dealing with collective bargaining.
 - e. Matters dealing with the sale or purchase of public land.
 - f. Discussion of any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation.

5. Executive Session – Close

Motion by Michele Williams-Oriente, seconded by Scott Golden to come out of Executive Session. Time out: 6:27pm.

6. Executive Session – In

Motion by Kimberly Reed, seconded by Scott Golden to go into Executive Session to discuss: personnel, legal, contractual and negotiation issues. Time in: 6:41pm.

- Interim Superintendent Candidate Interviews

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7. Executive Session – Close

Motion by Scott Golden, seconded by Kimberly Reed to come out of Executive Session. Time out: 7:08pm.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Kimberly Reed, seconded by Scott Golden to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned: 7:08pm.

Megan Stoddart, Business Administrator

Date