Minutes October 11, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting

TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Committee of the Whole Meeting
October 11, 2018

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Tewksbury Township Board of Education was called to order by Joanne Black, Business Administrator at 7:03 p.m. in the Library of the Old Turnpike School.

Joanne Black read the Sunshine Law:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Tewksbury Township Board of Education has caused notice of the time and place of this meeting to be published in the Courier News, the Hunterdon Democrat, the Hunterdon Review and notice of the meeting has been posted in the Township Municipal Building, both school buildings and the Tewksbury Township Public Library.

The Board pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Mrs. Ackerman, Mrs. Bartels, Mrs. Carrino, Mrs. Frank, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Mulroony, Mr. Thorp, Mrs. Pettegrove

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Roseann Humphrey-Interim Superintendent, Mrs. Joanne Black-Business Administrator

PRESENTATION: Ms. Lisa Schneider presented the PARCC scores and discussed the transition to fifth grade. The 75 minutes required in Math and LA is being reached.

Mr. Jim Miller also spoke about the transition.

CORRESPONDENCE: The posting of the board meeting audio was discussed. Mrs. Black will upload the audio by Monday after a BOE meeting. A new recorder will be ordered.

The drop off of students at TES was discussed. Backpacks are on hooks and are not on the floor. Ms. E. Johnson would like time in the November meeting to discuss trends.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ms. Miller spoke about cross country.

Agenda items listed on the COTW agenda under curriculum, policy, finance and facilities were reviewed.

FINANCE: Motion was made by Mrs. Pettegrove and seconded by Mrs. Bartels to approve the following:

Rescind motion #8 from July 26, 2018 BOE Meeting to approve entering into contract with Advancing Opportunities for an Augmentative Communication Evaluation for student #5581576989 for a cost not to exceed $1,045.00.

Approve entering into contract with Advancing Opportunities for an Augmentative Communication Evaluation for student #5581576989 for a cost not to exceed $1,260.00.

Approve entering into contract with Brett DiNovi & Associates, LLC for a Functional Behavior Assessment for student #8326923 at a cost not to exceed $1,500.00.

Approve entering into contract with Advancing Opportunities for an Augmentative Communication Evaluation for student #3703899509 at a cost not to exceed $1,260.00.

Approve the following fundraising events for the 2017-2018 school year

Name/Description of Fundraiser	Date	Advisors	# of Chaperones (includes Advisors)
Sell Pizza, Hot Chocolate and Water at the Trunk or Treat Event at TES	10/26/18	Dee Krowl Bonnie Mendralla	2
Holiday Pie Sale	11/1/18 - 11/15/18	Dee Krowl Bonnie Mendralla	0
OTS Halloween Dance	10/19/18	Dee Krowl Bonnie Mendralla	4
Haunted Hallway at TES	10/26/18	Dee Krowl Bonnie Mendralla	advisors plus parent volunteers

Approve the submission of the Business Administrator's one quantitative merit goal to the NJDOE for the school year 2018-2019.

Approve Link High Technologies, Inc. as consultants for network support if needed at an hourly rate of $125.00. Consultant will be used for emergencies if necessary as a supplement to the shared service agreement.

Approve the Superintendent Search Agreement between the Tewksbury Board of Education and New Jersey School Boards Association in the amount of $7,000.00.

Mrs. J. Carrino will be the lead Board of Education contact for the Superintendent search.

Final Resolution: Motion carried on a roll call vote.
Yes: Leslie Ackerman, Laura Bartels, Jillian Carrino, Paulette Frank, Krista Jenkins, Erica Johnson, Kevin Mulroony, Thomas Thorp, Cynthia Pettegrove

TECHNOLOGY: Mr. J. Belske will present a technology update at the October 25, 2018 Board Meeting. Network administrator, Justin Bentziger's last day will be on October 12th. There are two strong candidates for the position.

FACILITIES: Mr. A. Gianforcaro will be at the October 25 meeting to update the board on facilities projects. Mrs. Black stated that more drainage is needed for the TES playground. Quotes are being obtained for the OTS playground. October 18th is the 32nd anniversary of the dedication of the memorial for Police Chief Donald Miller.

Motion was made by Mrs. Pettegrove and seconded by Mrs. Bartels to approve the following:

Approve the following organizations to use the school facilities through December 31, 2018. Documentation is available in the Board of Education office.

- Boy Scouts
- Girl Scouts
- Hunterdon County YMCA
- Morris County Arts Workshop
- Tewksbury Parent Teacher Association
- Tewksbury Athletic Association
- Tewksbury Education Foundation
- Tewksbury Historical Society
- Tewksbury Township

Final Resolution: Motion carried on a roll call vote.
Yes: Leslie Ackerman, Laura Bartels, Jillian Carrino, Paulette Frank, Krista Jenkins, Erica Johnson, Kevin Mulroony, Thomas Thorp, Cynthia Pettegrove

COMMUNICATION: The Board discussed the climate survey and would like to put in place action items and to be more concrete as to how things are measured.

OTHER: The TEF $25,0000 mini grant account was discussed. The Foundation would like to draw down over the next three years-$5,000 annually for grants for the staff at the TSD.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Humphrey discussed the staff in-service which was very well received. A behaviorist came to TES in the morning and then the staff put their cooperative learning and team building skills to work at The Escape Room in Branchburg, NJ. The administration is doing walk-throughs and noting positive things in the classrooms.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion was made by Mrs. Pettegrove and seconded by Mr. Mulroony to enter Executive Session. The time was 9:40 p.m.

WHEREAS, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and:
WHEREAS, said law required the Board of Education to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Tewksbury that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session at this time to discuss personnel and legal matters for approximately forty five minutes. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting. Action may be taken.

Regular session resumed at 10:30 p.m.

PERSONNEL: Motion was made by Mrs. Pettegrove and seconded by Mrs. Bartels to approve the following:

Resolved that the Tewksbury Board of Education ratifies the paid administrative leave of employee #6287 effective October 2, 2018 until further notice.

Accept, with regret, the resignation of Edward Doerr, eighth grade Language Arts teacher, effective December 7, 2018.

Rescind the approval for the following club from the June 28, 2018 Regular Board Meeting:

Name	Club	Supply Budget Requested	Hours	Compensation
Preston, John Lagomarsino, Ryan	Debate Club	-0-	Every Thursday	$2,000.00 shared

Approve the following club for the 2018-2019 school year:

Name	Club	Supply Budget Requested	Hours	Compensation
Preston, John Steinman, Scott	Debate Club	-0-	Every Thursday	$2,000.00 shared

Rescind the approval for the following honoraria position from the October 11, 2018 COTW Meeting:

Last Name	First Name	Honoraria Position	Compensation
DeStefano	Regina	Odyssey of the Mind OTS Advisor	$1,950.00

Approve the following honoraria positions for the 2018-2019 school year:

Last Name	First Name	Honoraria Position	Compensation
DeStefano, Regina Lance, Donna		Odyssey of the Mind OTS Advisor	$1,950.00 (shared)

Approve the leave for employee ID #6709 effective October 2, 2018 through approximately April 1, 2019. Employee will use accumulated sick and personal days followed by 12 weeks FMLA unpaid leave with benefits subject to Ch. 78 contributions followed by an unpaid leave of absence without benefits until approximately April 1, 2019.

Approve the following substitute teachers for the 2018-2019 school year pending criminal history review.

- Jeffrey Dunker
- Dominique Trepicone

Final Resolution: Motion carried on a roll call vote.
Yes: Leslie Ackerman, Laura Bartels, Jillian Carrino, Paulette Frank, Krista Jenkins, Erica Johnson, Kevin Mulroony, Thomas Thorp, Cynthia Pettegrove

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Mrs. Pettegrove and seconded by Mr. Mulroony to adjourn the meeting. The time was 10:34 p.m.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Black
Board Secretary