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TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Committee of the Whole Meeting
September 10, 2015

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Tewksbury Township Board of Education was called to order by Joanne Black, Business Administrator at 7:07 PM 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. Bartels, Mrs. Geoffrion, Mrs. Jenkins, Ms. Resnick, Dr. Schiller, Mrs. Delventhal (arrived at 7:15pm), Mrs. Larsen

ABSENT: Mr. Regan, Mr.Thorp

ALSO PRESENT: Joanne Black-School Business Administrator, Monica Rowland, Superintendent

PRESENTATION:

Presentations began at 7:15 p.m.

- Lisa Schneider
  1. Overview of core shifts in new curriculum
  2. Project Aspire update

Presentation concluded at 7:45 p.m.

Curriculum

Motions made by Dr. Schiller and seconded by Mrs. Bartels to approve the following C1-C4.

C1. Revised K-8 Standard 8 Technology Curriculum
C2. Revised K-8 Standard 9 Career Readiness Curriculum
C3. New K-6 Writing Curriculum
C4. New 5-8 Project Based Learning Curriculum

Motion carried.

Facilities

The status of current capital projects was discussed. In addition, there was discussion regarding the potential effect on districts regarding the required new pension liability financial statement disclosure.

Finance

Mrs. Black reviewed the preliminary audit findings.

Motion was made by Dr. Schiller and seconded by Mrs. Bartels to approve the contract between the Tewksbury Township Board of Education and Maureen Joyce as an SDA Grant consultant at an hourly rate of $75.00/hour, up to a maximum of $6,000.00. Motion carried on roll call vote.

Communications

Mrs. Larsen discussed the referendum at Voorhees and informed Board that representatives from the school will do a presentation at a Tewksbury Board Meeting. Mrs. Resnick updated the Board regarding new legislation.

Executive Session

Motion made by Mrs. Larsen, seconded by Mrs. Jenkins to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel items. The time was 8:30 p.m.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

The Sunshine Law was read by Mrs. Black:

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 matters. 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.

Motion made by Mrs. Bartels, seconded by Mrs. Larsen, to return to the regular meeting. The time was 8:44 p.m.

Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Personnel

Motion made by Mrs. Bartels and seconded by Ms. Delventhal to accept the resignation of Frank Henderson, Custodian, effective September 30, 2015.

Motion carried.

Other

Ms. Rowland updated Board on shared service with Readington Township School District due to staffing changes. Ms. Rowland will ask Mr. Belske to present to the Board an update on technology.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mrs. Larsen and seconded by Mrs. Geoffrion to adjourn the meeting. The time was 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Black