

**Magnolia School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
January 6, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Greg Gontowski opened the regular meeting at 7:01 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Greg Gontowski called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. at which time the following statement was read: *“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Magnolia Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Courier Post, and at the entrance of Magnolia School, and the Magnolia Borough Hall.”*

ELECTION RESULTS

Joyce Albrecht – 537 votes

Karen Sorbello – 547 votes

Oath Of Office

Oath of Office given to New Board Members Joyce Albrecht and Karen Sorbello by Cameron R. Morgan, Associate, Parker McCay

Roll Call

Mrs. Joyce Albrecht*	Present
Ms. Rebecca DePrince	Present - *Arrived at 7:06 PM
Mrs. Jennifer Gray	Present
Mr. Edward Hoban	Present
Mr. Rudolph Kube	Present - *Left at 7:20 PM
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present
Mrs. Shelley Wilson	Present

Other Attendees

Dr. Warren Pross, Superintendent
Mr. Greg Gontowski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Cameron R. Morgan, Associate, Parker McCay

Election of President and Vice President of the Board

Motion to approve Election of President and Vice-President of the Board

Board Secretary calls for nominations and acceptance of nomination for

Board President.

Election of President and Vice-President of the Board

Nomination of President of the Board Shelley Wilson

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Edward Hoban

**Vote: To approve Nomination of President of the Board
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Board President calls for nominations and acceptance of nomination for Vice President.

Nomination of **Vice-President** of the Board Karen Sorbello

Motioned by Joyce Albrecht, Seconded by Edward Hoban

**Vote: To approve Nomination of Vice President of the Board
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Annual Appointments

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**Delegate of NJ School
Boards Assoc.**

Appoint Karen Sorbello as Delegate to New Jersey School Boards Association for 2015.

Motioned by Shelley Wilson, Seconded by Jennifer Gray

**Vote: To approve Nomination of Delegate to New Jersey School
Boards.
Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Alternate Delegate of
NJ School Boards
Assoc.**

Appoint Joyce Albrecht as Alternate Delegate of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2015.

Motioned by Shelley Wilson, Seconded by Karen Sorbello

**Vote: To approve Alternate Delegate of New Jersey School
Boards Association for 2015
Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Legislative
Chairperson of NJ
School Boards Assoc.**

Appoint Rebecca DePrince as Legislative Chairperson of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2015.

Motioned by Shelley Wilson, Seconded by Jennifer Gray

**Vote: To approve Legislative Chairperson of New Jersey School
Boards Association
Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Representative to
Camden County
Boards Association**

Appoint Rudolph Kube as Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2015.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Edward Hoban

Vote: To approve Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2015

Voice Vote. All in favor

**Alternate
Representative to
Camden County
Boards Association**

Appoint Karen Sorbello as Alternate Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2015.

Motioned by Shelley Wilson, Seconded by Edward Hoban

Vote: To approve Alternate Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2015

Voice Vote. All in favor

**Representative to
Camden County
Educational Services
Commission**

Appoint Rebecca DePrince as Representative to Camden County Educational Services Commission for 2015.

Motioned by Shelley Wilson, Seconded by Karen Sorbello

Vote: To approve Representative to Camden County Educational Services Commission for 2015

Voice Vote. All in favor

Mission Statement

Mission Statement was read by Mrs. Shelley Wilson

Approval of Minutes

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following:

- A. Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on December 18, 2014.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Rebecca DePrince

Vote: To approve Minutes

Voice Vote. All in favor.

**Audience Participation
I**

Open **Audience Participation I – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

NO ONE IN ATTENDANCE

Motioned to Bypass Audience Participation I by Rebecca DePrince, Seconded by Edward Hoban.

**Vote: To approve Bypassing of Audience Participation I
Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Board of Education
Business
Unfinished Business**

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

Unfinished Business

Shelley Wilson asked for

- Bond Information
- Clerk of the works

New Business

New Business

- Shelley Wilson – Board training
- Mentioned Superintendent Evaluation and Board Self Evaluation being online this year

**State and Local School
Board Association**

State and Local School board Association

- Karen Sorbello commented on upcoming Joint Meeting in February

**Superintendent's
Report**

Superintendent's Report

Calendar

Calendar

1. The 2014-2015 revised Magnolia Public School Calendar (attachment)

Motioned by Shelley Wilson, Seconded by Rebecca DePrince.

**Vote: To approve the 2014-2015 revised Magnolia Public School
Calendar**

Voice Vote. All in favor

Informational Items

Informational Items:

Buildings and Grounds

A. Buildings and Grounds

1. A fire drill was conducted on December 1, 2014
1. A lockdown was conducted on December 17, 2014

Curriculum

B. Curriculum

1. Teacher Evaluations
 - Walkthroughs plus Conferences - 29

- Long Evaluations - 41
- Short Evaluations - 10

Finance

C. Finance

Interdistrict

D. Interdistrict

Negotiations

E. *Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session) – None

**Policy/Procedure
Public**

F. Policy/Procedure - None

Relations/Liaison

G. Public Relations/Liaison

**Student/Parental Issues
and Concerns**

H. Student/Parental Issues and Concerns

1. HIB Report – No new cases to report.

Principal’s Report

I. Principal’s Report

1. Mr. Johnson’s Principal Report (attachment)

**Addendum:
Resignation – Joseph
Damato**

Addendum

1. To accept with regret the resignation of Mr. Joseph Damato, Part-time custodian effective January 16, 2015.
2. Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Shelley Wilson.

**Vote: To approve the acceptance of the Resignation of Mr. Joseph Damato, Part-time Custodian effective January 16, 2015
Voice Vote. All in favor**

**BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR
REPORT**

Informational Items

Informational Items: None

Board Actions

Board Actions:

Motion to approve items A through B

Monthly Reports

A. Monthly Reports

The Budget Summary and Revenue Summary for the month of November 2014 (**Attachment A1 and Attachment A2**).

Financial Reports

B. Financial Reports

1. Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of November 2014. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. **(Attachment B1)**
2. Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of November 2014. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's report are in agreement for the month of September 2014. **(Attachment B2)**
3. Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 2 certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.
4. Board of Education Certification – pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4 We certify that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Jennifer Gray

Vote: To approve Items A through B

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Ms. DePrince, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Hoban, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Wilson (6-0-0)
Motion Approved

Motion to approve Items C through D

Warrants

C. Warrants

The attached bill lists:

- December 2014 payroll **(Attachment D1)**

Payment of Bills

D. Payment of Bills

Approval of the Business Administrator to continue payment of all bills through February 17, 2015, or until the next Board of Education meeting. The bill lists for

those payments will be submitted at the next Board of Education meeting.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Edward Hoban

Vote: To approve Items C through D

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Ms. DePrince, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Hoban, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Wilson (5-0-0*)

Motion Approved

*** Mrs. DePrince abstains with regard to the State of New Jersey and or its agents**

Addendum

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BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT ADDENDUM

Informational: - Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting on 1/20/15 at 7:00PM

Board Actions:

Motion to approve items A through B

SEMI Waiver

A. SEMI Waiver

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2015-2016 year, and

Whereas, the Magnolia Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 30 Medicaid eligible classified students.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Magnolia Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Camden an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2014-15 school year.

Tuition Contract

B. Tuition Contract

To approve tuition contract with Camden Board of Education for student #1317937544 in the amount of \$7,519.38 (prorated) for the 2014-2015 school year (Note: We are receiving this student).

Motioned by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Karen Sorbello.

Vote: To approve addendum Items A through B

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Ms. DePrince, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Hoban, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Wilson (6-0-0)
Motion Approved**

Motion to approve Item C

**Special Board Meeting
– Jan. 20, 2015**

C. Special Board Meeting

To approve a Special Board of Education Meeting to be held on **January 20, 2015 at 6:30 PM.**

Motioned by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Karen Sorbello

Vote: To approve addendum Item C

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Ms. DePrince, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Hoban, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Wilson (6-0-0)
Motion Approved**

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:52 PM by Edward Hoban,
Seconded by Rebecca DePrince.**

Vote: To Adjourn meeting

Voice Vote. All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

**Greg Gontowski
Board Secretary**

