

**Magnolia School District  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes  
January 5, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Greg Gontowski opened the regular meeting at 7:09 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Greg Gontowski called the meeting to order at 7:09 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.”*

**Oath of Office**

Oath of Office given to New Board Members by Mr. Frank Cavallo, Solicitor

**Roll Call**

Mrs. Joyce Albrecht	Present
Mr. Nick D’Amico	Present
Ms. Rebecca DePrince	Present
Mrs. Jennifer Gray	Present
Mr. Edward Hoban	Present
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present

**Other Attendees**

Dr. Warren Pross, Superintendent  
Mr. Greg Gontowski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Mr. Frank P. Cavallo, Jr. Solicitor

**Election of President of the Board**

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Mr. Greg Gontowski called for Nomination of President of the Board

Motioned by Joyce Albrecht, Second by Edward Hoban to nominate Karen Sorbello

**Vote: To approve Nomination of President of the Board**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Albrecht, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. DePrince, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Hoban, Mrs. Sorbello (6-0-0)**

**Motion Approved**

**Mr. Greg Gontowski turned the meeting over to the President Karen Sorbello**

**Election of Vice-President of the Board**

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Nomination of Vice-President of the Board

- Edward Hoban nominated Jennifer Gray
- Karen Sorbello nominated Joyce Albrecht

**Vote: To approve Election of Vice-President of the Board**

- Joyce Albrecht – 5 Votes
- Jennifer Gray – 1 Votes

**Motion Approved**

**Appointment of Board Committee Members**

Nomination and Election of Board Committee Members

**Appoint Karen Sorbello as Delegate of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2016.**

Appoint Karen Sorbello as Delegate of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2016.

Motioned by Jennifer Gray, Second by Joyce Albrecht

**Vote: To approve Karen Sorbello as Delegate of NJ School Boards Association for 2016**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Appoint Joyce Albrecht as Alternate Delegate of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2016.**

Appoint Joyce Albrecht as Alternate Delegate of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2016.

Motioned by Jennifer Gray, Second by Nick D'Amico

**Vote: To approve Joyce Albrecht as Alternate Delegate of NJ School Boards Association for 2016**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Appoint Joyce Albrecht as Legislative Chairperson of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2016.**

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Motioned by Edward Hoban, Second by Nick D'Amico

**Vote: To approve Joyce Albrecht as Legislative Chairperson of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2016.**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Appoint Jennifer Gray as Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2016.**

Appoint Jennifer Gray as Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2016.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Second by Edward Hoban

**Vote: To approve Jennifer Gray as Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2016.**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Appoint Edward Hoban as Alternate Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2016.**

Appoint Edward Hoban as Alternate Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2016.

Motioned by Nick D'Amico, Second by Joyce Albrecht

**Vote: To approve Edward Hoban as Alternate Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2016.**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Appoint Rebecca DePrince as Representative to Camden County Educational Services Commission for 2016.**

Appoint Rebecca DePrince as Representative to Camden County Educational Services Commission for 2016.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Second by Edward Hoban

**Vote: To approve Rebecca DePrince as Representative to Camden County Educational Services Commission for 2016.**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Mission Statement**

Mission Statement was read by Mrs. Karen Sorbello

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

**Approval of Minutes**

- Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on December 15, 2015.

**Motioned by Edward Hoban, Second by Jennifer Gray**

**Vote: To approve Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on December 15, 2015**

**\*Nick D'Amico Abstained  
Voice Vote. All in favor.**

**Audit Presentation**

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**Open Audience Participation I**

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

**Motioned by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Jennifer Gray**

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

**It is recommended that the Board of Education approve to close the Audience Participation II portion of the meeting.**

None

**Close Audience Participation I**

**Close Audience Participation I**

**Motioned by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Nick D'Amico**

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

**Board of Education Business**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS**

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

Board member vacancy

**State and Local School Board Association**

None

**Superintendent's Report**

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**Presentations:**

**Presentations: Using Social Media Constructively Part 2 – Jennifer Gray**

**Informational Items:**

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

**Building and Grounds**

**A. Building and Grounds**

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

2. A lockdown was conducted in December 17, 2014

**Curriculum**

**B. Curriculum**

Teacher Evaluations

- Walkthroughs plus conferences – 29
- Long evaluations – 41
- Short evaluations – 10

**Finance**

**C. Finance – None**

**Interdistrict**

**D. Interdistrict – None**

**Negotiations**

**E. \*Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session) - None**

**Policy/Procedure**

**F. Policy/Procedure - None**

**Public Relations/Liaison**

**G. Public Relations/Liaison - None**

**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)

**BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

**Informational Items:**

**Board Actions**

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**Motion to approve Items A and B**

**Monthly Reports**

- A. The attached bill lists:
  - December 2015 payroll (**Attachment A1**)

**Transfer of Funds**

**B. Warrants**

Approval of the Business Administrator to continue payment of all bills through February 16, 2016, 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 Edward Hoban, Seconded by Jennifer Gray**

**Vote: To approve Items A and B**

**Voice Vote. All in favor Mrs. Albrecht, Mr. D'Amico - Abstained, Ms. DePrince, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Hoban, Mrs. Sorbello, (5-0-1)**

**Motion Approved**

**Motion to approve Addendum Item A.**

**A. SJTP**

- To approve SJTP to perform shared service construction services pending agreement on pricing.

**Motioned by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Jennifer Gray**

**Vote: To approve Addendum Item A**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Motion Approved**

**Open Audience  
Participation II**

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**Motioned by Edward Hoban, Second by Joyce Albrecht**

None

**Closed Audience  
Participation II**

**Closed Audience Participation II**

**Motioned by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Nick D'Amico**

**Adjournment**

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**Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:50 pm by Edward Hoban, Seconded by Nick D'Amico.**

**Vote: To Adjourn meeting**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Greg Gontowski  
Board Secretary**

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