

**Magnolia School District  
Board of Education  
Reorganization/Regular Meeting  
Minutes  
January 4, 2023  
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Greg Gontowski opened the regular meeting at 7:04 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**Oath of Office**

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**Roll Call**

Mrs. Rebecca Ammen	Present
Mr. Nick D'Amico	Present
Mr. Mark Godfrey	Present
Mrs. Rebeca Lang Staffieri	Present
Mr. Dale Martin	Present
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present
Mrs. Alyssa Vazquez-Colon	Present

**Other Attendees**

Mrs. Karen Macpherson, Superintendent  
Mr. Greg Gontowski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Mr. Bill Morlok, Solicitor

**Election of  
President of the  
Board**

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

**Karen Sorbello Nominated Nick D'Amico**

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Second by Rebecca Ammen to nominate Nick D'Amico.**

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

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, \*\*Mr. D'Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (6-0-1) \*\*D'Amico Abstained**

**Motion Approved**

**Mr. Greg Gontowski turned the meeting over to the President Nick D'Amico**

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

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

**Nick D'Amico called for Nomination of Vice-President of the Board Rebecca Ammen**

**Rebecca Lang Staffieri Nominated Nick D'Amico**

**Motioned by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon, Second by Rebecca Lang Staffieri to nominate Rebecca Ammen**

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

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: \*\*Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D'Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, MR. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (6-0-1) \*Mrs. Rebecca Ammen Abstained**

**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 2023.

**Motioned by Alyssa Vazquez Colon, Second by Rebecca Ammen**

**Vote: To approve Nomination**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D'Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (7-0-0)**

**Motion Approved**

Appoint **Rebecca Lang Staffieri** as Alternate Delegate of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2023.

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Second by Alyssa Vazquez Colon**

**Vote: To approve Nomination**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D'Amico, Mr. Godfrey, \*\*Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (6-0-1)\*\*Rebecca Lang Staffieri**

**Motion Approved**

Appoint **Alyssa Vazquez Colon** as Legislative Chairperson of New Jersey School Boards Association for 2023.

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Second by Rebecca Ammen**

**Vote: To approve Nomination**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D'Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (7-0-0)**

**Motion Approved**

Appoint **Karen Sorbello** as Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2023.

**Motion Approved**

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Second by Alyssa Vazquez Colon**

**Vote: To approve Nomination**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D’Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (7-0-0)**

**Motion Approved**

Appoint Alyssa Vazquez-Colon as Alternate Representative to Camden County School Boards Association for 2023.

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Second by Rebecca Ammen**

**Vote: To approve Nomination**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D’Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (7-0-0)**

**Motion Approved**

Appoint Rebecca Ammen as Representative to Camden County Educational Services Commission for 2023.

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Second by Dale Martin**

**Vote: To approve Nomination**

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mr. D’Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Sorbello and Mrs. Vazquez Colon (7-0-0)**

**Motion Approved**

**Mission Statement**

Mission Statement was read by Mr. Nick D’Amico

**Audience Participation I**

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

**Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen**

**Vote: To approve opening of Audience Participation I**

**Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Close Audience Participation I**

**Close Audience Participation I**

**Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Seconded by Mark Godfrey**

**Vote: To approve closing of Audience Participation I**

**Voice vote. All in favor**

**Board of Education Business** **BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS**

**Unfinished** Rebecca Ammen – NJ School Boards Association

**Business** None

**New Business** None

**State and Local** **Superintendent’s Report**

**Superintendent’s Report** **Informational Items**

- Mr. Sorrentino discussed HIB trends and SSDS report.

**Board Secretary Report** **BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

**Informational Items**

- Financial Disclosures
- Governance

**Board Actions** **Board Actions:**

**Motion to approve Items A and C**

**Bill List**

**A. Warrants**

The attached bill lists:

- January 2023 warrants (**Attachment A1**)

**B. Warrants**

Approval of the Business Administrator to continue payment of all bills through the February 21, 2023 meeting. The bill lists for those payments will be submitted at the next Board of Education meeting.

**Approval of the BA to continue payment of all bills thru Nest Board Meeting**

**C. State Contract – Winner Ford**

To approve a purchase under state contract #A88726 through Winner Ford for the purchase of a 2023 Ford F250 Truck in the approximate amount of \$57,503.00.

**Winner Ford - Truck**

**Motioned by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon, Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri**

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

**Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, \*\*Mr. D’Amico, Mr. Godfrey, Mrs. Lang Staffieri, Mrs. Sorbello, Mr. Martin and Mrs. Vazquez Colon, (6-0-1)\*\* Nick D’Amico - Abstained with regards to ESS**

**Motion Approved**

**Open Audience  
Participation II**

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**Motioned by Dale Martin, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen**

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

**Close Audience  
Participation II**

**Close Audience Participation II**

**Motioned by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Rebecca Lang Staffieri**

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

**Executive Session**

None

**Adjournment**

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**Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:33 pm by Mark Godfrey, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen**

**Vote: To Adjourn meeting  
Voice Vote. All in favor**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Greg Gontowski  
Board Secretary**

