

The Reorganization meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of New Providence was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on January 7, 2021, via Zoom, by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Testa.

Present, were Dr. David Miceli, Superintendent of Schools; Lauren Zirpoli, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; James E. Testa, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Jay Richter, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Supervision and fifty-four members of the public.

Mr. Testa led in the salute to the flag.

Mr. Testa read the following statement:

This is a public meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of New Providence. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with PL 1975, Chapter 231, in that an annual notice was made in conformance with Section 13 of the Act.

Whenever the business of the Board requires it to convene to Closed Session, the session will begin no later than 10:00 p.m. At the conclusion of the need for Closed Session, the Board will reconvene to the public portion of the meeting. At that time the Board will complete any other business that may be before it and the public will then be given an opportunity to be heard before the meeting is adjourned.

The following change notice was posted on December 21, 2020.

The New Providence Board of Education will hold the regular/reorganization Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 7, 2021 beginning at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and in consideration of Executive Order No. 196, issued by Governor Murphy, the New Providence Board of Education does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of the community while ensuring the continued functioning of the Board, this meeting will be held via Zoom.

To join the meeting go to:

<https://npsdnj.zoom.us>

Meeting ID: 998 5091 9345

Password: 784777

To join by phone: (301) 715-8592

When you join the meeting, your microphone will be off (muted). If you are a speaking participant, a moderator will enable your microphone and permit you to enable your video. Members of the public who wish to speak or ask questions during the public portion of the meeting should use the raise your hand feature on Zoom. Additionally, public comments may be submitted via email and in written form to skinum@npsdnj.org by January 4, 2021.

Mr. Testa welcomed everyone and wished everyone a Happy New Year. He commented that tonight’s meeting is the Board of Education Reorganization meeting. As Board Secretary, he will run the meeting until a Board President is elected by the Board.

Board Secretary Administers Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Members

Amanda Marano
Mary Misiukiewicz

Mr. Testa swore in Mrs. Amanda Marano and Mrs. Mary Misiukiewicz.

Roll Call:

<u> </u> Yea <u> </u> Mrs. Coniglio	<u> </u> Yea <u> </u> Mrs. Misiukiewicz
<u> </u> Yea <u> </u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u> </u> Yea <u> </u> Mr. Smith
<u> </u> Yea <u> </u> Mrs. Marano	<u> </u> Yea <u> </u> Mr. Walsh

Official School Election Results

Mr. Testa reported on the official School Election results as follows:

Official Election Results—November 3, 2020
Two Members Elected for Three Year Terms

Jennifer Killea	<u>2,349</u>
Amanda Marano	<u>3,194</u>
Ilya Meyzin	<u>2,054</u>
Mary Misiukiewicz	<u>3,211</u>

Total Votes Cast: 7,741

Total Number of Registered Voters: 10,016

Mrs. Misiukiewicz moved the appointment of Jennifer Killea to fill the open board member seat for the current term ending December 31, 2021.

Seconded by: Bernadette Cuccaro

Roll Call:

<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Coniglio	<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Misiukiewicz
<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Smith
<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Marano	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Walsh

Mr. Testa swore in Mrs. Jennifer Killea.

Board Secretary Opens Nominations for Office of President of the Board of Education

Mr. Testa opened the nominations for the office of President of the Board of Education:

1. Mrs. Cuccaro nominated Mrs. Mary Misiukiewicz for the office of President of the Board of Education.

Seconded by: Mr. Smith

There were no other nominations for the office of the President of the Board of Education, Mr. Testa declared the nominations closed.

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Coniglio	<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Marano
<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Cuccaro	<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Misiukiewicz
<u>Yea</u> Mrs. Killea	<u>Yea</u> Mr. Smith
<u>Yea</u> Mr. Walsh	

Mr. Testa congratulated Mrs. Misiukiewicz for being nominated and approved as Board President.

Mrs. Misiukiewicz accepted the position. She was honored to accept the position of

Board President and thanked Mrs. Cuccaro for the nomination. She welcomed Mrs. Marano to the Board.

Mrs. Misiukiewicz took her place as Board President.

Board President Opens Nominations for Office of Vice-President of the Board of Education

Mrs. Misiukiewicz opened the nominations for the office of Vice-President of the Board of Education:

1. Mr. Walsh nominated Bernadette Cuccaro for the office of Vice-President of the Board of Education.

Seconded by: Mrs. Misiukiewicz

There were no other nominations for the office of the Vice-President of the Board of Education, Mrs. Misiukiewicz declared the nominations closed.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea Mrs. Coniglio

Yea Mrs. Marano

Yea Mrs. Cuccaro

Yea Mrs. Misiukiewicz

Yea Mrs. Killea

Yea Mr. Smith

Yea Mr. Walsh

Board members congratulated Mrs. Cuccaro.

Mrs. Cuccaro accepted the position and thanked Mr. Walsh for the nomination.

2021 Committee Assignments

Mrs. Misiukiewicz, Board President, announced the following Committee and Board Representative assignments:

Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Committee:

Rebecca Coniglio, Chairperson

Jennifer Killea

Amanda Marano

Finance, Facilities, and Safety/Security Committee:

Joseph Walsh, Chairperson
Jennifer Killea
Adam Smith

Personnel, Management and Communication Committee:

Bernadette Cuccaro, Chairperson
Adam Smith
Joseph Walsh

Board Representatives:

Union County School Boards Association:	Bernadette Cuccaro
Union County Educational Services Commission:	Amanda Marano
New Jersey School Boards Association:	Mary Misiukiewicz
Municipal Alliance Representative:	Adam Smith
Morris-Union Jointure Commission:	Dr. David Miceli
Liaison for New Providence Education Foundation:	Jennifer Killea
Liaison for Tri-County Boards:	Mary Misiukiewicz
Government Relations:	Rebecca Coniglio
Board Policy:	Adam Smith

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Misiukiewicz, Board President, opened the meeting to the public.

Glenn Robertson, President of NPEA, NPHS Teacher

Mr. Robertson congratulated the new board members and wished them good luck.

There were no public comments via email or letter.

Mrs. Misiukiewicz declared the public comments closed at 7:44 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Smith moved to adopt the following resolution:

1. This body shall on January 7, 2021 at 7:45 p.m., via Zoom, discuss in closed session, pursuant to Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act, specific matters which may generally be described as follows:
 - Student matters related to HIB
 - Litigation
 - Personnel
2. The minutes of the discussion in closed session of the aforementioned matters may be disclosed to the public after final determination of action has been reached.

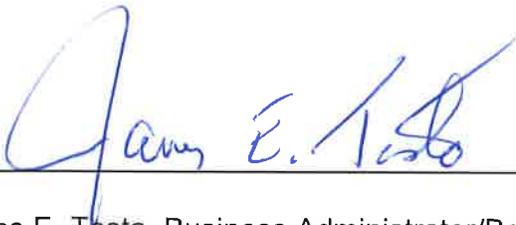
Mr. Walsh seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Return to Public Session

The Board reconvened to a public session, via Zoom, at 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Misiukiewicz called the Board to order.

Members present were Mrs. Cuccaro, Mrs. Coniglio, Mrs. Killea, Mrs. Marano, Mrs. Misiukiewicz, Mr. Smith and Mr. Walsh.

There being no other business before the Board, on a motion by Mrs. Cuccaro, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried unanimously, Mrs. Misiukiewicz declared the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



James E. Testa, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
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