

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

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SPECIAL MEETING
July 14, 2017
MINUTES**

1. Call To Order

Heather Ronco, Board President, called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. on Friday, July 14, 2017, at the Chester Board Office 50 North Road Building 4, Chester, NJ.

2. Sunshine Announcement

Heather Ronco, Board President, announced that that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 (Sunshine Law) and that adequate notice of the date, time and location has been sent to the Daily Record and the Observer Tribune, and has been posted and filed with the Chester Township and Chester Borough Clerks. The annual meeting calendar has also been sent to each District school and the Chester Post Office. Additionally, the agenda will be posted on the District website prior to the Board meeting.

3. Roll Call

Amy Collins	Absent	Heather Ronco	Yes
Carolyn Kleppe-Collins	Yes	Rajat Shah	Yes
Christopher Lowry	Yes	Mike Tomasco	Yes
Liz Madinabeitia	Absent	Kerri Wright	Yes
Jonathan Rochelle	Absent	Quorum	Yes N

4. Administration—Melissa Simmons and Dr. Christina Van Woert

5. Pledge of Allegiance

Heather Ronco, President, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. Public Commentary

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

7. Superintendent's Comments

Dr. Christina Van Woert discussed the process of selecting the new principal.

8. Buildings, Grounds, Transportation/Finance—*Mike Tomasco, Amy Collins, Chris Lowry, and Jonathan Rochelle.*

a. Approves Change Order No. 1 and No. 2

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education previously approved a contract with Iron Mountain Mechanical, LLC, 132 Mt. Pleasant Road Columbia, NJ 07832 for the chiller installation at Bragg School; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has submitted the following change orders:

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Change Order No. 1: Credit Order for removing Addenda #1 Item #8 scope of work resulting in a credit of (\$12,800.00).

Change Order No. 2: Removal of 10' x 12' shed as requested by the Chester Board of Education resulting in a cost of \$1,467.50.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves Construction Change Order No.1 and Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Iron Mountain Mechanical, LLC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary is authorized to sign the necessary documents to effectuate this change order.

Motion by **Mike Tomasco**

Seconded by **Kerri Wright**

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	CL	LM	JR	HR	RS	MT	KW
6-0	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

9. **Curriculum/Governance/Personnel**—*Heather Ronco, Carolyn Kleppe-Collins, Liz Madinabeitia, and Rajat Shah.*

a. **Approves BRMS Principal**

WHEREAS, an interview committee consisting of various stakeholders in the school community gathered to select a new principal for Black River Middle School; and

WHEREAS, several candidates were interviewed by the committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the interview committee and the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Andrew White as BRMS Principal for the 2017-2018 school year beginning September 14, 2017, at an annual salary of \$135,000, with benefits as identified in the negotiated agreement with the Chester Administrators/Supervisors Association.

Motion by **Heather Ronco**

Seconded by **Mike Tomasco**

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	CL	LM	JR	HR	RS	MT	KW
6-0	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

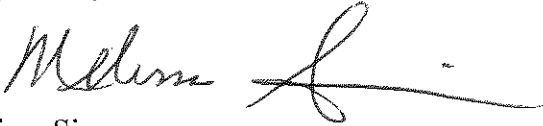
10. **Adjournment**

Upon the motion of Heather Ronco and seconded by Chris Lowry, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	CL	LM	JR	HR	RS	MT	KW
6-0	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melissa Simmons", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Melissa Simmons
Board Secretary

