

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

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SPECIAL MEETING  
July 7, 2017  
MINUTES**

**1. Call To Order**

Melissa Simmons, Board Secretary, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. on Friday, July 7, 2017, at the Chester Board Office 50 North Road Building 4, Chester, NJ.

**2. Sunshine Announcement**

Melissa Simmons, Board Secretary, 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 (Called in)	Yes	Heather Ronco (Called in)	Yes
Carolyn Kleppe-Collins (Called in)	Yes	Rajat Shah	Absent
Christopher Lowry	Yes	Mike Tomasco	Absent
Liz Madinabeitia	Yes	Kerri Wright	Absent
Jonathan Rochelle	Absent	Quorum	Yes
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**4. Administration—Melissa Simmons and Bobby Carroll**

**5. Pledge of Allegiance**

Melissa Simmons, Board Secretary, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**6. Presentation**

Bobby Carroll, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, discussed the District's results from the testing of lead in the water. He stated that out of the twenty samples collected from Black River Middle School, all but one tested below the Lead Action Level.

*Melissa Simmons, Board Secretary, walked on the following motion:*

**7. Committee of The Whole—All.**

**a. Approves Remedial Action**

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education is committed to protecting student, teacher and staff health and;

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education in order to protect the school community and be compliant with the Department of Education regulations tested the Chester Public Schools drinking water for lead; and

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WHEREAS, the results of the testing found that of the twenty samples collected from Black River Middle School, all but one tested below the Lead Action Level.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves that the Bubler Water Fountain located in the hall by room 28, is immediately taken out of service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education directs the Superintendent of Schools to provide written notification to the school community of the results and to post said written notification on the District's website.

Motion by **Chris Lowry**      Seconded by **Liz Madinabeitia**

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	CL	LM	JR	HR	RS	MT	KW
<b>5-0</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Absent	Absent	Absent

**b. Approves Settlement**

WHEREAS, there is a dispute between N.M. and J.M. o/b/o D.M. and the Chester Board of Education regarding the educational program and placement of D.M.; and

WHEREAS, N.M. and J.M. o/b/o D.M. and the Chester Board of Education have agreed to the terms of a settlement agreement.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the terms of the settlement agreement between N.M. and J.M. o/b/o D.M. and the Chester Board of Education.

Motion by **Liz Madinabeitia**      Seconded by **Chris Lowry**

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	CL	LM	JR	HR	RS	MT	KW
<b>5-0</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Absent	Absent	Absent

**8. Public Commentary**

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

**9. Old Business**

Melissa Simmons reminded Board Members that the deadline to file a petition for the upcoming election is July 31, 2017

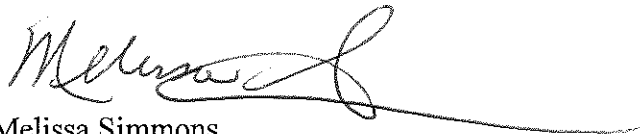
**10. Adjournment**

Upon the motion of Heather Ronco and seconded by Chris Lowry, the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	CL	LM	JR	HR	RS	MT	KW
<b>5-0</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Absent	Absent	Absent

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melissa Simmons", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melissa Simmons  
Board Secretary

