

**REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 1, 2021
MINUTES**

1. Call To Order

Mike Tomasco, Board President, called the meeting to order on March 1, 2021 at 7:03 p.m. via Google Meet. The meeting was also available to the public through the district website quick link page.

2. Sunshine Announcement

Mike Tomasco, Board President, announced that this meeting was 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 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 has been posted on the District website prior to the Board meeting.

3. Roll Call

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|------------------------|-----|---------------|------|
| Amy Collins | Yes | Heather Ronco | Yes |
| Carolyn Kleppe-Collins | Yes | Mike Tomasco | Yes |
| Rebekah Forlenza | Yes | Vacancy | ---- |
| Sara Kalashian | Yes | Kerri Wright | Yes |
| Christopher Lowry | Yes | Quorum | Yes |

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Tomasco, Board President, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Administration- Dr. Christina VanWoert and Tanya Dawson

5a. Superintendent's Report

- Updates on COVID 19 cases
- Changes to school calendar

5b. Business Administrator's Report

- Review of Preliminary Budget
- ESSER II-\$234,447; Learning Acceleration \$25,000, Mental Health Services \$45,000
- Mrs. Dawson thanked everyone involved who assisted with the budget

6. President's Comments

Mr. Tomasco thanked Mrs. Dawson and staff for putting together a well presented budget.

7. Presentations

None

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- 8. Public Commentary on Agenda Items**
None

The Board took the following action:

- 9. Approval of Minutes**

- 9a. Approves Regular Meeting Minutes from February 16, 2021**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Regular meeting minutes of the meeting held on February 16, 2021

- 9b. Approves Executive Meeting Minutes-Session 1 from February 16, 2021**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Executive meeting minutes of the meeting held on February 16, 2021

- 9c. Approves Executive Meeting Minutes-Session 2 from February 16, 2021**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Executive meeting minutes of the meeting held on February 16, 2021

Motion by Mike Tomasco

Seconded by Heather Ronco

| Roll Call Vote | AC | CKC | RF | SK | CL | HR | MT | | KW |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| 8-0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | vacant | Yes |

- 10. Committee of The Whole—All.**
None

- 11. Buildings, Grounds, Transportation/Finance—Amy Collins, Rebekah Forlenza, Sara Kalashian and Chris Lowry**

- 11a. Approves Bills List**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, the Chester Board of Education approves payment of the bills list as approved by the Finance Committee.

| Bills List | Totals |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Payroll 02/26/2021 | \$624,842.17 |
| Bills List | None |

- 11b. Approves Travel Requests**

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 and N.J.A.C.6A:23A and Board Policy 9250 and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following travel requests:

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| Date | Employee Conference/Workshop | Registration- Tuition | Travel Misc. | Estimated Total Expense |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| April 26- 27, 2021 | Danielle Meekings IMSE Phonological Awareness Training | \$550.00 | Virtual | \$550.00 |
| April 26- 27, 2021 | Nicole Healy IMSE Phonological Awareness Training | \$550.00 | Virtual | \$550.00 |
| April 29- 30, 2021 | Erin Beil IMSE Phonological Awareness Training | \$550.00 | Virtual | \$550.00 |
| April 29- 30, 2021 | Cassie Bruno IMSE Phonological Awareness Training | \$550.00 | Virtual | \$550.00 |

11c. Approves Disposal of Vehicle

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, the Chester Board of Education approve the disposal of unrepairable 2006 Ford Van previously used by Buildings and Grounds.

Motion by Mike Tomasco

Seconded by Heather Ronco

| Roll Call Vote | AC | CKC | RF | SK | CL | HR | MT | | KW |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| 8-0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | vacant | Yes |

12. Curriculum/Governance/Personnel— *Heather Ronco and Mike Tomasco*

None

13. Executive Session

None

14. Return to Public Session

None

15. Unfinished Business

None

16. New Business

None

17. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, upon the motion of Mike Tomasco and seconded by Kerri Wright the Board considered a motion to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.

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Motion by Mike Tomasco

Seconded by Kerri Wright

| Roll Call Vote | AC | CKC | RF | SK | CL | HR | MT | | KW |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| 8-0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | vacant | Yes |

Respectfully Submitted,



Tanya Dawson
Board Secretary