

**REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2021
AGENDA**

*A regular meeting of the Chester Board of Education will be held on
December 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chester Borough Courtroom,
50 North Road, Chester, NJ 07930*

1. Call To Order

2. Sunshine Announcement

Be advised 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 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

Amy Collins		Heather Ronco	
Carolyn Kleppe-Collins		Mike Tomasco	
Rebekah Forlenza		Billy Webster	
Sara Kalashian		Kerri Wright	
Christopher Lowry		Quorum	Y N

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Administration- Dr. Christina VanWoert and Tanya Dawson

5a. Superintendent's Report

5b. Business Administrator's Report

•SDA grant- \$24,388

6. President's Comments

7. Interviews/Presentations:

7a. Interviews of prospective Board candidates.

7b. Public Hearing on HIB - Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-46, the Superintendent will report to the Board of Education all acts of Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (HIB) which occurred during the previous reporting period, July 2021 through December 2021.

8. Public Commentary

Please be aware that this portion is your opportunity to comment, and is not a

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forum for the Board to respond to your comments. However, the Board will certainly give all comments appropriate consideration.

When permitted, public participation shall be governed by the following rules under Policy 9325.2:

- 1. Anyone wishing to speak before the Board shall indicate so during the Public Commentary portion of the agenda. The presenter shall give his/her name and address and make the presentation as brief as possible. Unless an extension of time is granted, each speaker should be limited to 3 minutes.*
- 2. Speakers may offer such objective criticisms of school operations and programs as concern them. But in public session, the Board will not hear concerns about the specific school personnel or any person connected with the school system. Other channels provide the Board consideration and disposition of such matters involving individuals.*
- 3. The Board vests in its President or other presiding officer authority to terminate the remarks of any individual when they do not adhere to the rules established above.*

9. Approval of Minutes

9a. Approves Regular Meeting Minutes from November 9, 2021

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Regular meeting minutes of the meeting held on November 9, 2021.

9b. Approves Regular Meeting Executive Minutes from November 9, 2021

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Regular meeting Executive minutes of the meeting held on November 9, 2021.

Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW

10. Committee of The Whole—All.

10a. Approves Reorganization Meeting Date

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Reorganization Meeting for January____, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Chester Board of Education, 50 North Road Building 4, Chester, New Jersey.

10b. Approves Superintendent's Recommendation for HIB case #2

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation for HIB Case #2.

Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW

- 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	11-30-2021	\$667,005.86
Bills List	12-14-2021	\$686,394.03

11b. Approves Monthly Appropriation Transfers for November 2021

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following transfers within the 2021-2022 budget for the month of November 2021 in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 1.; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11c. Approves Monthly Transfer Report for November 2021

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3, the Chester Board of Education approves the Monthly Report of Transfers for November 2021; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11d. Approves Board Secretary Report for November 2021

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(h), the Chester Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Secretary for November 2021; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11e. Approves Board Treasurer Report for November 2021

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36, the Chester Board of Education approves the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for November 2021; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11f. Approves Certification of Secretary and Treasurer Report for November 2021

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10 (c) 3, the Board Secretary does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation; and

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4, the Chester Board of Education has reviewed for the minutes of this meeting the Board Secretary and Treasurer's monthly financial report for November 2021 and that no major account or fund has been over-expended

11g. 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:

Date	<u>Employee</u> Conference/Workshop	Registra- tion- Tuition	Travel Misc.	Estimated Total Expense
February 24-25, 2022	Kenneth Piascik NJMEA State Conference Atlantic City Convention Center, NJ	\$180	\$0	\$180
February 14-16, 2022	Timothy Rain NJASPERD Shape NJ Annual Convention Long Branch, NJ	\$249	\$133.35	\$382.35
January 6, 2022-April 14, 2022	Tanya Dawson CELG Rutgers Virtual Program	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000

11h. Approves Stepping Forward Counseling Center Placement (#19746)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves students # 19746 to attend Stepping Forward Counseling Center LLC., Chatham, NJ for 10 hours a week at \$75.00 per hour effective October 12, 2021 through the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

11i. Approves Submission & Acceptance of SDA Emergent Needs & Capita Maint. Grant

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the submission and acceptance of the SDA Emergent Needs and Capital Maintenance in School Districts grant in the amount of \$24,388 for the 2021-22 school year.

11j. Approves Proposal for Strategic Planning

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the proposal from Effective Education Solutions, LLC, Belle Mead, NJ in the amount of \$12,000.

11k. Approves Emergency contract for Engineering and Land Surveying

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves this emergent project per N.J.A.C.6A:23A 14-1 from Edwards Engineering Group, Inc. Somerville, NJ for water service connection per N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-7. The Chester Board of Education recognizes that an emergency exists at the Dickerson School requiring immediate attention.

11l. Approves Disposal of Obsolete Equipment

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves disposal of the following obsolete equipment:

13 Computer Carts from Black River Middle School

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6 Computer Carts from Bragg School
4 Smart Boards form Bragg School

11m. Approves Agreement with Candoris Technologies, LLC.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the agreement with Candoris Technologies, LLC. for upgrade of security switches to be paid for with ESSER III funding.

11n. Accepts FEMA Reimbursement

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education accepts reimbursement in the amount of \$38,501.32 for snow related activities from February 2021 winter storm.

Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW

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

12a. Amends 2022-2023 School Calendar

RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education amends the 2022-2023 school calendar to correct the last 3 dates of the end of school.

12b. Approves Teacher for Professional Work Related to QSAC

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following teacher for professional work related to QSAC for the 2021-2022 school year at the contracted professional hourly rate of \$62.

Name	Hours	For a Total Up To
Francesca Ragonese	8	\$496

12c. Approves Ski/Snowboard Crew Volunteers/Chaperones

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following Ski/Snowboard Crew Volunteers/Chaperones for the 2021-2022 school year at no cost to the District.

Ryan Collins	Adam Cossman
Nina Edwards	Janna Georgiev
Lucy Giannattasio	Mike Giannattasio
Rumika Iseman	Natalia McTighe
Karen Prignano	Victor Prignano
Erik Prince	Colin Robina
Rob Spence	Carol Spira
Trevor Thrun	Ron Totams
Allen Tresselt	Paul Wardle
Kevin Cullen	Chris Duffy

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Sean McQueeney	Millicent Roskie
Kathy Werner	

12d. Approves Practicum Student

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Melisa Sussex from Rutgers University to complete her practicum School Nurse Certification under the supervision of BRMS School Nurse Anne Pape, January 2022 through the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

12e. Approves Termination of (Emp. #1455)

WHEREAS, Employee #1455, in his/her capacity as Employee of the Board of Education has not fulfilled his/her responsibilities to the Board adequately; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent now recommends the Board terminate the employment of Employee #1455 as of December 2, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chester Board of Education that Employee #1455 be terminated from their employment with the Board of Education, in accordance with any applicable notice provisions of the Employment Contract and/or collective negotiations agreement.

12f. Approves Custodian (Ladinski)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Mark Ladinski as a Custodian, Black River Middle School at a salary of \$36,500 (prorated), paid from Account# 11-000-262-100-001-000 effective January 3, 2022 through the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year, pending the approval of the criminal history background check for school employees and compliance with NJ P.L.2018, c 5.

12g. Accepts Resignation (Lattmann)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education accepts the resignation of Jill Lattmann effective December 31, 2021.

12h. Rescinds Resolution 12z. from October 12, 2021 Agenda (Rain)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education rescinds Resolution 12z. from the October 12, 2021 Agenda approving Tim Rain as Unified Club Advisor at Dickerson.

12i. Approves Unified Sports Club Advisor for Dickerson (Kozlowski)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Chester Board of Education approves the following teacher as Unified Sports Club Advisor for the 2021-2022 school year with stipend as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association to be paid by a grant from the Special Olympics of New Jersey:

Name	Stipend Amount	School
Sara Kozlowski	\$1,864	Dickerson

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Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW

13. Executive Session

RESOLVED, that pursuant to NJS.A. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13 the Chester Board of Education holds a closed session on December 14, 2021 at ____ p.m. to discuss HIB. It is expected that the minutes will be made public as soon as official action is taken.

Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW

14. Return to Public Session

Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW

15. Unfinished Business

16. New Business

17. Adjournment

Motion by_____

Seconded by_____

Roll Call Vote	AC	CKC	RF	SK	CL	HR	MT	BW	KW