

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Eastampton Township Board of Education was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Glenn Forney, President.

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT: In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law, adequate public notice of this meeting has been given by the Business Administrator in the following manner:

- A. Posted written notice on the official bulletin board at the Eastampton Community School on July 10, 2018.
- B. Mailed written notice to the *Burlington County Times* and the *Courier Post* on July 13, 2018.
- C. Filed written notice with the Clerk of Eastampton Township on July 13, 2018.
- D. Posted official notice on the district's website.
- E. Mailed written notice to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule and who has prepaid any charges fixed for such service.

ROLL CALL:

Glenn Forney, President - present
 Brian Curtis, Vice President - present
 Len DiGiacomo - present
 Deanna McGinnis - absent
 James Southard - present
 Susan Taylor - present
 Eve Waite - present

Ambrose F. Duckett, III, Superintendent of Schools
 Marian Smith, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

FIRE EXITS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

All meetings must be open to the public at all times except for those meetings at which certain excepted matters are discussed. However, the right of the public to be present at the meeting should not be confused with public participation. The public body retains the right to permit, regulate or prohibit active participation of the public at any meeting. (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (a)).

NONE

PERSONNEL: (Susan Taylor, Chairperson)

A. Action Items:

On a motion by Susan Taylor, seconded by Len DiGiacomo, the following action items were approved. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

- 1) Recommend the Board accept the resignation of Andrea Gleeson, Special Education Teacher, effective June 30, 2018.
- 2) Recommend the Board accept the retirement of Denise Seger, Aide, effective June 30, 2018.

FINANCE: (Eve Waite, Chairperson)

A. Discussion Item:

- 1) NJ DOE Finance Memo and Guidance dated July 13, 2018 – District state aid for the 2018-2019 school year will be reduced by \$107,562. Documents must be submitted to County Office by August 7, 2018 with Board approval no later than August 1, 2018. Mrs. Smith and Mr. Forney explained information contained in the documents. It was noted that these state aid reductions will take place over the next 7 years, increasing with each year. Mrs. Smith informed the board that this will be the last year that the state will be allowing emergency funding for decreased state aid.

B. Action Items:

On a motion by Eve Waite, seconded by James Southard, the following action items were approved. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

- 1) Recommend the Board approve following resolution (2018-7-1) regarding a reduction in state aid: line item reductions in response to the NJ DOE Budget Notification Memo dated July 13, 2018 and the NJ State Guidance Document:

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education has issued a memo and guidance dated July 13, 2018 (**18-19-1**) to all school districts indicating an adjustment in funding for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned memo directs school districts to the Homeroom website for details of the change in state aid \$107,562 (**18-19-2**)

WHEREAS, Board action must be taken before August 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the Eastampton Board of Education had discussed in detail the options available to the district and has implemented a plan to address the state aid reduction,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Eastampton on Board of Education does hereby authorize the district's School Business Administrator to reduce the following line items to address the reduction in state aid consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

11-000-291-270-000-000 (budgetary line #71180)	- \$ 52,375
11-120-100-101-000-000-060 (budgetary line #2100)	- <u>\$ 55,187</u>
	- \$107,562

- 2) Recommend the Board approve the submission of an application for Emergency Aid to the County Office of Education pursuant to the language included in the FY2019 Appropriations Act for \$107,562.

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Mrs. Douglas asked for an explanation of Extraordinary Aid. Mrs. Smith replied that it is a form of state aid for per pupil special education expenditures that exceed a certain monetary threshold. Mr. Forney indicated that the aid is pro-rated based on how many districts apply and the amount received is only a percentage of the actual district expenditure.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, the Board meeting was adjourned at 7:17p.m. on a motion by Glenn Forney, seconded by Susan Taylor. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian F. Smith
Business Administrator/Board Secretary