

BRIELLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Action Meeting Minutes
Brielle, New Jersey
February 24, 2021

1. **Announcement** – There has been adequate notice of this meeting provided by the Board of Education January 14, 2021 notice in the *Coast Star* setting forth the date, time and place for this meeting. Similar notice has been posted in the Town Hall, the Brielle School Web Site, and the Borough Clerk has been notified.

2. **Roll Call**
Mr. Becker, Dr. D’Ambrosio, Mrs. Dettlinger, Mr. Ingoglia, Mrs. Jones, Dr. LaValva, Mr. Milancewich, Mr. Vitale, and Mr. Wohltman.
Absent: Mr. Vitale

3. **Flag Salute**

4. **Approval of Minutes – Consent**
Move that the Board of Education accept the minutes of the January 20, 2021 Regular Public Meeting Minutes.
Motion by Mr. Ingoglia, seconded by Dr. D’Ambrosio carried by unanimous roll call vote 8-0.

5. **Presentations:**
Finian Healey was awarded the Christian Brothers Academy Class of 2025 De La Salle Scholarship award, of \$10,000.00 per year.

6. **Visitor’s Business** – Visitors are permitted to comment on agenda items only at this time. **NONE**

7. **Correspondence - NONE**

8. **Committee Reports-**
Finance – Mr. Vitale - **NONE**
Representative to Manasquan- Mr. Ingoglia – **Report Submitted**
Curriculum and Programs- Mr. Becker – **NONE**

Buildings and Grounds- Mr. Milancewich - **NONE**

Personnel- Dr. D’Ambrosio - **NONE**

Negotiations- Mr. Milancewich – **Meetings are ongoing**

Policy and Wellness- Mrs. Jones – **Report Submitted**

Community Relations/Board Liaison- Mr. Becker - **Report Submitted**

- 9. Administrative Report** – Mrs. Carlson reported on the status in person teaching and virtual of school districts around the state. She spoke of the challenges the teachers have been facing during this pandemic. She announced that BES will now be in school until 3pm as of March 8. Students will be eating lunch in the classroom and will be given mask breaks throughout the day and will be going outside as much as possible.

10. Action Items

A. Curriculum and Programs

Roll Call

- A.1** Motion that the Board of Education approves the following staff members to attend professional development workshops as listed below:

Staff Member	Conference/Workshop	Cost
Christine Carlson	NJSBA Spring Education Symposium May 12-May 13	\$50.00
Dawn Cherry	NJSBA Spring Education Symposium May 12-May 13	\$50.00
Ashley Gahr Katie Golding	Wilson Reading System - Introductory Course March 3-March 5	\$625.00 ea.
Ali Gilbertson	Wilson Reading System - Introductory Course March 9-March 11	\$649.00

Caitlin Pinnella Celeste Decker	Wilson Reading System - Introductory Course April 14-April 16	\$700.00 ea.
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- A.2** Motion that the Board of Education approves the 2021-2022 School Calendar.
- A.3** Motion that the Board of Education approves the 2019-2020 school year HIB New Jersey Department of Education School Self-Assessment Report.
- A.4** Motion that the Board of Education approves a Resolution Requesting Governor Murphy to Include Public School District Personnel in the Official Expert Vaccine Allotment Panel’s Definition of Frontline Workers:

Resolution

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING GOVERNOR MURPHY TO INCLUDE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL IN THE OFFICIAL EXPERT VACCINE ALLOTMENT PANEL’S DEFINITION OF FRONTLINE WORKERS

WHEREAS, the **Brielle Board of Education** recognizes that the United States, the State of New Jersey and local health authorities, as well as the World Health Organization, have declared a public health emergency regarding the Coronavirus or COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the federal and state authorities have put in place guidance detailing the precautionary measures schools must implement to stop its spread of this disease; and

WHEREAS, public schools have a profound impact on millions of students, families and staff and are charged with the care, education, nourishment of their students and are an integral part of the health and safety of our communities; and

WHEREAS, our district has responded to the challenges brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, providing students and staff members with the technology and resources necessary to ensure the efficient delivery of instruction, virtually and in-person; and

WHEREAS, the board has a substantial public interest in protecting the health and safety of its students, staff, and community and ensuring that the district can provide staff and students with a safe and effective educational environment that supports student achievement; and

WHEREAS, the board recognizes that the State of New Jersey felt this health emergency made it necessary to close schools and reinvent the educational programs in a virtual setting and that this may have an adverse impact on student achievement and the emotional and social wellbeing of students; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 Vaccination Plan published by the State of New Jersey Department of Health (December 15, 2020, pgs. 36-37) prioritizes the availability of vaccines to “essential workers” in Phase 1B of the vaccine protocol; and

WHEREAS, school district staff at all levels are essential to the day-to-day operations of this district, responsible for the thorough and efficient education of all students and their social and emotional wellbeing, are critical for virtual and in-class instruction and are “essential workers;”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Brielle Board of Education finds a substantial public purpose exists to request that Governor Murphy give appropriate priority in the statewide administration of the COVID-19 vaccine to all public school district personnel.

COVID-19 Vaccination Plan published by the State of New Jersey Department of Health, see: <https://nj.gov/health/legal/covid19/NJ%20Interim%20COVID-19%20Vaccination%20Plan%20-%20Revised%2012-15-20.pdf>

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the member of the of New Jersey Legislative District 30; Senator Robert W. Singer, Assemblyman Sean T. Kean, Assemblyman Edward H. Thompson, Assembly Speaker Craig J. Coughlin, Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Governor Phil Murphy, and to the New Jersey School Boards Association

Motion on A.1 - A.4 by Mr. Becker, seconded by Mr. Wohltman carried by a unanimous roll call of 8-0

B. Finance

Roll Call

B.1 Motion that the Board of Education adopts the following resolution:

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2021-2022 school year, and

Whereas, the Brielle Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Brielle Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Monmouth an appropriate waiver of the requirements of the requirement of NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2021-2022 school year.

B.2 Motion that the Board of Education accepts the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2020, and the Auditor’s Management Report prepared by Robert A. Hulsart & Company and authorizes its submission

to the New Jersey Department of Education and notes that there are no audit exceptions.

B.3 BE IT RESOLVED that the financial reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education and Treasurer of School Monies for January 31, 2021 which are in agreement be accepted as submitted and attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23.2.11 (c) 4 we certify that as of January 31, 2021 which after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

B.4 Motion that the Board of Education approves the Brielle School administration to prepare and submit Amendments to the 2021 IDEA federal grant to carryover \$48,542 2020 IDEA funds to be used for Private School Disabilities 2020-2021 tuition.

B.5 Motion that the Board of Education approves the budget transfers effective January 31, 2021.

Motion on B.1 – B.5 by Dr. LaValva, seconded by Mr. Becker carried by a unanimous roll call of 8-0

C. Buildings and Grounds Roll Call

D. Policy Roll Call

D.1 Motion that the Board of Education approves the following policies and regulations on the First Reading:

- P 2270 Religion in Schools (M) (Revised)
- P 2622 Student Assessment (M) (Revised)
- P & R 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (M) (Revised)
- P & R 5200 Attendance (M) (Revised)
- P & R 5320 Immunization (Revised)
- P & R 5610 Suspension (M) (Revised)

- P 5620 Expulsion (M) (Revised)
- P 8320 Personnel Records (M) (Revised)

Motion on D.1 by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mr. Ingoglia carried by a unanimous roll call of 8-0

E. Personnel Roll Call
All items below are upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

- E.1 Motion that the Board of Education approves paid medical leave for teacher, Sarah Jordan, beginning April 12, 2021 – June 24, 2021.
- E.2 Motion that the Board of Education approves the resignation of Karen Cavan, School Nurse Assistant, effective January 28, 2021.
- E.3 Motion that the Board of Education approves Tara Healey as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, at a rate of \$100.00 per diem, pending completion of Criminal History Review.
- E.4 Motion that the Board of Education approves the following individuals as lunchroom/playground aides for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, at a rate of \$13.00 per hour, for 2.5 hours per day:

Lisa Cottrell
Mike Jamnik
Ruth Jamnik
Paul Monello
Valarie Rivera
Pauline Roats
Susan Sevastakis

- E.5 Motion that the Board of Education approves the following individuals as substitute lunchroom/playground aides for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, at a rate of \$13.00 per hour, for 2.5 hours per day:

Beverly Kelly
Barbara Gadarian
Karen Jansen

Motion on E.1 – E.5 by Dr. D’Ambrosio seconded by Mr. Ingoglia carried by a unanimous roll call of 8-0

Visitor's Business – Visitors are permitted to comment on agenda and non- agenda items at this time.

11. Discussion – Parents inquired about sports this year, pre-school lunch bunch, schedule changes. Parents expressed their sentiments of satisfaction about in person learning for the full day.

12. Payment of Bills

Motion that the Board authorizes payment of the following January 2021 bills list and that the Secretary is authorized to draw warrants of the Treasurer in the total amount of: \$1,703,503.27

Motion on Payment of Bills by Mr. Wohltman seconded by Mr. Becker carried by a unanimous roll call of 8-0

13. Executive Session

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (Act) the Brielle Board of Education shall conduct a closed executive session pursuant to the Personnel and Legal exceptions(s) prescribed by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 for the purpose of discussing :

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the executive session will be released when the need for confidentiality in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-2 no longer applies. There is not an Executive Session planned.

14. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Dr. D'Ambrosio seconded by Mr. Ingoglia. Meeting finished 7:58.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Cherry

Dawn Cherry, Board Secretary/Business Administrator