

**REGULAR MEETING
JULY 16, 2024
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

Sarah Schultz, Board President, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. at the Chester Borough Courthouse, 50 North Road, Chester, NJ 07930

2. Sunshine Announcement

Sarah Schultz, Board President, announced 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

Erick Arostegui	Yes	Suzanne Dundon	Absent
John Barounis	Absent	Melissa Mauro-Duffy	Yes
Carolyn Byszewski	Yes	Sarah Schultz	Yes
Adam Colicchio	Yes	Adam Sorchini	Absent
Matthew Downs	Absent	Quorum	Yes

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Sara Schultz, Board President, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. 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 July 16, 2024 at 9:07 a.m. to discuss student related matters. It is expected that the minutes will be made public as soon as official action is taken.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by Melissa Mauro Duffy

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
5-0	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent

6. Return to Public Session

Upon the motion of Erick Arostegui and seconded by Adam Colicchio the Board returned to Public Session at 10:08 a.m.

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
5-0	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent

7. Administration-Dr. Christina VanWoert,

Peter Frascella Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Andrew White, Principal and Rebecca Tsihlas, Assistant Principal.

8a. Superintendent's Report

None

8b. Business Administrator's Report

None

9. President's Comments

None

10. Public Commentary

None

11. Committee of The Whole—All.

Be it Resolved that the Board of Education rejects the Superintendent of School's finding of no HIB in HIB case #265149_BRM_05022024, the results which were first reported to the Board of Education by the Superintendent of Schools at the May 13, 2024, meeting. The Board of Education hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools to transmit a copy of the Board of Education's decision to the affected students' parents.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by Erick Arostegui

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
3-2	Yes	Absent	Yes	No	Absent	Absent	No	Yes	Asent

12. Curriculum/Governance/Personnel— Melissa Mauro Duffy (Chair), Erick Arostegui, Suzanne Dundon and Matthew Downs

12a. Board Resolution for LIEP Three Year Plan

RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education approves the Chester Language Instruction Education Program Plan 2024-2027 for the Multilingual Learners in the Chester School district.

12b. Board Resolution for Bilingual Waiver

RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education approves the Bilingual Waiver for the 2024-2025 school year for the Chester School district.

12c. Extended School Year Paraprofessional

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Brian Gallagher as a paraprofessional for the Camp Achieve extended school year up to 6.5 hours daily starting July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 at his contracted rate.

Motion by Melissa Mauro Duffy

Seconded by Erick Arostegui

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
5-0	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent

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13. Unfinished Business

None

14. New Business

None

15. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, upon the motion of Carolyn Byszewski and seconded by Melissa Mauro Duffy the Board considered a motion to adjourn at 10:15 a.m.

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
5-0	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Yes	Absent

Respectfully Submitted,



Peter Frascella
Board Secretary