

PENNSAUKEN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education Administration Building
1695 Hylton Road, Pennsauken, New Jersey 08110

BOARD OF EDUCATION REORGANIZATION MEETING

Thursday, January 5, 2017

7:00 PM

Pennsauken High School - Room 327

CALL TO ORDER - BOARD SECRETARY PRESIDES

Advanced written notice of this meeting of the Pennsauken Township Board of Education was transmitted to the Courier Post and Central Record. Notice appeared in the legal notice section of the Courier Post stating the time, date, location and that formal action would be taken at that time. Notice was also posted with the Township Clerk.

Mrs. Noreen W. Boston, as Board Secretary, I declare this to be a legal meeting of the Pennsauken Township Board of Education.

FLAG SALUTE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICIAL RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

<u>Three-year Term</u>	<u># of Votes</u>
Nicholas Perry	4,316
Jennifer Slattery	4,400
JoAnn Young	4,136

INSTALLATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS – ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

Ms. Guerin, Board Solicitor, administered the Oath of Office to Nicholas Perry, Jennifer Slattery and JoAnn Young.

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Nicholas Perry	2019
Jennifer Slattery	2019
JoAnn Young	2019
Cheryl Duffy	2018
Michael Hurley	2018
Diane Johnson	2018
Allyson Meloni	2017
Leona Moss	2017
Orlando Viera, Jr.	2017

Roll call showed the following Board Members in attendance:

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Perry	X	
Dr. Meloni	X	
Ms. Duffy	X	
Mr. Hurley	X	
Ms. Johnson	X	
Ms. Moss	X	
Ms. Slattery	X	
Mr. Viera	X	
Mrs. Young	X	

Also in attendance:

Ronnie Tarchichi, Superintendent of Schools

Noreen Boston, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Amy Guerin, School Board Solicitor

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

Board Secretary Mrs. Boston called for nominations for President.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

OPEN NOMINATION OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mr. Perry

MOTION CARRIED

Orlando Viera, Jr. nominated Nicholas Perry for President of the Board of Education.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

CLOSE NOMINATION OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

MOTION BY: Ms. Young

SECOND BY: Dr. Meloni

MOTION CARRIED

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery			X				

NOMINATION OF NICK PERRY FOR BOARD PRESIDENT

MOTION BY: Mr. Viera

SECOND BY: Dr. Meloni

MOTION CARRIED

Nicholas Perry was elected President of the Board of Education.

The President, called for Nominations and Election of the Vice President.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

OPEN NOMINATION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Ms. Duffy

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Moss nominated Dr. Allyson Meloni for Vice-President of the Board of Education.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

CLOSE NOMINATION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Ms. Duffy

MOTION CARRIED

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery			X				

NOMINATION OF DR. ALLYSON MELONI FOR VICE PRESIDENT

MOTION BY: Mr. Viera

SECOND BY: Dr. Meloni

MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Allyson Meloni was elected Vice-President of the Board of Education.

1. RECOMMEND the Board of Education of the Township of Pennsauken approve the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members.

18A:12-24.1 Code of Ethics for School Board Members

A school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

APPROVE REORG MEETING ITEM #1

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Ms. Moss

MOTION CARRIED

2. **RECOMMEND** the Board of Education of the Township of Pennsauken approve the 2017-2018 Calendar for Work Session and Business Meetings to be held at Administrative Offices, 1695 Hylton Road, Pennsauken, NJ, as outlined below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Meeting</u>
July 20, 2017	7:00 PM	Work Session
July 27, 2017	7:00 PM	Business
August 17, 2017	7:00 PM	Work Session
August 24, 2017	7:00 PM	Business
September 21, 2017	7:00 PM	Work Session
September 28, 2017	7:00 PM	Business
October 19, 2017	7:00 PM	Work Session
October 26, 2017	7:00 PM	Business
November 9, 2017	7:00 PM	Work Session
November 16, 2017	7:00 PM	Business
December 7, 2017	7:00 PM	Work Session
December 14, 2017	7:00 PM	Business
January 18, 2018	7:00 PM	Work Session
January 25, 2018	7:00 PM	Business
February 15, 2018	7:00 PM	Work Session
February 22, 2018	7:00 PM	Business
March 15, 2018	7:00 PM	Work Session
March 22, 2018	7:00 PM	Business
April 19, 2018	7:00 PM	Work Session
April 26, 2018	7:00 PM	Business
May 17, 2018	7:00 PM	Work Session
May 24, 2018	7:00 PM	Business
June 21, 2018	7:00 PM	Work Session
June 28, 2018	7:00 PM	Business

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy		X		Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery		X					

APPROVAL OF REORG MEETING ITEM 2 FOR BUSINESS MEETINGS ONLY AND NO WORK SESSION MEETINGS

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mrs. Young

MOTION CARRIED

3. **RECOMMEND** the Board of Education of the Township of Pennsauken approve the Board President to appoint the following Committee appointments:

District Business and Operations:

Communications:

Human Resources:

Municipal Alliance Representative:

Negotiations:

Policy:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

APPROVE REORG MEETING ITEM #3

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mrs. Young

MOTION CARRIED

4. **RECOMMEND** the Board of Education of the Township of Pennsauken approve the Board President to appoint the following State and Local representation:

New Jersey School Boards Association: To represent the Board of Education at the state level – quarterly meetings on three Saturdays per year:

Legislative Representative:

Alternate Representative:

Camden County School Boards Association: To represent the Board of Education at the local level – monthly dinner meetings:

Representative:

Alternate Representative:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

APPROVE REORG MEETING ITEM #4

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Ms. Young

MOTION CARRIED

5. RECOMMEND the Board of Education of the Township of Pennsauken approve the tentative Budget Timeline for the 2017-2018 school year. (See Attached)

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mrs. Young

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The Pennsauken Township Board of Education recognizes that the schools are the concern of all members of the community. With this in mind, the Board of Education welcomes and solicits input from the public. During the regular monthly Business Meeting, members of the community are afforded an opportunity to express their views. It does, however, respectfully suggest that citizens attempt to resolve concerns by speaking directly to school administrators before bringing it to the Board. Individuals with a relevant interest in the functions or duties of the Board are invited to speak a maximum of five (5) minutes on any one issue. You are required to give your name and address before speaking.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mrs. Young

MOTION CARRIED

- Mr. Sinatra, 7435 Harvey Avenue – Publish Schedule of Board Meetings in “All Around Pennsauken”
- Pennsauken Resident – Board Meetings location.
- Mrs. Mary Meloni – Board Meeting Schedule

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mrs. Young

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Pennsauken that it adjourn to

Executive Session as prescribed under the “Sunshine Law”, if necessary, in order to discuss legal issues, contracts and personnel issues. Any discussion held by the Board of Education that need not remain confidential will be made public. Matters under discussion will not be disclosed to the public until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TOPICS:

1. PERSONNEL

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Ms. Young

MOTION CARRIED

TIME: 7:55 P.M.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Ms. Young

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:24 P.M.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN		YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Ms. Duffy	X			Mr. Viera	X		
Mr. Hurley	X			Mrs. Young	X		
Ms. Johnson	X			Dr. Meloni	X		
Ms. Moss	X			Mr. Perry	X		
Ms. Slattery	X						

ADJOURN MEETING

MOTION BY: Dr. Meloni

SECOND BY: Mrs. Young

MOTION CARRIED

TIME: 8:25 PM