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It was moved by Angelique Volpe, seconded by Vincent Rugnetta and carried on a unanimous roll call vote to approve the following resolution:

COLTS NECK BOARD OF EDUCATION URGES THE STATE OF NJ AND THE NJSIAA TO AFFIRM COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL EXECUTIVE ORDERS REGARDING FAIRNESS IN WOMEN'S SPORTS.

WHEREAS, the Colts Neck Board of Education is committed to ensuring fairness, safety, and equal opportunities in athletics for all students; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the importance of maintaining the integrity of women's sports and protecting the competitive balance in accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and

WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump has issued Executive Orders and policy directives aimed at preventing biological males from competing in women's sports, reinforcing the principle that female athletes should have a fair playing field; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges that executive orders must be codified into law and stands ready to enact newly drafted policies that implement these directives in full compliance with federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Board is mindful of its fiduciary responsibility to the taxpayers of Colts Neck, and recognizes that Governor Phil Murphy has a record of vexatious litigation in our courts, which has resulted in the blatant waste of state tax dollars, and furthermore stated his unwillingness to comply with federal law; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to uphold the financial integrity of this district and avoid unnecessary legal expenditures, the Board will implement these policies upon confirmation that the State of New Jersey is in compliance with federal law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Colts Neck Board of Education will formally adopt policies in accordance with the executive orders issued under the Trump administration regarding fairness in women's sports, standing prepared to implement them once the state meets its legal obligations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board reminds Governor Phil Murphy and the NJSIAA that they are not above federal law and strongly encourages the administrations to comply with these legal mandates to avoid unnecessary financial and legal burdens on taxpayers and school districts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the board believes allowing biological males to compete in girls' sports may disadvantage biological female students by hindering their ability to achieve their athletic goals, which could, in turn, impact their academic progress and discourage their continued participation in sports; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board affirms its commitment to protecting opportunities for female student-athletes and ensuring compliance with federal and state law while upholding the values of fairness and competitive integrity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township Committee of Colts Neck, our state and county legislative representatives, Governor Phil Murphy, the NJ Commissioner of Education, the NJSIAA, the office of the President of the United States, and other relevant stakeholders. Adopted this 5th day of March 2025, by the Colts Neck Board of Education.

Yes: Phyllis Camera, Sara Horowitz (remote), Jason Orrico, Vincent Rugnetta, Robert Scales, Brian Scarpa, Angelique Volpe and Kevin Walsh

No: None

Absent: Jessica Ramirez

This is to Certify that the above is a true and accurate copy excerpted from the Minutes of the Colts Neck Township Board of Education meeting held on March 5, 2025.



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