

**SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
June 6, 2022**



**SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION, SOUTHAMPTON, NJ 08088
"Building a Tradition of Excellence"**

STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Please be advised that often it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases a unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate Board committee. The members of the Board committee work with the administration and the Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied that the matter has been thoroughly researched, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion prior to any final action being taken. Only then, is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: The Special Meeting of the Southampton Township Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 PM by Amy Ushkowitz, Board President.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING:

This meeting is held in compliance with N. J. S. A. 10:4-6. A schedule of meetings was posted in all schools and the township municipal building and advertised in the *Burlington County Times* on January 9, 2022, posted on the district website and the Southampton Township School District Facebook page.

ROLL CALL: BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS:

Board of Education Member	Present	Absent
Sean Cassel		
Russell Hann		
Jeffrey Hicks		
John McMichael		
Suzanne Phillips		
Katie Topf		
Melissa Walker		
Betty Wright, <i>Vice President</i>		
Amy Ushkowitz, <i>President</i>		

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MOTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS PUBLISHED

MOTION: _____ **SECOND:** _____

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: President Ushkowitz led the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA:

Members of the public are invited to submit comments during the public comment portion of this meeting. The Board, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the Board will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all individual complaints to the Superintendent of Schools or Administration for resolution. Each citizen will be allotted up to three (3) minutes to speak, in order to allow everyone an opportunity to express their opinions or concerns.

Review of Board Self-Evaluation as compiled by NJSBA

Using the evaluation model from New Jersey School Boards and their summary of results the Board discussed their 2021-2022 Board of Education Self-Evaluation:

RESOLUTION TO ENTER CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Education is exercising their right to an exemption pursuant to N. J. S. A. 10:4-6 et seq. which provides that a public body may hold a closed session under certain statutory exceptions to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act with a general description of exceptions being matters:

1. rendered confidential by expressed provision of law or court order
2. right to receive federal funds
3. unwarranted invasion of individual privacy
4. collective bargaining negotiations
5. purchase/lease/acquisition of real property with public funds
6. items where immediate disclosure would impair public safety
7. investigation of violations of or possible violations of law
8. falling within attorney-client privilege
9. personnel matters
10. penalty or loss of license to an individual
11. pending or anticipated litigation
12. contract negotiation

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The Board of Education has determined that such a circumstance exists which warrants a closed executive session under **item #9** as above indicated and the subject to be discussed is as follows:

Personnel Matters

The Southampton Township Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq, will meet in executive session closed to the public for the discussion of a matter which falls under a statutory exception to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act and that said closed session will be held on **Monday, June 6, 2022**; and the closed executive session discussions will pertain to the above mentioned items and that the minutes of the closed executive session will be disclosed after the Board of Education takes formal action or after the reason for the discussions in closed session no longer exists.

**MOTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO
CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

TIME: _____ **MOTION:** _____ **SECOND:** _____ **VOICE VOTE**

MOTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION

TIME: _____ **MOTION:** _____ **SECOND:** _____ **VOICE VOTE**

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MOTION: _____ **SECOND:** _____ **TO ADJOURN TIME:** _____