

**SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
June 4, 2024**



**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:

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, the township municipal building, posted on the district website and the Southampton Township School District Facebook page. Notice of this meeting was advertised in the *Burlington County Times* on January 10, 2024, advertised in the *Courier Post* on January 11, 2024, and transmitted to the Township Clerk on January 5, 2024.

ROLL CALL: BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS:

Board of Education Member	Present	Absent
Katie Topf, <i>Vice President</i>		
Irving Bodine III		
Betty Wright		
Janine Hoey		
<i>Vacancy</i>		
Leon Carelli		
Russell Hann		
Melissa Walker		
Jeffrey Hicks, <i>President</i>		

Others present:

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

MOTION: _____ **SECOND:** _____

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

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.

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

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

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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 **Tuesday, June 4, 2024**; 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**

Discussion / Superintendent Evaluation

MOTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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