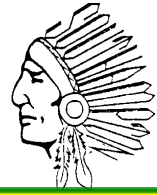


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- **6:30 p.m. – Closed Executive Session – School 3 Media Center**
- **7:00 p.m. – Public Meeting– School 2 All-Purpose Room**

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION, SOUTHAMPTON, NJ 08088

“Building a Tradition of Excellence”

Our Vision

We aspire to be a district which fosters a safe and supportive environment where all individuals feel valued, grow in knowledge, and confidence with commitment to enrich society.

Our Mission

The Mission of Southampton Township School District, in partnership with the community, is to educate, empower and inspire students to be successful global citizens. Driven by passion for education and rooted in a tradition of excellence, we are committed to providing an inclusive and engaging environment that fosters a future forward mindset.

CALL TO ORDER

Approve Christine Milke, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, to assume the role of Secretary of Record for the December 19, 2024 Executive Session and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education due to the absence of the Board Secretary, Mary Conroy.

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to approve Christine Milke, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, to assume the role of Secretary of Record for the December 19, 2024 Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education due to the absence of the Board Secretary, Mary Conroy. ROLL CALL VOTE

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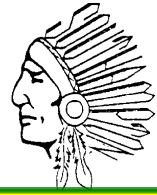
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ROLL CALL: BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

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

Others Present:

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 transmitted to the Burlington County Times, the Courier Post, and the Township Clerk on October 14, 2024.

Notice that public session is being audio recorded

Please note that the **public session** of tonight's meeting is being audio recorded.

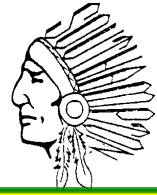
RESOLUTION TO ENTER CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Education is exercising their right to an exemption pursuant to N. J. S. A. 10:4-6 et seq. which provides that a public body may hold a closed session under certain statutory exceptions to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act with a general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

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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 **items #1 and #9** as above indicated and the subject to be discussed is as follows:

**Rendered Confidential by Expressed Provision of Law or Court Order/
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 **Thursday, December 19, 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 EXECUTIVE SESSION

TIME: _____ MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ VOICE VOTE

MOTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION

TIME: _____ MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ VOICE VOTE

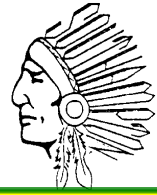
STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

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

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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. Please be aware this meeting may be recorded in accordance with District Policy #0168.

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to accept the agenda as published
VOICE VOTE

CORRESPONDENCE: None

BOARD OF EDUCATION SERVICE RECOGNITION

- Mrs. Katie Topf

***EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

- Randall Meyer - School #1 & #2 P.E. Teacher
- Alyssa Carter - School #2 Self-Contained Teacher

TEACHER OF THE YEAR PRESENTATION - Emily Grosser, Vice Principal

- Brianna Allen - School #1
- Joseph DePaulo - School #2
- Nichol Czarzasty - School #3

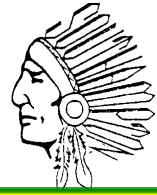
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF OF THE YEAR PRESENTATION - Emily Grosser, Vice Principal

- Pamela Wells, School #3 Educational Support Staff

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COMMUNITY TOPIC: Referendum Update – Megan Geibel, Superintendent

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP PTA:

- **Regina Hamara**, PTA Representative

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP EDUCATION ASSOCIATION:

- **Jennifer Matthews**, on behalf of the Southampton Township Education Association

BRIEF RECESS

STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Board Members are legally and ethically required to uphold and enforce the laws and rules of the State Board of Education. This obligation applies to mandated curricula. Administrators are under a similar obligation. Therefore, the District is not in a position to countermand the law and rules.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

As a friendly reminder, public participation in Board of Education meetings is governed by District Policy 0167. During designated public comment periods, members of the public shall direct all statements, questions, or inquiries to the presiding officer (i.e. Board President) and any questions or inquiries directed by a participant to another Board member will be redirected to the presiding officer. The presiding officer may interrupt, warn, and/or terminate a participant's statement, question, or inquiry when it is too lengthy; is abusive, obscene, or may be defamatory; and may request any person to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum.

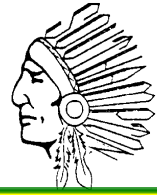
PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA:

Members of the public are invited to submit comments on agenda action items during this public comment portion of the 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

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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. Please be sure to preface your comment with: **1) Name; 2) Municipality of Residence; 3) Agenda action item you are commenting on.**

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **November 21, 2024 Regular & Executive Session Minutes**

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to approve the November 21, 2024 Regular/Executive Session Minutes (as provided in the Board packet) ROLL CALL VOTE

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REPORT OF THE BOARD SECRETARY

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- ***Annual Board Member Attendance Report**
- **November 5, 2024 candidates:**
 - Joseph Allen -4,190 Votes
 - Betty L. Wright -4,271 Votes
 - Brett Hart - 3,823 Votes
 - Sharon Roseboro - 121 votes

**Election results as provided by the Burlington County Board of Elections website. Winners were certified on November 25, 2024.

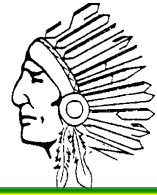
ACTION ITEMS:

1.1 It is recommended that the Board Approve transfers *Line items for the month of **October 2024**, as approved by the Superintendent.

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1.2 Authorize the following payments *Payment of the **December 2024** bill list in the amount of \$754,895.95.

1.3 Accept the ***Board Secretary's Report** for the month of **October 2024**.

1.4 Accept the ***Treasurer's Report** for the months of **October 2024**.

1.5 Approve the *Board Secretary's Monthly Certification Budgetary Line Item Status, Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.1(c)3, I certify that as of **October 2024** no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a).

1.6 And certify the Board of Education's Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)4, we certify that as of **October 2024** after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials and the treasurer's monthly financial reports, that to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of the NJAC6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

1.7 Accept *Revenue Account Status Report for **October 2024**.

1.8 Authorize Nutri-Serve Check Register for the month of **December 2024** in the amount of \$38,633.26.

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to approve the Board Secretary Report (items #1.1- 1.8 as listed) ROLL CALL VOTE

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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

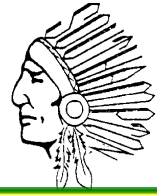
INFORMATION ITEMS:

- ***PTA Community Outreach Gift Card Drive from December 2nd to December 13th**
 - Collection of gift cards for the annual Holiday Gift Program. Southampton families and staff donating gift cards to support Southampton families in need.

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- ***Gift Card Donation for Thanksgiving Outreach Program**
 - Six gift cards @ \$25.00 from the Central Lodge No. 44, Free & Accepted Masons of Vincentown, NJ
- **Jostens Pix School Photo Provider Update**

ACTION ITEMS:

1. ***Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Report**
2. ***Special Services Report**
3. ***Curriculum Director's Report**
4. ***Nurse's Report**
5. ***Fire & Security Drill Reports**
6. ***HIB/Suspension Reports**
7. ***Principals' Report**
8. ***Enrollment**

Total school enrollment as of December 17, 2024 (PS-8 Including Out of District Students) = 716

- Special Education = 165
 - Resident students in-district = 134
 - Resident students sent out of district = 8
 - Speech and Language only = 23

9. *2024-2025 District Goal Action Plan Progress Reports

- **Goal #1: Literacy Initiative**
- **Goal #2: Providing Math Support Through Response to Intervention (RtI)**
- **Goal #3: Technology**

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to approve the Superintendent's Report (items #1-9) ROLL CALL VOTE

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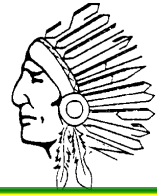
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PERSONNEL/STUDENT SERVICES (*Chairperson: B. Wright, L. Carelli, and J. Hoey*)

Administrative Facilitator: Superintendent, M. Geibel

*** Committee of the Whole Meeting – December 12, 2024**

INFORMATION ITEMS: NONE

ACTION ITEMS:

1.1 * Approval for the 2025–2026 Three–year Preschool Program Plan and Annual Update.

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to accept and approve the 2025–2026 Three–year Preschool Program Plan and Annual Update (item #1.1)

ROLL CALL VOTE

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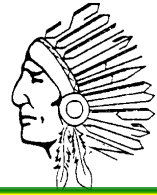
1.2 *Workshops

- **Casey Noble**, NJSLA (NJ Student Learning Assessment) mandatory training on January 15, 2025, The Westin, Princeton, NJ, No Cost.
- **Matthew Bokey**, NJSLA (NJ Student Learning Assessment) mandatory training on January 21, 2025, The Westin, Mount Laurel, NJ, No Cost.
- **Jacqueline Daddato**, Library Link Professional Day, February 7, 2025, Cherry Hill Public Library, Cherry Hill, NJ, No Cost.
- **Christine Palmer**, Behavioral Threat Assessment Training (virtually), January 23, 2025, No Cost.
- **Nola Tosti**, Behavioral Threat Assessment Training (virtually), January 19, 2025, No Cost.

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- **Kelly Henderson**, NJMEA (New Jersey Music Educators Association) State Conference, February 20–22, 2025, Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ, Cost \$200.00
- **Jennifer Mikulski**, Behavioral Threat Assessment Training (virtually), December 19, 2024, No Cost.
- **Jocelynn Mattingly**, Music Teacher Professional Development Day, January 14, 2025, The Cali School of Music, Montclair University, Montclair, NJ, No Cost.
- **Ronald Nober**, Techspo '25, January 29–31, 2025, Atlantic City, NJ \$590.00
- **Matthew Bokey**, Techspo '25, January 29–31, 2025, Atlantic City, NJ \$590.00

1.3 Transfer Employee #15080 from substitute custodian to part-time evening custodian effective 12/20/2024 at an hourly rate of \$22.63.

1.4 *Class Trips

- **The College of New Jersey**, 01/08/2025, 6th–8th Grade Student Council Trip. Admission is no cost, bus transportation for one bus approximately \$400.00.
- **Junior Achievement of New Jersey**, 02/28/2025, 6th Grade Trip. Admission is no cost, bus transportation for three buses approximately \$1,200.00.
- **Philadelphia Zoo**, 05/06/2025 (rain date: 05/07/2025), 1st Grade Class Trip. Admission cost – \$1,500.00, bus transportation for three buses approximately \$1,200.00 for a total cost of \$2,700.00.

1.5 Approval of a position for a part-time nurse, up to 29.50 hours per week, funded by the PEA (Preschool Expansion Aid).

1.6 Approval to hire a 1:1 Bayada nurse for bus ride to and from Burlington County Special Services School for student #162429.

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to accept and approve the Personnel and Student Services Committee Report (items #1.2– 1.6) ROLL CALL VOTE

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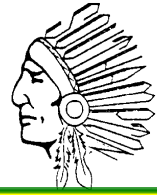
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2. CURRICULUM/POLICY COMMITTEE (*Chairperson: J. Hicks, J. Hoey, J. Allen*)

Administrative Facilitator: Superintendent, M. Geibel

***Committee of the Whole Meeting – December 12, 2024**

INFORMATION ITEMS: Policy Alert 234 is ready for review

ACTION ITEMS:

2.1 *Second Reading for Enhancements to Existing Policy

- P0161 Call, Adjournment, and Cancellation

2.2 *Second Reading of proposed policy for Operating as a Committee of the Whole

2.3 *Approval of the QSAC New Jersey Department of Education Equivalency Application.

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ to approve the Curriculum & Policy Committee Report (items #2.1-2.3) ROLL CALL VOTE

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3. BUDGET/FINANCE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE (*Chairperson: M. Walker, R. Hann, I. Bodine*)

Administrative Facilitator – Business Administrator, M. Conroy

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INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Digital Sign Update
- JIF (Joint Insurance Fund) Safety Award presented to Robert Phillips, Custodian, on December 4, 2024. Southampton Township Schools received a JIF (Joint Insurance Fund) rebate in the amount of \$2,000.00.

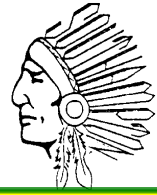
ACTION ITEMS: None

4. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE (*Chairperson: L. Carelli, I. Bodine, J. Hicks*)

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Administrative Facilitator: Superintendent, M. Geibel

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INFORMATION ITEMS: None

ACTION ITEMS: None

5. TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE (*Chairperson: L. Carelli*, I. Bodine, J. Allen)

Administrative Facilitator: Superintendent, M. Geibel

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INFORMATION ITEMS: None

ACTION ITEMS: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **2024–2025 Board of Education Goals**
 - **Goal #1** : To enhance student outcomes by prioritizing funding towards literacy development, intervention programs, and technology integration.
 - **Goal #2**: To ensure the successful passage of the upcoming *Secure our Schools into the Future Referendum* by engaging the community and providing clear, transparent information about its benefits for the Southampton School Community.
 - **Goal #3**: To ensure transparent communication and strengthen teamwork among the board members, staff and the community to foster trust, collaboration and shared decision-making.

MOTION: _____ **SECOND:** _____ *to approve the status of the Board of Education Goals for 2024–2025 ROLL CALL VOTE*

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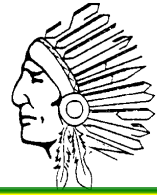
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INFORMATION ITEMS: None

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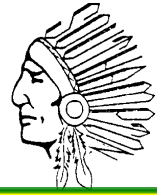


NEW BUSINESS: *None*

PUBLIC COMMENTS: As per policies 0164 and 0167, members of the public are invited to submit general comments during this public comment portion of the meeting.

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT

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



DATES TO REMEMBER

November – February 28	Public Works Leaf Pick Up
December 20	Early Dismissal 12:38 p.m. (No lunches served)
December 23–January 1	School Closed for Winter Break
January 2	School Reopens
January 7	Board of Education Reorganization Meeting 6:00 p.m.
January 6–8	Drama Club Musical Tryouts 3:30 – 6:00 p.m.
January 8	Family Science 6:30–8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
January 9	Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
	Family Math 6:30–8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
January 14	Star Foundation Meeting 7:30 p.m. (Sally Stretch Library)
January 15	Family Science 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
January 16	Family Math 6:30–8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
	Special Education Parent Advisory Group Mtg. – 5:00 p.m.
January 17	School #3 Semi-Formal Dance 7:00 p.m. (Warrior Dome)
January 18	Rabies Vaccination Clinic (Vincent Fire House)
	10:00 a.m. – Noon)
January 20	School Closed for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 21	2-Hour Delayed Opening – Students Only
January 22	Family Science 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
January 23	Family Math 6:30–8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
January 29	Family Science 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
January 30	Family Math 6:30–8:00 p.m. (School 2 APR)
February 3	Green and Gold Day
February 3–8	School Counselor Appreciation Week
February 5	Second Marking Period Ends
February 5	Family Science 6:30 p.m. (School 2 APR)
February 6	Family Math 6:30 p.m. (School 2 APR)
February 12	Family Science (Make-up Day) 6:30 p.m. (School 2 APR)
February 13	Family Math (Make-up Day) 6:30 p.m. (School 2 APR)
February 14	Teacher In-Service Day (School Closed for Students)
	Report Cards Available Online
February 17	Schools Closed for Presidents' Day
February 18	Ice Cream Social – 6:00 p.m.