

ANNUAL BOARD ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015, AT 7:30 P.M., AT THE LAKEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL, 855 SOMERSET AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08701

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Thomas A. D'Ambola, Business Administrator / Board Secretary

Thomas A. D'Ambola, Business Administrator / Board Secretary, called the meeting at order at 7:36 p.m. He then read the following:

SUNSHINE LAW

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231, of the Laws of 1976 (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT), Mr. D'Ambola notified the public that notice of the date, time, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent known, was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner:

1. By posting such notice on the public announcement board of the Lakewood Board of Education Offices, and the Lakewood Township Municipal Building.
2. By mailing such notice to the office of the Asbury Park Press.
3. By filing such notice with the Board Secretary.
4. By mailing such notice to all individuals who requested and paid for a copy of same.

II. ELECTION RESULTS CERTIFIED BY THOMAS A. D'AMBOLA, BOARD SECRETARY:

Annual School Board Election, November 4, 2014

For Three-Year Term

Total Votes

Ada Gonzalez	7,686
Carl Fink	2,552
Joshua Weinberger	6,201
Aasim Johnson	1,763
Yeckezkel M. Seitler	2,350
Menachem Friedman	5,970
Tracey Tift	3,124
Write-In	173

III. OATH OF OFFICE:

Thomas A. D'Ambola, Board Secretary, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected members:

Ada Gonzalez	3 year term – 2015 – 2017
Menachem Friedman	3 year term – 2015 – 2017
Joshua Weinberger	3 year term – 2015 – 2017

IV. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Menachem Friedman	2017	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Ada Gonzalez	2017	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Alex Janklowicz	2016	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Lee Mund	2015	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Chaim Rosenblatt	2016	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Joel Schwartz	2015	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Jonathan Silver	2015	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Joshua Weinberger	2017	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Isaac Zlatkin	2016	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Laura A. Winters, Superintendent	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Thomas A. D'Ambola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Michael Azzara, State Monitor	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Marc Zitomer, Esq., Board Attorney	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Thomas A. D'Ambola, Board Secretary called for nominations for President.

a) Nominations and Election of President

Ada Gonzalez nominated by Mr. Zlatkin

Mr. Rosenblatt motioned to close the nomination and Mr. Zlatkin seconded the motion.
Vote by voice. Nominations were closed

ROLL CALL VOTE:

7 Ayes: Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Janklowicz, Mr. Rosenblatt, Mr. Schwartz,
Mr. Weinberger, Mr. Zlatkin

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

2 Absent: Mr. Mund, Mr. Silver

Ada Gonzalez was elected President of the Board of Education and was seated.

The Board Secretary turned the meeting over to the newly elected President, Ada Gonzalez.

Mrs. Ada Gonzalez, President called for nominations for Vice-President.

b) Nominations and Election of Vice-President

Menachem Friedman nominated by Mr. Zlatkin

Isaac Zlatkin nominated by Mr. Rosenblatt.

Mr. Zlatkin declined the nomination.

Mr. Rosenblatt motioned to close the nomination and Mr. Zlatkin seconded the motion.
Vote by voice. Nominations were closed

ROLL CALL VOTE:

7 Ayes: Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Janklowicz, Mr. Rosenblatt, Mr. Schwartz,
Mr. Weinberger, Mr. Zlatkin

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

2 Absent: Mr. Mund, Mr. Silver

Menachem Friedman was elected Vice President of the Board of Education and was seated.

VI. BOARD MEMBER CODE OF ETHICS (read by Board Secretary):

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby adopts the following Code of Ethics as per N.J.S.A 18A:12-21 *et seq.* and Policy 0142.

The members of the Board of Education recognize that they hold authority not as individuals but as members of the Board. In order to make a clear public statement of its philosophy of service to the pupils of the district, the Board adopts this Code of Ethics:

- 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; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each Board member shall sign an acknowledgment that he/she received a copy, read and will become familiar with the Code of Ethics for School Board Members contained within N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 *et seq.*

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS CONTAINED
WITHIN N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 ET SEQ. (passed)**

MOTION: Mr. Schwartz **SECOND:** Mr. Janklowicz

7 Ayes: Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Janklowicz, Mr. Rosenblatt, Mr. Schwartz,
Mr. Weinberger, Mr. Zlatkin

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

2 Absent: Mr. Mund, Mr. Silver

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

1. **Be It Resolved**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board approves the calendar for the Monthly Regular Conference and Public meetings:

January 2015 to January 2016		
DATE	CONFERENCE & PUBLIC MEETINGS	TIME
Wednesday, January 14, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 11, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 11, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 22, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 13, 2015 (Annualized Meeting & Employees Contract Renewal)	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, June 17, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, July 15, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 5, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 26, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 24, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October 14, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 18, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 16, 2015	Conference Meeting Public Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 6, 2016 (Reorganization of Board)	Public Meeting	7:00 p.m.

2. Approve that the Board of Education adopt the current Board By-Laws, Policies and Regulations effective January 7, 2015 through January 6, 2016.
3. Authorization to sign warrants (checks) Board President and Business Administrator or Assistant Business Administrator and Treasurer through January 6, 2016.
4. RESOLVED, that the following Financial Institutions be designated as approved depositories for the Lakewood School District funds and that the Financial Institutions be required to be insured by either the SLIC or the FDIC and/or as required by both Federal and State statutes:
 - a. New Jersey Cash Management Fund
 - b. New Jersey Class
 - c. Bank of America
 - d. Santander Bank
 - e. Investors Savings Bank
 - f. Harmony Bank
 - g. Nuveen
 - h. First Financial Credit Union

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following warrant signatures be approved:

Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Business Administrator through the Reorganizational Meeting, January 6, 2016.

5. Approval of authorization of signers for bank accounts Board President and Business Administrator or Assistant Business Administrator and Treasurer through January 6, 2016.
6. Annual Appointments - Approval of the following Board Officials to be appointed/reappointed through January 6, 2016:

Position	Appointee
Board Secretary	Thomas A. D'Ambola
Assistant Board Secretary	Kevin Campbell
Custodian of Public Records	Business Administrator
Alternate Custodian of Public Records	Assistant Business Administrator
Treasurer of School Monies	Kenneth Jannarone
Qualifying Purchasing Agent	Thomas A. D'Ambola
Bond Counselor of Record	Wilentz, Goldman, Spitzer, PA
Architect of Record for current existing contracts	Parette Somjen Architects LLC
Employee Benefits Broker of Record	Connor Strong
Insurance Broker of Record	Competitive Contract/TBD
Doctors	Central Jersey Sports Medicine Lakewood Pediatrics
Chemical Hygiene Officer	Timothy Adams
Affirmative Action Officer	John Paredes
ADHERA Compliance Officer	Timothy Adams
Indoor Air Quality Officer	Timothy Adams
Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Coordinator	Timothy Adams
HCS / Right to Know Contact Person	Timothy Adams
Health & Safety Officer	John Stillwell
ADA Officer	Darlene Deinhardt
Asbestos Management & PEOSA Officer	Timothy Adams
Compliance Officer for the Rehabilitation (504) Act	Kathryn Bower
Privacy Officer	Superintendent of Schools
Public Agency Compliance Officer	Superintendent of Schools
District Representative for Grant Filing	Business Administrator
Homeless Liaison	Maria Byrd
Issuing Officer of Working Papers	Marcy Marshall
Substance Awareness Coordinator	Marcy Marshall

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5. (passed)

MOTION: Mr. Schwartz SECOND: Mr. Zlatkin

6 Ayes: Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Janklowicz, , Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Weinberger, Mr. Zlatkin

1 Nay: Mr. Rosenblatt

0 Abstained:

2 Absent: Mr. Mund, Mr. Silver

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS ITEM 6. (passed)

MOTION: Mr. Schwartz SECOND: Mr. Zlatkin

5 Ayes: Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Janklowicz, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Weinberger, Mr. Zlatkin

1 Nay: Mr. Rosenblatt

1 Abstained: Mr. Friedman

2 Absent: Mr. Mund, Mr. Silver

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Resolved that the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Jonathan Silver effective January 6, 2015; and

Be it further resolved that the Business Administrator is hereby directed to advertise the vacancy and seek candidates in accordance with Board Policy, with the goal of filling said vacancy at the February, 2015 Board meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION (passed)

Motion: Mr. Zlatkin Second: Mr. Rosenblatt

6 Ayes: Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Janklowicz, , Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Weinberger, Mr. Zlatkin

0 Nays:

1 Abstained: Mr. Rosenblatt

2 Absent: Mr. Mund, Mr. Silver

VIII. RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

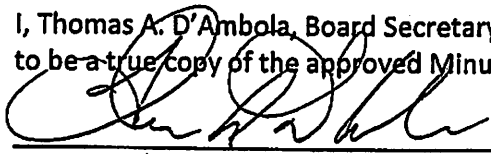
- 1) Bill Hobday
- 2) Hillel Charish
- 3) Annette Kearney
- 4) Dr. Mike Rush
- 5) Fred Rush

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE ANNUAL BOARD ORGANIZATION MEETING AT 8:17 P.M.

MOTION: Mr. Zlatkin **SECOND:** Mr. Rosenblatt

I, Thomas A. D'Ambola, Board Secretary of the Lakewood Board of Education, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the approved Minutes from a public meeting held on February 11, 2015.



Thomas A. D'Ambola, Board Secretary

February 12, 2015