

POMPERAUG REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 15

The mission of Region 15, a collaborative community committed to excellence, is to educate every student to be productive, ethical, and engaged in a global society through proven and innovative learning experiences supported by its strong community whose decision-making is based on the best interest of all students.

Mission Statement, Adopted 9 December 2002; Updated 2009

Special Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, August 24, 2026
5:30 P.M.

PRESENT:	Ms. Sharon Attick (absent)	Mr. Tom Marks (arrived at 5:35 p.m.)
	Ms. Shannon Cavallo (absent)	Mr. Jeff Olsen (absent)
	Ms. Heather Dwyer (arrived at 5:35 p.m.)	Mrs. Heather Rodgers
	Mr. John Jenusaitis	Dr. Sally Romano (absent)
	Ms. Marion Manzo, Chairperson	Mr. Steve Suriani

PRESENT: Mr. Joshua Smith, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Joe Martino, Director of Finance
Dr. Carrie Chiappetta (absent)
Ms. Christine Carver, Building Committee
Mr. Jason Andrews, Building Committee

Ms. Manzo called the August 24, 2026, Special Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:26 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ms. Manzo read the following statement:

"The Board of Education created a Building Committee and has appointed members. The selection of the architect will be done by the Board of Education, with the advice of the Building Committee members in executive session. All board of education and committee members have been invited to participate in the architect interview process. We are fortunate to have eight members of the board of education have participated so far. Immediately after the interviews on Tuesday, August 25th, the BOE and BC group will decide on a candidate or discuss if more information is needed. If a candidate is selected by the group, then the full Board of Education will meet later to vote on the candidate. Once the architect has been approved by the Board of Education, all other actions for the construction projects will shift to the Building Committee – except the Board of Education will approve the general outside design of the schools and location on the properties".

Upon a motion by Mr. Suriani, seconded by Mr. Jenusaitis,
IT WAS VOTED

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Overview

"to enter into executive session for the purpose of interviewing architectural firms and to invite Mr. Jason Andrews, Mr. Christine Carver, Superintendent Smith, Mr. Joe Martino and Ms. Sue Chiporus into the meeting. No action will be taken" and passed with Mr. Jenusaitis, Ms. Manzo, Mrs. Rodgers, and Mr. Suriani voted aye. Ms. Attick, Ms. Cavallo, Ms. Dwyer, Mr. Marks, Mr. Olsen and Dr. Romano were absent. Ms. Dwyer and Mr. Marks arrived to the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Suriani, seconded by Mrs. Rodgers
IT WAS VOTED

"to adjourn the August 24th special meeting of the Board of Education at 8:17 p.m." and passed with Ms. Dwyer, Mr. Jenusaitis, Ms. Manzo, Mr. Marks, Mrs. Rodgers, and Mr. Suriani voted "aye". Ms. Attick, Ms. Cavallo, Mr. Olsen and Dr. Romano were absent.

Tom Marks
Secretary of the Board of Education

Adjourn

Jennifer Meglio
Board Clerk