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Minutes of Special Meeting
July 28, 2025

2024-2025 Board Goals

1. The BOE will continue to support high quality educational services for all students through maintenance and expansion of rigorous academic programming at the elementary and high school level.

2. The BOE will continue to expand partnerships with parents and community to increase involvement and input towards maintaining and improving high quality educational services and community service opportunities.

3. The BOE will update its strategic plan for long term educational and fiscal management including long-range educational, financial, and facility planning with input from key stakeholders.

4. The BOE will continue to seek opportunities to expand shared service arrangements with relevant agencies and schools.

5. The BOE will complete the Board self-evaluation and the superintendent evaluation in compliance with code by June 30, 2025.

2024-2025 District Goals

1. The district will continue to support a comprehensive curricular program with new opportunities and experiences for ambitious teaching and learning that increase and expand success through rigorous academic and intervention programs.

2. The district will ensure that Port Republic students entering high school are well prepared by the education they receive in Port Republic.

3. The district will continue its program of community awareness and input that improves district communication through effective tools as determined by the superintendent and the Board.

4. The district will, in consultation with key stakeholders, update strategic plan including long-range educational, finance and facility planning.

Goals Board approved on May 6, 2024

Call Meeting to Order

I, **Joy Hooper**, President, call this meeting to order under the Open Public Meeting Act at **12:30 pm.**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest as discussed or acted upon. In accordance with provisions of this act, the Port Republic Board of Education has caused adequate notice of this meeting to be given by having the date, time and place published in the Press of Atlantic City on July 26, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent
Joy Hooper, President		
Kathryn Cox		
Brenda Crema		
Kristina Hanselman		
Brian Hartmann		
Eric Stevenson		
Kevin Wessler		
Jennifer Williams		
Jill Yochim, Vice President		
Amanda Redrow, Superintendent		
Todd D'Anna, Business Administrator		
Amy Houck-Elco, Board Solicitor		
	was	**was not**
A quorum was/was not established.		

Superintendent's Report
MOTION to approve all recommendations listed in items 1 through 3 of the Superintendent's Report.

Member	Motion	Seconded by	Vote
Joy Hooper, President			
Kathryn Cox			
Brenda Crema			
Kristina Hanselman			
Brian Hartmann			
Eric Stevenson			
Kevin Wessler			
Jennifer Williams			
Jill Yochim, Vice President			

1. Approve the resignation of Kayleigh Friend, as per the attached letter. Letter attached.

2. Approve Kenneth McCord as Long Term Substitute replacing Robin Jaindl, Middle School Math and Algebra I teacher, from August 27, 2025, through no later than November 6, 2025 at a daily rate of $340.99.

3. Approve the Superintendent to hire personnel, to be ratified at the next board of education meeting pending receipt of appropriate paperwork.

Public Comments – Open the meeting to the public.
Motion to open the meeting to the public.

Member	Motion	Seconded by	Vote
Joy Hooper, President			
Kathryn Cox			
Brenda Crema			
Kristina Hanselman			
Brian Hartmann			
Eric Stevenson			
Kevin Wessler			

Jennifer Williams			
Jill Yochim, Vice President			
Time Opened			

Recognition of Citizens – for agenda items only
The Public is reminded that they should attempt to resolve problems and/or complaints through initial contact with the staff member or members involved therein and the Chief School Administrator prior to petitioning the Board of Education. Complaints should only be brought to the Board after the appropriate school staff have had a reasonable opportunity to resolve the problem at the employee level. Statements should be limited to 5 minutes in length.

Public Comments – Close the meeting to the public.
Motion to close the meeting to the public.

Member	Motion	Seconded by	Vote
Joy Hooper, President			
Kathryn Cox			
Brenda Crema			
Kristina Hanselman			
Brian Hartmann			
Eric Stevenson			
Kevin Wessler			
Jennifer Williams			
Jill Yochim, Vice President			
Time Closed			

Adjournment
Motion to adjourn the Board of Education Regular meeting.

Member	Motion	Seconded by	Vote
Joy Hooper, President			
Kathryn Cox			
Brenda Crema			
Kristina Hanselman			

Brian Hartmann			
Eric Stevenson			
Kevin Wessler			
Jennifer Williams			
Jill Yochim, Vice President			
Time Adjourned at			