

FLEMINGTON-RARITAN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
 REORGANIZATION MEETING
 January 3, 2017
 MINUTES

The Reorganization Meeting of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education was called to order in conformance with the "Sunshine Law" by the Board Secretary at 7:03 p.m. in Room B132 at the J.P. Case Middle School.

The attached 2016-2017 Election results were shared with the Board.

The Oath of Office was administered to Ms. Abbott, Ms. Borucki, Dr. Copeland, Dr. Kenny & Mr. Walker, by Mr. Comegno, Board Attorney.

Members Present

Jessica Abbott
 Tim Bart
 Sandra Borucki
 Dennis Copeland
 Marianne Kenny

Members Absent

Laurie Markowski
 Michael Stager
 Christopher Walker
 Anna Fallon

Board Attorney Present

John Comegno

Ms. Voorhees declared nominations open for President of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education for the 2016-2017 school year. Ms. Borucki nominated Ms. Fallon for President. No other nominations were received. Nominations were closed.

On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Dr. Kenny, Ms. Fallon was nominated for President.

Aye:	Ms. Abbott	Ms. Markowski	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0
	Mr. Bart	Mr. Stager		
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Walker		
	Dr. Copeland	Ms. Fallon		
	Dr. Kenny			

Ms. Fallon declared nominations open for Vice President of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education for the 2016-2017 school year. Dr. Kenny nominated Mr. Stager for Vice President. Ms. Markowski nominated Mr. Bart. Nominations were closed.

Mr. Comegno asked Mr. Walker to not take action until his conflicts are resolved. Mr. Walker asked what conflicts. Mr. Comegno noted that he asked to meet with Mr. Walker to discuss the ethical conflicts and he refused. The Board took a five minute recess at 7:19 p.m. before Mr. Walker voted. Ms. Fallon, Mr. Comegno and Mr. Walker stepped outside to discuss the conflicts. The Board reconvened at 7:26 p.m. Mr. Walker feels there are no conflicts and is not aware of a shared service conflict. Mr. Comegno noted there are business conflicts. Mr. Walker stated he did not attend the requested meeting because he felt Mr. Comegno being present was a conflict. Mr. Comegno noted he now represents Mr. Walker and wants to be sure there are no conflicts. Mr. Walker stated the basketball camps will not be run here in the district. Ms. Fallon referenced her emails and feels it is inappropriate to discuss now. Mr. Walker wants to discuss this in public so the public is aware that he will no longer run camps at Flemington-Raritan School District. Ms. Fallon noted the conflicts are not only facility use and ended the conversation.

Mr. Bart thanked Ms. Markowski, however, declined the nomination.

On the motion of Dr. Kenny, seconded by Ms. Borucki, Mr. Stager was nominated for Vice President.

Aye:	Ms. Abbott	Ms. Markowski	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0
	Mr. Bart	Mr. Stager		
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Walker		
	Dr. Copeland	Ms. Fallon		
	Dr. Kenny			

Mr. Comegno reviewed the Code of Ethics and mandated training requirements. The Board reviewed and affirmed the New Jersey School Board Association Code of Ethics.

On the motion of Mr. Bart, seconded by Ms. Markowski the Code of Ethics was affirmed.

Aye: Ms. Abbott Ms. Markowski **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0
 Mr. Bart Mr. Stager
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Walker
 Dr. Copeland Ms. Fallon
 Dr. Kenny

The motion for authorization for the past Board President to sign all legal documents, payrolls and warrants until signatures can be obtained and processed, was deemed unnecessary since Ms. Fallon was re-elected.

CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Marie Corfield, Raritan Township, asked about how vote was handled for Vice President. Dr. Caulfield commented.

Susan Mitcheltree, Raritan Township, asked why a salary of \$65,000 was being offered for the Personnel Coordinator. Dr. Caulfield noted she would be happy to discuss this with her and welcomed her to call and set up a meeting. Ms. Mitcheltree then asked why Mr. Walker was not stopped from voting on the Board President. Dr. Caulfield commented.

PERSONNEL

The next meeting is TBD.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

All Personnel items were approved under one motion made by Dr. Copeland, seconded by Ms. Markowski.

1. Approval was given to employ Bettyann Monteleone as Director of Special Services, effective January 4, 2017. Salary to be \$125,000, prorated.
2. Approval was given to employ the following leave replacement for the 2016-2017 school year. Fingerprinting and health exam required.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position/ Replacing	Effective Dates	Salary/Degree/ Step	Anticipated Date(s)
1.	Farley	James	BS	PE & Health/Nick Vitelli	January 5, 2017- April 7, 2017	Sub Per Diem Pay	January 5, 2017– April 4, 2017
						\$54,060 (prorated)/ MA/Step 1	April 5, 2017-April 7, 2017

3. Approval was given to confirm the resignation of Cynthia Povall, Guidance Counselor at Barley Sheaf School, effective January 3, 2017.

Non-Certified Staff – Appointments, Resignations & Leaves of Absence

4. Approval was given to employ Coleen Zullo as Personnel Coordinator, retroactive to December 13, 2016. Salary to be \$65,000, prorated.
5. Approval was given to employ Janice Hilgen as Personnel Secretary, effective January 4, 2017. Salary to be \$54,959, prorated.

Substitutes

6. Approval was given to employ the following applicants as Substitutes for the 2016–2017 school year pending fingerprinting:

Item	Last Name	First Name
1.	Farley	James
2.	Procopia	Matthew
3.	Martorano	Evan

Aye:	Ms. Abbott	Dr. Kenny	Nay: 0	Abstain:	Ms. Borucki item 1
	Mr. Bart	Ms. Markowski			Mr. Walker items 1-6
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Stager			
	Dr. Copeland	Ms. Fallon			

MISCELLANEOUS/ACTION ITEMS

The Miscellaneous/Action item was approved under one motion made by Ms. Abbott, seconded by Mr. Bart.

1. Approval was given to contract with the Hunterdon Educational Services Commission to complete data entry in the district's personnel software system at a rate of \$30/hr. for a maximum of 60 hours per month during the 2016-2017 school year, as attached.

Aye:	Ms. Abbott	Dr. Kenny	Nay: 0	Abstain:	Mr. Walker
	Mr. Bart	Ms. Markowski			
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Stager			
	Dr. Copeland	Ms. Fallon			

Ms. Fallon notified the Board that Committee members will be appointed shortly. Please send your special requests to her. She also thanked the Board of Education for their confidence in her by re-electing her as President. Ms. Fallon thanked the Community for their support for the Suchorsky family. Mr. Bart asked for a date when ethics disclosures are due. Ms. Voorhees noted in April. He also asked for the Board Office to send out the meeting dates. Ms. Voorhees noted they will be sent shortly. Dr. Copeland thanked Mr. Davidson as former Vice President and congratulated Mr. Stager.

On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Dr. Kenny, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. viva voce.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Voorhees
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

2017 Board Meeting

- January 23
- February 13 & 27
- March 13 & 27
- April 24
- May 8 Reorganization of the District & 30
- June 12 & 26
- July 24
- August 21
- September 11 & 25
- October 9 & 23
- November 13 & 27
- December 11