

FLEMINGTON-RARITAN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 7, 2019  
MINUTES

The Reorganization/Regular Meeting of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education was called to order in conformance with the "Sunshine Law" by the Board Secretary at 7:00 p.m. in Room B-132 at the J.P. Case Middle School.

The attached 2019-2020 Election results were shared with the Board.

The Oath of Office was administered to: Ms. Abbott, Mr. Bart, Ms. Bart & Ms. Markowski by Ms. Voorhees, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Members Present

Jessica Abbott            Marianne Kenny  
Tim Bart                   Laurie Markowski  
Valerie Bart              Susan Mitcheltree  
Sandra Borucki          Christopher Walker  
Dennis Copeland

Ms. Voorhees clarified the election process as per Board Policy. Mr. Walker requested to speak. Ms. Voorhees explained the agenda order. She asked the Board if they would like to go out of order. Dr. Copeland objected to taking the agenda out of order.

Ms. Voorhees declared nominations open for President of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education for the 2019 school year. Ms. Markowski nominated Mr. Bart for President. Dr. Kenny nominated Mr. Walker. Ms. Voorhees declared nominations for President were closed. Both nominations were accepted.

**On the motion of Ms. Abbott, seconded by Ms. Markowski, Mr. Bart was elected as Board President.**

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

There was no need for a second vote for Mr. Walker. Mr. Bart had received the majority vote. Ms. Voorhees turned the meeting over to Mr. Bart the President.

Mr. Bart declared nominations open for Vice President of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education for the 2019 school year. Ms. Bart nominated Ms. Abbott for Vice President. Mr. Walker nominated Mr. Walker. Mr. Bart declared nominations for Vice President were closed. Both nominations were accepted.

**On the motion of Ms. Bart, seconded by Dr. Copeland, Ms. Abbott was elected as Board Vice President.**

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

There was no need for a second vote for Mr. Walker. Ms. Abbott has received the majority vote.

Ms. Voorhees reviewed the Code of Ethics and mandated training requirements. The Board reviewed and affirmed the New Jersey School Board Association Code of Ethics. The Board Secretary collected all Code of Ethics forms.

**On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Mitcheltree the Code of Ethics was affirmed.**

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

FINANCE

**Item XI was withdrawn, deemed not necessary under one motion made by Ms. Mitcheltree, seconded by Ms. Markowski.**

**XI. MOTION** for approval to authorize if necessary the past Board President to sign all legal documents, payrolls and warrants until signatures can be obtained and processed, **WAS WITHDRAWN, viva voce.**

**The New Jersey School Boards - Board Recognition was approved under one motion made by Dr. Kenny, seconded by Dr. Copeland viva voce.**

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2018 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time when all residents can acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Flemington-Raritan Board of Education is one of more than 581 local school boards in New Jersey, which sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Flemington-Raritan Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s local school boards help determine the educational goals for approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s 5,000 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public’s expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation’s best in key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Educational Progress scores, and the preparation for college through advanced placement offerings and SAT assessments; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Flemington-Raritan Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2018 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Flemington-Raritan Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the advancement of our children’s education.

## SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Ms. McGann welcomed Ms. Bart and thanked all the Board Members for their service. Ms. McGann noted Robert Hunter ordered \$15,000 worth of books towards the rebuilding of their library. Barley Sheaf PTO raised \$30,000 for their library books. She shared we will recognize the efforts of many organizations that have worked diligently to refurbish our school libraries at the January 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. Ms. McGann shared a Reading-Fleming Intermediate School parent paid for all the free and reduced lunch kid's balance's right before the winter break. The balances totaled \$751.59. She noted the parent wants to stay anonymous. Ms. McGann shared she tried to call the parent to express the districts gratitude, however, left a message on the parents voicemail. She has not spoken to the parent personally. She shared coding has been introduced at our Copper Hill Elementary School to our earliest learners in pre-school. Ms. McGann went into detail stating the district is committed to developing our student's educational technology and information literacy skills. She reminded everyone the Substitute Job Fair is on January 10<sup>th</sup> at J.P. Case from 4 to 8 p.m. She also shared the Harlem Wizards event is on January 11<sup>th</sup> at J.P. Case. Ms. McGann also noted the winter concerts are coming up on January 16<sup>th</sup> at Barley Sheaf and on January 17<sup>th</sup> at Copper Hill, Francis A. Desmares and Robert Hunter. She reminded everyone that schools are closed on January 21<sup>st</sup> in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Ms. McGann shared the vacancies available at this time at the Flemington-Raritan School District. Ms. McGann expressed condolences to Connor's family on behalf of the district. She asked for a moment of silence.

On the motion of Ms. Abbott, seconded by Ms. Mitcheltree, minutes of the Executive Session on December 17, 2018\* were approved viva voce.

**\*Ms. Bart & Ms. Borucki abstained.**

On the motion of Ms. Markowski, seconded by Ms. Abbott, minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 17, 2018\* were approved viva voce.

**\*Ms. Bart & Ms. Borucki abstained.**

## CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Mr. Bart read the following statement regarding public comment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(a), the Open Public Meetings Act. Members of the public are invited to address the Board according to the Board's policy and bylaws. Please be aware that this portion is your opportunity to comment, and is not a forum for the Board to respond to your comments. However, the Board will certainly give all comments appropriate consideration.

None

## PERSONNEL

The next meeting TBD, January.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

**All Personnel items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Markowski, seconded by Ms. Abbott.**

Certified Staff – Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence

1. Approval was given to accept the resignation of the following staff member(s), during the 2018-2019 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Purpose	Effective Date
1.	Giarratano	Anthony	RFIS	10-month Vice Principal	Resignation	February 15, 2019
2.	Morganelli	Catherine	JPC	Autism	Retirement	June 30, 2019

2. Approval was given to amend the location and full time equivalency of the following staff member, during the 2018-2019 school year, as follows:\*

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	FTE	Anticipated Dates
			From/To		From/To	
1.	Rosengarden	Melanie	CH to RFIS/JPC	School Nurse	1.00 FTE to .60 FTE	January 2, 2019-February 1, 2019

\*Mr. Walker abstained.

3. Approval was given to employ the following leave replacement(s) during the 2018-2019 school year, pending fingerprints, background check and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position/ Replacing	Effective Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
1.	Dallenbach	Elise	FAD	In-class Support Grade 4/Laura Stephan	January 8, 2019- May 15, 2019	Sub Per Diem Rate (Days 1-20) \$53,520 (prorated)/ BA/1	Teacher of the Handicapped/The College of New Jersey/Lynchburg College
2.	Koye	Lisa	RFIS/JPC	School Nurse/ Melanie Rosengarden	January 8, 2019- February 1, 2019	Sub Per Diem Rate (Days 1-20) \$53,520 (prorated)/ .40 FTE/BA/1	Rutgers University/N.J. Registered Nurse

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

4. Approval was given to employ the following leave replacement(s) during the 2018-2019 school year, pending fingerprints, background check and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position/Replacing	Effective Dates	Salary/Step
1.	Kuhn	Karen	JPC	School Secretary/Christine Pollack	January 8, 2019- January 28, 2019	\$52,739 (prorated)/1

5. Approval was given for the following staff member(s) to take a leave of absence during the 2018-2019 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Type of Leave	Leave	Anticipated Dates
1.	Mandel	Mitra	FAD	Cafeteria Aide/ Supervisor	Personal	Personal	January 28, 2019-January 31, 2019
						Unpaid	February 1, 2019-February 8, 2019

#### All Staff – Additional Compensation

6. Approval was given to amend the September 11, 2018 motion:

to employ the following staff members for additional compensation during the 2018-2019 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max. # of Hours	Rate
3.	Klepper	Kaitlyn	BS	Home Instruction	100 hrs.	\$30.62/hr.

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max. # of Hours	Rate
3.	Klepper	Kaitlyn	BS	Home Instruction	<b>300 hrs.</b>	\$30.62/hr.

Substitutes

7. Approval was given to employ the following applicant(s) as substitutes during the 2018-2019 school year, pending fingerprints, background check and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name
1.	Conover	Nicole
2.	Santoro	Krista

Aye: Ms. Abbott      Ms. Markowski      Nay: 0      **Abstain: Mr. Walker - #2**  
 Ms. Bart      Ms. Mitcheltree  
 Ms. Borucki      Mr. Walker  
 Dr. Copeland      Mr. Bart  
 Dr. Kenny

**CURRICULUM, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, ASSESSMENT, TECHNOLOGY, AND GRANTS**

The next meeting TBD, January.

**All Curriculum items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Abbott.**

1. Approval was given to employ the following consultant(s) during the 2018-2019 school year.

Item	Consultant	Location	Purpose	Number of Days	Cost not to exceed
1.	Julianna Bendix	District	Wellness Professional Development for K-8 PE Staff	.5	\$125

2. Approval was given to employ the following staff member(s), or their alternate, for additional compensation during the 2018-2019 school year. If alternates are necessary, their employment will be confirmed as replacements at no additional cost.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max. # of Hours	Rate
1.	Flavin	Patricia	CH	Family Coding Nights	6	\$33.78/hr.

3. Approval was given to purchase the following items from a state contracted vendor(s) where aggregate purchases exceed \$40,000.

Item	PO Number	Description	Total Cost	Vendor
1.	19-6678	16 Optiplex 7460 A10 XCTO	\$14,748.64	Candoris Technologies LLC
2.	19-6680	34 Dell Latitude 3380 XCTO	\$23,991.42	Candoris Technologies LLC

4. Approval was given to confirm the purchase of the following items from a state contracted vendor(s) where aggregate purchases exceed \$40,000.

Item	PO Number	Description	Total Cost	Vendor
1.	19-6679	16 Optiplex 7460 A10 XCTO	\$14,748.64	Candoris Technologies LLC
2.	19-6681	34 Dell Latitude 3380 XCTO	\$23,991.42	Candoris Technologies LLC

5. Approval was given to accept the following curriculum, professional development, and/or technology-related donations for the 2018-2019 school year.

Item	Donation	Value	Location	Funding Source
1.	Author Visit, Gina Cascone and Bree Sheppard	\$800	RH	PTO
2.	Annual Adopt-a-School Membership Card	\$50	FAD	BJ's Wholesale Club
3.	Grades K-4 Library Books	\$400	FAD	Feeding Reading Program sponsored by BJ's Wholesale Club, Kellogg's and Scholastic Books
4.	Epic Dance Company for K-8 PE Staff Professional Development	\$225	District	Epic Dance Company

5.	Library Books	\$120	RH	Scholastic Books
6.	Barnes & Noble Gift Card	\$500	RH	Lentine Family
7.	Library Books	\$560	RH	Mackin Books
8.	Cash to Purchase Library Books	\$390	RH	J.P. Case Drama Club
9.	Library Books	\$30,000	BS	PTO
10.	Pedestrian Safety Program	No cost	BS	GoHunterdon (formerly HART)

6. Approval was given of the following travel expenditures for staff members or their designated alternate to attend professional development conferences/workshops. This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member’s current responsibilities and professional development plans.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Includes (see below)	Max. Amount
1.	Errickson	Pamela	Strategies and Structures for Teaching Reading and Writing, Livingston, NJ	February 28, 2019	R,M	\$250
2.	Van Fleet	Jena	Strategies and Structures for Teaching Reading and Writing, Livingston, NJ	February 28, 2019	R,M	\$265

**R = Registration Fee; M = Mileage; L = Lodging; F = Food; O = Other**

7. Approval was given to accept the 2018-2019 Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Amendment funds as indicated below:

ESSA Title	Description	Amount
<b>Title I, Part A</b>	Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies	\$180,874
<b>Title II, Part A</b>	Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund	\$48,004
<b>Title III</b>	English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement	\$23,149
<b>Title III</b>	Immigrant	\$4,365
<b>Title IV</b>	Student Support and Academic Enrichment	\$10,902
<b>Total</b>		\$267,294

Dr. Kenny noted a community member had a question regarding what is the difference between #3 & #4. Ms. McGann shared that the Curriculum Committee had reviewed these items. She also noted, laptops are for teachers, chrome books are for students. Ms. Markowski noted that when laptops become obsolete they will get updated.

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

FACILITIES/OPERATIONS/SECURITY

The next meeting TBD, January.

TRANSPORTATION

The next meeting will be February 4, 2018.

FINANCE

The next meeting TBD, January.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The next meeting TBD, January.

**The Policy item was approved under one motion made by Dr. Kenny, seconded by Ms. Borucki.**

1. Approval was given to present the following new policies and regulations for a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption, as attached:

- 1. P 0169.02 - BOE Member Use of Social Media
- 2. P 5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote
- 3. P 7424 – Bed Bugs (revised)
- 4. R 7424 – Bed Bugs

Dr. Kenny asked for clarification on P 5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote. Ms. McGann explained the training component. Ms. McGann noted that P 7424 was revised to match the Regulation. Mr. Bart noted that P 0169.02, page 3, maybe vague and cause an issue. Ms. McGann noted this is from Strauss Esmay.

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

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**

The next meeting TBD, January.

**All Special Education items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Mitcheltree, seconded by Ms. Markowski.**

1. Approval was given to begin the services of the following Teacher Assistants, contracted through the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, for the 2018-19 school year as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	New/Replacement	Effective Date
1.	Poleski	Kristen	CH	New	January 10, 2019
2.	Woods	Taylor	RH	Replacement	January 8, 2019

2. Approval was given to amend the December 17, 2018 motion:

to contract with Emily Perlis, Psy.D, LLC, to conduct a neuro-psychological student evaluations at a maximum fee of \$2,800 during the 2018-2019 school year.

to read:

to contract with Emily Perlis, Psy.D, LLC, to conduct a neuro-psychological student evaluations at a maximum fee of **\$4,000** during the 2018-2019 school year.

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

**MISCELLANEOUS (INFORMATION-ACTION ITEMS)**

Information Items

1. Drills to date for the 2018-2019 School Year:

Month	Fire Drills					
	BS	CH	FAD	JPC	RFIS	RH
<b>September</b>	09/12	09/13	09/18	09/12	09/20	09/14
<b>October</b>	10/26	10/02	10/19	10/4	10/17	10/25
<b>November</b>	11/07	11/02	11/21	11/01	11/01	11/07
<b>December</b>	12/10	12/03	12/11	12/04	12/19	12/20

Month	Security					
	BS	CH	FAD	JPC	RFIS	RH
September	09/21	09/26	09/27	09/20	09/26	09/21
October	10/10	10/18	10/29	10/17	10/9	10/19
November	11/12	11/07	11/07	11/07	11/07	11/07 and 11/19
December	12/03	12/10	12/19	12/17	12/04	12/19

2. Suspensions for the month of December:

School	Infraction	# of Days
BS	Pushing a staff member	One Day
BS	Hitting, kicking and throwing objects at staff members	One Day
FAD	Making racially offensive comments toward a student	One Day
FAD	Making racially offensive comments toward a student	One Day
JPC	Insubordination to a bus driver	Two Days
JPC	Inappropriate physical contact with another student	One Day
JPC	Inappropriate physical contact with another student	One Day
JPC	Inappropriate use of school technology	Three Days
JPC	Insubordination toward administration	One Day
JPC	Inappropriate physical contact with another student	One Day

3. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Investigations for the 2018-2019 school year:

School	Date of Incident	Report #	Classified HIB (Y/N)	Additional Action Taken
FAD	Ongoing	2	Yes	Remedial actions outlined in report

The Miscellaneous/Action items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Abbott, seconded by Ms. Markowski.

Action Items

1. Approval was given to accept the Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Investigations presented on the December 17, 2018 Board Agenda, as follows:

School	Date of Incident	Report #	Classified HIB (Y/N)	Additional Action Taken
JPC	10/24/18	2	Yes	Remedial actions outlined in report
BS	10/22/18	1	No	Remedial actions outlined in report
RFIS	11/27/18	2	No	Remedial actions outlined in report

2. Approval was given to accept the following donation for the 2018-2019 school year:

Item	Donation	Value	Location	Funding Source
1.	To cover the cost of outstanding lunch balances for all district students on free or reduced lunch status	\$751.59	District	Anonymous parent

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Abbott received two emails. A community member emailed and is concerned with Curriculum spending. The other email was regarding the bed bug polices.

## OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bart noted we will have Committee meetings in January. All January Committee Meetings will not begin until 6:00 p.m. The Committee can choose time thereafter. Ms. Abbott thanked the anonymous parent for her lunch donation and noted it was a holiday miracle. Mr. Bart asked Ms. McGann to ask all those efforts of the PTO's to attend a Board Meeting for recognition. Mr. Bart distributed "A Year in the Life of a School Board" document for consideration. Dr. Copeland noted at the last meeting Policy 7510 was discussed and thanked Dr. Kenny for the Committees efforts. He asked for the next steps. Ms. McGann noted she is separating the policy and regulation and will bring it back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in January. Mr. Walker stated Dr. Copeland asked for any other questions be sent to Mr. Bart. Mr. Bart noted that no other questions were asked. The Board consensus was to put the policy on the agenda for a final vote. Ms. McGann will distribute the policy and regulation by January 18, 2019 to the Board to review before the January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. McGann intends to put this into effect July 1, 2019. Mr. Walker shared what he wanted to state at the beginning of the meeting. He congratulated Mr. Bart and Ms. Abbott for their re-elections. He also welcomed Ms. Bart. Mr. Walker shared why he wanted to be Board President. He shared his skills and noted he is a "we" person not a "me" person. His speech is attached for the minutes. Ms. Mitcheltree asked the Board for a date for Professional Development. The Board discussed a Saturday a.m. or before a regular Board Meeting. She asked the Board to email her or Ms. Markowski with their preferences. Mr. Bart noted we could add to the NJSBA training on ethics. Ms. Mitcheltree and Ms. Markowski will coordinate. Mr. Walker asked Ms. McGann about update for security measures. Ms. McGann noted she will provide an update in executive session on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Kenny noted she has been on the Board for six years. She stated that her vote for President and Vice President was done differently than previous years. Dr. Kenny noted she had some concerns with all the volunteering they do and feels there are conflicts. Dr. Kenny wanted everyone to know why she voted that way. Mr. Bart noted Dr. Kenny and I have had some correspondence and he has shared with her the information he has. Mr. Bart stated he has shared with Dr. Kenny the process they use for all members when questions are raised and he will continue to share with the Board regarding facility use. There is no conflict with the volunteering work he does and he has followed legal guidance. Mr. Bart stated Dr. Kenny and I have had two conversations. Mr. Bart also stated that he is willing to have the school ethics commission also give an interpretation because the information he has been given doesn't show the conflict that Dr. Kenny is questioning. Mr. Bart shared with Dr. Kenny there should be another letter from our legal representative and he will also share the letter with the Board and if that shows that the conflict is real, then we will follow suit. Mr. Bart noted he has always followed the legal guidance. He stated whenever there is a question, we will always seek their opinion. Dr. Kenny noted she appreciated that we have legal services to guide us, however, she believes that legal services and legal interpretation should be our baseline and other things should be factored in. Mr. Bart noted we are a Board of nine with nine different opinions. Mr. Walker noted he also has concerns with conflicts. Mr. Walker then noted three Board Members voted no to legal services which could mean zero confidence. Mr. Walker stated you are taking legal's word yet three Board Members voted no. Mr. Bart stated the majority of the votes were yes and this is a service that the Board decided to use for the 2018-2019 school year and if we start challenging professional services for the district, are we not over stepping? Mr. Bart noted the RFP process for legal is on the table, it has been fully transparent through the Finance Committee to the Board. The process is in collaboration with 4 Board Members and has 3 Administrators. Mr. Bart noted that the RFP process is going to help the Board understand a process that was unknown. Mr. Walker stated hypothetically, if the process goes forward and there is a new firm representing this district, they could have a different interpretation. Ms. Abbott noted regardless of how any individual votes, the vote of the Board becomes the will of the Board and we are honor bound to uphold that. Ms. Abbott noted that is the firm our Board chose and believes it is damaging to constantly bring this decision up based on how people individually voted. Mr. Walker noted he thought there was another side to the coin Mr. Bart was discussing. Ms. Borucki noted she will work "nicely" with Mr. Bart on her last year. Mr. Bart stated there are nine opinions and all are valid, he respects all Board Members and the time commitment you give to this district. Mr. Bart stated no vote is about me or you. Mr. Bart further stated we should be modeling what we expect in the classroom. We should be talking about students, that's what we are here for.

## NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Walker asked to remain as the Facilities/Operations/Security Chairperson and also requested to stay on the Curriculum Committee and Policy Committee. Mr. Bart again asked for the Board to send him their choices for Committees.

## CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

**On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Abbott, the Board adopted the following resolution to meet in executive session in Room D111 at 8:13 p.m. viva voce.**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances;

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Flemington-Raritan School District Board of Education that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

- ✓ Matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to, staff and/or student discipline matters, and specifically: HIB
- Matters in which the release of information would impair the right to receive government funds, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_
- Matters which, if publicly disclosed, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_
- Matters concerning negotiations, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_
- Matters involving the purchase of real property and/or the investment of public funds, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_
- Matters involving the real tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_
- Matters involving anticipated or pending litigation, including matters of attorney-client privilege, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_
- ✓ Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically: Discipline
- Matters involving quasi-judicial deliberations, and specifically: \_\_\_\_\_

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board will/ **will not** return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

The Board returned to public session at 9:03 p.m.

**On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Mitcheltree, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m. viva voce.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Voorhees  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

2019 Board Meetings

- January 28
- February 11 & 25
- March 18
- April 8
- May 6 - Reorganization of the District & Public Hearing & 28
- June 10 & 24
- July 22
- August 26
- September 9 & 23
- October 14 & 28
- November 12 & 25
- December 9