

I. A Workshop Meeting of the Point Pleasant Board of Education was called to Order by the President at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Jordan, Munn, Peterson (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Ruiz, Wieland, Williams, Ward

III. ANNOUNCEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (by President)

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law (NJSA 10:4-6 et seq) was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provision of this law, PUBLIC NOTICE of this meeting was advertised in The Ocean Star on Friday, January 6, 2017, and was provided to The Asbury Park Press, the Borough Clerk, and posted in each school and the Board Office on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

IV. SALUTE TO THE FLAG (led by President)

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Middle School Science Fair

The Middle School Science Fair is scheduled for March 9, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Students in grades 6-8 from the AT Science classes have submitted projects.

Recent Appellate Court Decision

On February 8, 2017, the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey rendered a decision in the Kean Federation of Teachers v. Morell, holding a public body must issue a Rice notice to any employee identified on its agenda. A public body must send a Rice notice when it intends to discuss or act on any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion, or disciplining of any specific employee. The decision requires that a School Board issues a Rice notice to an employee prior to the meeting in which the School Board intends to act with respect to his or her employment, even if the school does not engage in a discussion about the employee and simply takes a vote on his or her employment. The Open Public Meeting Act grants a public employee the right to have any discussion involving his or her employment to be held in public. The employee must first be notified that such discussions may occur by way of a Rice notice in order to properly consider whether to involve or waive that right. Superintendent Smith will discuss this matter with the Board Attorney and have a new procedure in place for approval at the March 20, 2017 Business meeting.

Spanish Program

Dr. Ladd presented to the Board an overview of the successes and challenges with the elementary Spanish program this school year.

District Lead Testing Sampling Plan and Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)

The District Lead Sampling Plan and related Quality Assurance Project Plan, developed by Mr. Corso and Kenny Hopkins, in collaboration with Environmental Design, Inc., the company overseeing the district's lead sampling of potable water sources, is available on the district's website.

Point Pleasant Soccer Club Lighting Proposal – Ocean Road Elementary School

The Point Pleasant Soccer Club met with Superintendent Smith, Mr. Corso, and Mr. Ferrone regarding a proposal to install permanent lighting on the field at Ocean Road Elementary School. They would fund the entire cost of the project, approximately \$40,540.00, as a donation to the district, and all costs associated with this project would be the responsibility of the Point Pleasant Soccer Club. Netta Architect Group, the district's Architect of Record, will review the type of lighting that is being proposed to ensure that it is a quality product. The district's insurance broker will also be consulted to review any insurance requirements that need to be satisfied. Additionally, Board Attorney Viola Lordi will be asked to advise.

2017-2018 District Budget

Mr. Corso continued discussions on the 2017-2018 budget; state aid will remain the same as last year. The tentative budget will be submitted to the county office no later than March 20, 2017 for their review and approval. However, the budget can still be changed prior to the April 24, 2017 budget hearing and final approval.

VI. PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

None.

VIII. ADDENDUM

Mr. Munn moved, seconded by Mr. Williams, the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has recommended that the Point Pleasant Borough Board of Education (“Board”) approve the submission of the school district budget for the FY 2017-2018 school year to the Ocean County Executive Superintendent of Schools, including the supporting documentation of this budget which also contains an itemization of the certain expenditures required under the administrative regulations as follows:

		<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$43,188,953	\$33,716,844
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 795,000	-----
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 1,815,965</u>	<u>\$ 1,446,771</u>
Total All Funds	\$45,799,918	\$35,163,615

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the use of the Health Insurance Cost waiver in the amount of \$355,401 to be used to help pay for increased health insurance costs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves a withdrawal from Capital Reserve in the amount of \$350,000 to replace classroom lighting at the High School and Nellie Bennett.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education also approves a withdrawal from emergency reserves in the amount of \$216,000 to offset anticipated increases in health insurance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the travel and related expense districtwide for the 2017-2018 school year not to exceed \$67,175.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0

IX. RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Munn, the following resolutions:

Upon approval from the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the following resolutions are approved by the Board of Education (1-3):

1. Approval for the following staff members to work for the Memorial Middle School’s P.A.W. Program for the 2016 – 2017 school year as coordinators at the following rate paid for by Title I funds:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Susan DiOrio	\$48.53 per hour
Deborah Ewtushek	\$48.53 per hour

2. Approval of the following field trip:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>DESTINATION</u>
March	High School	Boska	Vietnam Veterans Memorial – Holmdel

3. Approval of Jennifer Gregory to be trained by George Marinelli as a substitute bus driver.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Munn, the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has a need to hold a meeting on personnel and negotiations, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law (NJSA 10:4-6 et seq), such a meeting may be held in private.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The Board shall meet in closed session on these matters, and
2. The matters to be discussed in private may be shared with the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

The above resolution was approved unanimously. The Board recessed into Executive Session.

XI. RECONVENE WORKSHOP MEETING

Ms. Wieland made a motion to reconvene the Workshop Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jordan and was approved unanimously. The Workshop Meeting was reconvened.

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wieland and was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Steven W. Corso, C.P.A.
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary