

# BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

Blairstown, New Jersey 07825

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

Thursday, November 19, 2015 Meeting

**7:00PM**

### BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Dirk Herrmann, President

Mrs. Margaret McLain, Vice-President

Mr. Jeremy Cook, Mrs. Lauren Glory, Mrs. Kelly Hadden,

Mr. John Karolchyk, Mrs. Shelly Mantegna, Mrs. Leslie Ruben,  
and Mrs. Jessica Wood-Rosso

### CALL TO ORDER

### FLAG SALUTE

### NOTICE OF MEETING

Adequate notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by publishing in the Express Times and by posting a copy of the meeting schedule by the front door of the school and at the Blairstown Municipal Building.

### READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

In partnership with home and community, Blairstown Elementary School is dedicated to the mission of providing an engaging, comprehensive education aligned with the Common Core Standards.

A passion for learning is ignited through an enriched learning environment. While celebrating individuality, our students develop confidence, competence and character.

All students have the opportunity to achieve their highest potential on a quest of lifelong learning to succeed in a global, 21st century.

### ROLL CALL

APPROVE REGULAR MINUTES\* - Motion to approve the minutes as amended (for the class trips transportation contract amount from \$21,165 to \$17,630) for October 15, 2015.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Superintendent's Update
2. Principal's Report
3. Introduction of Student Council Members

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4. 2015 Election Results

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| (3) <u>Three-Year Terms:</u> | L. Glory    | 539 + 93 = 632 votes |
|                              | K. Hadden   | 545 + 98 = 643 votes |
|                              | S. Mantegna | 558 + 94 = 652 votes |

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|---------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| (1) <u>One-Year Term:</u> | <u>Write-Ins:</u> |         |
|                           | 1. L. Ruben       | 9 votes |
|                           | 2. L. Dwyer       | 2 votes |
|                           | 3. M. Paino       | 2 votes |

**PUBLIC HEARING & PETITION**

**APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS\*** (RCV) - Motion to approve September Transfers in the amount of \$2,450.00 and the Board Secretary's Reports, in agreement with the Treasurer's Reports, in the amount of \$1,333,930.08 for September 2015 in total Government Funds; and to certify that as of September 30, 2015, after review of the Secretary and Treasurer's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation with N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(c)4 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the fiscal year.

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS\*** (RCV) - Motion to approve payment of the Bills & Claims List for the General Fund in the amount of \$826,853.52 and for the Food Service Fund in the amount of \$11,281.34.

**MOTION ITEMS**

**A. PERSONNEL**

Motion to approve the following five Personnel items (RCV):

1. Approve Maternity Leave - To approve Mrs. McDonald's request for a maternity leave of absence per her letter dated October 26, 2015.
2. Approve Custodian – To accept the Superintendent's recommendation to hire Anthony Gagliardi as a part-time Custodian at the hourly rate of \$13.00, effective November 23, 2015 for the 2015-16 School Year.
3. Approve Custodian – To accept the Superintendent's recommendation to hire David Marsjanik as a part-time Custodian at the hourly rate of \$15.00, effective November 23, 2015 for the 2015-16 School Year. (Mr. Marsjanik has a Blue Seal).

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4. Substitutes – To accept the Superintendent’s recommendation to add the names of John Cosgrove, Kristi Thatcher, Jennifer Unick, Kelsey Vincello, and Andrea Walsh to the Substitute teacher list, the name of Karen Kurkowski to the substitute nurse list, and the name of Robert Duffy to the substitute custodian list for 2015-16.
  
5. Approve Stipend positions with the BTA contract stipend amounts as follows:

Warren County Consortium Debate	–C. Groseibl, Judge	\$120
	C. Robinson, Judge	\$120
	J. Pillion, Scorer	\$120
Third Grade Battle of the Books	- A. Voss, Advisor	\$480
Assistant Chess Club	- K. Dachisen, Advisor	\$320
(if student participation warrants this additional position)		

**B. FACILITIES**

1. Facilities’ Use Requests\* – Motion to approve the attached list of Facilities’ Use requests.
  
2. Approve Engineer for Asbestos Removal Bid Work – In preparation for continuing our summer flooring projects in the fourth grade wing during 2016, a motion is requested to accept the proposal from RKO&E Engineers to prepare the specifications and oversee the removal and air sampling and reporting in the estimated amount of \$5,705. (RCV)

**C. FINANCE**

Motion to approve the following two Finance motions (RCV):

1. Workshop & Mileage Reimbursement Requests\* - To approve the attached list of workshop and mileage reimbursement requests.
  
2. Approve Tuition Contract – To approve a contract with the State of NJ, Department of Children and Families, to pay tuition to BES in the amount of \$14,947.00 for one “state-responsible” student for the 2015-16 School Year.
  
3. Lambert Road Property\* – Attorney Update

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**D. TRANSPORTATION**

Motion to approve the following two Transportation motions (RCV):

1. Approve Joint Transportation Contract – To approve a joint transportation contract for Route #RVCS with North Warren Regional BOE as the “Joiner District”, in the amount of \$5,030, for the transportation of their 13 students to the Ridge & Valley Charter School for the 2015-16 School Year.
2. Approve Joint Transportation Contract – To approve a joint transportation contract for Route #K-70S with Kittatiny Regional as the “Host District”, in the amount of \$646.80, for the transportation of one student to St. Joseph School in Newton for the 2015-16 School Year, effective November 2, 2015.
3. Bus Evacuation Reports – FYI -- included in agenda packet

**E. POLICY**

1. First Readings – Motion to approve the first policy readings as listed on the attachment.

**OLD BUSINESS** - Reminder to complete online BOE training by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

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**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** – J. Karolchyk

**ADJOURNMENT**