BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 29, 2020 Special Meeting 7:15PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Cook called the meeting to order at 7:17 pm.

B. FLAG SALUTE

C. ROLL CALL by Matthew P. Herzer, Business Administrator

Present: Mr. Cook, Mrs. Gerkhardt, Mrs. Inscho, Mr. Karolchyk, Ms. Klein, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Rolph, and Mrs. Sikkes

Absent: Mrs. Shaffer

D. NOTICE OF MEETING

This is a special Meeting of the Blairstown Township Board of Education. Notice of the time and place of this meeting was provided and copies of that resolution were forwarded to the official newspapers as designated by the Board of Education and to the Township Clerk, and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Board of Education offices as well as on the front door of the Blairstown Elementary School in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Due to the public health emergency in the State of New Jersey, as declared in Executive Order 103, the Board will be suspending its normal meeting procedures this evening and conducting a virtual meeting. Directions for BOE members for accessing the virtual public meeting were emailed. Members of the public are invited to attend virtually.

E. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

In partnership with home and community, Blairstown Elementary School is dedicated to the mission of providing an engaging, comprehensive education. Blairstown Township Board of Education July 19, 2020 Agenda Page 2

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.

F. EXECUTIVE ORDER 103

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Blairstown Township Board of Education hereby approves the suspension of its normal meeting procedures pursuant to By-Law 131, and authorized this meeting to be conducted as a virtual meeting, as described in the Statement of Public Notice, due to the public health emergency declared in Executive Order 103.

Voice Vote:

Motion by Ms. Klein, second by Mrs. Gerkhardt, motion carried.

Against: None Abstained: None Absent: Mrs. Shaffer

G. CORRESPONDENCE

• Mr. Cook acknowledged the receipt of an anonymous letter on behalf of the paraprofessionals.

H. PRESENTATIONS

- Presentation of superintendent search services by Kathy Helewa, NJ School Boards Field Service Representative.
 - Ms. Helewa presented the options for superintendent search services offered by NJ School Boards and answered questions from the board.

I. PUBLIC HEARING & PETITION

None.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Voice Vote:

Motion by Mr.s Gherkardt, second by Mrs. Sikkes to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Matthew P. Herzer School Business Administrator/Board Secretary