

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

Blairstown, New Jersey 07825

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SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

Thursday, May 2, 2019 Meeting

7:00PM

BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jeremy Cook, President
Mrs. Michelle Gerkhardt, Vice-President
Mrs. Rosette Inscho, Mr. John Karolchyk,
Mrs. Donna Krauss, Mrs. Jennifer McElroy, Mrs. Nicole Rolph,
Mrs. Jamie Shaffer, and Mrs. Shanna Sikkes

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.

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. Superintendent's Update

PUBLIC HEARING & PETITION

The Blairstown Township Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. We ask that you wait to be recognized by the BOE President, and then state your name and address and any group affiliation you may have. All comments must be directed to the BOE President.

In the interest of fairness, we ask that you be brief and limit your comments to no more than five minutes.

The Board always has and will continue to give serious consideration to every issue that comes before it. Nothing that is said by the public is disregarded, and when necessary and appropriate, may be acted upon.

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APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS * (RCV) - Motion to approve the March Transfers in the amount of \$2,300.00 and the March Board Secretary's reports, in agreement with the Treasurer's Reports, in the amount of \$822,261.50 in Total Government Funds; and to certify that as of March 31, 2019, 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 Lists for the General Fund in the amount of \$_____ and for the Food Service Fund in the amount of \$_____.

2019-20 BUDGET HEARING

Mr. Saalfeld and Mrs. Petty will review financial and instructional highlights of the proposed 2019-20 preliminary budget, noting that there will be a \$275,000 increase in the tax levy.

The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the Core Curriculum Content Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

EXPENDITURES:

Fund 10: General Fund	\$ 8,940,000
Fund 20: Special Revenue Fund	\$ 172,000
Total Expenditures:	<u>\$ 9,112,000</u>

REVENUE:

General Fund

Local Tax Levy	\$ 6,900,000
State Aid	\$ 1,746,486
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$ 225,000
Federal Impact Aid	\$ 35,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 13,514
Tuition Revenue for Preschool	\$ 20,000
Total for General Fund	<u>\$ 8,940,000</u>

Special Revenue Fund

Grants	\$ 172,000
Total for Special Revenue Fund	<u>\$ 172,000</u>

TOTAL REVENUE **\$9,112,000**

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Motion to adopt the 2019-20 Budget in the above amounts, with a tax levy of \$6,900,000; with use of the health care adjustment in the amount of \$18,040; with the use of banked cap in the amount of \$124,460; and with accompanying limits outlined below for professional services and mileage reimbursement:

School Attorney	\$35,000
School Auditor	\$18,000
School Physician	\$ 3,000
Independent Student Evaluations	\$ 2,500
Maximum Mileage Reimbursement per employee	\$ 1,000
Maximum District Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 6,000

CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING & PETITION

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – J. Karolchyk

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Motion to convene to Executive Session to review April Executive Session minutes and to discuss staff renewals, the results of which will be released to the public as soon as the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion to accept Mr. Saalfeld's recommendation to renew the attached lists of professional staff for the 2019-20 School Year, at salary increases of 2.65% per the terms of the BEA contract. (Mrs. Petty's salary increase must first be approved by the NJ Department of Education's County office, so her increase will be on a future agenda).

Motion to accept Mr. Saalfeld's recommendation to renew the attached list of custodians, paraprofessionals, and secretaries for the 2019-20 School Year at salary increases of 2.65%.

ADJOURNMENT