

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**Tuckerton Borough Board of Education Meeting**  
***SPECIAL MEETING***  
**December 21, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE**

The “special” meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Trisha Horner, President, Board of Education of Tuckerton Borough School District, at 2:10 PM, in the Superintendent’s Conference Room at the Tuckerton Elementary School.

**ROLL CALL AND SUNSHINE STATEMENT:**

The following members were present:

Mrs. Horner, Mrs. Crowell, Mrs. Sanford, Mrs. Ballin

Total: 4 present 3 absent: Mrs. Morey, Mrs. Witbeck, Mrs. McMunn (arrived late)

Janet Gangemi, Superintendent/SBA

Mary McGrath, Board Secretary

SUNSHINE STATEMENT: “This is a “special meeting” of the Tuckerton Board of Education”, notice of which was advertised in the Asbury Park Press on December 17, 2015, and sent to the Tuckerton Borough Municipal Clerk on December 15, 2015”.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion to go into Executive session was made by Mrs. Crowell, and seconded by Mrs. Ballin.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Mrs. Sandford – Aye, Mrs. Ballin-Aye, Mrs. Crowell- Aye, Mrs. Horner – Aye

4 –Aye

Mrs. McMunn arrived

***Executive Session:***

In Executive Session, Janet explained Mike’s reason for leaving. Personal reasons that had to do with a greater paying job, being able to move further north, which decreases his wife’s commute to the city. It was an opportunity that he could not pass up. Mrs. Gangemi felt it was in the best interest of all parties, not to hold Mr. Seiler to his 60 days. December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 being his last day, was a clean break. The idea of offering the job to Mrs. Grayson, was to make a fresh start on January 4, 2016, as Mrs. Grayson had completed all her necessary schooling to become a Principal. Mrs. Grayson was the ideal candidate, it saved the district from conducting a Principal search. The starting salary we can offer is just right for Mrs. Grayson, a longtime resident of this area, not to mention our current 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. After checking with our lawyer Lou Greco, Janet was told we did not have to post for the position as long as we had someone with the proper credentials. Mrs. Grayson is delighted to assume the position of Principal. Ms. Powers’s student teacher Jessica Schaub, was Ms. Powers maternity leave substitute. Working in that same classroom, Mrs. Gangemi wanted to offer the maternity leave opening to Ms. Schaub and Mrs. Grayson felt that was the best fit as well. We also didn’t want to lose Mr. Cerullo next year, who would be the bottom teacher and next to go. Mrs. Grayson moving to the Principal position, eliminates the idea of letting go a teacher next year. Mrs. Horner spoke highly of Mrs. Grayson and supports the idea of Mrs. Grayson as she is an excellent teacher, lives locally, is willing to accept the salary, has a good family background, and will most likely stay at Tuckerton Elementary for many years.

Motion to exit Executive Session was made by Mrs. Crowell, seconded by Mrs. McMunn.  
All in Favor: 5-Aye

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Mrs. Gangemi, Superintendent/SBA

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Sanford and seconded by Mrs. Ballin and carried THAT: approval to accept the resignation letter of Mr. Michael Seiler, Principal. Effective 12/23/2015.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. McMunn- Aye, Mrs. Sanford-Aye, Mrs. Ballin-Aye, Mrs. Horner-Aye  
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crowell, and seconded by Mrs. Sanford and carried THAT: approval to hire Mrs. Siobhan Grayson as Principal at the salary of \$80,000.00, pro-rated until June 30, 2016. Cost to the board of education, \$3,333.33 x 12 pays remaining, for a total of \$39,999.96. Vacation, sick and personal time, refer to attached contract, effective January 4, 2016.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. McMunn- Aye, Mrs. Sanford-Aye, Mrs. Ballin-Aye, Mrs. Horner-Aye  
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crowell, and seconded by Mrs. McMunn and carried THAT: approval to hire Jessica Schaub as a long term substitute for Mrs. Grayson's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class from January 4, 2016 until June 30, 2016. Cost to the board of education is 20 days at the substitute rate of \$80.00 per day, then 93 days at the substitute rate of \$100.00 per day. Total salary is \$10,900.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. McMunn- Aye, Mrs. Sanford-Aye, Mrs. Ballin-Aye, Mrs. Horner-Aye  
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crowell, and seconded by Mrs. Sanford and carried THAT: approval for a transportation Jointure with Eagleswood Township school. One student from their West Creek residence to Eagleswood Township Elementary school. Cost to Eagleswood Township is \$25.00 per day for 116 days, total cost to them is \$2,900.00. Jointure to begin on December 21, 2015 through June 30, 2016. This is added onto the previously approved jointure going to Frog Pond School, approved in November, \$5,805.00. Total cost to Eagleswood Township Elementary School is \$8,705.00 for the jointure.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Mrs. Sanford, seconded by Mrs. Crowell.  
All in favor: 5-Aye

Respectfully submitted by Mrs. Janet Gangemi, Superintendent/SBA

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janet Gangemi" with a superscript "2" at the end.