

OFFICIAL MINUTES
Tuckerton Borough Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
July 20, 2015

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

The regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Board of Education was called to order by Trisha Horner, President, Board of Education of Tuckerton Borough School District, at 5:00 PM, in the Media Center of the Tuckerton Elementary School.

ROLL CALL AND SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

The following members were present:

Mrs. Horner, Mrs. Witbeck, Mrs. Ballin, Mrs. Crowell, Mrs. Morey

Total: 5 present 2 absent: Mrs. McMunn, Mrs. Sanford

Janet Gangemi, Superintendent/SBA
Mary McGrath, Board Secretary

SUNSHINE STATEMENT: "This is the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Board of Education", notice of which was advertised with the Asbury Park Press on June 23, 2015, and sent to the Tuckerton Borough Municipal Clerk on June 29, 2015".

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On the approval of the regular meeting on June 22, 2015, motion to approve minutes was made by Mrs. Morey, seconded by Mrs. Witbeck.

5-Aye 2- Absent, Mrs. McMunn, Mrs. Sanford

On the approval of the meeting of Executive Session on June 22, 2015, motion to approve minutes was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck.

5-Aye 2: Absent, Mrs. McMunn, Mrs. Sanford

ENROLLMENT:

Out of District	4		
MD-Vidro	6	3-Bennert	16
PSD-Kirby	4	3-Hewitt	16
PS-Lusk	16	4-Mahr	16
K-Gormley	25	4-Stambaugh	19
K-Steele	23	5-Grayson	23
1-Pine	20	5-Ventresca	21
1-Selfridge	21	5-Cerullo	17
2-Kohler	18	6-Evans	20
2-Koplitz	19	6-Ubelhoer	16
3-Coppolino	14	Total	334

FIRE DRILL: 6/18/2015

SECURITY DRILL/EVACUATION: 6/10/2015

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT-Mr. Michael Seiler (absent), Mrs. Gangemi read Mr. Seiler’s report.

BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT: Mr. Brian Mathis. Update on flooring, asbestos, air test results. Soon to be 100% asbestos free. Rough wiring for hand dryers was completed. Failed kitchen suppression system. Old phone system, approximately 20 phones to be discarded. Kyle cannot use them. Brian asking if we can dispose of them. The board suggested we should save a couple for preschool to play with them, and also to show students how to use a phone.

PUBLIC FORUM-Mrs. Horner recognizes Joanne Hickey-Esler, who introduced herself. Mrs. Hickey-Esler was approved at the June board meeting to work part time with Child Study Team.

HIB REPORT: No new incidents

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Janet Gangemi

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

PERSONNEL:

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Morey and carried THAT: approval to accept the retirement letter from Sandra Miller, as full time custodian. *Mr. Mathis added how much Mrs. Miller will be missed.*

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval of Christopher Johnson as a full time custodian for the 2015-2016 school year, replacing the position of Sandra Miller, at a yearly salary of \$25,000.00, plus family benefits.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Crowell and carried THAT: approval to pay Maureen Koplitz tuition reimbursement of \$2,000.00 as per teacher contract for Reading classes, see details attached.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck, and seconded by Mrs. Morey and carried THAT: approval to hire a Bilingual Speech/Language Specialist for testing a preschooler who does not speak English, Deborah Chitester from Multilangkids.org @ \$700.00 per translation.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

MISCELLANEOUS

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval of the use of facility for the Pinelands 4th of July Celebration Committee, to utilize our parking lots for the 4th of July Parade line up. No cost to the board of education.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval for use of facility for the PTA to utilize the school to hold the following dates:

Library for the PTA meetings, Sept. 15th, November 10th, January 12th, March 8th,
May 10th, at 1:30 PM.

Library for Bookfairs. October 19th – 23rd, March 17th – 24th, and June 1st -2nd

Library for Holiday Store: November 30th – December 4th

School Store: “every other” Friday throughout the school year

Color Run: May 21st

Cookie Dough Fundraiser: September (TBA)

No cost to the board of education.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Morey and carried THAT: approval for the ESY (Extended School Year) group to use Room # 102 for the Tuckerton Library to visit on Monday, July 27, 2015 from 8:30 am-12:00 pm, craft and story for summer reading program. No cost to the board of education.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Morey and carried THAT: approval for ESY (Extended School Year) program to go on a walking field trip to the Tuckerton Food Pantry, Tuesday, July 28, 2015 (raindate: Weds. July 29), from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Community Service Tour.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Crowell and carried THAT: approval for Tuckerton Board of Education dues for the 2015-2016 school year to the New Jersey School Boards Association. Cost to the board of education is \$2,621.05.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval for Tuckerton Borough School to be in a Consortium Participation for Southern Regional Institute (SRI) and ETTC for the 2015-2016 school year. Cost to the board of education is 331 students x \$3.25 per student for a total cost to the board of education, \$1,075.75.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval for Extended School Year (ESY) Pre K, K-6, to take a walking trip to the Tuckerton Seaport and Stewart’s Root Beer, Thursday, July 30, 2015 from 9:00 am-12:15 pm. Requesting \$2.00 per student for ice cream at Stewart’s. Cost to the board of education is \$92.00. School nurse will be on the trip, no additional cost.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Crowell for approval to be included in the Memorandum of Understanding Title III Consortium for the 2015-2016 school year with Plumsted Township School District.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Crowell and carried THAT: approval of Robert A. Hulsart, CPA firm to conduct the audit for the 2014-2015 school year. See attached letter and description of what will be needed to fulfill this audit. Cost to the board of education is \$8,500.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Crowell and carried THAT: approval and submission of “No Child Left Behind” (NCLB) application for funds in the amount of :

Title I Part A	\$79,042.00	Salary and Benefits, BSI ELA 3-6 Teacher
Title II Part A	10,730.00	Professional Development
Title III	944.00	ESL Material
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$90,716.00</u>	

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval to transfer \$50,000.00 from maintenance reserve to cover summer projects including carpet to tile, stairwell repairs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Morey and carried THAT: approval and submission of “Individual with Disabilities Education Act” (IDEA) application for funds in the amount of \$79,674.00. These funds will be used to fund salary and benefits for Occupational Therapist (\$46,020.00), Speech Therapist (\$28,400.00), and partial salary and benefits of Preschool Teacher (\$5,254.00).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval of a contract with “Bancroft”, an approved private school, to provide educational services for R.G., a classified student for the school year, 7/1/15 through 6/30/16. Cost to the board of education is her yearly tuition, \$29,332.32.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck and carried THAT: approval and submission of New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG), Safety Grant application for funds in the amount of \$559.00. Funds to be used towards purchase of FRX defibrillator Heart Start in the amount of \$1,366.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck, and carried THAT: approval of the Current payment list for July, 2015, in the amount of **\$351,600.95** which includes **\$68,592.14** for **Health Benefits.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Witbeck and seconded by Mrs. Morey and carried THAT: approval of the cash report for June, 2015. Handed out at the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

Withdrawing motion to approve the homework policy.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crowell and seconded by Mrs. Ballin and carried THAT: approval of the attached list of Year End Budget Transfers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Crowell and carried THAT: approval of the Current Payment Register for June, 2015 in the amount of **\$416,008.10.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Morey and seconded by Mrs. Crowell and carried THAT: approval of statement of no over expenditure as required in N.J.A.C.6A:22-2.11 of any line item in the 2014-2015 budget as evidenced by the latest Budget Report.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

Motion would be in order to dispose of phones that cannot be used for school business and have no value. Motion was made by Mrs. Morey, seconded by Mrs. Witbeck.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Horner – Aye Mrs. Witbeck-Aye, Mrs. Ballin – Aye Mrs. Crowell-Aye, Mrs. Morey-Aye
5-AYE

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Mrs. Crowell, and seconded by Mrs. Witbeck
5-Aye

Respectfully submitted by Mrs. Janet Gangemi, Superintendent/SBA

