

**BOGOTA BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOGOTA, NEW JERSEY**

**AGENDA**

**REORGANIZATION MEETING**  
*Zoom Webinar*  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81182102117>  
**January 4, 2022**  
**7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

*The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Bogota Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Bogota Borough Hall, communicated by letter to The Record, filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Bogota and posted on the Bogota Board of Education website.*

**READ RESULTS OF ELECTION**

**Annual School Election November 2, 2021**

*For Three Year Term*

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>At Polls</b>	<b>Mail In</b>	<b>Provisional</b>	<b>Early Voting</b>	<b>Early Provisional</b>	<b>Total</b>
Francisco J. Miranda	651	213	22	35	1	922
Susan Cruz	602	216	21	38	1	878
Roberto L. Alvarez	527	180	16	29	1	753
Personal Choice	12	11	0	2	0	25

**The number of polling places – Three (3)**

**District 1 & 6**      **Bogota Recreation Center 162 West Main Street**  
**District 2 & 3**      **Bogota High School Gymnasium 2 Henry C. Luthin Place**  
**District 4 & 5**      **E. Roy Bixby School Maplewood & Fischer Avenues**

**All polling places were open at 6 a.m. and closed at 8 p.m.**

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Oath administered by Board Secretary to newly elected members:

**ROLL CALL**

	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
Mrs. Alvarez	_____	_____
Mr. Alvarez	_____	_____
Mr. Chavez	_____	_____
Ms. Cruz	_____	_____
Mrs. Kohles	_____	_____
Mr. Miranda	_____	_____
Mrs. Olivo	_____	_____
Mr. Ortega	_____	_____
Ms. Ruckett	_____	_____

**ALSO PRESENT**

	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
Mr. Kennedy, Superintendent	_____	_____
William Soukas, Esq.	_____	_____
Mr. Evcil, SBA/BS	_____	_____
Elizabeth Ruiz, Assistant BS	_____	_____

## **Board Member Code of Ethics read by Irfan Evcil, SBA/BS**

A school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed sex, or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that my compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

Moved:

Seconded:

IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

## **Election of Officers**

Election of President of Bogota Board of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Office of President of the Bogota Board of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Office of President of the Bogota Board of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Office of President of the Bogota Board of Education.

Election of Vice-President of the Bogota Board of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Office of Vice-President of the Bogota Board of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Office of Vice-President of the Bogota Board of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Office of Vice-President of the Bogota Board of Education.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1-4-22-01** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the Report of the Certified Annual School Election held on November 2, 2021.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-02** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the Monthly Work/Action and Regular Meetings of the Board of Education of the Borough of Bogota, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey to be held in the Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria, at 7:00 pm, per meeting calendar schedule through December 31, 2022. Action May be taken at any and all Meetings.

**Work/Action Meetings**

No Meeting  
February 8, 2022  
March 8, 2022  
April 12, 2022  
May 10, 2022  
No Meeting  
No Meeting  
September 13, 2022  
October 11, 2022  
No Meeting  
No Meeting  
Reorganization Meeting:      January 3, 2023

**Regular Public Meetings**

January 18, 2022  
February 15, 2022  
March 15, 2022  
April 26, 2022  
May 17, 2022  
June 14, 2022  
August 30, 2022  
September 20, 2022  
October 18, 2022  
November 15, 2022  
December 20, 2022

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-03** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the designation of The Bergen Record as the official newspaper for advertisement of notices of the Bogota Board of Education and The Star Ledger as an alternate official newspaper. The Bergen Record and The Star Ledger will be used for additional personnel advertisements through December 31, 2022.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-04** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves all adopted By-Laws, Board Policies, Regulations and Procedures through December 31, 2022.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-05** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the adoption of the Board of Education Purchasing Manual through December 31, 2022.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-06** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the adoption of the Board of Education Standard Operating Procedure Manual through December 31, 2022.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-07** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the District Curricula – Grades pre-K-12 through December 31, 2022.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-08** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the textbooks and materials for all grades through December 31, 2022.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-09** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves Valley National Bank as Official Bank Depository and authorized signatures through December 31, 2022 as follows:

Operating Funds, General, Cafeteria, Summer Recovery  
Authorized Signatures: Board President, Board Secretary, Superintendent of Schools  
Alternate: Board Vice-President

Payroll, Agency, Unemployment, Petty Cash, Athletics  
Authorized Signatures: Board President, Board Secretary  
Alternate: Board Vice-President, Superintendent of Schools

School Activities

Authorized Signatures: Principal and Secretary (HS Activity Accountant)

Alternate: Board Secretary, Superintendent of Schools

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**1-4-22-10 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, the Board appoints a Delegate to the Bergen County SBA and the NJSBA through December 31, 2022 as follows:

Delegate to the Bergen County SBA:

Delegate\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate\_\_\_\_\_

Delegate to NJSBA:

Delegate\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate\_\_\_\_\_

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**HEARING OF PUBLIC**

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**During this portion of the meeting, the residents are invited to address the Board with any questions, comments or concerns there may be with respect to the operation of their school.**

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved:                      Seconded:                      IA, RA, JC, SC, LK, FM, TO, JO, BR