

**BOGOTA BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOGOTA, NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 24 2018**

CALL TO ORDER by Mrs. Kohles, Board President at 6:00 p.m.

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.

ROLL CALL by Mr. Irfan Evcil, Board Secretary at 6:01 p.m.

Members Present: Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Ms. Montgomery and Mrs. Kohles.

Members Absent: Mrs. DeVore, Mr. McHale and Mr. Severino.

Also Present: Mr. Damian Kennedy Superintendent, Mr. Evcil, SBA/BS, Nathanya Simon, Board Attorney and Elizabeth Ruiz Assistant BS.

Absent: None.

HEARING OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Ms. Montgomery, a motion to open the meeting for public comments on agenda items only. Motion unanimously approved by voice call vote.

None.

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mrs. Lewis, a motion to close the meeting for public comments on agenda items only. Motion unanimously approved by voice call vote.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Kennedy gave update on Bixby School lintel replacement project, Bogota High School parking lot project and Steen School hallway floor repair. Mr. Kennedy also informed about policy updates regarding the new HIB and new hiring policies that need to be adopted next regular meeting. He invited for a brief moment of silence for two member of Bogota School community Joe Baranello, part of

middle and high school sports over 25 years and David Dinallo, former retired Supervisor of Building & Grounds who recently passed away.

EDUCATION

Approval of Professional Conferences

7-24-18-01 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following professional conferences (pending fund availability).

Name	Description	Location	Date	Amount
Lisa Finizio	Wilson Reading System Training	Mt. Laurel, NJ	8/7/18 – 8/9/18	\$649
Ulysses Torres	Facilities Training	Rockaway, NJ	8/14/18	None
Katherine Sura	Verbal De-escalation, Restraint Training	Jersey City, NJ	8/13/18 – 8/15/18	\$1,250
Sam Chiang	NJ DOE School Safety Specialist Training	Morristown, NJ	8/6/18 – 8/9/18	None

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mrs. Lewis a motion for the approval of agenda items **7-24-18-01**. On a roll call vote Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Ms. Montgomery and Mrs. Kohles voted yes. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

All personnel appointments are contingent upon receipt of an affirmative criminal history record check and the holding of proper certification.

Accepts Resignation

7-24-18-02 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board accepts with regret the resignation of **Marc Sinclair**, Elementary Physical Education Teacher effective June 30, 2018.

Appointment of High School Vice Principal

7-24-18-03 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Michael R. Buesser** as a Vice Principal at the High School at a salary of \$88,000 (prorated) for the 2018/2019 school year. Start date pending release from current district.

Appointment of Physical Education Teacher

7-24-18-04 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Steven Hodge** as a Physical Education at a salary of BA Step 1 \$49,888 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Special Education Teacher

7-24-18-05 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Daniel Limone** as a Special Education Elementary Teacher at a salary of BA Step 1 \$49,888 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Music Teacher

7-24-18-06 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Ariana Dellosa** as an Elementary Music Teacher at a salary of BA Step 1 \$49,888 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Part Time Computer Technician

7-24-18-07 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Luis Marte** as a part time computer technician at a salary of \$15 per hour, 20 hours per week for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Weight Room Supervisor

7-24-18-08 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Brian Appleton** as a summer weight room supervisor Step 1 \$968 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Teacher Aides

7-24-18-09 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Teacher Aides** for the 2018/2019 school year as follows:

Jessica Hernandez \$15 per hour
Gabriela Martinez \$15 per hour
Chrisanne Kelemen \$15 per hour
Jonathan Riad \$15 per hour

Rescinds Appointment of School Safety Specialist

7-24-18-10 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board rescinds the appointment of **Damian Kennedy** as the designated School Safety Specialist, Resolution 5-15-18-17.

Approval of School Safety Specialist

7-24-18-11 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Samuel Chiang** as the designated School Safety Specialist.

Appointment of Substitutes for Summer School Program

7-24-18-12 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of the following staff as substitutes for the summer school program at Bixby School at their contracted rate.

Lynn Demetrakis - Substitute Teacher
Nick Capitanello – Substitute Teacher or Aide
Nanette Riabov – Substitute Teacher or Aide
Mike Maldonado – Substitute Aide
Antoinette Ramirez – Substitute Aide

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Ms. Montgomery a motion for the approval of agenda items **7-24-18-02 through 7-24-18-12**. On a roll call vote Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Ms. Montgomery and Mrs. Kohles voted yes. Motion carried.

FINANCE

Approval of Bill List

7-24-18-13 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the payment of bills in the amount of \$382,292.36 dated June 29, 2018 and approves the payment of bills in the amount of \$603,934.80 dated July 24, 2018 as per the attached, which will become part of this resolution.

Approval of Budgetary Line Item Expenditure

7-24-18-14 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(C1), that, as of, June 30, 2018 no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(C3), no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(B), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's fiscal obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Approval of Payroll Transfer

7-24-18-15 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the payroll and fund transfer for the month of June 2018 in the amount of \$1,227,913.63 dated June 30, 2018 as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Approval of Report of the Secretary

7-24-18-16 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board approves the Report of the Secretary for the month of June 2018 as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Approval of Report of the Treasurer

7-24-18-17 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board approves the Report of the Treasurer for the month of June 2018 as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Approval of Budget Transfers

7-24-18-18 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies budget transfers for the month of June 2018; as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Approval of Change Order

7-24-18-19 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve change order for E. Roy Bixby Elementary School Lintel Replacement Project in the amount of \$23,975 as follows:

Stones Modification, opening #1	\$3,220
Steel Modifications, courtyard#2 & #3	\$28,255
Allowance credit	<u>-\$7,500</u>
Total	\$23,975

Mrs. VanBuren asked about the steel modification change order. Mr. Kennedy explained that the structure for courtyard openings were different, and the roof and ceiling joists were sitting on the lintel to be removed. The existing wood ceiling and roof joists were cut back and re-seated them in the new

hangers to complete the project.

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mrs. Lewis a motion for the approval of agenda items **7-24-18-13 through 7-24-18-19**. On a roll call vote Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Moore, Ms. Montgomery and Mrs. Kohles voted yes. Mrs. VanBuren voted yes to all except voted no for check # 022201 and check # 022242 on agenda item **7-24-18-13**. Motion carried.

ADDENDUM

PERSONNEL

All personnel appointments are contingent upon receipt of an affirmative criminal history record check and the holding of proper certification.

Appointment of English Teacher

7-24-18-20 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Shannon Beddiges** as an English Teacher at a salary of BA Step 3 \$50,898 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Physical Science Teacher

7-24-18-21 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Abby Bergoffen** as a Physical Science Teacher at a salary of MA Step 9 \$69,888 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Appointment of Special Education Maternity Leave Replacement Teacher

7-24-18-22 BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Katie Brody** as a Special Education Teacher, maternity leave replacement from September 1, 2018 through February 4, 2019 at a salary of BA Step 1 \$49,888 for the 2018/2019 school year.

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mrs. Miller a motion for the approval of agenda items **7-24-18-20 through 7-24-18-22**. On a roll call vote Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Ms. Montgomery and Mrs. Kohles voted yes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Montgomery asked if the contractor's insurance company will pay for the Bixby water damage. Mr. Kennedy said our insurance will follow up with contractor's insurance company.

Mrs. Kohles informed that there will be a building and grounds committee meeting in reference to the snack bar that is located at the field and shed options for parking lot project.

Mrs. Kohles asked how the school store is doing. Mr. Kennedy said need to be promoted.

Mr. Moore requested installing dead bolts for the equipment shed at the field.

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

HEARING OF PUBLIC

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Ms. Montgomery, a motion to open the meeting for public comments. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

Citizen, Mrs. Cabrera, asked about the status of having a school resource officer.

Mrs. Kohles said that the town pulled this item off of the table for financial reasons. She recommended citizens to go to the next town meeting. Mrs. Kohles also said security committee will meet next Monday.

Citizen, Mrs. Ramirez, said that the soccer sign up has not been set to the middle schools and if there is any information on this.

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Ms. Montgomery, a motion to close the meeting for public comments. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mrs. Lewis a motion for adjournment of the meeting at 6:21 p.m. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

Respectfully submitted,


Irfan Evcil
Board Secretary