

**BOGOTA BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOGOTA, NEW JERSEY  
WORK/ACTION MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Severino, Board President at 7:35 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. Severino, Board President at 7:35 p.m.

Members Present: , Ms. Granquist, Mrs. Kohles, Mrs. Lewis, Ms. Montgomery, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Mr. McHale and Mr. Severino.

Members Absent: Mrs. Carpenter

Also Present: Dr. Varcadipane, Interim Superintendent, Nathanya Simon, Esq., Mr. Evcil, SBA/BS and Elizabeth Ruiz Assistant BS.

Absent: Mrs. Carpenter.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

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

Ms. Shepherd asked whether agenda item 9-19-17-23 is only newly staff joining longevity list.

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

**Superintendent's Comments**

Dr. Varcadipane confirmed agenda item 8-29-17-67 Step 1 salary.  
Also, stated that agenda item 8-29-17-42 will be approved.

Asked the board if back to school night can be postponed until 10-5-17 in order for teachers to prepare.  
Gave construction update in the back area of BHS.  
Bixby lintels will start next week.  
Engineer would like to meet at the end of October to finalize drafts of the front of the building.  
Pads in the Gym should be arriving next week.  
Reported School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act Summary.  
Next board meeting to take pictures for the year book.  
Departmentalized programs for instruction for 5-6<sup>th</sup> grades will be discussed with the Principals regarding logistics.  
PARCC test scores big increase at the high school in biology.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### PERSONNEL

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

#### **Appointment of Teacher Aide**

**9-12-17-01 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the appointment of **Jasvir Marwah** as a Teacher Aide at a salary of \$15 per hour for the 2017/2018 school year.

#### **Appointment of Teacher Aide**

**9-12-17-02 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the appointment of **Christopher Rivera** as a Teacher Aide at a salary of \$15 per hour for the 2017/2018 school year.

#### **Appointment of Assistant Board Secretary**

**9-12-17-03 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the appointment of **Elizabeth Ruiz** as Assistant Board Secretary for Board of Education Meetings at a Stipend of \$150 retroactive to July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Mr. McHale moved, seconded by Mr. Moore a motion and approval of agenda items **9-12-17-01 through 9-12-17-03**. On a roll call vote Ms. Granquist, Mrs. Kohles, Mrs. Lewis, Ms. Montgomery, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Mr. McHale, and Mr. Severino voted yes. Motion Carried.

### FINANCE

#### **Approval of Transportation Contract**

**9-12-17-04 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve to award transportation contract with Legacy Tours Inc. in the amount of \$6,500 for the following trips for High School Band.



**9-19-17-01 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves second reading and adoption of revised Bylaw #0168 Recording Board Meetings.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Policy #2700 Services to Nonpublic School Students**

**9-19-17-02 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves first reading of Policy #2700 Services to Nonpublic School Students (M) (Revised).

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Policy and Regulation #7100 Long-Range Facilities Planning**

**9-19-17-03 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves first reading of Policy and Regulation #7100 Long Range Facilities Planning (M) (Revised).

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Policy and Regulation #7101 Educational Adequacy of Capital Projects**

**9-19-17-04 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves first reading of Policy and Regulation #7101 Educational Adequacy of Capital Projects (Revised).

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**EDUCATION**

**Approval of 1:1 Aide**

**9-19-17-05 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves a 1:1 aide for student #25191 attending Academy 360 at a contractual rate of \$145 per diem, not to exceed \$29,870 for the 2017/2018 school year.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-06 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the placement of the student #25960 at Bergen County Project Search for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$25,000.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-07 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the placement of the student #27206 at BCSS HIP – MP Highland for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$75,420.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-08 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the placement of the student #10954 at BCSS Venture for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$88,740.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-09 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the placement of the student #25475 at BCSS Visions Emerson for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$59,400.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-10 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the placement of the student #24123 at BCSS Springboard for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$59,400.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-11 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the placement of the following students at BCSS Evergreen for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$60,300 per student.

Student #24258

Student #24835

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-12 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the placement of the following students at BCSS Washington Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$81,000 per student.

Student #11030

Student #11032

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-13 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the placement of the following students at SBJC Lodi for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$67,400 per student.

Student #24128

Student #26291

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Out of District Placement**

**9-19-17-14 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the placement of Student #27492 at Sage Day School for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$58,230.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Teacher of the Deaf Services (renewal)**

**9-19-17-15 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies Teacher of the Deaf Services for Student #25083 for the 2017/2018 school year at a contractual rate of \$165 per hour not to exceed \$3,960.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Rescinds Out of District Placement (renewal)**

**9-19-17-16 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board rescinds the placement of Student #10717 at Benway School for the 2017/2018 school year (State of NJ was fiscally responsible for the student).

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Contracted Services**

**9-19-17-17 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the contracted services of Lisa Coniglio, Teacher of the Blind and Visually Impaired to provide vision therapy for Student #26974 during the 2017/2018 school year a contractual rate of \$150 per hour.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Professional Conferences**

**9-19-17-18 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
Tara Amanna	Center for Drugs & Alcohol	Marriott Teaneck, NJ	10/27/17	None
Nicole Stols	Getting to Know Google Classrooms	Ramapo College Mahwah, NJ	3/1/18	\$149

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of HIB Report**

**9-19-17-19 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bills of Rights Act Summary Report for the 2016/2017 school year.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**PERSONNEL**

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

**Rescind Appointment**

**9-19-17-20 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board rescinds the appointment of **Kerri Kuiken** as a Teacher Aide, Resolution #7-18-17-16.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Accept Resignation**

**9-19-17-21 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board accepts the resignation of **Clarissa Telford** maternity leave replacement at Steen School.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Accept Resignation**

**9-19-17-22 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board accepts the resignation of **Elizabeth VonZuben** Teacher Aide at Steen School.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Longevity**

**9-19-17-23 BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves longevity for completed services years as follows:

**15 – 16 Years**

- Yvonne Breiner**      BA Step 9 \$61,723 + \$1,750 = \$63,473
- Donna Citakian**    MA Step 14 \$90,793 + \$1,750 = \$92,543
- Stephen Poletto**    MA Step 10 \$72,723 + \$1,750 = \$74,473
- Shannon Raftery**   BA Step 9 \$61,723 + \$900 CE + \$1,750 = \$64,373
- Alison Rogers**      MA30 Step 14 \$96,793 + \$1,750 = \$98,543
- Mara Wilson**        MA30 Step 13 \$91,783 + \$1,750 = \$93,533

**17 – 20 Years**

Diane Baranello MA30 Step 11 \$82,723 + \$2,637 = \$85,360  
 Thomas Hughes MA30 Step 14 \$96,793 + \$2,637 = \$99,430  
 Laura Ketchum MA30 Step 11 \$82,723 + \$2,637 = \$85,360  
 Steven Kordosky MA Step 12 \$80,783 + \$2,637 = \$83,420  
 Eunice Lee MA Step 12 \$80,783 + \$2,637 = \$83,420

21 – 25 Years

Brad DiRupo MA30 Step 14 \$96,793 + \$3,573 = \$100,366  
 Cheryl Martin MA30 Step 14 \$96,793 + \$3,573 = \$100,366

36 – 40 Years

Deborah Hunter MA30 Step 14 \$96,793 + \$6,381 = \$103,174

Moved: Seconded: CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

FINANCE

**Approval of Bill List**

9-19-17-24 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the payment of bills in the amount of \$        dated        as per the attached, which will become part of this resolution.

Moved: Seconded: CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Budgetary Line Item Expenditure**

9-19-17-25 **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, August 31, 2017 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.

Moved: Seconded: CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Payroll Transfer**

9-19-17-26 **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        in the amount of \$        dated        as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Moved: Seconded: CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Report of the Secretary**

9-19-17-27 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board approves the Report of the Secretary for the month of        as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Moved: Seconded: CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Report of the Treasurer**



9-19-17-28 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board approves the Report of the Treasurer for the month of as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of Budget Transfers**

9-19-17-29 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies budget transfers for the month of ; as attached, which shall be made a part of this resolution.

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

**Approval of South Bergen Jointure Commission**

9-19-17-30 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves/ratifies the following contracted services of South Bergen Jointure Commission for the 2017/2018 school year:

- Occupational Therapy      \$56 per session**
- Physical Therapy              \$56 per session**
- Evaluation (OT/PT)          \$300 per evaluation**
- Transition Counselor        10% Shared Costs**

Moved:                      Seconded:                      CC, JG, LK, EL, AM, JM, KVB, PMH, CS

Mrs. VanBuren moved, seconded by Mr. McHale a motion to untable agenda item 6-27-17-21. On a roll call vote Ms. Granquist, Mrs. Kohles, Mrs. Lewis, Ms. Montgomery, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Mr. McHale and Mr. Severino voted yes. Motion carried.

Mr. McHale moved, seconded by Mr. Moore a motion and approval of agenda item 6-27-17-21. On a roll call vote Ms. Granquist, Mrs. Kohles, Mrs. Lewis, Ms. Montgomery, Mr. Moore, Mrs. VanBuren, Mr. McHale and Mr. Severino voted yes. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Kohles brought up issue with the location of the new bleachers at the field. She is requesting that the band is placed at the beginning, the home team next and the visitors last.

Dr. Varcadipane thanked everyone for a smooth opening to the school year.

**HEARING OF PUBLIC**

Mr. McHale moved, seconded by Mr. Moore, a motion to open the meeting in public session. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

Mrs. Ramirez, wanted to thank the board for a home soccer game.

Mr. McHale moved, seconded by Mr. Moore, a motion to close the meeting in public session. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, C.231, P.L. 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session:

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Bogota Board of Education, that:

1. It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session on September 12, 2017, at 7:55 p.m. to discuss matters involving negotiations, litigation, personnel.
2. That the matter discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.

***NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN UPON RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION***

Mr. McHale moved seconded by Mr. Moore, a motion for closed session discussion. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

Mr. McHale moved, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, a motion to open the meeting in public session. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. McHale moved, seconded by Mr. Moore a motion for adjournment of the meeting at 8:49 p.m. Motion unanimously approved by a voice call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Irfan Evcil  
Board Secretary