

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOROUGH OF TOTOWA**

MEETING MINUTES

03/14/2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Totowa was held at Washington Park School Media Center, 10 Crews Street, Totowa, New Jersey on March 14, 2022.

1. Call To Order

President Antonucci called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. and led all present in the salute to the flag and remain standing for a moment of silence for our past and present troops.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Ms. Alesandrelli, Ms. Antonucci, Mr. Bierach, Ms. Carr, Ms. DeCeglie,
Mr. Kerwin, Mr. La Rose, Mr. Reynoso and Mr. Tangora

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Patricia Capitelli, Superintendent of Schools
Vincent Varcadipane, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Raymond B. Reddin, Board Attorney

3. Open Public Meeting Notice

The following statement was read by Mr. Varcadipane:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Municipal Building and notice was mailed to the North Jersey Herald News and The Record.

4. Public to be Heard

There was no public to be heard.

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5. Committee Reports

Ms. Antonucci stated committee meetings were not held.

6. Executive Session

A request for executive session was made to discuss personnel matters and other business excluded from the Open Public Meeting by Law. The Board entered executive session at 7:11 p.m.

Mr. Reddin said, in Executive Session the Board will be discussing personnel and legal matters. The discussion will last approximately five to ten (5-10) minutes and no action will be taken.

Motion for approval of item 6

MOTION: Ms. DeCeglie

SECONDED: Mr. Kerwin

VOTE: Unanimous

The Board returned from executive session at 7:24 P.M.

7. Executive Session

The Superintendent, in consultation with the Administrative Team, recommends the Board appoint Aldo Deodino as Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction in the Totowa School District for the remainder of the 2021- 2022 School Year on or about April 19, 2022, at the annual salary of \$115,000, pending approval of his Disclosure and Review of Applicants Employment History.

Motion for approval of item 7

MOTION: Mr. Reynoso

SECONDED: Mr. Tangora

VOTE: Unanimous

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8. Approval of Adoption and Submission of 2022-2023 Tentative School Budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, recommends the Board adopts and submits the 2022-2023 tentative School budget. (See attachment #1)

9. Approval of Travel Expense

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, recommends that the Board approve the travel expense for regular business travel not to exceed \$1,500.00 for the 2022-2023.

10. Approval of Maximum Travel Expenditure 2022-2023

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, recommends that the Board establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2022-2023 school year of \$10,000.00 in accordance with NJAC 6A:23A-7.3. The total expenditure in the pre-budget year to date is \$0.00.

11. Approval of Legal Costs

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and school district auditor recommends the Board approve and acknowledge the school district exceeds 130% of the statewide average for legal costs. The school district will implement internal controls for the reduction of costs or to provide evidence that such procedures would not result in a reduction of costs.

Motion for approval of item 8-11

MOTION: Mr. Bierach
SECONDED: Mr. Reynoso
VOTE: Unanimous

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12. Old Business

There was no old business.

13. New Business

There was no new business.

14. Hearing and Petition of Citizens

No citizens wished to be heard.

15. Other Matters of a Timely Nature

There was no other matters of a timely nature.

16. Adjournment

Upon motion by Mr. Reynoso and seconded by Ms. DeCeglie this meeting was adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Vincent Varcadipane
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary