

THE ENGLEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA – PUBLIC WORK SESSION MEETING (ZOOM)
December 8, 2020
5:30 p.m.

Due to the Coronavirus public health emergency that has resulted in restrictions on gatherings, the Englewood Public School District has scheduled a Public Work Session Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. and will immediately move to closed session to discuss items permitted under the Open Public Meetings Act and returning to open session at 7:00 p.m. You can participate by using the following links below.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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Or Telephone:

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Webinar ID: 870 3309 2300

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Once the individual enters the meeting over the phone, they can press *9 to raise their hand.

Written public comments may be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools by Monday, December 7, 2020 at 5:30 PM via regular mail or email at rkravitz@epsd.org.

I. CALL TO ORDER STATEMENT – Board of Education President

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings 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 interests is discussed and acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be posted in the Board Office, City Clerk's Office, Public Library, and all Englewood public schools and e-mailed or faxed to the Record, Suburbanite, Presidents of the ETA and EAA, Presidents of parent-teacher organizations and any person who has requested individual notice and paid the required fee.

II. ROLL CALL Donovan Rodriques, Dalia Lerner, Michelle Marom, Brent Watson, Angela Midgette-David, Suzanne Mullings, Samuel E. Trusty, Steven Berrios, Molly Craig-Berry

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CLOSED SESSION AS NECESSARY *(Use this resolution to identify the qualified matters to be discussed)*

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-12, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss: (select one or more)

- 1) *a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law*
- 2) *a matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds*
- 3) *material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy*
- 4) *a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it*
- 5) *a matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds*
- 6) *protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law*
- 7) *pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege*
- 8) *specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session*
- 9) *deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss*

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

V. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON REVIEW OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2020 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

In accordance with the Board’s bylaws, the Board is now opening the meeting for a period of public comment. Please remember to announce your name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate. Your statements will be limited to three minutes in duration.

While the Board respects the public’s right to voice any questions, concerns or criticisms it may have regarding the conduct of the Board and/or its administrations, I want to remind you that this right is not absolute, and statements that are abusive, obscene, irrelevant, overly lengthy or that interfere with the orderly progress of the meeting will not be permitted.

I want to also remind everyone that there is not privilege or qualified privilege with regard to any statements that a member of the public makes before the Board, and I caution each of you that your comments could result in legal action by a third party if you publicly disseminate information you know to be false. What this means is that while you are certainly free to exercise your right to comment on issues before the Board, such comments are considered public statements, and may be responded to or acted upon by any individuals affected by them. The Board will, of course, consider your comments as they relate to its obligation to effectively govern the Englewood Public School District, but cannot offer protection from any action that a third party may elect to pursue as a result of any statements offered during public session

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY OTHER ITEM

VIII. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT