

NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Board Minutes
Wednesday, June 7, 2023
Conference Meeting, NBTECC- 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Board President, Mr. Liguori, called the Conference Meeting of North Brunswick Board of Education to order at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was held at NBTHS Auditorium. This meeting of the North Brunswick Township Board of Education is being recorded and broadcast via YouTube.

On a Roll call, the following members were present: Mr. Ali (arrived at 7:09pm), Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.
Absent: Ms. Toth

Present: Superintendent, Ms. Ciarrocca, Superintendent, Ms. Kita, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Saeed, Board Attorney.

4. Board President's Statement:

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 Open Public Meetings Law, the public notice of this meeting, which included the time, date, and location was distributed by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 29, 2023, in the following manner:

- a. Posted on the Bulletin Board reserved announcements in the Board Office, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick.
- b. Mailed to the Home News Tribune, Sentinel, and the Clerk of the Township Of North Brunswick.
- c. Delivered to the nine (9) duly elected board members.

5. Presentations:

- a. Mr. Michael Kneller - Principal of NBTHS- State of the School 2022-2023

Mr. Michael Kneller, Principal of North Brunswick Township High School, welcomed the Board and parents and shared the attached presentation (Attachment #1) discussing NBTHS' 2022-2023 initiatives and recent recognitions including U.S. News & World Report ranking of One of America's Best High Schools, AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award, and One of America's Best Communities for Music Education. The presentation also included a live demonstration from the school's Robotics team as well as a recorded performance from the Winter Percussion team.

- b. Buddy Ball Senior Volunteers-

Mr. Steven Wen, Board of Education member, presented and recognized student volunteers from the township's Buddy Ball program.

Last Name, First Name	Last Name, First Name	Last Name, First Name
Anand, Aryan	Hughes, Leah	Patel, Kashish
Chandan, Anushka	Leung, Ava	Seiden, Gabriella
Dorawala, Gia	Page, Kayla	Ward, Sydney
Gupta, Anjali	Palliath, Rhea	

- c. Ms. Danielle Nudelman - Music Teacher, North Brunswick Township Schools Music Student Region Acceptance and Winter Percussion Recognition.

Ms. Nudelman presented a recorded live performance of the Winter Percussion team and recognized those who received Music Student Region Acceptance.

North Brunswick Township Schools Music Student Region Acceptance		
Last Name, First Name	School	Ensemble Made
Delapaz, Ava	Linwood	Choir
Garces, Jasmine	Linwood	Choir
Bejugama, Lasya	NBTMS	Concert Band
DeNicuolo, Michael	NBTMS	Wind Ensemble
Patil, Dhruv	NBTMS	Percussion Ensemble
Rosen, Liam	NBTHS	Percussion Ensemble

Winter Percussion Recognition		
Last Name, First Name	Grade	Section
Anumalla, Kriya	10	Mallets
Baskett, Nyla	10	Bass Drum
Biju George, Steven	11	Snare
Biu George, Stephanie	8	Pit Percussion
DeAndrea, Jacob	11	Snare
Flowers-Wilson, Jaden	11	Tenors
Gallardo, Juliana **	12	Mallets
Gangluff, Alexander	11	Mallets
Girello, Olivia	12	Electric Bass
Golden, Samantha	12	Cymbals
Jiminez, Janylla	12	Bass Drum

Kalasapati, Bharan	9	Pit Percussion
Kankanala, Jesse **	12	Snare
Keefe, Kayla	12	Cymbals
Khanna, Vedika	9	Mallets
Koprowski, Lauren	12	Mallets
Lopes, Gabriel	8	Pit Percussion
Manrique, Brianna	12	Mallets
Matheus, Hugo	12	Bass Drum
Meneses-Diaz, Andrew	11	Mallets
Merricks, Deandra	12	Bass Drum
Munguia Reyes, Josue	12	Electric Guitar
Orencia, Jayden	11	Pit Percussion
Punjabi, Aryan	10	Pit Percussion
Rosen, Liam **	12	Mallets
Shah, Vedika **	12	Bass Drum
Vakkalagadda, Aruhi **	12	Snare
Vakkalagadda, Anusha	9	Cymbals
Whitworth, Jahn	10	Snare
Yeboah, Nathan	11	Tenors

** Drum Captain *Secretary

d. Athletic Honors - Mr. Shaun Morrell, Athletic Director, and Coaches

Mr. Morrell led the recognition of athletic honorees for the 2022-2023 Spring season; he also publicly recognized Girls Basketball player, Niyell McCargo, who could not be in attendance at a prior Board of Education meeting when the 2022-2023 Winter athletic honorees were recognized.

Winter Athletic Honors: 2022-2023		
Sports	Student Name	Achievement
Girls Basketball	Niyell McCargo	All-GMC; All-Red Division

Spring Athletic Honors: 2022-2023		
Sports	Student Name	Achievement
Golf	Boys Team	Sportsmanship Award
Softball	Team	Blue Division Champions
	Coach Danielle Tamarana	Blue Division Coach of the Year
	Victoria Frobosilo	All GMC; All-Blue Division
	Shannon Duffy	All-Blue Division
	Megan Kindler	All-Blue Division
Boys Volleyball	Sheev Shah	All-White Division
	Caleb Ford	All-White Division
Boys Lacrosse	Nathaniel Rosa	All-GMC; All-White Division
	Logan Blaszkka	All-White Division
	Mathew Napravnick	All-White Division
Girls Lacrosse	Tianna Cipot	GMC Offensive Player of the Year; All Red-Division
	Megan Keefe	All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Penelope Jonees	All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Julaina Gallardo	All-Red Division
	Namoi Cipot	All-Red Division
Track	Zahmir Dawud	All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Samaad Hicks	All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Maish Vankadhara	All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Jahir Dawud	All-Red Division
	Elvin Marte Feliz	All-Red Division
	Schwann C Grimes III	All-Red Division
Baseball	Team	Red Division Champions
	Zachary Konstantinovskiy	GMC Player of the Year; All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Omar Carreras	All-GMC; All-Red Division
	Yomar Carreras	All- GMC; All-Red Division

6. Open Session:
 - a. Old Business - None
 - b. New Business- None
7. Review Agenda for June 7, 2023
8. Public Session on Agenda Items Only: None
9. A motion was made by Mr. Ali and seconded by Dr. Patel to close the public portion of the agenda meeting.

The results of the motion were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth

10. Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Ms. Keefe and seconded by Mr. Brockman to approve the following consent agenda items: Personnel, Curriculum and Instruction, and Finance Items

The results of the motion on roll call were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth

PERSONNEL:

1. Action relative to personnel, for the 2022-2023 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:
 - a. approve the appointment of the following personnel pending certification, state-mandated approval and background check:
 1. Non-Certified staff not to exceed 8 hours

Last Name, First Name	Position	Location	Hourly Rate/ Base Salary	Step	Stipend(s)	Effective Date	Reason
Suarez-Calderon, Mirza	Bus Driver	District	\$28.77	1	N/A	June 15, 2023 or sooner to be determined by the Superintendent	Retirement: D. Montgomery

2. Action relative to personnel, for the 2023-2024 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:
 - a. approve the reassignment of the following non-affiliated personnel:

Last Name, First Name	From:	To:	Total Salary	Effective Date	Reason
Guerra, Christopher	Dispatcher District	Supervisor of Transportation District	\$95,000	July 1, 2023	Retirement: R. Kuehner

- b. approve the appointment of the following personnel pending certification, state-mandated approval and background check:

1. Certified staff:

Last Name, First Name	Position	School	Base Salary	Step/ Level	Stipend(s)	Effective Date	Reason
Swiontkowski, Jeanmarie	Art Teacher	Linwood	\$73,090	Step I/ BA	\$309 Professional Development	August 29, 2023	Resignation: O. Egnatovich
Wilson, Sarah	English Teacher	NBTHS	\$60,665	Step D/ BA	\$309 Professional Development	August 29, 2023	Reassignment: C. McCarthy

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

1. Approve the following actions relative to Curriculum and Instruction items for the 2022-2023 school year:
- a. approve attendance for the following professional workshops:

Last Name, First Name	Workshop Title	Registration	Dates	Mileage	Travel Expenses Hotel/Meals
Liguori, Richard	NJSBA's School Security & Safety Conference, Princeton Junction, NJ	\$99.00	6/9/2023		
Richardson, Rina	Advanced Behavioral Threat and Management Training, New Brunswick, NJ	\$0.00	6/2/2023	\$4.23	
Watters, Ryan	9/11 Memorial & Museum Professional Development, New York, NY	\$0.00	6/8/2023		

FINANCE:

1. Approve the following Finance Items for the 2022-2023 school year:

- a. approve the proposal from In-Line Conditioning Company to replace the two water cooled chillers with air cooled chillers at Linwood in the amount not to exceed \$1,093,000.00. Pricing per ESCNJ State approved co-op #65MCECCPS

11. PUBLIC SESSION on Any Matter: None

A motion was made by Mr. Wen and seconded by Dr. Patel to close the public portion of the meeting.

The results of the motion were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth

12. MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 PL.1975 permits the Exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and
WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presented exist;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the North Brunswick Township Board of Education that the public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

1. Personnel Matters
2. Negotiations

It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matter shall be made Public at such time as the need for non-disclosure no longer exists. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A motion was made by Mr. Brockman and seconded by Mr. Ali to go into closed session at 8:31 p.m.

The results of the motion were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth

13. OPEN SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Wen and seconded by Mr. Ali that the meeting be returned to open session at 9:08 p.m

The results of the motion were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth

14. A motion was made by Ms. Keefe and seconded by Ms. James to approve and ratify the MOU between the North Brunswick Township Board of Education and the North Brunswick Township Buildings/Grounds Managers Association for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years. Be it further resolved that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and Board Counsel to draft the contract for the

2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years and authorizes the Board President to execute the same.

The results of the motion on roll call were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth

15. ADJOURNMENT:

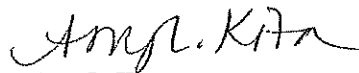
A motion was made by Mr. Brockman and seconded by Mr. Ali that the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

The results of the motion were:

Aye: Mr. Ali, Mr. Brockman, Mr. Carter, Ms. James, Ms. Keefe, Mr. Liguori, Dr. Patel, Mr. Wen.

Nay: None

Absent: Ms. Toth



Amy Kita, Assistant Superintendent