

## 07.24.18 | PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING STATE AID REDUCTION

### I CALL TO ORDER BY BOARD PRESIDENT

The Public Hearing of the Old Bridge Township Board of Education was held on July 24, 2018 and was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

### II STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE BY BOARD PRESIDENT

Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-10, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by advertising such notice in the Home News Tribune, The Asbury Park Press, the Board office, the schools, and on Cablevision Channel 118 and Verizon Fios Channel 24, and by filing such notice with the Township Clerk.

This meeting was scheduled for **Tuesday, July 24, 2018**. The Board will meet to discuss and officially act upon a plan to address the state aid reduction for the 2018-2019 school year budget.

### III STATEMENT REGARDING RECORDING OF MEETINGS BY BOARD SECRETARY

The Old Bridge Township Board of Education acknowledges that the law of this state establishes that members of the public, including members of the board, have the right to record public board meetings, using audio or video recording devices, provided that the act of recording does not interfere with the business of this public board meeting. Therefore, the board makes it known that any such recording is to be considered the private recording of the individual and in no manner represents the official record of this board. The Board, therefore, takes no responsibility for such private recording and completely disavows any future use.

### IV ROLL CALL BY BOARD SECRETARY

	Present	Absent
Cali, Jill	√	
DeCaro, Jill		√
DiPrima, Salvatore	√	
Dynof, Jeffrey		√
Lent, Lisa		√
Reed, Walter	√	
Singh, Balwinder	√	
Sulikowski, Matt	√	
Dunn, Richard	√	

Also Present:		
David Cittadino	Superintendent	√
Kathleen Hoeker, Ed.D.	Asst. Superintendent	√
Joseph J. Marra	SBA / Board Secretary	√
J. Scott Cascone, Ed.D.	Exec. Dir. of Academics	√
Rosanne Moran	Director of Technology	--
James Tuohy, Ed.D.	Exec. Dir. of Special Services	--
Anahita Keiller	Director of Arts & Cultures	√
Chris Parton	Board Counsel	√
C.J. Johnson	Asst. School Business Admin.	--

### V PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### VI PRESENTATION OF THE STATE AID NOTICE DATED JULY 13, 2018 REGARDING THE REDUCTION IN STATE AID FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,056,834.

### VII HEARING OF RESIDENTS (Agenda Items Only)

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the Board will set aside time during two sections of every public meeting for comments from the public. The first section will take place prior to the presentation of Agenda items for the Board's consideration and vote, and will be limited to comments on items listed for action tonight. The second section will take place immediately prior to the Good of the Order and Adjournment, and may include comments on any school district issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the school district.

The Board encourages questions, feedback and viewpoints. School Boards are strengthened by diversity of viewpoints to foster dialogue in a spirit of school-community partnership that builds effective policy and problem-solving.

The provisions of Board Bylaw 0167 shall be strictly enforced with regard to public comments:

- All public comments shall be directed to the Board President, who may refer issues to Administrators, Committee Chairs, or the Board's attorney;
- The total time for each participant shall be five (5) minutes, during which time a member of the public may speak on as many items as he or she chooses;
- No member of the public may "give their time" to another participant;
- Respectful disagreement is expected and respected. However, the Board President reserves the right to interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statements when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant to an item on the meeting's action agenda;
- The Board President also reserves the right to request an individual to leave the meeting, to enlist the assistance of law enforcement, and/or to call for a recess or adjournment of the meeting when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action.

### **BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

- Formal Board action requires a Motion, a Second, an opportunity for discussion, and a Board vote consistent with Board Bylaw 0165.
- Action items within Agenda categories will be Moved and Seconded as a group, and will generally be voted on as a group. However, after the Motion and Second, any Board member may request that an item be voted on separately, in which case the Board President and Board Secretary shall note such request, and a separate roll call vote will be held on the item or items.
- Board members are encouraged to express their opinions and to engage in respectful debate on all issues coming before the Board for action.
- The Board President reserves the right to close discussion. All Board members also reserve the right to call for the termination of debate when they believe that the discussion has become unproductive. A Motion to Call the Question (or "Previous Question") interrupts further debate, requires a Motion, a Second and a roll call vote of two-thirds of the full membership of the Board. If successful, the Motion terminates all further discussion of the item or items, and the matters shall proceed to a vote. If the Motion to Call the Question is unsuccessful, debate on the original matters resumes.
- Once all discussion of an item or group of items has been closed, Board members shall vote in favor of or against the item or items. Board members also reserve the right to abstain from a vote or to register "no vote." Abstentions and "no votes" shall be recorded but shall not be counted as votes in favor of or against the action item or items.
- Consistent with Robert's Rules of Order, all discussion must take place prior to the vote, and Board members may not vote "with comment."

**VIII 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR BUDGET**

I Motion to approve the following resolution:

**Use of Additional Unassigned General Fund Surplus - 2018-2019 SY Budget**

**W**hereas in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6a23a-13.3(b) and (c), the district has received NJDOE approval to transfer unassigned general fund surplus in the amount of \$1,056,834 to the 2018-2019 school year budget as a result of the revised state aid notice received on July 13, 2018 indicating that state aid for the 2018-2019 school year is reduced from the March 15, 2018 notification by \$1,056,834. The total budget remains unchanged.

**T**herefore, be it resolved that the Old Bridge Township Board of Education approves the transfer from unassigned general fund surplus an additional \$1,056,834 to the previously approved 2018/2019 School Year budget and adjust the associated schedules in the 2019-2020 budget:

Resolution to approve the Use of Additional Unassigned General Fund Surplus			
<b>Motion:</b>	<b>DIPRIMA</b>	<b>Second:</b>	<b>SINGH</b>
Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Abstain / Pass
Cali, Jill	√		
DeCaro, Jill			ABSENT
DiPrima, Salvatore	√		
Dynof, Jeffrey			ABSENT
Lent, Lisa			ABSENT
Reed, Walter	√		
Singh, Balwinder	√		
Sulikowski, Matt	√		
Dunn, Richard	√		
RESOLUTION PASSED:	6	0	



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### **HEARING OF RESIDENTS (Any school district issue)**

The meeting was open to the hearing of residents. That portion of the meeting was closed.

Upon motion duly made by Reed and seconded by Singh, the board unanimously voted to adjourn. (7:55 pm)

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph J. Marra  
School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

Certified as to legality only  
Chris Parton, Esq.