

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY

The workshop meeting of the Board of Education was held on Thursday, June 9, 2016 in the Summit High School Library/Media Center beginning at 7:00 PM. Those present: Mr. Dietze, presiding, Mr. Bonner, Ms. Chang, Mr. George, Mr. Hanley, Ms. McCann, and Ms. Primack.

Also present were Mr. Chang, Superintendent, Dr. Glazer, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Kachmar-Desonne, Director of Special Services, and Mr. Block, Director of Human Resources. There were 17 members of the public in the audience.

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION

The following notice was presented:

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mr. Hanley moved the following under Personnel:

- B. Approval to appoint Jennifer Ambrose, Director of Elementary Education, \$138,600, effective July 1, 2016

Motion was seconded by Mr. Dietze. The roll was called and all present voted "Aye." The motion was declared adopted.

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Dietze spoke about the following:

- Presentations to be made at the BOE Regular Meeting on June 15th
- Summit High School Girls' Lacrosse team won the first round of the TOC and will compete in the finals of the Tournament of Champions on June 11th
- Summit High School's production of *Mary Poppins* took home the coveted "Outstanding Overall Production" Award at the Paper Mill Playhouse Rising Stars Awards on June 7th
- Summit High School Class of 2016 Graduation on Thursday, June 23rd
- Lawton C. Johnsons Summit Middle School Graduation on Tuesday, June 21st

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Chang presented Jennifer Ambrose, Summit's new Director of Elementary Education. Mr. Chang then spoke about the following:

- Union County Student Recognition of Emily Donohue and Nicholas Ritter
- End of the year dates
- LCJSMS' TedX presentation and recognition of the teachers involved

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the

regular meeting on June 15, 2016.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Education Committee – Ms. McCann stated the committee met on June 2nd. Items discussed include: graduate research proposal; textbook adoptions; algebra resource pilot; PARCC participation
- B. Operations Committee – Mr. Hanley stated the committee met on June 1st. Items discussed include: overall budget and fund balances including use of the fund balance; healthcare claims; work on communicating the budget; high school assessment; update on middle school Greenhouse project and high school foods project; commended the business office for a job well done
- C. Policy Committee – Mr. George stated the committee met on June 2nd. Topics discussed include: no changes needed to policy for 1:1 initiative; homework policy
- D. Communications Committee – Ms. Chang stated the committee met on June 1st. Items discussed include: rankings video available on the district website; electronic registration system
- E. Negotiations Committee - No report
- F. Liaison Reports: Ms. Primack reported on the UCESC meeting she attended where she learned how other districts are using technology; Ms. McCann reported on the Mayor’s Forum on Diversity meeting where topics included Interfaith Council and events happening around the city; Dr. Glazer attended the Shaping Summit Together meeting where there was discussion about next year’s program; Dr. Glazer reported the S4A is having their end-of-the-year celebration on June 12th.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Anderson spoke to the board about his concerns regarding high school students parking on Cromwell Parkway and creating traffic problems. Mr. Chang responded.

Vice President Hanley asked a question about moving away from textbooks in light of the 1:1 initiative. Mr. Chang responded.

Mr. Chang and the board then discussed the parking situation.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

The items listed under Approval of Board Minutes on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on June 15, 2016.

SCHOOL BOARD OPERATION

The items listed under School Board Operation on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the

regular meeting on June 15, 2016.

PERSONNEL

The items listed under Personnel on the agenda were presented to the Board.

Ms. Primack moved approval of the following items under Personnel:

- A. Approval of the following job descriptions:
 - 1. Virtual Learning Coach
 - 2. English Language Learners Teacher

- N. Approval to appoint the following substitute teachers:
 - 1. Wipha Risser, \$100/day, effective June 16, 2016
 - 2. Hannah Farrell, \$100/day, effective June 10, 2016
 - 3. Melanie Carvalho, \$100/day, effective June 10, 2016
 - 4. Jacqueline Fusco, \$100/day, effective June 10, 2016

- X. Approval to appoint Mia Bivaletz, Confidential Secretary, BOE, \$64,000, effective June 13, 2016

- FF. Approval to appoint the following seasonal custodians:
 - 1. James Goldman, \$9.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016
 - 2. Matthew Hobson, \$9.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016
 - 3. Frank Evans, \$11.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016
 - 4. Alexander Crane, \$9.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016
 - 5. William Delaney, \$9.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016
 - 6. Matteo diMayorca, \$9.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016
 - 7. Brandon Johnston, \$9.00/hour, effective June 10, 2016

- GG. Approval for salary rates for the following seasonal custodians:
 - 1. Matthew Oristanio, \$11.00/hour, effective July 1, 2016
 - 2. Thomas Kane, \$10.00/hour, effective July 1, 2016
 - 3. William Huck, \$11.00/hour, effective July 1, 2016
 - 4. Michael Wills, \$11.00/hour, effective July 1, 2016
 - 5. Ian Bell, \$11.00/hour, effective July 1, 2016
 - 6. Matt D'Angelo, \$11.00/hour, effective July 1, 2016

Motion was seconded by Mr. Dietze. The roll was called and all present voted "Aye." The motion was declared adopted.

After discussion, there was consensus that the remaining items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on June 15, 2016.

POLICIES

Items listed under Policies on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on June 15, 2016.

FINANCE

Items listed under Finance on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on May 12, 2016.

CLOSED SESSION

At this time, Mr. Dietze stated that the Board would now go into executive session and asked that the appropriate resolution be presented. The following resolution was then presented:

A. That it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session on Thursday, June 9, 2016 to discuss:

1. Personnel – Director of Secondary Education

B. 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.

Motion by Mr. Dietze, seconded by Ms. Chang, and carried to Executive Session at 8:03 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 8:35 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hanley, seconded by Ms. McCann, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary