

**CALIFON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 20, 2011 7:30 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER – OPENING STATEMENT**

This meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. with the following opening statement read by President Galligan:

“I would like to announce and have placed in the minutes that adequate notice of this meeting of the Califon Board of Education has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Proper notice of this Regular Meeting was provided in the annual notice dated July 5, 2011. Said notice was posted at the office of the Califon School, mailed to the Hunterdon County Democrat, the Hunterdon Review and The Express Times. A copy of this notice has also been posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed with the Borough Clerk. The agenda of this meeting has been posted at the Califon School and on the district’s website.

**II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All present participate in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Members Present:                    Mr. Timothy Ayers  
   Mr. Alfred Turello  
   Mrs. Carolyn Murin  
   Ms. Kelly Galligan

Also Present:                         Dr. Kathleen Prystash, CSA  
   Susan Schaffner, SBA  
   Members of the Public

Absent:                                 Mr. Kim Schundler

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. A motion was made by Mrs. Murin and seconded by Mr. Ayers to approve the following minutes:

June 22, 2011 Work Session  
June 29, 2011 Regular Meeting  
June 29, 2011 Executive Session  
The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

June 22, 2011 Executive Session – tabled until after executive session

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**V. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Minutes from the June 6, 2011 Califon Council meeting
2. Email to/from John Santoro, President Tewksbury BOE

**VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

1. Allison Weisel Science teacher award. – Dr. Prystash read aloud a letter from the NJ Science Teacher Association commending Mrs. Allison Weisel. Mrs. Murin asked that his information be sent to the local newspaper.
2. Curriculum Work – Dr. Prystash described the reasons for curriculum updating. Mr. Ayers said it was the application of the concept that would come from the primary level.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**VIII. BOARD SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT – None**

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 (R.S. 10:4-13), permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or portion of a meeting of this public body in certain circumstances and

WHEREAS, the Board must consider, which is/are exempt from public discussion pursuant to the Act;

1. Matter which by express provision of law is rendered confidential
2. Release of information which would impair receipt of federal funds
3. Individual Privacy/ Student Matters
4. Collective Bargaining/Negotiations
5. Real estate matters
6. Disclosure could impair public safety
7. Pending/Anticipated Litigation
8. Terms and conditions of employment
9. Deliberations involving imposition of specific civil penalty.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session at 7:46 p.m. to discuss the above-mentioned matters to the exclusion

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of all others. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening. Resulting action may or may not be taken following re-entry into regular session.

**X. RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened into regular session at 8:39 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made Mr. Mrs Murin and seconded by Mr. Ayers to approve the following minutes:

June 22, 2011 Executive Session

The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Town Council Liason**

Mr. Ayers reviewed his attendance at the July 18<sup>th</sup> Califon Borough Council meeting.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Matters listed within the consent agenda (designated by \*) has been referred to members of the Board of Education and/or its standing committees, for reading and study and will be enacted with one motion. The Personnel items on the consent agenda are recommended by the Chief School Administrator. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the consent agenda by Board action.

A motion was made by Mrs. Murin and seconded by Mr. Turello to approve items A1-A7.

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

***A. Finance/Facilities/Transportation***

Ms. Schaffner discussed the additional state aid received by the District.

**June Bills List**



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Field Trips

- \*1. A motion was made by Mr. Turello and seconded by Mr. Ayers to approve the following field trips:

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Michael Fowlin	Brown	Enrichment 10/5/11	Cost to the Board
			\$126.00
Various	Brown	Enrichment see list	\$600.00

***C. Legislation and Policy***

- Policy book update

- \*1. A motion was made by Mrs. Murin and seconded by Mr. Ayers to approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies:

5131.6	Substance Abuse
9111	Qualifications and Requirements of Board Members – as amended.

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

***D. Board Ad Hoc Committees***

Long Range Planning Committee

Mrs. Murin discussed the talks with Tewksbury Board of Education.

***E. Personnel*** - All resolutions on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Mrs. Murin and seconded by Mr. Ayers to approve items B1-B3.

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

2010-11 Stipends

- \*1. Motion to approve the following stipends:

Mentor	L. Caprio	\$300.00
Dance Chaperone	L. Montesion	\$ 40.00

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2011-2012 Stipends

\*2 Motion to approve the following stipends:

Curriculum Writing	A. Wiesel	\$30.00/hour
Science	(not to exceed 40 hours)	

Curriculum Writing	R. Heuneman	\$30.00/hour
Math	(not to exceed 25 hours)	

\*3 Fifth Grade Teacher

Motion to appoint Leslie Weiss as fifth grade teacher from the period of September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 at an annual salary of \$54,841.00 (step 9, column BA30).

*F. Communications*

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

School Choice – Mrs. Murin asked if there was an update to the timeline for the round two submission. Dr. Prystash said no new date had been set.

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

Science Textbooks – Dr. Prystash said the 6, 7, 8 grade science textbooks had been received.

**XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mrs. Kathleen Anderson asked about the state aid recently received. Ms. Schaffner described the options. Mrs. Anderson also discussed a Borough property that had been renovated and may be used for the school as a field trip.

Mrs. Cathy Smith congratulated the school on an excellent showing on the Voorhees High School Honor Roll. She also asked Dr. Prystash about the number of 7<sup>th</sup> graders who tested into the High School Math Program. She congratulated the school and students.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Ayers and seconded by Mrs. Mruin to adjourn at 9:14 p.m.

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The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Schaffner  
Board Secretary