

**CALIFON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING Minutes
March 26, 2018**

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

This meeting is called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following opening statement read by Mr. Cantagallo:

“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 notice dated April 19, 2017. 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 participated in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

***III. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Mr. Jeffrey Dahl
 Mrs. Nina DeCoster
 Mr. Christopher Keiser
 Mr. Mark Cantagallo

Members absent: Dr. Jevan Furmanski

Also present: Mr. Jason Kornegay, Superintendent
 Ms. Karin Laraway, Interim Business Administrator
 Members of the public

***IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mrs. DeCoster, to approve the following minutes:

January 24, 2018 Regular meeting
February 21, 2018 Regular meeting

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

***V. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None at this time.**

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***VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

***1. Superintendent Update:**

Facilities: Mr. Kornegay thanked Mr. Weber for his efforts during the recent winter weather. The facilities held up well during this winter.

Personnel: The BOE will meet to discuss staffing for the 2018-19 school year. Employees will receive RICE notices.

Curriculum and Instruction: There are new requirements under QSAC but districts are waiting for additional guidance on implementation. Mrs. DeCoster asked if enrichment was for every child and Mr. Kornegay answered that enrichment is done as a whole group. Mr. Keiser questioned if the Science Fair was part of the Science Curriculum. Mr. Keiser stated that it appears that students have no interest in the Science fair and it becomes a burden. Mr. Kornegay stated that it is part of the curriculum and there is always room for revision to the curriculum.

Technology: Nothing to report

HIB Report: No incidents to report.

***VII. PUBLIC COMMENT (resolutions only; time limits: 20 min. total; 3 min. /person)**

At this time, comment is invited on any matter relating to the resolutions on tonight's agenda.

Anyone wishing to speak before the Board concerning these resolutions may do so during this public commentary portion of the agenda. The presenter shall give his/her name and address and make the presentation as brief as possible. Unless an extension of time is given, each speaker shall be limited to 3 minutes.

Speakers may offer suggestions or express their concerns. However, in public session, the Board will not discuss concerns about individual students or staff members. Other, more appropriate, channels are available for expressing concerns about individual students or staff members.

The Board President may terminate the remarks of any individual, when they do not adhere to the rules established above.

Mr. Weber stated that Mr. Belenguer also assisted during the winter snow storms. The BOE thanked Mr. Belenguer.

Mrs. Medea informed the BOE that the Califon team that participated in Destination

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Imagination placed third. The team from Voorhees High School placed second in their age group and there were four students from Califon on that team. The BOE thanked Mrs. Medea.

***VIII. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT** – None at this time.

***IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Curriculum & Instruction Committee: Has not met

Policy & Legislation Committee: Has not met

Finance, Facilities, & Transportation Committee: Met prior to the BOE meeting. The 2018-19 tentative budget does not include an increase in the general fund tax levy. The BOE will approve the tentative budget tonight.

Personnel Committee: Has not met

Negotiations Committee: Has not met due to the snow. The meeting will be rescheduled.

Long Range Planning, Shared Services, & School Choice Committee: Tewksbury is not interested in sharing services at this time due to the many changes in that district.

CONSENT AGENDA

Matters listed within the consent agenda designated by *(**including Board Secretary and Treasurer Report**) 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 Superintendent. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the consent agenda by Board action.

Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mrs. DeCoster, to discuss the consent agenda.

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In reference to the Health Report, Mrs. DeCoster asked whether sick time was tracked for faculty. Mr. Kornegay stated that it was.

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Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mr. Keiser, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

A. Finance/Facilities/Transportation/Personnel

Finance:

- *1. Motion to approve the travel resolution for the 2018-19 district budget.
- *2. Motion to adopt and approve submittal of the 2018-19 district budget to the Hunterdon County Executive Superintendent for approval.
- *3. Motion to approve the payment of invoices dated 2/22/18 to 3/27/18 in the amount of \$254,215.70
- *4. Motion to accept the following donations:

\$2265	Gloria Winter	Teacher grants for instruction
\$62.77	Shop Rite	Suessical Night

Facilities:

Transportation:

Personnel:

B. Curriculum and Instruction

Health Report

- *1. Motion to approve the attached Health Report for February 2018.
- *2. Motion to approve the following field trip:

a. Destination Imagination	3-24-18	8:00AM -9:00PM	\$334
b. Broadway trip-7 th grade	5-23-18	8:30AM-6:30PM	\$276
A Bronx Tale			

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*3. Motion to approve the following workshops:

I. Maginnis	Foreign Language Educator Conf Iselin, NJ	April 13, 2018	\$160
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*X. **OLD BUSINESS**

*XI. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was a discussion regarding the last snow day make-up. During June, the building gets very hot, and due to the fact that the school calendar has 181 student days, Mr. Kornegay recommended that the additional snow day not be made up and the calendar changed to 180 days.

Motion made By Mrs. DeCoster, seconded by Mr. Keiser, to change the 2017-18 school calendar from 181 days to 180 days.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

*XII. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (all school-related topics; time limits: 30 min. total; 3 min. /person)

At this time, comment is invited on any matter relating to the school district.

Anyone wishing to speak before the board may do so during the public commentary portion of the agenda. The presenter shall give his/her name and address and make the presentation as brief as possible. Unless an extension of time is given, each speaker shall be limited to 3 minutes.

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Mr. Weber asked the BOE to consider adding gutters to the building. Mr. Kornegay stated that this goes to the committee first.

Mr. Keiser asked if freshmen take the PSAT? Mr. Kornegay will reach out to a colleague about the PSAT.

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Mrs. DeCoster asked if PARCC was going away. Mr. Kornegay answered not this year. The Governor will be addressing this.

***XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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 (see check below), 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/Contract negotiation
- 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 8:18 p.m. to discuss the above-mentioned matters to the exclusion 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.

Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mrs. DeCoster, to adjourn to executive session.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

***XIV. RECONVENE**

Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mr. Dahl, to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the regular meeting. The time was 8:33 pm.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Cantagallo, to enter into a contract with Effective Education Solutions LLC for the purpose of conduct a limited purpose feasibility study on a send/receive relationship. The cost of the contract is \$5,350.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

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***XV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mr. Keiser, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 8:35 pm.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Laraway
Interim Business Administrator