

SOMERVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**51 West Cliff Street
Somerville, NJ 08876**

AGENDA

WORKSHOP/REGULAR MEETING

**District Conference Room
Tuesday, September 3, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

Mission Statement

Somerville Public Schools provide the highest quality education through an environment that promotes individual excellence for all students.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. PUBLIC NOTICE

Adequate Notice of this meeting in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," has been provided by action of the Board of Education on January 3, 2019. Notice has been provided to the two newspapers circulated in the school district and a posted notice to this effect on the Board of Education building bulletin board, Administrative Headquarters, 51 West Cliff Street, Somerville, New Jersey.

IV. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, comment is invited on any matter related to agenda items.

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VI. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Summer Programs

Mrs. Valentina Carleo, Curriculum Supervisor

Mrs. Alexandra Lauri, Curriculum Supervisor

District Highlights

Dr. Timothy Teehan, Superintendent of Schools

VIII. BOARD ITEMS

A. Finance

It is recommended that Items **1*through 3*** be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools

1* Joint Transportation Agreement

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following joint transportation agreement with Bridgewater-Raritan Board of Education for the 2019-2020 school year; Somerville Board of Education will be the host district:

Bridgewater-Raritan/Somerville MAPS	\$90.00 per diem
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2* Field Trips

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the enclosed request for field trips. (Attachment C-1)

3* Travel Expenditure Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the school district travel expenditures for the attached programs are in compliance with State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the Federal Office of Management and Budget; except as superseded by conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes and in compliance with the district policy on travel; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the listed

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number of school board members and district employees at the attached training and informational programs, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount. (Attachment C-2)

B. Student Activities

It is recommended that **Item 1*** be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools

1* Technology Student Association Club (TSA)

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the creation of a grant funded Technology Student Association Club (TSA) at Somerville High School to support the Career Technical Education (CTE) Program for the 2019-2020 school year.

IX. PERSONNEL

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RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve and/or accept the following appointment(s) upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools. (Appointment(s) and salaries contingent upon verified documentation.)

1. To approve an extension to the appointment of Sade Porter, a student at Rutgers School of Applied and Professional Psychology, to continue her practicum placement for the 2019-2020 school year at Somerville Middle School for the Spring semester to be supervised by Dr. Helena Sroczyński.
2. To approve the newly-created K-2 Multiple Disabilities Class at Van Derveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year.
3. To approve the newly-created position of Teacher of K-2 Multiple Disabilities Class at Van Derveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year.
4. To approve the creation of two (2) Full-Time Instructional Assistant positions for the K-2 MD class at Van Derveer School for the 2019-2020 school year.
5. To accept the resignation of Claudine O'Brien from the position of School Psychologist at Van Derveer School effective August 31, 2019.
6. To accept the resignation of Dawn James-Clark from the position of Cafeteria/Playground Aide at an Derveer School effective August 21, 2019.
7. To approve the appointment of Janice King to the position of Preschool

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Cafeteria/Playground Aide at Van Derveer School for the 2019-2020 school year at the rate of \$16.00 per hour.

8. To approve the appointment of the following individuals to the position of Cafeteria/Playground Aide at Van Derveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year at a rate of \$16.00 per hour:

Colleen Gadson
Maria Henriquez
Evelyn Johnson

9. To approve the appointment of the following individuals to the position of Cafeteria/Playground Aide at Van Derveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year at a rate of \$16.00 per hour:

<u>Aide</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Suzanne Salerno	Fajer Batarseth
Toni Kolupanowich	Carolyn Girvan
Danielle Zacek	Sunshine Munn
Maria Meyers	Dawn James-Clark
Nadine Dalesandro	

10. To approve the appointment of the following individuals to the position of Head Cafeteria/Playground Aide at VanDerveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year at a rate of \$16.25 per hour:

Jeanette Britt
Sharon Tremarco

11. To approve the appointment of the following individuals to the newly-created position of Cafeteria/Playground Aide at Somerville Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year at a rate of \$16.00 per hour:

Yakima Seamon
April Sabatino
Michelle Poli

12. To approve the appointment of Christina Quinn to the position of Part-Time Instructional Assistant at Somerville Middle School to fill a vacancy caused by a non-renewal effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 at a salary of \$18,504.00 (Step 1).

13. To approve the appointment of Janet Moody to the position of Part-Time Preschool Instructional Assistant (PM) at Van Derveer School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (Blanton) effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 at a salary of \$18,504.00 (Step 1).

14. To approve the appointment of Margaret O'Connell to the position of Part-Time Preschool Instructional Assistant (AM) at Van Derveer School to fill a vacancy caused by a transfer (Whigham) effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 at a salary of \$18,504.00 (Step 1).
15. To approve the appointment of Randi Venturini, Teacher of the Deaf, to provide ESY services for a Van Derveer Student at the rate of \$51.50 per hour not to exceed 15 hours.
16. To rescind the appointment of Brian Cofano from the position of Public Relations Office at Somerville Middle School effective August 23, 2019.
17. To approve the appointment of Dana Marrocco to the position of School Psychologist at Van Derveer Elementary School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (O'Brien), effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 at a salary of \$70,177.00 (MA+60 Step 7). (Attachment P-1)
18. To approve the appointment of Jennifer Ring to the position of Teacher of Special Education, instructional; certificate of Teacher of Student with Disabilities at Somerville Middle School to fill a vacancy caused by a non-renewal effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a salary of \$57,507.00 (BA Step 1). (Attachment (P-2))
19. To approve the appointment of Kathleen Kleinbeck to the leave replacement position of Teacher of Special Education/ELA, a non-tenured position) at Somerville Middle School to fill a vacancy caused by a maternity leave (Johnson) effective September 1, 2019 to November 26, 2019 at a salary of \$62,347.00 (MA Step 3) (prorated).
20. To approve the appointment of Kathleen Jaeger, a student at The College of New Jersey, to complete her student teaching placement at Van Derveer Elementary School from October 21, 2019 to December 13, 2019 being supervised by Ellen McNancy, Teacher at Van Derveer Elementary School.
21. To approve the appointment of Paige Agnello to the position of Anti-Bullying Specialist at Van Derveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year at no additional remuneration.
22. To approve the appointment of Dana Marrocco to the position of Alternate Anti-Bullying Specialist at Van Derveer Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year at no additional remuneration.
23. To approve the appointment of Nashwa Badway to the position of Alternate Anti-Bullying Specialist at Somerville Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year at no additional remuneration.

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24. To approve the appointment of Randy Johnson to the position of Public Relations Officer at Somerville Middle School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (Huntley) effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a salary of \$40,800.00.

9-12 and Districtwide

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- 25* To approve an extension to the appointment of Sade Porter, a student at Rutgers School of Applied and Professional Psychology, to continue her practicum placement for the 2019-2020 school year at Somerville High school for the Fall semester to be supervised by Dr. Danielle Zurawiecki.
- 26* To approve the appointment of the following list of individuals to the position of substitute teacher for the 2019-2020 school year at the approved substitute rate:
Tahera Ali
Megan Andrews
Jeffrey Carlson
Debra Colombo
Kim Muller
Alyssa Venezia
- 27* To approve the appointment of Andrew Flanagan, an instructional assistant at Somerville High School to complete thirty-one (31) hours of observation in Jessica Meyer's class at Van Derveer School, for his clinical practicum for his teaching certification.
- 28* To approve the appointment of Michael Canizaro to the leave replacement position of teacher of Social Studies at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a maternity leave (Greenfield) effective September 19, 2019 to February 26, 2020 at a salary of \$57,507.00 (BA Step 1) (prorated).
- 29* To approve the appointment of Falonda Brown to the position of Bus Aide districtwide effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a rate of \$13.50 per hour.
- 30* To approve the newly-created grant-funded position of Technology Student Association Advisor at Somerville High School for the 2019-2020 school year.
- 31* To rescind the appointment of the following staff members as Co-Advisor of the Green Dot Club at Somerville High School for the 2019-2020 school year:
Danielle Zurawiecki
Kathleen DeLuca
- 32* To approve the appointment of Kathleen DeLuca to the position of Green Dot Club Advisor at Somerville High School for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of

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\$1,774,69.

- 33* To approve the appointment of Ashley Joshi to the position of School Psychologist at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (Zurawiecki) effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a salary of \$69,027.00 (MA+45 Step 7). (Attachment P-3)
- 34* To approve the appointment of Ashley Joshi to the position of Anti-Bullying Specialist at Somerville High School for the 2019-2020 school year at no additional remuneration.
- 35* To approve the appointment of Danielle Zurawiecki to the position of Alternate Anti-Bullying Specialist at Somerville High School for the 2019-2020 school year at no additional remuneration.
- 36* To approve a paid medical leave for Stephen Stilianos, Teacher of Chemistry at Somerville High School September 1, 2019 to October 18, 2019.
- 37* To approve Kenny Cornell as a volunteer parking lot attendant at Somerville High School athletic fields.
- 38* To approve the appointment of Joseph Armenti to the leave replacement position of teacher of Chemistry at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a medical leave (Stilianos) effective September 1, 2019 to October 18, 2019 at a salary of \$87,707.00 (BA Step 15) (prorated).

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS AND NON AGENDA ITEMS

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

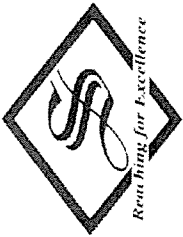
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XIII. ADJOURNMENT

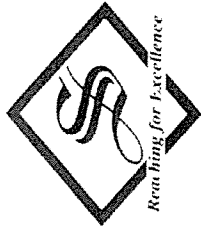


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Somerville Board of Education Approval of Field Trip Requests

Date Presented to the Board of Education: September 3, 2019 Date approved by the Board of Education: _____

Season/Year	School	Destination	Board of Education Cost if any
Spring, 2020	VDV	Prudential Center - Newark	None/Parents Driving
Fall, 2019	SHS	TCNJ - Ewing	Transportation



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Somerville Board of Education Approval of Travel Expenses

Date presented to the Board of Education: September 3, 2019

Date approved by the Board of Education: _____

Notes

- All reimbursable expenses listed below are in compliance with State travel payment guidelines established by the Department of Treasury and with guidelines established by the Federal Office of Management and Budget, unless noted otherwise.
- Any expenses, other than those listed under "Reimbursable Expenses" must be explained in the "Comments" columns

Travel Expenditures

	<u>Code</u>	<u>Member Category</u>	<u>Code</u>
Training and Seminars	1	Board Member	A
Conventions and Conferences	2	Teaching Staff Member	B
Regular School District Business	3	Support Staff Member	C
Retreats	4	Non-District Employee	D

Full Name	Type of Travel	Member Category	Location of Travel	Occurrences of Travel	Date(s) of Travel	Registration Fee(s)	Reimbursable Expenses							Description	
							Total Miles	Total Mileage Cost	Parking	Toll(s)	Lodging	Meal(s)	Other Expenses		
Agnello, Paige	1	B	Garden Hilton Inn - Trenton	1	9/27/2019	\$1,550.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Physical Restraint and Seclusion
DeLuca, Kathleen	1	B	Sanofi - Bridgewater	1	10/18/2019	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Strengthening Our Schools
Grossmith, Deborah	1	B	Rutgers University - Piscataway	1	9/12/2019	\$90.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Substance Use & Youth Current Trends, Warning Signs
Grossmith, Deborah	1	B	Rutgers University - Piscataway	1	10/3/2019	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Dialectical Behavior Therapy
Lauri, Alex	1	B	RVCC - Branchburg	1	9/19/2019	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NGSS Administrator's Workshop
Lauri, Alex	2	B	Princeton	2	10/22-23/2019	\$300.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NJ Science Convention
Milici, Nicholas	1	B	Seasons 52 - Menlo Park	1	9/17/2019	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Strengthening Our Schools
Stafford, Jennifer	2	B	AENJ Conference - Long Branch	2	10/5-7/2019	\$135.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	AENJ Fall Conference
Thompson, Christine	1	B	NJHA Conference Center - Princeton	1	9/25/2019	\$199.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Emotional Freedom Techniques
Zurawiecki, Danielle	1	B	Rutgers University - Piscataway	4	10/17-20/2019	\$595.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	EPPP Comprehensive Workshop
Zurawiecki, Danielle	1	B	FEA Conference - Monroe	1	11/20/2019	\$149.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	I&RS The Next Generation