

SOMERVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

AGENDA

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

District Conference Room

7:00 p.m.

Mission Statement

Somerville Schools provide the highest quality education through an environment that promotes individual excellence.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

IV. 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's Organization/Workshop/Regular Meeting of January 5, 2016. 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.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

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- meeting;*
- d. Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action; and*
 - e. Waive these rules when necessary for the protection of privacy or the efficient administration of the Board's business.*

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Technology Update

Ms. Melissa McEntee, Director of 21st Century Education

EVVRS Mid-Year Report

Dr. Timothy J. Purnell, Superintendent of Schools

District Highlights

Dr. Timothy J. Purnell, Superintendent of Schools

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

It is recommended that Items **1 through 8** be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools

1. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report
RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby acknowledges receipt of the monthly Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying unconfirmed report case #2015-16:2SMS-NC and a modification of the discipline consequences for the confirmed case #2015-16:1SHS.
2. Dental Health Presentation for Fourth and Fifth Grade students
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Dr. Robert Peterman, a local orthodontist, to present a dental health presentation to the fourth and fifth graders at Van Derveer School on Thursday, February 18, 2016 and Friday, February 19, 2016.
3. Donation to Somerville High School
RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$2,100.00 from *AirLiquide* for Somerville High School for the purpose of purchasing an incubator for the DNA Club.
4. Creation of Constructed Response Tasks for Portfolio Appeal
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the creation of a Constructed Response Task for Portfolio Appeal at Somerville High School for students who have not tested proficiently on an approved test to submit a Portfolio Appeal which will be created by Somerville High School teachers.

* (Branchburg Vote Eligible)

5. Change in Board of Education Meeting Date
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve a change of date for the July Board of Education meeting from July 12, 2016 to July 26, 2016.
6. Request from MAPS students
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve a request from two students in the MAPS Program, student #10570 and student #10571, to finish the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year due to the family relocating out of Somerville.
7. Field Trips
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the enclosed request for field trips. (Attachment NB-1)
8. 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 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 NB-2)

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 the appointment of Francine Pascal to the leave replacement position of secretary to the Van Derveer PS-2 Principal to fill a vacancy caused by a maternity leave (Alessio) effective February 15, 2016 to June 30, 2016 at a salary of \$52,444.00 (Step 3B) (prorated).
2. To approve the appointment of Ryan Zamorsky to the leave replacement position of teacher of Physical Education to fill a vacancy caused by a maternity leave (Ianella) effective February 5, 2016 to June 30, 2016 at a salary of \$54,026.00 (BA, Step 1) (prorated).
3. To approve the appointments of all staff members at Somerville Middle School to the
* (Branchburg Vote Eligible)

positions of crowd control monitor throughout the 2015-2016 school year for one staff member per game at the collective bargaining rate.

4. To approve the appointments of all staff members at Somerville Middle School to the positions of clock operator throughout the 2015-2016 school year for one staff member per game the collective bargaining rate.
5. To approve the appointment of Danielle Dorsey to the position of cafeteria/playground aide at Van Derveer School effective February 3, 2016 to June 30, 2016 at the rate of \$14.50 per hour.

9-12 and Districtwide

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.)

- 6* To approve a change in dates for Kathleen McCabe for a paid maternity leave effective January 22, 2016 to February 22, 2016 to January 11, 2016 to February 8, 2016 and an unpaid child care leave of absence in accordance with the New Jersey Family Leave Act effective February 23, 2016 to April 1, 2016 to February 9, 2016 to April 1, 2016.

- 7* To approve the following staff members to create constructed response task for students who have not tested proficiently on an approved tests at a rate of \$36.00 per hour not to exceed a cumulative total among all teachers of twelve hours for mathematics and eight hours for English:

<u>Mathematics</u>	<u>English</u>
Jeanine Dilling	Lisa Engel
Nicole Pierce	Barbara Reeves
Joseph Pugh	
Ruth Ann Scherr	

- 8* To approve the appointment of the following individual to the position of substitute teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at \$90.00 per diem:
Devin Smith

- 9* To approve the appointment of the following individual to the position of volunteer for the 2015-2016 school year:
Ralph Sena Color Guard

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

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XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED that the Board of Education move to recess into executive session to discuss student matters. The minutes of the executive session, to the extent permitted by law, will be made available to the public once the issues are resolved, subject to confidentiality requirements.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education move to return to public session.

XI. ADJOURNMENT