

SOMERVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Somerville Middle School Cafeteria

6:15 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 President on April 4, 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. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED that the Board of Education move to recess into executive session for a grievance hearing.. 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.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

When permitted, public participation shall be governed by the following rules under Bylaw 0167:

- 1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and any other group affiliation, if appropriate;*
- 2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes duration*
- 3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;*

4. *All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question board members individually.*
5. *The presiding officer may:*
 - a. *Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant;*
 - b. *Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;*
 - c. *Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the 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.*

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Somerville High School Highlights

Mr. Gerard Foley, Somerville High School Principal

HIB Policy Evaluation/Annual Reassessment

Mrs. Joanne Sung, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

District Highlights

Dr. Timothy J. Purnell, Superintendent of Schools

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

It is recommended that Items **1 through 4** 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 cases #2015-16:4SMS-NC; #2015-16:5SMS-NC and confirmed case #2015-16:10SHS.
2. Nonpublic School Security Aid
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the attached New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program Order Forms from Immaculate Conception School and Immaculata High School. (Attachment NB-1)
3. Field Trips
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the enclosed request for field trips. (Attachment NB-2)

* (Branchburg Vote Eligible)

4. 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-5)

X. **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 Lisa Burns to the position of cafeteria/playground aide at Van Derveer School effective April 13, 2016 to June 30, 2016 at the rate of \$14.50 per hour.
2. To approve the appointment of Fajer Batarsch to the position of cafeteria/playground aide at Van Derveer School effective April 13, 2016 to June 30, 2016 at the rate of \$14.50 per hour.
3. To approve the appointment of Sharon Schwarz to serve as a mentor to Karen Kucharski, Resource Room Teacher for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
4. To approve the appointment of Jill O’Leary to serve as mentor to Emily Holloway, Speech Teacher at Van Derveer School for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
5. To approve the following staff members for employment in the 2016 Summer Performing Arts Program that will run from July 5, 2016 to July 29, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays and from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Fridays at the stipend of \$6,790.00:
Stephen Loreti – Instrumental Music Teacher
John Floyd – Musical Theater Workshop Teacher
6. To approve the following students for employment in the 2016 Summer Performing Arts Program that will run from July 5, 2016 to July 29, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays and from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Fridays at the rate of

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\$8.38 per hour:

Joshua Clarkson – Instrumental Music Program
Jeremy San Jose – Instrumental Music Program
Ashlyn Jess – Musical Theater Workshop
Annabelle Madamba – Musical Theater Workshop

7. To approve a paid child care leave of absence for Jennifer Osborn, first grade teacher at Van Derveer School, effective September 6, 2016 to October 10, 2016 and an unpaid child care leave of absence in accordance with the New Jersey Family Leave Act effective October 11, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

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.)

- 8* To approve the appointment of the following staff members to administer the constructed response task for portfolio appeal to the students who have not tested proficiently on an approved test at the rate of \$36.00 per hour not to exceed four hours total:

Lisa Engel
Barbara Reeves

- 9* To approve the appointment of the following staff members to score World Language placement exams at a rate of \$36.00 per hour for the hours indicated:

Victoria Kessler	French	Up to 3 hours
Megan LaMarca	Spanish	Up to 5 hours

XI. 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.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT