# BRADLEY BEACH BOARD OF EDUCATION **515 Brinley Avenue**

# Bradley Beach, NJ 07720

#### **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

## **Reorganization Meeting January 5, 2022**

#### I. Call To Order

The annual Reorganization Meeting held by the Bradley Beach Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Franks at the school, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach, NJ.

#### II. Open Public Meetings Act

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been given to the designated newspapers, The Asbury Park Press and the Coast Star, and posted in the school in a place reserved for this kind of notice.

#### III. Roll Call and Flag Salute

Present: Mrs. Carlucci Ms. Flynn

> Ms. Caruso Walker Mrs. Merenda Ms. Shu Hofsess Ms. Davis Dr. Wisniewski, Superintendent/Principal

David Tonzola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Note: Ms. Devane, Dr. Franks, and Ms. Sacci were sworn in after the first roll call.

#### Approval of Meeting Minutes

Resolved: That the Board approve the Minutes of:

Confidential Executive Session (Second) – November 16, 2021

MOTION: Ms. Davis SECOND: Ms. Flynn VOTE: 9-0

#### IV. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Members

Mr. Tonzola administered the oath of office to Ms. Devane, Dr. Franks, and Ms. Sacci.

#### V. Roll Call

Mrs. Carlucci Mrs. Merenda Present:

> Ms. Caruso Walker Ms. Sacci

Ms. Davis Ms. Shu Hofsess

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Ms. Devane Dr. Franks

Ms. Flynn

Dr. Wisniewski, Superintendent/Principal

David Tonzola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

## VI. Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Report

(Mr. Tonzola) As President, pro-tem, stated that nominations were now in order for the position of President of the Bradley Beach Board of Education.

#### A. Nomination and Election of Board President

Resolved: I nominate as President of the Bradley Beach Board of Education:

1. Elizabeth Franks MOTION: Mrs. Carlucci

(Title 18A:15.1)

Resolved: That all nominations be closed and roll call vote be taken on the election of the Board

President.

MOTION: Mrs. Carlucci SECOND: Mrs. Merenda VOTE: 8-0-1

Dr. Franks abstained

Roll call vote results:

1. Nominee: Elizabeth Franks # Votes 8

<u>Dr. Elizabeth Franks</u> has received a majority of the votes and is hereby declared to be duly elected as President of Bradley Beach Board of Education.

Mr. Tonzola, as President, pro-tem, turned over the conduct of the remainder of the meeting to the duly elected President.

#### B. Nomination and Election of Board Vice President

Resolved: I nominate as Vice President of the Bradley Beach Board of Education:

1. <u>Bridget Devane</u> MOTION: <u>Ms. Flynn</u>

(Title 18A:15.1)

Resolved: That all nominations be closed and roll call vote be taken on the election of the Board

Vice President.

MOTION: Ms. Flynn SECOND: Ms. Caruso Walker VOTE: 8-0-1

Ms. Devane abstained

Roll call vote results:

1. Nominee: <u>Bridget Devane</u> # Votes <u>8</u>

Ms. Bridget Devane has received a majority of the votes and is hereby declared to be duly elected as Vice President of Bradley Beach Board of Education.

## C. <u>Designation of Advertising Media</u>

Resolved: That the following resolution is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, The Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975) N.J.S.A. 10:4.6 et seq. requires that certain notice of meetings be submitted to two newspapers, one of which shall be the official newspaper, and

WHEREAS, The second newspaper designated by this Board must be one which has the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Board of Education of such meetings, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. *The Asbury Park Press* is hereby designated as the official newspaper to receive all notices of meetings.
- 2. Either *The Coast Star* or *The New Coaster* is hereby designated as the second newspaper having the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the jurisdictional area of the Board of Education of notice of meetings designated to receive all notices of meetings as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.
- 3. *The Asbury Park Press, The Coast Star* and/or *The New Coaster* are hereby designated as the newspapers for legal advertisements.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION: Ms. Sacci SECOND: Ms. Caruso Walker VOTE: 9-0

#### D. Designation of Board Meeting Nights

Resolved: That the following resolution is hereby adopted:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Borough of Bradley Beach, in accordance with the Schedule of Meetings, shall hold its Workshop/Regular Meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, except as noted and during holiday periods.

Formal action will be taken at all meetings.

All meetings will commence at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the Bradley Beach Elementary School, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach, N. J.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, Annual Notice of said Workshop/Regular Meetings be given in the form as required by said Open Public Meetings Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Notice of the Board's Workshop/Regular Meetings Schedule be posted publicly on the bulletin board at the Bradley Beach Elementary School, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, and said notice be sent to *The Asbury Park Press* and the Clerk of the Borough of Bradley Beach within seven days of the date of this resolution.

(Schedule of Board Meetings 2022-Attachment VI-D)

<u>Discussion Item</u>: Mr. Tonzola discussed with the Board the upcoming meeting dates. Mr. Tonzola reminded the Board of the regular January board meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

MOTION: Ms. Sacci SECOND: Ms. Caruso Walker VOTE: 9-0

E. Approval of New Jersey School Boards Association "Code of Ethics"

Resolved: That the New Jersey School Boards Association "Code of Ethics" shall be considered the official Code of Ethics of the Bradley Beach Board of Education:

#### **CODE OF ETHICS**

- 1. I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes should be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- 2. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools which meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.
- 3. I will confine my Board action to policy-making, planning, and appraisal and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the Board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- 4. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but together with my fellow Board Members, to see that they are well run.
- 5. I will recognize that authority rests with the Board of Education and will make no personal promises, nor take any private action, which may compromise the Board.
- 6. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan, political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- 7. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. But in all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow Board Members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.

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- 8. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- 9. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- 10. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on such complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

<u>Discussion Item</u>: Mr. Tonzola reminded the board members to please review the New Jersey School Board's Code of Ethics PowerPoint and to please sign the memo indicating that they reviewed the code of ethics, and return it back to the Board Office.

MOTION: Ms. Sacci SECOND: Ms. Caruso Walker VOTE: 9-0

## F. Approval of Code of Ethics Training

Resolved: That the Board of Education Members receive the required Code of Ethics PowerPoint

Training as required under N.J.A.C. 6:3-1.3 and N.J.A.C.6A:30 and that signatures from

each Board Member be obtained by the Board Secretary. (Attachment VI-F)

MOTION: Ms. Sacci SECOND: Ms. Caruso Walker VOTE: 9-0

#### VII. Superintendent's Report

Before Dr. Wisniewski reviewed his agenda items, he wanted to wish everyone a Happy New Year and congratulated all the newly elected board members. Dr. Wisniewski then reviewed the agenda's personnel item. A brief board dialogue followed regarding the transition of the speech therapist from a 4/5ths position to a full time position.

#### A. Personnel

1. Resolved: That the Board approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, increasing Speech and Language enrollment and increased budgetary funds through Federal Grants have made necessary an increase in operating costs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Bradley Beach Board of Education that the District table of organization be and herewith is amended and revised by the following increase in number of positions and job titles:

Speech and Language Specialist from 4/5<sup>th</sup> position to Full Time

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the employment of the following employee be and herewith is increased pursuant to the above-described increase:

Julie Ferwerda

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent of Schools is herewith authorized to give notice to the above-named employee of the increase of their position and to provide such employee with notice and such other benefits as are required by statutory, regulatory and contractual provisions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Bradley Beach Board of Education that the provisions of this Resolution be and herewith are effective January 1, 2022.

Note: \$14,895 will be funded with CRRSA-ESSER III account code 20-487-200-104-00, 20% of total salary

MOTION: Ms. Devane SECOND: Ms. Davis VOTE: 9-0

VIII. Old Business – None

### IX. New Business

Mrs. Carlucci stated that this will be her last year on the Board and that the board members should begin to think about filling a new three year position for next year. Moreover, Mrs. Carlucci expressed that she was extremely grateful that the Board now has a seat on the Neptune Township Board of Education. Mrs. Carlucci stated that it is important to know that Bradley Beach residents have a voice concerning the students attending Neptune Township High School.

- X. <u>Committee Reports</u> None
- XI. <u>President's Report</u> None
- XII. Public Comments (Agenda Items Only) None
- XIII. Public Comments None
- XIV. Executive Session (if required) None
- XV. Adjournment

By a unanimous voice vote the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Tonzola Business Administrator/Board Secretary