

**MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**JANUARY 28, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Finance Committee of the Whole meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Oves on Wednesday, January 28, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Ocean City High School Community Room, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Vice President Oves announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel and the Atlantic City Press.

Vice President Oves led everyone present in a salute to the flag.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

On roll call, members present were Jon Batastini, H. James Bauer, Kristie Chisholm, William Holmes, Michael James, Jacqueline McAllister, Fran Newman, Thomas R. Oves, Jr., and Gregory Whelan. Also present were Kathleen Taylor, Ed.D., Superintendent, Mark A. Ritter, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Michael Stanton, Esquire, Carl Tripician from Longport and Daniel Tumolo from Sea Isle City. Members absent were Raymond Clark, Cecilia Gallelli-Keyes and Joseph S. Clark, Jr. There were members of the public present.

Vice President Oves opened the meeting.

Mr. Ritter presented the following Agenda items:

1. Agenda Items:

a. 2015-16 Budget Discussion

Mr. Ritter made a PowerPoint presentation detailing changes in certain areas of the proposed 2015-16 budget and answered questions from Board members on his presentation.

b. Bid Results – Primary School Renovations

Mr. Ritter reviewed the results of the bid opening held on January 23, 2015 for the Ocean City Primary School Renovations project. He noted that the New Jersey Department of Education School Facilities had previously determined that some of the projects were ineligible for state funding. He explained that the bid results were higher than had been anticipated because of the volume of projects that are being advanced throughout the State. Therefore, the Board is unable to accept the bid for all alternates included in the bid and the recommendation is to accept just the base bid and alternates M2 and M3. He also noted that each part being accepted is part of the eligible costs approved by the DOE, making submission of the SDA reimbursement documentation easier.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments.

Motion by Mrs. McAlister, seconded by Mr. Bauer and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mark A. Ritter  
Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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