

**MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING**  
**HELD JANUARY 2, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Reorganization/Regular meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by Business Administrator/Board Secretary Timothy E. Kelley on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ocean City High School Auditorium, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mr. Kelley announced that adequate notice of this Reorganization/Regular 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 Press of Atlantic City.

Mr. Kelley led everyone present in a salute to the flag.

**ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

Mr. Kelley administered the Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Members H. James Bauer, Jacqueline McAlister and Suzanne A. Morgan for three-year terms.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

On roll call, members present were H. James Bauer, Dale Braun, Joseph S. Clark, Jr., Cecilia Gallelli-Keyes, Michael James, Jacqueline McAlister, Suzanne Morgan, Fran Newman, Andrea Olenik-Hipkins, J. Tiffany Prettyman, William Sooy and Gregory Whelan. Also present were Kathleen Taylor, Ed.D., Superintendent, Timothy E. Kelley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Michael Stanton, Esquire, and Daniel Tumolo from Sea Isle City. There were 95 members of the public present.

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF PRESIDENT**

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Bauer, to nominate Joseph S. Clark, Jr. for the position of Board President.

There were no further nominations.

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes to close the nominations.

*Motion carried by roll call vote, with a vote of nay by Mrs. Newman and Mr. Sooy, for Mr. Clark to serve as Board President.*

Mr. Clark took the chair and presided for the remainder of the meeting.

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT**

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Bauer, to nominate Jacqueline McAlister for the position of Board Vice President.

There were no further nominations.

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes to close the nominations.

*Motion carried by roll call vote, with a vote of nay by Mrs. Newman and Mr. Sooy, for Mrs. McAlister to serve as board Vice President.*

## **TERMS OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Dale F. Braun, Jr.	Term Expires in 2020
J. Tiffany Prettyman	Term Expires in 2020
Gregory Whelan	Term Expires in 2020
Joseph S. Clark, Jr.	Term Expires in 2021
Cecelia Gallelli-Keyes	Term Expires in 2021
Michael A. James	Term Expires in 2021
H. James Bauer	Term Expires in 2022
Jacqueline McAlister	Term Expires in 2022
Suzanne A. Morgan	Term Expires in 2022

## **OFFICIAL REPORT OF RESULTS OF NOVEMBER 6, 2018 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

<u>Board Members/Three 3-Year Terms</u>	<u>Number of Votes</u>
H. James Bauer*	3,221
Suzanne A. Morgan*	3,180
Jacqueline McAlister*	3,171

\*Successful candidates

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Vince Leavey, Athletic Director, presented fall athletic achievements to the Board of Education.

## **REORGANIZATION AGENDA**

*Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Braun, and carried unanimously by roll call vote, the Board of Education approved the following recommendations.*

1. Renewal of Code of Ethics (Attachment #I.1)

The Board approves the “Code of Ethics for School Board Members” and each Board member shall complete and return the “Acknowledgement of Receipt, Code of Ethics for School Board Members” to the Business Office no later than January 16, 2019.

2. Time and Place of Board of Education Meetings (Attachment #I.2)

The Board approves the following Board Meeting dates for January 30, 2019, through January 8, 2020, to be held in the Ocean City High School Community Room starting at 7:00 p.m., except as noted below:

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 (Regular Meeting/Public Hearing)

Wednesday, May 22, 2019 (Will be held in the Ocean City High School Auditorium)

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 (Reorganization/Regular Meeting and will be held in the Ocean City High School Auditorium)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Mr. Victor Staniec, Ocean City, asked to confirm the date of the public budget hearing. The public budget hearing will be held on May 1, 2019.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Based on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following resolutions are presented for formal approval by the Board of Education.

*Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Braun, and carried unanimously by roll call vote, the Board of Education approved the following Superintendent’s recommendations.*

**1. Personnel** (All motions are upon Superintendent’s recommendation),

A. Resignation – District Supportive Staff

The Board accepts the resignation of Erika Himstedt, District nurse’s aide, effective as of January 7, 2019.

B. New Hire – District Supportive Staff

The Board approves Cheryl Cantwell, District nurse’s aide, effective January 7, 2019, through June 30, 2019, at a salary of \$33,494 (prorated), step 1.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Braun, and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution to go into Executive Session.

President Clark stated: WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances,

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private sessions; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ocean City Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving: Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically: Personnel Matter and Matters involving anticipated or pending litigation, including matters of attorney-client privilege, and specifically: Special Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

**RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION**

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Braun, and carried unanimously to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:38 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Braun, and carried unanimously by roll call vote to terminate the employment of employee #4562.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Mrs. McAlister thanked the Board for electing her Vice-President.

**BOARD PRESIDENT COMMENTS**

President Clark thanked the Board for their continued support and electing him to serve as Board President.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Braun, and carried unanimously by roll call vote, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Timothy E. Kelley  
Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary

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