Bass River Elementary School

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING AGENDA
February 9, 2021
Municipal Building
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
6:30 PM Executive Session
7:00 PM Regular Session

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education meet in closed session to discuss matters as listed below. Items(s) so discussed will be disclosed to the public providing it does not violate New Jersey statutes and regulations regarding disclosure of Information affecting this matter.

A. Real Property Update

4. RECOGNITION

"This is to advise those present at this meeting of the Board of Education of the Bass River School District, in the County of Burlington, that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act. The notice has been posted in the Board of Education Office. The notice was also mailed to the Press of Atlantic City and filed with the Municipal Clerk of Bass River Township."

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. January 5, 2021 Reorganization Meeting
- b. January 5, 2021 Executive Meeting

8. ELECTION RESULTS

The annual Election of the Bass River Board of Education was held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Carol Bitzberger was elected to a three-year term.

Board Members	Term Expires
Bonnie Adams	2022
Carol Bitzberger	2023
Kevin Foder	2022
Jacqueline Heinrichs	2021

Robert Schmidt	2021

9. NEW BOARD MEMBERS OATH

Mr. Brown will administer the oath of office to elected board member; Mrs.Carol Bitzberger. (Attachment #1)

10. CODE OF ETHICS

Motion to approve the following resolution:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BASS RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION to adopt the following 18A:12-24.1 Code of Ethics for School Board Members as listed a through j:

- a. 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.
- b. 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.
- c. 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
- d. 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.
- e. 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.
- f. 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.
- g. 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.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. 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.

11. RESIDENT'S FORUM - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to comment. Each statement made by a participant is limited to three minutes as cited in Policy No. 0167. The public may comment on any item on the agenda at this time. General public comment will occur later in the meeting.

12. BOARD WORK SESSION

- Budget Committee Volunteer
- Regionalization Update

13. NEW BUSINESS

- Remembering Ms. Hubbs
- Public Information Session Date

14. PRESENTATION

• 2019-2020 Audit Presentation by Holman, Frenia, Allison, PC

15. DISPOSAL OF TEXTBOOKS

Motion to approve the disposal or donation of obsolete textbooks. (Attachment #2)

16. EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP PURCHASES

Motion to approve the following purchases as per the attached. (Attachment #3)

17. UPDATED BOARD MEETING DATES

Motion to accept the revised monthly meeting dates as follows:

Original Date	Revised Date
April 20, 2021	April 27, 2021

18. FINANCE

Motion to approve the following finance items as listed a through f:

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve all bills and claims for February 9, 2021 in the amount of \$ 22,787.08 which have been examined by a member of the board and are presented for approval. (Attachment #4)
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve all Line Item Transfers and Adjustments as per attachments. (Attachment #5)
- c. *RESOLVED* that the Board of Education approve the December Board Secretary's Monthly Certification: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, that as of December 2020, no major budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Bass River Township Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.2, and no budgetary line item has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (a)1. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c)2, it is certified that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts and sources for the month of December 2020. (Attachment #6)

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Board Secretary	Date

- d. *RESOLVED* that the Board of Education approve the Board of Education's Monthly Certification: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c)4, the Bass River Township Board of Education certifies that as of December 2020, and after review of the secretary's monthly financial report appropriations section as presented, and upon consultation with appropriate district officials, that to the best of the Board's knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a)1, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- e. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the Treasurer's report and the Board Secretary's report which are in agreement for the period ending December 2020. (Attachment #7)

f. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the annual audit reports (AMR/CAFR) as presented. There are no audit recommendations at this time; therefore no corrective action plan is required at this time. (CAFR-Attachment #8, AMR-Attachment #8a)

19. PUBLIC COMMENT

The floor is now open to members of the public. The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express with each statement made by a participant limited to three minutes as cited in Policy No. 0167.

20. BOARD FORUM

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION #2 (IF NEEDED)

Regular Meeting - March 16, 2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education meet in closed session to discuss matters as listed below. Items(s) so discussed will be disclosed to the public providing it does not violate New Jersey statutes and regulations regarding disclosure of Information affecting this matter.

22	. ADJOURNMENT
	BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BASS RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION to adjourn at
	pm
	MEETING SCHEDULE