

***Fairfield Township Public School
Board of Education
Reorganization Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2017
Fairfield Township School
Media Center at 7:00 P.M.***

Board of Education

Ms. Michelle Kennedy
President
Ms. Alta Lloyd
Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Butler
Ms. Mattie Gibbons-Peterson
Mr. Darlington Henry, Jr.
Mr. Mark Henry, Sr.
Ms. Marge Neild
Ms. Treemanisha Stewart
Ms. Robin Winrow

Administration

Dr. James Ruffin
Interim Superintendent

Ms. Janecia Smith
School Business Administrator

Mr. Frank DiDomenico
Solicitor

Fairfield Township Board of Education
375 Gouldtown Woodruff Road
Bridgeton, NJ 08302
Reorganization Agenda Minutes
7:00 pm, January 5, 2017

I.

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Smith read the Public Meeting Announcement - Opening Meeting Statement for Public Meeting“ This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the Minutes that in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," the Fairfield Board of Education on January 7, 2016 caused to be posted at the Office of the Board of Education located at 375 Gouldtown-Woodruff Road, Bridgeton, New Jersey; sent to the SJ Times and Daily Journal; and faxed to the Office of the Municipal Clerk of Fairfield Township, and posted at the Post Office and Fairfield Township School, a meeting notice setting forth the time, date and location of this meeting.”

B. Flag Salute

Ms. Smith led the Flag salute

II. Reorganization Items:

A. Motion was made by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Lloyd to accept the results of the official report of Presentation of the report of proceedings of November 8, 2016 annual school election as follows:

1. For 3, 3 Year Term Expiring December 31, 2019:

<u>Mattie Gibbons Peterson</u>	812	amount of votes
<u>Mark Henry Sr.</u>	787	amount of votes
<u>Marge Broglin Neild</u>	696	amount of votes

Motion carried.

Roll call vote was 4-0-2
Ms. Peterson abstained, Ms. Neild
abstained

B. Ms. Smith administered the oath of office to Ms. Mattie Peterson, and Ms. Marge Neild

C. The board congratulated Ms. Neild and Ms. Peterson on their reelection

Roll Call

D. Members present at roll call: Ms. Mattie Gibbons-Peterson, Ms. Marge Neild, Ms. Treemanisha Stewart, Ms. Robin Winrow, Ms. Alta Lloyd, and Ms. Michelle Kennedy. Also present: Interim Superintendent Dr. James Ruffin, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Ms. Janecia Smith.

Ms. Ruth Butler, Mr. Darlington Henry and Mr. Mark Henry were absent.
Ms. Marge Neild had emergency and left at 7:15 p.m.

E. Election of President of the Board of Education

Motion to open the Nominations for President of the Fairfield Township Board of Education:

1. Motion was made by Ms. Neild and seconded by Ms. Gibbons-Peterson to open nominations for President of the Board of Education.

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2. Ms. Peterson nominated Ms. Michelle Kennedy as president of the Fairfield Township Board of Education there were no other nominees

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 6-0-0

Motion to close Nominations for President of the Board of Education:

3. Motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Ms. Winrow to close nominations for President of the Board of Education.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 6-0-0

The roll call vote yields Board Member Ms. Michelle Kennedy for President of the Fairfield Township Board of Education until the 2018 Reorganization Meeting.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 6-0-0

Congratulations.....Ms. Kennedy

Ms. Smith yields the meeting to Board President Ms. Michelle Kennedy

F. Election of Vice President of the Board of Education

G. Motion to open Nominations for Vice-President of the Fairfield Township Board of Education:

1. Motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Ms. Neild to open nominations for President of the Board of Education.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 6-0-0

Ms. Mattie Gibbons-Peterson was nominated by Ms. Stewart and seconded by Ms. Winrow

Roll call vote was 3-3-0

Ms. Gibbons-Peterson, Ms. Stewart, and Ms. Kennedy voted yes.
Ms. Neild, Ms. Lloyd and Ms. Winrow voted no

Ms. Alta Lloyd was nominated by Ms. Neild and seconded by Ms. Winrow

Roll call vote was 4-2-0
Ms. Neild, Ms. Winrow, Ms. Lloyd, Ms. Kennedy voted yes.
Ms. Peterson and Ms. Stewart voted no

H. Motion to close Nominations for Vice-President of the Board of Education:

Motion was made by Ms. Neild and seconded by Ms. Winrow to close nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education:

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 6-0-0

Board Member Ms. Alta Lloyd received the majority of votes_ for Vice-President of the Fairfield Township Board of Education until the 2018 Reorganization Meeting.

Congratulations..... Ms. Lloyd

I. Establishment of Regular Meetings and Determination of Meeting Dates

Motion for the board to accept the resolution below:

Be it RESOLVED that the Fairfield Township Board of Education, pursuant to Chapter 231, PAL. (Open Public Meetings Act) does hereby proclaim the public meetings of the Board of Education will be held in the Fairfield Township School Cafeteria, 375 Gouldtown-Woodruff Road Bridgeton, NJ 08302, at 7 p.m., as set forth below unless indicated otherwise:

Regular Meeting Date	(Start Time 7:00 PM)
January 12, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
February 9, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
March 9, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
April 13, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
May 11, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
June 8, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
July 13, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
August 10, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
September 14, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
October 12, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
November 9, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
December 14, 2017	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria
*January 4 st , 2018 (Thursday)	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria (Reorganization)
*January 4 st , 2018 (Thursday)	Fairfield Township School Cafeteria (Regular meeting to follow Reorganization meeting)

Meeting dates set for **Second Thursday of each month**, except as noted by *.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

Ms. Neild (emergency) exited at 7:15pm

J. Presentation of NJSBA Ethics Training

Acknowledgement of receipt as to reading and familiarity with the Code of Ethics, and of Adoption of NJSBA Code of Ethics.

Motion was made by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson to adopt NJSBA Code of Ethics with reading and discussion per N.J.S.A.18A:12-21 et seq.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

K. Reaffirm all assets, obligations and contractual agreements.

Motion by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson that the board reaffirms all **assets, obligations and contractual agreements** of the previous Board of Education as required by law.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

L. Board Policies/Regulations

Motion by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the board to approve the following item:

The adoption of all existing Board Policies and Regulations.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

M. FTBOE District Representative to Transportation Jointure

Motion by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the board to accept the resolution below:

“Be it **RESOLVED**, that the Fairfield Township Board of Education appoint, Alta Lloyd, as the district’s voting representative to the **Upper Deerfield Township Jointure for Pupil Transportation**”

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

N. Interim Superintendent of Schools/ Ex-Officio

Motion by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the board to approve the Interim Superintendent of Schools, as an ex-officio voting member in the absence of the annually appointed Board representative until next year’s reorganization meeting. (UDTBOE JPT Adopted By-Laws, Article V, Section 4)

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

O. Appointment of Delegates- TABLED

Cumberland County School Boards Association
Delegate:

New Jersey School Boards Association

Assembly:

Alternate:

Education Cooperative

Delegate:

P. Appointment of Committees & Chairs

Finance Committee

Chair:

Member:

Member:

Facilities and Future Planning Committee

Chair:

Member:

Member:

Curriculum and Student Life Committee

Chair:

Member:

Member:

Personnel/ Policy Committee

Chair:

Member:

Member:

Negotiations Committee

Chair:

Member:

Member:

Liaison to Township Committee

Chair:

Member:

Member:

Motion was made by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson to close the reorganization meeting.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

THE BOARD WILL NOW CONDUCT THE REGULAR MEETING

**A. Presentation on June 30, 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR):
by school auditor Ray Colavita, CPA**

B. June 30, 2016 CAFR (Synopsis included as Attachment IF1)

Motion was made by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the Board to approve the 2015-2016 Audit report as read and discussed.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

C. Corrective Action Plan for the 2015-2016 Audit- (Attachment IG1)

Motion was made by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Lloyd for the Board to approve the 2015-2016 Corrective Action Plan.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

D. Motion to Approve upon First Reading the following policies:
(Attachment VI please note highlighted area of change)

Motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Ms. Winrow for the Board to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Policy Revision Committee of the Fairfield Township Board of Education, I move that the Fairfield Township Board of Education approve upon this first reading, the following policies. I further move that these policies shall supersede and replace all previously adopted policies of the Fairfield Township Board of Education upon adoption following the final reading, noting that these policies, as presented here, makes up the entirety of these policies and that any other policies formerly in force shall become null and void upon final adoption. I further move that these revised policies not be considered in force until final adoption.

i. Student Dress Code Policy #5132 page 1 of 4 –

In addition the following general dress code regulations apply:

Number (5) No coats, jackets, or other outerwear, including sweatshirts or hooded sweatshirts, may be worn indoors with the exception of school logo and or name.

Number (6) No decorations, logos or writing allowed on the outside of the uniform. Polo style shirts, long/short sleeve tee-shirts, and crew/zip/hooded sweat shirts with the school logo may also be worn.

ii. Student Dress Code Policy #5132 page 2 of 4 – **Shirts & Tops**

- Long or short sleeve polo style shirt with a collar (Must not be tight, form-fitting or oversized no tee-shirts with the exception of school logo and or name.)
- A royal blue, black or navy blue cardigan (without hoods) may be worn in addition to a polo shirt with the exception of school logo and or name;
- No tops containing logos, writing or other illustrations may be worn, with the exception of the Fairfield Township School logos and /or name which include long/short sleeve tee-shirts and crew/zip/hooded sweat shirts.

Motion carried. Roll call vote was 5-0-0

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Ms. Winrow and seconded by Ms. Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.