

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
POMPTON LAKES, NEW JERSEY  
CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – BOARD OFFICE – 7:30 P.M.**

**ROUTINE MATTERS**

- 1. Call to Order –Mr. Tom Salus, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.**
- 2. Flag Salute-Mr. Salus led the flag salute and read the following notice:**

In accordance with the “New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law,” notice of this meeting, having the date, time and place, was posted at the Board of Education Office. A list of the following meeting dates was sent to the newspapers on April 7, 2016.

**2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR**

<b>Conference Meetings</b>	<b>Regular Meetings</b>
	July 12, 2016
	August 23, 2016
September 6, 2016	September 13, 2016
October 4, 2016	October 18, 2016
	November 1, 2016
December 6, 2016	December 13, 2016
January 3, 2017 Reorganization Meeting	January 10, 2017
February 7, 2017	February 14, 2017
March 7, 2017	March 14, 2017
April 4, 2017	April 18, 2017
May 2, 2017	May 9, 2017
June 6, 2017	June 13, 2017

**4. Roll Call – the following members were present:**

Mr. Robert Cruz-arrived at 7:35 pm  
Mrs. Traci Cioppa  
Mrs. Eileen Horn  
Ms. Kelly Norris-Riverdale Representative  
Mr. Carl P. Padula  
Mr. Karl Roman  
Mr. Tom Salus  
Mrs. Stephanie Shaw  
Mrs. Nancy Schwartz  
Mr. Tim Troast

**ROUTINE MATTERS, cont'd.**

Dr. Paul Amoroso, Superintendent of Schools and Ms. Renee Taveniere, Business Administrator/Board Secretary were also present as well as three administrators, three teaching staff members, seven middle grade students, two council representatives, and five members of the public.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. Paul Amoroso stated he received a thank you letter from Operation Shoe Box thanking the district for the letters and packages sent by our students. Dr. Amoroso was notified that one of the district's elementary student's poster was selected a winner for the annual Passaic County Poster contest. Dr. Amoroso reminded the Board and members of the public that the Fine Arts Night will be held February 8, 2017 at the high school starting at 7:00 pm. Dr. Amoroso congratulated the members of the PLHS fencing, bowling, and wrestling teams for their recent victories.

Dr. Amoroso gave his formal six month HIB report. Four investigations were reported between July 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016 (two at PLHS, two at Lakeside MS) and that one of the four investigations was confirmed as HIB. The district's annual HIB self-assessment score was received from the State, and the District received an overall score of 73 (on a scale of 0-78). The district's individual schools scored well above State average (69 PLHS, 73 Lakeside Middle School, and 74 for both Lincoln and Lenox Elementary schools).

**6. PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD**  
**(C-1) CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

Mr. Jake Herninko, Lakeside Middle School principal, along with members of his administrative and teaching staff, gave their Annual Lakeside Middle School Academic Program update. Mr. Tanner Wilson, middle school technology teacher highlighted the evening's presentation with several of his students demonstrating their motorized robots.

**7. OPEN THE FLOOR TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (First Session) and**  
**COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

No one from the public or Board wished to be heard.

**8. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**  
N/A

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Troast, seconded by Mrs. Schwartz to approve the January 10, 2017 Regular Session Meeting Minutes. Motion approved by **roll call vote-9/0/1** (Mrs. Cioppa abstained as she was not present at the January 10, 2017 meeting).

**FINANCE**

**APPROVAL TO ATTEND CONFERENCE**

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It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the following:

<b>Name &amp; School</b>	<b>Conference/ Seminar/ Workshop</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Registration Fee</b>	<b>Other Costs</b>
<b>Kryisia Biville Lincoln</b>	<b>Gifted &amp; Talented Conference</b>	<b>3/17/17</b>	<b>West Windsor, NJ</b>	<b>\$144.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$44.64</b>
<b>Melissa Serra Lakeside</b>	<b>Gifted &amp; Talented Conference</b>	<b>3/17/17</b>	<b>West Windsor, NJ</b>	<b>\$144.00</b>	<b>Membership: \$25.00</b>
<b>Jayne Tanis Lakeside</b>	<b>Gifted &amp; Talented Conference</b>	<b>3/17/17</b>	<b>West Windsor, NJ</b>	<b>\$144.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$44.64 Membership: \$25.00</b>
<b>Stephen Tarsitano PLHS</b>	<b>Gifted &amp; Talented Conference</b>	<b>3/7/17</b>	<b>West Windsor, NJ</b>	<b>\$144.00</b>	<b>Membership: \$25.00</b>
<b>Erin Carlin Lenox</b>	<b>NJ TESOL Conference</b>	<b>5/31/17-6/1/17</b>	<b>New Brunswick, NJ</b>	<b>\$279.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$63.74</b>
<b>Melanie Ratajczak PLHS</b>	<b>NJ TESOL Conference</b>	<b>6/2/17 (One day)</b>	<b>New Brunswick, NJ</b>	<b>\$199.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$31.87</b>
<b>Marianne Russo Lincoln</b>	<b>NJ TESOL Conference</b>	<b>5/31/17-6/1/17</b>	<b>New Brunswick, NJ</b>	<b>\$279.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$63.74 Parking: \$12.00</b>
<b>Colleen Moyle PLHS</b>	<b>NJ State Athletic Directors Workshop</b>	<b>3/13/17 – 3/16/17</b>	<b>Atlantic City, NJ</b>	<b>\$375.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$84.94 Tolls: \$9.75 Parking: \$10.00 Hotel: \$180.00</b>

					<b>Meals: \$60.00</b>
<b>Suzanne Piombo Lenox</b>	<b>Nat. Assoc. for Music Educators- Eastern Division Biennial Conf.</b>	<b>4/5/17 – 4/8/17</b>	<b>Atlantic City, NJ</b>	<b>\$210.00</b>	<b>Mileage: \$90.52 Parking: \$30.00 Hotel: \$297.00 Meals: \$224.00</b>
Betsey Tiernan Lincoln	Increase All Your Students’ Learning	3/16/17	West Orange, NJ	\$245.00	Mileage: \$9.54
John Orovio Lenox	Activities to Strengthen your PE Program	3/10/17	West Orange, NJ	\$245.00	Mileage: \$9.30

ADDED TO EACH COST ABOVE IS MILEAGE AT .31/MILE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES (To and From Work Site and Workshop) PLUS ACTUAL TOLLS AND PARKING

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Cruz; motion passed by voice vote: 10/0.

**APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT**

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It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve a student (ID# 2082064744) placement to attend Chancellor Academy, Pompton Plains, NJ, effective January 23, 2017. (Yearly Tuition - \$65,196 to be prorated 1/23/17 – 6/30/17))

Motion by Mr. Cruz, seconded by Mrs. Horn; motion carried by voice vote: 10/0.

Background

This student moved into the district from another district on January 23, 2017, and was already placed at this private school.

**PERSONNEL**

**APPOINTMENTS**

**APPROVAL OF ABA THERAPIST – THE TEEN P.L.A.C.E.**

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It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve Denise Miller as an ABA Therapist assigned to The TEEN P.L.A.C.E. at Lakeside Middle School, effective February 8, 2017. (Step 2 – 29.6 hours/week - \$29,845 to be prorated)

**PERSONNEL, cont'd.**

Motion by Mr. Troast, seconded by Mrs. Horn; motion carried by voice vote: 9/0/1 (Ms. Norris abstained).

**LANGUAGE ARTS - LAKESIDE**

P-3-c

It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve Melissa Hackett as a language arts teacher, (replacing Susan Lombardi) assigned to Lakeside Middle School, effective March 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017. (Step 2 – BA - \$56,235 to be prorated.)

Motion by Mrs. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Cruz; motion carried by **roll call** vote: 9/0/1 (Ms. Norris abstained).

**CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

**FIELD TRIPS**

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It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the following field trips for the 2016-2017 school year:

<b>Day/Date</b>	<b>School/Dept.</b>	<b>Grade/Club</b>	<b>Destination</b>
Wed., 2/8/17 Wed., 2/15/17 Wed., 2/22/17 Wed., 3/1/17 Wed., 3/8/17 Wed., 3/15/17 Wed., 3/22/17 Wed., 3/29/17 Wed., 4/5/17	Lakeside	Autism – TEEN Place – SWBAT work on functional and life applicable skills as appropriate within a variety of community settings and environments.	Panera/Michaels Franks Pizza/Shop Rite Chili’s Restaurant Five Guys/Five Below Falls View/ Bowling Franks Pizza/Dollar Tree Willow Brook Mall Applebee’s Restaurant Wendy’s/Target
Fri., 2/10/17	PLHS/Business	Marketing/Entrepreneurship	Kinneton Cinemas “The Founder”/McDonald’s
Fri., 2/17/17	PLHS/Science	Astronomy classes-- Students will gain	Hayden Planetarium, American Museum of Natural History, NY

		awareness of the vastness of the universe.	
Sat., 2/25/17	PLHS	Environmental Club—To bring awareness of the local beauty in our environment and how to protect it.	Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ
Fri., 3/31/17	Lenox	A.T. Class	Thomas Edison National Historical Park/Lambert Castle
Tues., 5/2/17	PLHS	English 9—To allow students to experience the play Romeo & Juliet.	Castle Theater, Budd Lake NJ
Tues., 5/9/17	Lincoln	2 <sup>nd</sup> --Extension of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade science program.	The Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ
Fri., 5/12/17	Lakeside	8 <sup>th</sup> —Extension of the In-School Curricular Program.	PLHS for 8 <sup>th</sup> grade orientation
Thurs., 5/18/17	Lenox	Kindergarten	Land of Make Believe, Hope, NJ
Thurs., 6/1/17	Lakeside	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> FLLS Group—In recognition of their involvement in anti-bullying programs at Lakeside.	Rockland Boulders Baseball Stadium, Pomona, NY

Motion by Mr. Padula, seconded by Mrs. Horn; motion carried by **roll call vote: 10/0.**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**F. ROUTINE MATTERS**

**1. Hearing of Public (Second Session)**

Mr. Mike Serra, township mayor, suggested that the BOE look into using public access channel 77 to promote school district special events and showcase student work. Mr. Serra also mentioned that CTO Day will be held on March 18, 2017.

**2. Old / New Business:** Dr. Amoroso reminded the Board that Ms. Erin Brady, POMPTON LAKES PREVENTION COALITION will present student survey results on March 7, 2017.

**3. Future Meeting Date:** Mr. Salus announced February 14, 2017 and March 7, 2017 as future meeting dates.

**4. Adjournment**

**G. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

WHEREAS CHAPTER 231 P.L. 1975, also known as the Open Public Meetings Act authorized a public body to meet in Executive or Private session under certain limited circumstances, and WHEREAS said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an Executive or Private session, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF POMPTON LAKES THAT;

1. It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session prior to adjournment of this meeting to discuss a student matter.
2. The matter discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.
3. Action may be taken when the board returns to public session.

Motion by Mrs. Cioppa, seconded by Mrs. Shaw to move to Executive Session at 8:51 pm; motion approved by voice vote: 10/0.

The Public Portion of Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:15 pm.

Motion by Mr. Troast, seconded by Mrs. Cioppa to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Pompton Lakes Board of Education at 9:16 pm. Motion carried by voice vote: 10/0.

Respectfully submitted,

*Renee Taveniere*

Board Secretary