

WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Reorganization Meeting
Winslow Township Middle School – Cafeteria
30 Coopers Folly Road
Atco, NJ 08004

Wednesday, January 3, 2018
7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

I. MEETING OPENED BY SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

II. PUBLIC NOTICE of this meeting was given to all Board Members and Associates in a notice dated **08/23/2017**. It was advertised in the Courier Post, and posted in all schools, the Adm. Office, the Municipal Building, the Library, Bud Duble Center, Edgewood Acres, Elm Town and the Winslow Township Post Offices.

III. MISSION STATEMENT

The *Mission* of the Winslow Township School District, a large diverse and growing community, is to educate all students to become independent, life-long learners, critical thinkers and caring and confident members of their community. The District, in partnership with the community, and in a climate of cooperation and mutual respect, will provide an academic environment which values excellence and diversity, encourages students to strive for personal excellence, and assists them in acquiring the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to contribute positively to a rapidly changing world.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. ELECTION RESULTS

Members of the Local Board of Education – Three (3 Year Terms)

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| ○ Rita Martin | 4,200 votes |
| ○ Lorraine Dredden | 3,955 votes |
| ○ Rogers Robinson | 3,421 votes |

VI. INSTALLATION OF BOARD MEMBERS – ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

The oath of office was administered to each of the elected board members by the solicitor, Howard Long, Jr. Esq.

Rita Martin	Lorraine Dredden	Rogers Robinson
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VII. ROLL CALL

Present	Larry Blake	Cheryl Pitts
	Lorraine Dredden	Rogers D. Robinson Jr.
	Rita Martin	John M. Shaw, Jr.
	LaVonya B. Wilson-Mitchell	Gail P. Watkins
	Julie Peterson	

Also Present: H. Major Poteat, Ed.D., Superintendent
Tyra McCoy-Boyle, Business Admin/Board Secretary
Howard Long, Jr. Esq., Solicitor

VIII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO NEXT REORGANIZATION MEETING IN JANUARY 2019

A. The Board Secretary Opens the Floor for Nominations for Board President:

Nominated: Cheryl Pitts Move: Ms. Mitchell

Second: Mr. Shaw

Nominate: None Move: _____

Second: _____

Motion to Close Nominations: Move: Ms. Peterson

Second: Ms. Mitchell

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredden	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

A motion was made by Ms. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to elect Ms. Cheryl Pitts as President of the Winslow Township Board of Education for 2018.

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredden	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

{Board President is seated and assumed direction of the meeting}

B. The Board President Opens the Floor for Nominations for Vice President:

Nominated: Julie Peterson Move: Ms. Dredden

Second: Ms. Mitchell

Nominate: None Move: _____

Second: _____

Motion to Close Nominations: Move: Ms. Dredden

Second: Mr. Shaw

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredden	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

A motion was made by Ms. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to elect Ms. Julie Peterson as Vice President of the Winslow Township Board of Education for 2018.

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredden	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

Presentations

A memorial plaque was presented to Mrs. Angelique Hilton, wife of the late Paul Hilton, who faithfully served the Winslow Board of Education for two years.

A second presentation was made to Committeeman Carlos Vascos for his dedicated service to the Winslow Township Board of Education from 2015 - 2017.

C. Appointment of Board Secretary:

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to appoint Ms. Tyra McCoy-Boyle as the Board Secretary of the Winslow Township Board of Education for 2018.

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredden	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Time Limited)

A motion was made by Ms. Martin, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, to open the meeting for Public Comments at 7:28 p.m.

The Winslow Township Board of Education highly values the input of citizens in making important decisions that affect the children of our community. We also believe in the rights of citizens to observe Board Meetings. To ensure that all of our citizens have the opportunity to attend School Board Meetings and offer comment, and to ensure that the Board can conduct the important business of the District, we ask that speakers follow the guidelines for making public comments.

Notation of Public Comments on Agenda Items – The Board President or Board Secretary will recognize those individuals in the audience who wish to make comment.

Please respect the following procedures:

1. All members of the public attending School Board Meetings must treat each other and the Board with respect.
2. State your full name and address.
3. Please limit your comments to **four minutes**.
4. Submit your questions to the Board of Education with your name, address and telephone number where you can be contacted. Your questions will be answered within a reasonable time.
5. Individuals offering citizen comment are not permitted to make personal attacks on any District employee, Board Member, other testifier or member of the public.

No one sign up to make public comments.

X. ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

A motion was made by Mr. Shaw, seconded by Ms. Dredden, to close the meeting for Public Comment at 7:28 p.m.

Voice Vote: All in favor

XI. BUSINESS & OPERATIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Shaw, seconded by Ms. Dredden, to approve items A - C.

A. Conduct of Board of Education Meetings

1. Parliamentary Authority

Approve the Conduct of Board of Education Meetings according to the Parliamentary authority established by Robert's Rules of Order.

Note: The Board of Education Bylaw Conduct of Board Meetings #0164.

2. Standing Sub-Committees

Approve the following Standing Sub-committees of the Board of Education through Reorganization January 2019:

- Citizens Advisory Committee
- Education Committee
- Policy/HR Committee
- Township Liaison Committee
- Operations Committee
- Negotiations Committee
- Marketing Committee
- Athletic Committee

B. Schedule of 2018 Board of Education Meetings (Jan. 2018 – Aug. 2018)

Approve a schedule of Board of Education Meetings for January 2018 through August 2018:

<i>Regular Mtg.</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Regular Mtg.</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
January 10, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	January 24, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
February 14, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	February 28, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
March 14, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	March 28, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
April 11, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	April 25, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
May 9, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	May 23, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
June 13, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	June 27, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
July 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	July 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS
August 8, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS	August 22, 2018	7:00 p.m.	WTMS

Note: The remaining 2018 dates will be determined after the 2018-2019 school district calendar has been approved.

C. Board Member Code of Ethics

Approve the adoption of the Code of Ethics governing board behavior.

Note: Approval is required pursuant to Bylaw 0142.

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredden	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

Citizens Advisory Committee – Ms. Pitts

The Board of Education Citizens Advisory Ad Hoc Committee was formed by the Board in 2014 for the purpose of seeking advice, recommendations and providing widespread involvement in issues affecting the district. As the district grows and changes, the Ad Hoc Citizens Advisory Committee allows the Board to increase involvement in the school district and receive input from the community on key issues that emphasize a collaborative and innovative learning partnership approach.

The members of the 2018 Citizens Advisory Ad Hoc Committee are as follows:

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| Ms. Caron Carney | Ms. April Hughes | Ms. Rosalind Russ-Tobias |
| Ms. Sheila Felder | Ms. Cynthia Moore | Ms. Marcy Tomasello |
| Ms. Rosa Hill | Ms. Susan Quillen-Shaw | Ms. Rhonda Vennell |

This committee will meet once a month and select a committee chair.

XII. APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES AND BOARD COMMITTEES BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson, seconded by Ms. Dredden, to approve the appointment of Delegates, Board Committees and School Representatives.

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| A. | NJ School Boards Association | Representative: <u>Cheryl Pitts</u>
Alternate: <u>Appointed as needed</u> |
| B. | Camden County School Boards | Representative: <u>LaVonyia Mitchell</u>
Alternate: <u>Appointed as needed</u> |
| C. | NJ Urban Boards Committee | Representative: <u>Larry Blake</u>
Alternate: <u>Appointed as needed</u> |
| D. | Camden County Educational Services | Representative: <u>Julie Peterson</u>
Alternate: <u>Appointed as needed</u> |
| E. | Citizens Advisory Committee | Chairperson: <u>Rita Martin</u>
Representative: <u>Any board member not to</u>
Representative: <u>exceed four at any one time</u> |
| F. | Education Committee | Chairperson: <u>Julie Peterson</u>
Representative: <u>LaVonyia Mitchell</u>
Representative: <u>Larry Blake</u> |
| G. | Policy/HR Committee | Chairperson: <u>Cheryl Pitts</u>
Representative: <u>Lorraine Dredden</u>
Representative: <u>Rita Martin</u> |

- H. Township Liaison Committee
 Representative: Cheryl Pitts
 Representative: Gail Watkins

- I. Operations Committee
 Chairperson: Lorraine Dredde
 Representative: Gail Watkins
 Representative: John Shaw

- J. Negotiations Committee
 Representative: Julie Peterson
 Representative: Lorraine Dredde
 Representative: Rita Martin

- K. Marketing Committee
 Representative: Larry Blake
 Representative: Rogers Robinson
 Representative: John Shaw

- L. Athletic Committee
 Representative: John Shaw
 Representative: Rogers Robinson

- M. Adopt a School Board Representative

School	Representative
School No. 1	Julie Peterson
School No. 2	LaVonya Mitchell
School No. 3	Gail Watkins
School No. 4	Larry Blake
School No. 5	Rita Martin
School No. 6	John Shaw
Middle School	Lorraine Dredde
High School	Rogers Robinson

Roll Call:			
Mr. Blake	Yes	Mr. Shaw Jr.	Yes
Ms. Dredde	Yes	Ms. Watkins	Yes
Ms. Martin	Yes	Ms. Peterson	Yes
Ms. Mitchell	Yes	Ms. Pitts	Yes
Mr. Robinson Jr.	Yes		
Motion Carried			

- XIII. ADDENDUM **None at this time.**
- XIV. OLD BUSINESS **None at this time**
- XV. NEW BUSINESS **None at this time.**

XVI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Dr. Poteat shared information regarding the upcoming inclement weather conditions and how it could impact the opening of the schools and administration offices for remainder of the week. A decision would be made and disseminated throughout the district via the customary channels.

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None at this time.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Ms. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. *All Ayes.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Tyra McCoy-Boyle
Business Administrator/Board Secretary