

1. MEETING OPENING

At 7:00 PM, Mrs. Brownhill, in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, that Mullica Township Board of Education has called notice of this meeting to have been published by having the date, time and location thereof, filed with the Township Clerk and the Atlantic County Superintendent of Schools, as well as, posted on the Town Hall bulletin board and in the news media.

Present: Mrs. Brownhill, Mrs. Jacobo, Mrs. Kurtz, Mr. Roehnert, Mr. Stollenwerk, Mrs. Werner, Mr. Winterbottom, and Mrs. Wyld

Absent: Mr. Silva

Also in attendance: Mr. Weber, Superintendent, Ms. Gfroehrer, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Ms. Rachel Taylor, Solicitor.

Flag Salute - Mrs. Brownhill led the flag salute.

Election Results

Full three (3) year term(s):

Mark Winterbottom 1260

Robert Stollenwerk 996

Carmen Jacobo 856

Administration of Oath to the Newly-Elected Board of Education Members

Board Attorney, Ms. Rachel Taylor, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected members of the Mullica Township Board of Education.

2. ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS**A. Nominations & Elections for President**

Nominated: Mrs. Brownhill

RESOLVED, the Mullica Township Board of Education approves Mrs. Brownhill as President of the Mullica Township Board of Education.

Motion approve unanimously by paper ballot.

B. Nominations & Election for Vice President

Nominated: Mrs. Werner

RESOLVED, the Mullica Township Board of Education approves Mrs. Werner as Vice-President of the Mullica Township Board of Education.

Motion approve unanimously by paper ballot.

AT THIS TIME THE NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT ASSUMES CHAIR.

C. Appointment of Delegates/Representatives

Appoint Joy Wyld, NJSBA Delegate for 2023 (Joy Wyld 2022)

Appoint Robert Stollenwerk, alternate NJSBA Delegate 2023 (Angela Maione 2022)

Appoint Joy Wyld, ACSBA Delegate for 2023 (Joy Wyld 2022)

Appoint Cather Werner, ACSBA alternate Delegate for 2023 (Cathy Werner 2022)

D. Committees

Curriculum/Policy Committee – Susan Brownhill, Sarah Kurtz, Mark Winterbottom, Carmen Jacobo (Chair)

Finance/Facilities Committee – Susan Brownhill, Chris Silva, Nick Roehnert (Chair), Cathy Werner

Personnel/Negotiations Committee – Susan Brownhill (Personnel only), Carmen Jacobo, Bob Stollenwerk, Joy Wyld, Cathy Werner (Chair)

Shared Services Committee – TBD

3. COMMENTS FORM THE PUBLIC, BOARD AND STAFF ON GENERAL TOPICS – None**4. ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS****A. Vote to Approve Section 4 - Annual Appointments**

Motion by Mr. Roehnert and seconded by Mrs. Werner;

RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education approve items 4B.

B. Board Secretary

APPROVE the appointment of Karen Gfroehrer as Board Secretary from January 4, 2023 through the reorganization meeting in 2024.

APPROVE the appointment of Meryl Evangelisti as Assistant Board Secretary from January 4, 2023 through the reorganization meeting in 2024.

Motion approved unanimously by roll call vote.

5. CODE OF ETHICS

A. Board of Education Code of Ethics Review

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 12-21, the Mullica Township Board of Education read aloud the New Jersey School Boards Member Code of Ethics statement.

6. BOARD MEETING DATES

Motion by **Mr. Roehnert** and seconded by **Mrs. Jacobo**;

APPROVE the 2023 School Board Meeting dates.

Meetings will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each Month with executive session starting at 6:30 PM and public portion of the meeting starting at 7:00 PM in the Elwood School Library, 500 Elwood Road, Elwood, NJ, unless otherwise advertised or noted below: *1st Wednesday. No executive session. Meeting begins at 7:00 PM

January 25, 2023	July 19, 2023 (Board retreat/goal setting)
February 22, 2023	August 23, 2023
March 15, 2023	September 27, 2023
April 26, 2023	October 18, 2023
May 24, 2023	November 29, 2023
June 28, 2023	January 3, 2024* (Reorganization Mtg.)

Motion approved unanimously by roll call vote.

7. ANNUAL MOTIONS AND DESIGNATIONS

A. Vote to Approve Section 7 - Annual Motions and Designations

Motion by **Mr. Roehnert** and seconded by **Mrs. Jacobo**;

RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education approve items 7B – 7F.

B. Official Newspapers

APPROVE the following official newspapers:

The *Press of Atlantic City*, primary and *Hammonton Gazette*, secondary.

C. School Board Recognition Month

RESOLUTION: LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association and the National School Boards Association have declared January 2023 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time that all residents might acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, the Mullica Township Board of Education is one of 588 local school boards in New Jersey that sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, the Mullica Township Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local school boards help determine community goals for the education of 1.37 million children in Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's 4,800 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of Education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of local boards of education, in partnership with stakeholders ranging from parents to teachers to state education officials, have fostered a public school system that has contributed to New Jersey's status as a leader in academic benchmarks, such as elementary and middle school scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress, and college preparation through Advanced Placement offerings; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2023 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the improvement of our children's education.

D. Depositories of School Monies

RESOLVED, that, TD Bank be designated as the depositories of record for the Mullica Township Board of Education accounts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the investments can be secured in any other bank holding a current certificate of eligibility from the New Jersey State Banking Association and that the Business Administrator shall be the designated school funds investor; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that all checks drawn against the General Investment Account are signed by any three of the following:

President, Vice President, Board Secretary, Treasurer **(three of four)**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education authorize the following signatures on the accounts maintained by the Mullica Township Board of Education:

School Lunch Program - President, Board Secretary, School Secretary **(two of three)**

Payroll Checking - President, Board Secretary, Treasurer **(two of three)**

Payroll Agency Checking - President, Board Secretary, Treasurer **(two of three)**

Unemployment Trust - President, Board Secretary, Treasurer **(two of three)**

Student Activities - President, School Principal, Board Secretary **(two of three)**

Capital Projects - President, Vice President, Board Secretary, Treasurer **(three of four)**

E. Policies and Procedures

RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education adopt policies, bylaws and procedures for 2023 recognizing that these items may be amended when necessary with Board approval.

F. State Contract Vendors

APPROVE the following resolution authorizing contracts with certain approved state contract vendors for Board of Education Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10a.

WHEREAS, the Mullica Township Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10a and N.J.A.C.5:34-7.29©, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchases and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Mullica Township Board of Education has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Mullica Township Board of Education intends to enter into contracts with State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Mullica Township Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors for 2023 pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Mullica Township Board of Education Business Administrator, Karen Gfroehrer, shall certify to the availability of sufficient funds prior to the expenditure of funds for such goods or services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the Mullica Township Board of Education and the Referenced State Contract Vendors as Referenced on Department of Treasury website shall be from January 4, 2023 through January 30, 2024.

Motion approved by roll call vote with Mr. Stollenwerk abstaining on item 7D.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT - PERSONNEL

A. Vote to Approve Section 8 - Recommendation of the Superintendent - Personnel

Motion by Mr. Roehnert and seconded by Mrs. Kurtz;

RESOLVED, the Mullica Township Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve item 8B.

B. 2022-2023 New Hire

APPROVE the following staff for the 2022-2023 school year pending receipt of appropriate paperwork.

Name	Position/Grade	Step/Salary	Account Number	PCR Number
Luis Lopez-Calvillo	Maintenance and Ground Worker	Maintenance Step 12 \$53,895	11-000-261-100-00 - 91.5% 20-218-262-110-020 - 8.5%	CUS.FL.GRDS.NA.01

Motion approved unanimously by roll call vote.

9. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC, BOARD AND STAFF ON GENERAL TOPICS - None

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

11. INFORMATIONAL - The next board meeting is scheduled for **January 25, 2023** at 6:30 PM for executive session and 7:00 PM for public session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Roehnert and seconded by Mrs. Jacobo to adjourn the meeting.

Motion approved unanimously.

TIME: 7:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,


Karen Gfroehrer
Business Administrator