



## LIVINGSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION VOTING MEETING AGENDA

Monday, December 11, 2017  
Livingston High School Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.

### I. OPEN SESSION

#### A. Call to Order – Ronnie Konner, President

#### B. Reading of Meeting Notice

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by amendment to notice approved at the Board's reorganization meeting on January 3, 2017 and posted at the Board of Education office and communicated to *The Star Ledger*, *West Essex Tribune*, *The Alternative Press* and the Livingston Township Clerk.

#### C. Executive Session

**Whereas**, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters; now, therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss:

- Legal and Personnel

Action may be taken upon return to public session. The full length of the meeting is anticipated to be approximately one hour and be it

**Further Resolved**, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

#### D. Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call

#### E. MPE Student Presentation

#### F. Superintendent's Report

1. New Course Offerings
2. Academic Calendar for 2019-2020

#### G. Board Reports

1. Superintendent Mid-Year Planning

2. Recording Board Meetings – Policy 0168
3. LEF Update

#### H. Approval of Minutes

The Superintendent recommends the following:

1. Workshop/Voting Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2017
2. Voting Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2017
3. Workshop/Voting Meeting Minutes of December 4, 2017
4. Executive Session Minutes of September 25, 2017; October 9, 2017; October 16, 2017; November 13, 2017; November 20, 2017 and December 4, 2017

### ROLL CALL VOTE

#### I. Public Input on Agenda Items ~ up to 15 minutes

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### II. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL

#### 1. PROGRAM/CURRICULUM

The Superintendent recommends the following:

##### 1.1 Textbooks

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the following textbook as shown on **Attachment A**.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

#### 2. STUDENT SERVICES

The Superintendent recommends the following:

##### 2.1 Out of District Placements

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves placement for the academic year 2017-2018 for one (1) Livingston student with disabilities, as classified and recommended by the Child Study Team, in facilities with tuition costs to be determined within the limits established by the New Jersey Board of Education as shown on **Attachment B**.

**2.2 Related Services/Medical Consultants**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the following consultants that will be utilized to provide related services for the 2017-2018 school year:

**FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGIST**

Ron Dumont, Ed.D. \$200.00/hour

**HOME/HOSPITAL INSTRUCTION**

Brookfield Educational Services Program \$60.00/hour

**PHYSICAL THERAPY**

Oxford \$500.00/evaluation

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**3. BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommends the following:

**3.1 Payment of Bills**

**Whereas**, the Board Secretary has audited certain vendor claims as required by N.J.S.A. 18A:19-2 and Board Policy 6470 and presented them to the Livingston Board of Education with the recommendation they be paid, now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the payment of the following bills in the amounts listed and attach a complete copy of these bills to the minutes of this meeting.

<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
10&11	Regular	\$981,792.00
12	Regular	198,403.64
20	Regular	84,397.73
60	Cafeteria	<u>7,520.65</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$1,272,114.02</u></b>

Regular Checks	73612-73875	\$1,264,593.37
Cafeteria Checks	1013-1017	<u>7,520.65</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$1,272,114.02</u></b>

**3.2 Board Secretary Report – October 2017**

**Whereas**, the Livingston Board of Education has received the Report of the Board Secretary for October 31, 2017, consisting of:

- 1) Interim Balance Sheets
- 2) Interim Statements Comparing Budgeted Revenue with Actual to Date and Appropriations with Expenditures and Encumbrances to Date
- 3) Schedule of Revenues - Actual Compared with Estimated
- 4) Statement of Appropriations Compared with Expenditures and encumbrances, and

**Whereas**, the Livingston Board of Education has received the report of the Treasurer for October 31, 2017, which report is in agreement with the Report of the Board Secretary, and

**Whereas**, these reports show the following balances on the date indicated:

	Cash Balance	Appropriation Balance	Fund Balance
(10) General Current Exp. Fund	9,381,445		
(11) Current Expense		33,120,159	3,848,239
(12) Capital Outlay		202,993	3,178,235
(20) Special Revenue Fund	218,865		
(30) Capital Projects Fund	2,058,761		
(40) Debt Service Fund	110,008		
Total:	\$11,769,079	\$33,323,152	\$7,026,474

**Whereas**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-212(d), the Board Secretary has certified that as of October 31, 2017, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments contractual orders which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8, 18A:22-8.1, now therefore be it

**Resolved**, the Livingston Board of Education accepts the above referenced reports and certification and directs that they be made part of this resolution by reference, and be it

**Further Resolved**, the Livingston Board of Education certifies that, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:20-2.13(d) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

### **3.3 Transfers**

**Whereas**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends certain transfers among accounts in the 2017-2018 budget for October pursuant to Board of Education Policy 6422, now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education ratify transfers pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10:

<u>Object</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>
0420	Clean/Repair Maintenance	\$1,400	
0600	Supplies and Materials	\$4,550	
0610	General Supplies		\$5,950
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$5,950</b>	<b>\$5,950</b>

**3.4 Field Trips**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the field trips as shown on **Attachment C**.

**3.5 Conferences and Overnight Trips**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the conferences and overnight trips as shown on **Attachment D**.

**3.6 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education accepts the June 30, 2017 audit report.

**3.7 Settlement Agreement**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the Settlement Agreement for Case #13-17 which is on file at the Board of Education office.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**4. PERSONNEL**

The Superintendent recommends the following:

**4.1 Leaves of Absences**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the leaves of absences of:

Name	Position	Location	LOA w/pay and benefits	LOA w/o pay, but with benefits (if applicable)	Extended LOA w/o pay or benefits	Return Date
<i>Sarah Stefanakis</i>	School Psychologist	RHE	2/5/18-3/2/18	3/5/18-3/30/18**	NA	4/2/18
<i>Diana Yellen*</i>	Elementary School Teacher	BHE	10/23/17-12/29/17	1/1/18-4/6/18**	4/9/18-6/30/18	8/29/18
<i>Deena DeMaio*</i>	Elementary School Teacher	Collins	10/9/17-12/15/17	12/18/17-3/30/18**	4/2/18-6/30/18	8/29/18
<i>Nealon Simpson</i>	Custodian	BHE	10/24/17-11/14/17	NA	11/15/17-12/15/17	12/18/17

*\*as amended from a previous agenda*

*\*\*Designates time counted toward NJFLA/FMLA*

**4.2 Appointments**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the applications indicated below (\*) for emergent hiring for the following appointments under the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:16-1 et. seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39.17 et. seq.; N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et. seq.

Name	Location	Title	Tenure Track/LOA or LT Replacement	Replacing	Guide	Step	Salary	Effective Date
<i>Michael Fede</i>	RHE	Playground Aide	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$14.00/hr	11/29/17

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the appointment of the Teaching Assistants and Instructional Aides as listed on **Attachment E**.

#### **4.3 Substitutes**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education amends the appointment of *Carol Marano* as a long-term substitute Teacher of Spanish and French (replacing Lisa LeBlanc) at Heritage Middle School from September 12, 2017, through **February 1, 2018**. Ms. Marano will be compensated \$262 per day worked for this assignment.

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the appointment of *Samantha Minnella* as a long-term substitute Teacher of Mathematics (replacing Samantha Weisberg) at Heritage Middle School from January 11, 2018, through May 4, 2018. Ms. Minnella will be compensated \$100 per day until her CEAS as a Teacher of Mathematics is issued by the NJDOE licensing department. She will then be compensated at the long-term substitute teacher rate of \$262 per day worked for this assignment, retroactive to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month of issuance of her certificate.

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals listed below to serve as substitutes for the 2017-2018 school year:

#### **Teachers**

*Erica Isakower*  
*Janet Gelman*  
*Brittany Bellacosa*  
*Thalia Morsillo*

#### **Secretaries**

*Jean Freedman (\$14.00/hr)*

#### **4.4 Extra Work Pay**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the following payments as listed on **Attachment F** for work performed.

#### **4.5 Stipends**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the individuals on **Attachment G** for athletic stipends at Livingston High School in accordance with the contract between the LBOE and the LEA.

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the individuals on **Attachment H** for co-curricular stipends at Livingston High School in accordance with the contract between the LBOE and the LEA.

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the individuals on **Attachment I** for co-curricular stipends at Mt. Pleasant Middle School in accordance with the contract between the LBOE and the LEA.

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education accepts the resignation of and rescinds the appointment of *Amanda Micciche* as Boys Winter Track Assistant Coach at Livingston High School for the 2017-2018 school year.

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education amends the stipend amount for *Kevin Gibson*, Custodian at Harrison Elementary School, to be reduced by \$625 from July 1, 2017 until such time as his Black Seal License is renewed.

#### **4.6 Memorandum of Understanding**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the Livingston Board of Education and the Livingston Education Association dated December 11, 2017.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

#### **5. MISCELLANEOUS**

The Superintendent recommends the following:

##### **5.1 HIB Report**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education accepts the findings of HIB cases.

##### **5.2 Suspension Report**

**Resolved**, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the Suspension Report for the month of November.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

#### **J. Public Comment ~ up to 15 minutes**

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#### **K. Old Business**

#### **L. New Business**

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Legal Matters
2. Negotiations
3. Personnel

**Whereas**, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq., also known as the "Sunshine Law," authorizes 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 hearing before it can meet in such an executive or private session, now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, by the Livingston Board of Education that:

- (A) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session on December 11, 2017 to discuss the matters stipulated, in conformance with the subsections of said act which are indicated.
1. Matter rendered confidential by federal law, state statute or rule of court.
  2. Matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive federal funds.
  3. Matter, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy unless the individual concerned shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.
  4. Collective bargaining matter.
  5. Matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates, etc. where it would adversely affect the public interest if discussion were disclosed.
  6. Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting public property where disclosure could impair protection.
  7. Investigation of violations or possible violations of law.
  8. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than collective bargaining agreement.
  9. Personnel matters unless the individual employees or appointees affected requested that such matter be discussed at a public meeting.
  10. Deliberations occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty.
- (B) The matters discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required and formal action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a meeting to which the public has been invited.
- (C) No action will be taken.