BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS
IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN

MINUTES

Regular Meeting
May 31, 2018

Board Auditorium
540 Farview Avenue, Paramus, New Jersey

The Board of Education held its Regular Public Meeting on Thursday, May 31, 2018 in the Board of Education Auditorium, 540 Farview Avenue, Paramus, NJ. The public meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Mr. Hryczyk, President of the Board.

ROLL CALL:

Present at roll call:
Raymond Hryczyk, President
Jason Kim
William J. Meisner, Ed.D.
Lawrence Meyerson, Ed.D., Vice President

Absent at roll call:
Joseph Zarra, Interim Executive Bergen County Superintendent of Schools

Also in attendance:
Howard Lerner, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
John Susino, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator
Andrea Sheridan, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Richard Panicucci, Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Curriculum and Instruction
William Soukas, Esq., Board Attorney
Gary Hall, Coordinator of Human Resources
Ava Miller, Assistant Board Secretary

All present pledged allegiance to the United States of America.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Board of Vocational Education in the County of Bergen has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on a bulletin board prominently displayed in lobby of the Board offices and by the: The Record and Herald News

The district is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.”
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A motion was made by Dr. Meyerson second by Mr. Kim to approve the following minutes:

Work Session Meeting:       April 26, 2018
Regular Session Meeting:    April 26, 2018
Executive Session:          April 26, 2018

A roll call vote was taken to approve the minutes:

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BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

No Report

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The District is required to report specific incidents of harassment, intimidation and/or bullying to the Board of Education. We have had one reportable incident in the last month as follows:

1. HIB Incident T–6, School Year 17–18
   Incident—offensive language and ethnic harassment
   Intervention—in–school suspension, no further club attendance for remainder of school year and constraints placed on both students for 2018–19 school year

Dr. Lerner shared some highlights of the many accomplishments our students and staff have had, including the following:

Applied Technology

- The newspaper club has been working on digitizing the newspapers content. I am proud to announce that they have recently formed an online version of the Applied Tech Times newspaper.
- On May 14th the NJ Dept. of Education paid a visit to ATHS to review the Mechatronics program featured for the first cohort for the County Vocational School District Partnership Grant. Representatives from Stryker were on hand while our 9th grade students presented their Rover projects leaving quite an impression on our visitors.
- Also on May 14th Applied Technology High School held its Induction Ceremony. Sixty–two new students were welcomed into the ATHS Class of 2022, which now includes two majors, Engineering Technology and Health Professions.

Bergen Academies

- This year there were more than 7200 students participating in the AAPT Physics Bowl’ 18 contest from 638 schools worldwide. BCA teams competed in two divisions (freshman &
sophomore team in Division 1 and senior & junior team in Division 2) in the “Specialized math/science schools region” of the United States. Our senior/junior team is among the top teams in the region and our freshman/sophomore team has taken second place in the region.

- A graduating senior from the Academies was named a U.S. Presidential Scholar, “one of the Nation's highest honors for students” in the United States. All Scholars are invited to Washington, DC in June for the National Recognition Program, which culminates in the presentation of the Presidential Scholars Medallion during a White House-sponsored ceremony.

**Paramus Campus**

- The students in the Visual and Graphic Arts program are winners of the Lincoln Tech/MATCO High School Video Content & Tool Box Giveaway contest. The school was awarded a professional grade MATCO master workstation and tool storage unit, valued at roughly $20,000, for our ASE program! The auto student featured in the video won almost $2,000 worth of MATCO tools.
- The drawings of three freshmen students were exhibited at the Belmar Arts Center Fourth Annual Youth Art Show entitled “From MY Perspective” from May 5th through the 19th.

**Teterboro Campus**

- On Saturday, April 14, 2018, the Environmental Protection Initiative (EPI) at Bergen Tech volunteered to clean up the Woodcliff Lake Reservoir. We collected over ten bags of litter that was in the water and surrounding the reservoir. The amount of waste present was truly shocking, and it is a sign that we need to start taking action. Our club is excited to continue this service that promotes the well-being of the Earth!
- Congratulations to Law & Justice Class of 2019 who participated in the annual networking program. This event invites students to network with professionals in the community to learn more about their industry and potential internship opportunities.

**Athletics**

- Boys Varsity Tennis team is Bergen County Co-champions.
- Boys Lacrosse team has qualified for State tournament.

**Day Care**

- The children and staff have been busy this spring. Our pre-k classes visited the Academy greenhouse and planted flowers, which were given as Mother’s Day gifts. Back at our school they planted vegetables that they will eat when they are fully grown. But the most exciting opportunity was to observe ½ inch caterpillars transform into spectacular butterflies! The butterflies were set free as the children watched and waved.

**Adult Education**

- Since the WBA internship started on April 30, we have had 13 students out on internships. Several students have already been offered full time employment upon completion of program.
- Collaboration has begun with an architect for the renovation of the HVAC shop.
- Dialogue has started with Felician University about providing advanced credits in an articulation agreement for the future students of Management Information Systems.
EMS

- The State certification exam for our EMT students will be June 7, 2018.
- EMT graduation is scheduled for June 11, 2018.
- The EMT staff (EMT, Hazmat and Rescue) is working with Hackensack University Medical Center to teach part of their Trauma Symposium in November.

BOARD OF EDUCATION ACTIONS:

On the motion of Dr. Meyerson, second by Dr. Meisner, the following resolutions were presented for action.

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BOARD DISCUSSION - CONSENT AGENDA ONLY

There was no discussion.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – CONSENT AGENDA ONLY

There was no participation.

BOARD VOTE CONSENT AGENDA

A roll call vote on the consent agenda was taken as identified above:

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OFF-CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

None
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (ANY ISSUE)

There was no participation.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dr. Meisner, second by Mr. Kim. All members present voted in the affirmative. Mr. Hryczyk adjourned the meeting at 6:15 pm.
NOTE: No further action was taken by the board.

Respectfully submitted,

John Susino
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator

Approved by the Board of Education at its regular meeting of 6/21/18