

The meeting was called to order by Board President Michele Arminio at 6:03 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Ms. Michele Arminio
Ms. Kathleen Belko
Ms. Karen Bierman
Mr. Adi Nikitinsky
Ms. Rupa Siegel
Ms. Chrissy Skurbe

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Dori Alvich, Superintendent of Schools

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – approximately 13

After the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion was made by Ms. Belko and seconded by Ms. Skurbe to approve the following resolution:

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Board Vice President Adi Nikitinsky as the temporary Board Secretary for this meeting in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-1.1. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

After the Roll Call, Ms. Arminio read the following statement:

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the Monroe Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published and electronic notice provided by having the date, time, and place thereof posted March 19, 2021:

1. At all schools,
2. On the District website at <https://www.monroe.k12.nj.us/>,
3. Home News Tribune,
4. Cranbury Press, and
5. Filed with the Clerk of the Municipality.

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Minutes of the Special Public Meeting of the Monroe Township Board of Education which was held virtually on March 22, 2021.

5. After you are finished speaking you will be muted and your permission to share your camera will be disabled.
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CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Township of Monroe hereby moves to go into Closed Session, in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 through 10:4-21), to discuss the following subject(s):

- Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying

Following closed session, action may be taken. The discussion conducted in closed session can be disclosed to the public at such time as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

A motion was made by Ms. Bierman and seconded by Ms. Skurbe that the members of the Board of Education go into closed session. Motion carried.

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:15 p.m.

Returned to Public Meeting at 9:11p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM – None

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING

Ms. Arminio stated that the next public meeting of the Monroe Township Board of Education will convene at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 7, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Belko and seconded by Ms. Bierman that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The public meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael C. Gorski, CPA
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

The video recording of this meeting of the Monroe Township Board of Education can be found on the district website or <https://monroetv.viebit.com/index.php?folder=Board+of+Education>



Monday, March 22, 2021
MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING
ALL INDIVIDUALS SITTING AT THE BOARD TABLE SHOULD HAVE THEIR PHONES PUT AWAY

VIRTUAL
6:00 P.M.

Any member of the public may record the proceedings of a public meeting of the Board in a manner that does not interrupt the proceedings, inhibit the conduct of the meeting, or distract Board Members or other observers present at the meeting.

The Board will permit the use of tape recorders, still or movie cameras, or videotape cameras only when notice of such intended use has been given to the Board Secretary one day in advance of the meeting. Any video recording device must be located and operated from inconspicuous locations in the meeting room as determined by the presiding officer of the meeting. The presiding officer may also limit the number of video recording devices if he/she determines the number and position of the video recording devices will be an unnecessary intrusion to the meeting. In this event, preference will be given based on the order in which prior notice requesting to record the meeting was provided to the Board Secretary.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Subject	A. BOARD MEMBERS
Meeting	Mar 22, 2021 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
Category	3. ROLL CALL
Access	Public
Type	Information
Ms. Michele Arminio Ms. Kathleen Belko Ms. Karen Bierman Mr. Ken Chiarella Mr. Adi Nikitinsky Mr. Andy Paluri Ms. Rupa Siegel Ms. Chrissy Skurbe Mr. Peter Tufano	

JAMESBURG BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE (See Note 2)

Mr. Paul Rutsky

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Kayleigh Craver
 Ms. Samaara Jain

4. STATEMENT

Subject **A. STATEMENT**

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Category 4. STATEMENT

Access Public

Type Information

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5. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

Subject **A. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION**

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Category 5. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

Access Public

Type

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- Interviews for In-House Counsel position

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6. PUBLIC FORUM

Subject **A. PUBLIC FORUM -(see Note 3)**

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Category 6. PUBLIC FORUM

Access Public

Type

7. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING APRIL 7, 2021

Subject A. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING APRIL 7, 2021

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Category 7. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING APRIL 7, 2021

Access Public

Type

The next scheduled Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2021 7:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Subject A. NOTES

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Category 8. ADJOURNMENT

Access Public

Type Action

NOTES

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Note 2: The Jamesburg Representative shall be eligible to vote on only those matters specifically designated in N.J.S.A 18A:38-8.1, as follows:

1. Tuition to be charged the sending district by the receiving district and the bill lists or contracts for the purchase, operation or maintenance of facilities, equipment and instructional materials to be used in the education of the pupils of the sending district.
2. New capital construction to be utilized by sending district pupils.
3. Appointment, transfer or removal of teaching staff members providing services to pupils of the sending district, including any teaching staff member who is a member of the receiving district's central administrative staff.
4. Addition or deletion of curricular and extracurricular programs involving pupils of the sending district.
5. Any matter directly involving sending district students or programs and services used by them.
6. The annual receiving district budget.

7. Any collectively-negotiated agreement involving employees who provide services used by sending district students.
8. Any individual employee contracts not covered by a collectively-negotiated agreement, if those employees provide or oversee programs or services utilized by sending district students.
9. Any matter concerning governance of the receiving district board of education, including, but not limited to, the selection of board president and vice-president, approval of board bylaws, and the employment of professionals or consultants such as attorneys, architects, engineers, or others who provide services to the receiving district board of education.

To the extent the Jamesburg Representative inadvertently votes on any other matter, his vote shall not be counted.

Note 3: Public discussion is confined to this portion of the Agenda unless permission is granted by the Board President prior to the start of the meeting or when the Board is considering a Special Agenda Item that the Board deems appropriate for public participation. Anyone wishing to address the Board can do so by following the instructions below:

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