

**Alpha Borough Public School Board of Education**  
**Work Session Meeting Minutes – December 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Approved December 18, 2018**  
**Agenda**

**I. CALL TO ORDER - 7:00**

**II. OPENING STATEMENTS**

**A. Reading of the Notice of Public Meeting-**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. The Board has fully complied with the notice requirements by advertising in The Express Times and The Star Gazette posting publicly and by notifying the Municipal Clerk of the date, time and place of the meeting.

**B. Roll Call**

Travis Conway	<u>AB</u>
Carl Johnson	<u>X</u>
Christopher McGee	<u>X</u>
Robert Melick	<u>AB</u>
Jennifer Pettinelli	<u>X</u>
Loretta Reed	<u>AB</u>
Patrick Smith	<u>X</u>

**C. Flag Salute – Pledge of Allegiance**

**D. Silent Meditation**

**III. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD - None**

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

- Security Upgrade: Review the preliminary bid. - Not in yet. Construction will happen in March. Upgrade will be expandable.
- PARCC Testing - Participation rate update. Still waiting to hear from State.
- Strategic Planning - begin to look at - plan for January

**V. PUBLIC INPUT**

**VI.**

**VI. WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS – Chief School Administrator, Seth Cohen**

- **OPERATIONS:**

- Lots of events this month - Book Fair, Concerts, etc.
- Made trackers for reading for students
- Incoming Students: A total of 8 students have enrolled in November. Class counts are now: K/Weiss – 26, 1/Smith – 17, 2/Betancourt – 27, 3/Farnsworth – 19. Discuss staffing needs for 2019/20.
- **PERSONNEL:**
  - Part-Time Aides: Change in residency may reduce our part-time aides by one.
  - Dave Engle - will be retiring. He will be formally handing in his letter.
- **TECHNOLOGY:**
  - Chromebooks: Share middle school one-to-one plan for the remainder of the year.
- **POLICY:** Discussion on re-registration. Look at Phillipsburg’s policy on residency.
- **CURRICULUM:**
  - QSAC Points: Review QSAC points we received from the State for curriculum and instruction. - December 18th.
  - Rubric - 3 achievement (4.5/10 ELA / 3.1/10 Math) growth indicators (8.5/10 ELA / 8.0/10 Math)
  - **BUDGET:** Class sizes - think about staffing for next year

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION In: 7:18 PS / CM Out: PS / CJ 7:35**

- Residency issue - update - nothing found yet, still investigating
- Student Issue

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**IX. PUBLIC INPUT**

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by PS , seconded by CM , to adjourn at 7:36 PM

VOICE VOTE

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Pettinelli  
Board President

