

**Alpha Borough Public School Board of Education  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

**December 1, 2020 7:00 p.m.  
Approved December 15, 2020**

**Agenda**

**I. CALL TO ORDER - 7:02pm**

**II. OPENING STATEMENTS**

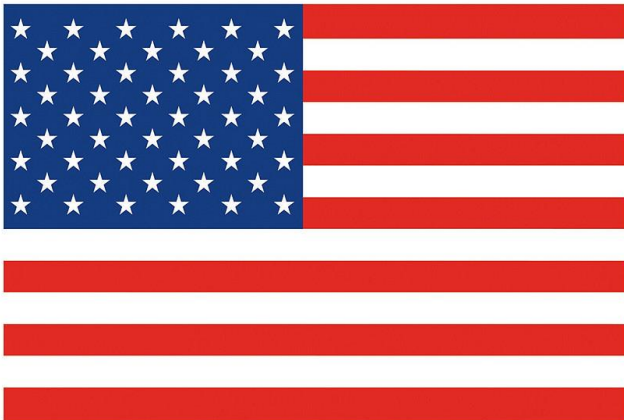
**A. Reading of the Notice of Public Meeting-**

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 Ledger posting publicly and by notifying the Municipal Clerk of the date, time and place of the meeting.

**B. Roll Call**

Louis Cartabona	AB
Travis Conway	X
Christopher McGee	AB
Robert Melick	X
Jennifer Pettinelli	X
Loretta Reed	X - arrived at 7:03pm
Patrick Smith	X

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



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**D. Silent Meditation**

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

IV. **OLD BUSINESS - None**

V. **PUBLIC INPUT - None**

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

- **OPERATIONS:**

- Remote learning update
- Disappearing Students
- Summer School/Retention

Mr. Cohen updated the Board on remote learning. He will send an update to parents at the end of this week. The determination to stay remote will be made on Friday, December 11, but if the state continues to stay in the “orange” category, school will remain remote. Mr. Cohen spoke of “disappearing” students - some who are signing in to class, but not turning cameras on or participating, some are not completing work, some are not responding to teachers. Parents are not responsive to teachers or his calls either. Lack of participation and completed work may result in summer school and/or retention.

- **PERSONNEL:**

- New Art Teacher - Mr. Cohen will have a name at the next meeting for Board approval. She will begin the following day to shadow the current art teacher. Mr. Cohen is pleased with his selection.

VII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Confidential Student issues (residency and attendance)**

**Time In: 7:13pm** Motion made by Patrick Smith, seconded by Robert Melick.

**Time Out: 7:36pm** Motion made by Robert Melick, seconded by Patrick Smith.

VIII. **NEW BUSINESS - None**

IX. **PUBLIC INPUT - None**

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Patrick Smith, seconded by Robert Melick to adjourn at 7:37PM

VOICE VOTE

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Pettinelli  
Board President