

Alpha Borough Public School Board of Education

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

December 17, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Agenda

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

Travis Conway	_____
Louis Hardy	_____
Christopher McGee	_____
Jennifer Pettinelli	_____
Loretta Reed	_____
Patrick Smith	_____
Brian Williams	_____

C. Flag Salute – Pledge of Allegiance

D. Silent Meditation

E. District Mission Statement:

The mission of the Alpha Public School is to provide every student with the opportunity to receive a high quality education, in a small, personal, caring, safe and positive environment in which all students at all grade levels achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. In partnership with the parents and the community, a competent and dedicated staff guides students to develop confidence and become productive and contributing members of a constantly changing society.

III. PRESENTATION

IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2024 regular meeting.

VOICE VOTE

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Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2024 executive session.

VOICE VOTE

V. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

- Letter from John Nittolo, Superintendent of the Oxford School and from Travis Conway.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. MONTHLY REPORTS OF BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **November 2024** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c3, the Board of Education certifies that as of **November 30, 2024**, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c4 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

VIII. APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS/LIST OF BILLS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the November 20, 2024 through December 17, 2024 current expense bill list for check numbers 21711 to 21758 totaling \$821,873.91.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve budget transfers in the amount of \$5,308.06 as presented for the period November 20, 2024 through December 17, 2024 noting that Commissioner approval was not required as the year to date transfers on a cumulative basis do exceed 10% pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		

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Pettinelli _____ McGee _____

IX. PUBLIC INPUT

Public participation shall be governed by BOE Bylaw 0167 Public Participation in Board Meetings. Public comments are invited on matters pertaining only to the agenda at this time. All participants shall be given three (3) minutes to speak and shall state their name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate.

The Board uses the public comment period as an opportunity to listen to citizen concerns, but please be aware that not all issues brought to a board meeting will be resolved this evening; rather, the Board will, in appropriate cases, delegate the authority to investigate the matter to the Superintendent or his designee.

Please let the record reflect that the BOE does not endorse your comments nor will the BOE be held liable for comments you make about a staff member, or other person, which the staff member, or other person, may consider defamatory and/or libelous, as that individual retains all rights to pursue any legal remedies against you.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL, NEGOTIATIONS, STUDENT ISSUES, AND/OR LEGAL MATTERS

In – Time: _____ Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

VOICE VOTE

Out – Time: _____ Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

VOICE VOTE

XI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- HIB Report

XII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

ACTION ITEMS: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator

CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Board of Education and/or its standing committees, for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion.

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Consent Agenda Motion: BOARD AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following board affairs agenda item **1.1**.

1.1 To approve the second reading and adoption of revised policy 2360 "Use of Technology".

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

Consent Agenda Motion: BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following business affairs agenda item **2.1**.

2.1 To approve a memorandum of agreement with the WCSSSD to provide related services on an as needed basis for the 2024-25 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda item **3.1**.

3.1 To accept Kelsey Tinsman's letter of resignation effective 2/7/25.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following school affairs agenda items **4.1** through **4.3**.

4.1 To approve the following building use requests:

- i. NJHS on 12/11/24 from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the gym and cafeteria for the induction ceremony.
- ii. PTO on 12/3/24, 12/4/24 & 12/5/24 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and 12/6/24 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm in the basement rooms for the Holiday

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- iii. 8th grade on 12/9/24 from 2:45 pm to 3:30 pm in the lobby to hand out blanket orders.
- iv. AYAA on Saturday's from 2/15/25 through 3/15/25 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in the gym for basketball games.

4.2 To approve the following fundraiser requests:

- PTO grade to conduct a gift card sale to raise money for the general fund.
- 5th – 8th grade choir to sell Shammy Shine gift cards from 12/2/24 to 12/13/24 to raise money for Music in the Parks.
- Scholarship Committee to sell "Crazy About Cookies" tubs from 12/2/24 to 12/13/24 to raise money for the scholarship account.

4.3 To approve the following field trips:

- 1st grade choir to the Lehigh Valley Zoo in Schnecksville, PA on 5/1/25.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

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XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to adjourn at _____ p.m.

VOICE VOTE