

ENGLEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Englewood, New Jersey 07631

ANNUAL ORGANIZATION MEETING

Thursday, January 7, 2016

8:00 p.m.

The annual organization meeting of the Board of Education will be held this day in the Cafeteria at Dr. John Grieco Elementary School. The order of business and agenda for the meeting are:

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING 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 public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed and acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act and Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be posted in the Board Office, City Clerk's Office, Public Library, and all Englewood Public Schools and e-mailed or faxed to the Record, Suburbanite, Co-Presidents of the ETA and EAA, Presidents of parent-teacher organizations and any person who has requested individual notice and paid the required fee.

III. ROLL CALL: Stephen Brown, Junius Carter, Molly Craig-Berry, Carol Feinstein, Glenn Garrison, Betty Griffin, Devry Pazant, Henry Pruitt

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. CERTIFIED ELECTION RESULTS

Full 3 Year Term

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| Henry J. Pruitt III | 1,391 Total Votes |
| George C. Garrison, III | 1,245 Total Votes |
| Molly Craig-Berry | 1,183 Total Votes |

VI. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS - (Oath of Office attached)

VII. NEW MEMBERS' REMARKS

- Molly Craig-Berry
- George Garrison, III
- Henry Pruitt

VIII. ROLL CALL: Stephen Brown, Junius Carter, Molly Craig-Berry, Betty Griffin, George Garrison, III, Glenn Garrison, Carol Feinstein, Devry B. Pazant, Henry Pruitt

IX. ORGANIZATION BUSINESS

a. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF PRESIDENT (Candidates may nominate themselves)

Nominations for President: _____

Motion closed: Vote: _____

Vote: _____

BE IT RESOLVED, that _____ is hereby elected as President of the Board of Education effective January 7, 2016 for a term prescribed by law.

b. PRESIDENT ASSUMES THE CHAIR

c.. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Nominations for Vice President: _____

Motion closed: Vote: _____

Vote: _____

X. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

XI. REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA

(The following resolutions are presented for your consideration pursuant to Board of Education Bylaw 164.)

Finance 16-F- through 16-F-

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XII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

XIII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Motion to approve the consent agenda: _____ Second: _____
- b. Board Discussion
- c. Vote

16-F-74 APPROVAL – ADOPTION OF CODE OF ETHICS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt the New Jersey School Board Member Code of Ethics.

1. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
2. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
3. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
4. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
5. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
6. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
7. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
8. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
9. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
10. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

16-F-75 APPROVAL – ANNUAL BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves, the schedule of Board meetings for the 2016 year pursuant to N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq. Meetings will convene at 6:30 p.m. in Room 311 at Dr. John Grieco Elementary School, 50 Durie Avenue, and, when necessary and permitted by law, immediately adjourn to closed session and returning to open session at 8:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria. If there is no need or permitted topic for closed session, the meeting will recess until 8:00 p.m. at which time the meeting will reconvene in open session for the conduct of business.

January 14, 2016
February 11, 2016
March 10, 2016
April 14, 2016
May 12, 2016
June 9, 2016
July 14, 2016
August 11, 2016
September 15, 2016
October 13, 2016
November 17, 2016
December 15, 2016
January 5, 2017*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the meeting schedule is subject to change. Please consult the calendar on the district home page for monthly Board of Education meetings and locations.

*The Annual Organization Meeting is set by statute. This meeting will convene at 7:00 p.m.

16-F-76 APPROVAL – DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR SUNSHINE NOTICES

RESOLVED, the Board of Education designates The Record, and The Suburbanite, as official newspapers for sunshine notices.

16-F-77 APPROVAL – DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR LEGAL NOTICES

RESOLVED, the Board of Education designates The Record, as official newspaper for legal notices.

**16-F-78 APPROVAL - RATIFICATION OF CURRENT BYLAWS, BOARD POLICIES,
PROCEDURES AND CHART OF ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education ratifies its approval of all previously approved policies, bylaws & procedures contained in the Board of Education "Bylaws & Policies" book.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Englewood Public School District has expanded the minimum Chart of Accounts using Location, Subject, and Project Identifiers. Board approval is required at the state minimum level, which is object within Program. Additional approval from the New Jersey State Department of Education is required in the case of General Fund transfers from instructional to non-instructional accounts, any transfer to capital outlay from current expense except for equipment, transfers from undesignated fund balance, and all transfers that on a cumulative basis exceeds 10% of the advertised appropriation.

16-F-79 APPROVAL – ADOPTION OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt Robert's Rules of Order on Parliamentary Procedures, 10th edition.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT



ENGLEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, 274 KNICKERBOCKER RD., ENGLEWOOD, N.J. 07631

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
A36 REQUIRED OATHS FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
(Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2.1 and R.S. 41:1-1 and 1-3)

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and this State, under the authority of the people. So help me God.*

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I possess the qualifications prescribed by law for the office of member of a board of education, am not disqualified as a voter pursuant to R.S. 19:4-1, and am not disqualified to serve due to conviction of a crime or offense listed in N.J.S. 18A:12-1, and that I will faithfully, impartially, and justly perform all the duties of that office according to the best of my ability. So help me God.*

Sworn and subscribed to before me

this _____ day of _____ A.D. 20_____

_____ Board Member

*No individual shall be required to swear or affirm that part of the oaths which states “**So help me God.**”