

**SHAMONG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 17, 2015, 7:00 PM  
INDIAN MILLS MEMORIAL SCHOOL**

The Regular Meeting of the Shamong Township Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Board President, Melissa Ciliberti.

**ROLL CALL**

Melissa Ciliberti, Susan Daniels, Michael Tuman and Jeffrey Warner.  
Jeffrey Siedlecki was absent.

**Others Present:**

Christine Vespe, Marie Goodwin, Lisa Abramovitz, Tim Carroll, Nicole Espenberg, Nicole Moore  
Eric Pierre & Hanna Russo, IMMS Student Representatives to BOE

The flag salute was conducted.

**VISITORS**

The New Jersey Public Meeting Law was read by Melissa Ciliberti, after which Melissa Ciliberti opened the meeting to the public for agenda and non-agenda items at 7:08 p.m. A community member read a statement expressing her position regarding PARCC and Core Curriculum, as well as invasion of student privacy. An association member asked about the reason for the sign-in sheet for the public portion of the meeting, and was advised it was to assist in making sure accurate information was available of who spoke during the public portion time. A Board Member addressed the community member, indicating her statements are informative, and shouldn't be concerned about the Board 'watching the clock'. Melissa Ciliberti closed the public portion of the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

**STUDENT BOE REPRESENTATIVES:**

IMMS: Eric Pierre and Hanna Russo provided information on IMMS activities, including the upcoming Volleyball Pep Rally, Messy Games, and Volleyball Game, and that Spring Sports started.

A report on Seneca activities was provided on behalf of Seneca Student Board Representative, Justin Tuman, by Michael Tuman. The report included information about Seneca sports, the Spring Musical March 26-28, and a Blood Drive during which 1,000 pints were collected.

A Board Member asked the Student Board representatives about their experience with the PARCC testing. Both students provided their opinions on the testing.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S and ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS**

Christine Vespe, Superintendent, provided her monthly report.

Marie Goodwin, Business Administrator, provided her monthly report, as well as an update on behalf of the Director of Facilities & Security, provided a report.

Tim Carroll, IMMS Principal, provided his monthly report.

Nicole Moore, IMS Principal, provided her monthly report.

Lisa Abramovitz, Curriculum Coordinator, provided her monthly report.

Nicole Espenberg, Director of Pupil Services, provided her monthly report.



**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Jeffrey Warner moved, seconded by Susan Daniels, to approve the Bill List for March 17, 2015.

Roll Call Vote AYES: Melissa Ciliberti      NAYS – None      ABSENT – Jeffrey Siedlecki  
Susan Daniels  
Michael Tuman  
Jeffrey Warner

**BUSINESS and FINANCIAL**

Jeffrey Warner moved, seconded by Michael Tuman, to approve the following Business and Financial items.

7.01 APPROVE the travel and related expense reimbursements as listed.

7.02 ADOPTION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET 2015-2016

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2015-2016 School Year using the 2015-2016 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2015-16 Total Expenditures	13,851,211	210,032	856,815	14,918,058
Less: Anticipated Revenues	<u>5,142,164</u>	<u>210,032</u>	<u>180,777</u>	<u>23,466,907</u>
Taxes to be Raised	<u>8,609,048</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>676,038</u>	<u>9,285,086</u>

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Central Record, in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held at the Indian Mills Memorial School, 295 Indian Mills Rd., Shamong, New Jersey on April 28, 2015 at 7:00 pm for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2015-2016 School Year.

7.03 ADJUSTMENT – USE OF BANKED CAP

RESOLVED that the Shamong Township Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the adjustment for banked cap in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.3(b). The district has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority and must increase the base budget in the amount of \$254,432 for the purpose of funding the local share of the approved School Development Authority ROD Grants. The district intends to complete said purposes by June 2016.

7.04 CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT WITHDRAWAL

RESOLVED that the Shamong Township Board of Education requests the approval a capital reserve withdrawal in the amount of \$100,000. The district intends to transfer these funds to the debt service account for the purpose of offsetting locally funded principal and interest payment for bonded projects.

7.05 TRAVEL AND RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT 2015-2016

WHEREAS, the Shamong Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.2 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel as defined in NJAC 6A:23A-1.2, which includes attendance at regularly scheduled in-State county meetings, Department or Association sponsored events or in-State professional development activities for which the registration fee does not exceed \$150.00 per employee or board member, where prior Board approval shall not be required unless the annual threshold for a staff member exceeds \$1,500 in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$25,000 for all staff and board members for the 2015-2016 school year.

7.06 NON-RESIDENT TUITION STUDENTS

RESOLVED that the Shamong Township Board of Education hereby approves the acceptance of the following homeless students, as non-resident tuition students as indicated:

- Student #213530, from Southampton School District, at an annual tuition of \$13,056 (prorated), from April 28, 2014.
- Student #213531, from Southampton School District, at an annual tuition of \$13,056 (prorated), from April 28, 2014.
- Student #213648, from Pemberton Township School District, at an annual tuition of \$13,056 (prorated), from January 26, 2015.

7.07 FOUNDATION GRANT

APPROVE acceptance of funds, in the amount of \$3,525.69, for a grant awarded by the Shamong Foundation for Educational Excellence, *Introducing Robotics through Stem Teaching – Addendum (K. Clementi)*, IMS.

7.08 PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

AUTHORIZE Marie Goodwin, Business Administrator / Board Secretary for the district, to timely process payment of routine monthly bills between the March 17, 2015 and April 28, 2015 Board meetings. These payments will be itemized to the Board of Education at the April 28, 2015 regular meeting.

*QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:*

Roll Call Vote AYES: Melissa Ciliberti      NAYS – None      ABSENT – Jeffrey Siedlecki  
Susan Daniels  
Michael Tuman  
Jeffrey Warner

**STUDENTS** : None

**SEPARATION OF EMPLOYMENT** :

Jeffrey Warner moved, seconded by Susan Daniels, to approve the following Separation of Employment item:

9.01 APPROVE the following resignation, as indicated:

Heather Vanderslice .....Speech (IMS) ..... Effective May 1, 2015

9.02 APPROVE the following retirement, as indicated:

Karen Formont.....Language Arts .... Effective June 30, 2015  
IMMS

*QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:*

Roll Call Vote AYES: Melissa Ciliberti      NAYS – None      ABSENT– Jeffrey Siedlecki  
Susan Daniels  
Michael Tuman  
Jeffrey Warner

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

Jeffrey Warner moved, seconded by Michael Tuman, to approve the following Leave of Absence items:

10.01 APPROVE the following leaves of absence for Sherri Cohen, Special Education, IMS, as indicated.

- Medical, Paid, effective January 16-29, 2015
- NJFLA, Unpaid, effective January 30 through March 15, 2015
- FMLA, Unpaid, effective March 15 through June 15, 2015

10.02 APPROVE the following leaves of absence for Jamie Jiampetti, Phys Ed, IMMS, as indicated.

- Medical, Paid, effective February 2 through March 3, 2015
- Medical, Unpaid, effective March 4-9, 2015

10.03 APPROVE the following leaves of absence for Kathy McElhone, Grade 2, IMS, as indicated.

- Medical, Paid, effective April 20 through June 1, 2015

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:**

Roll Call Vote AYES: Melissa Ciliberti      NAYS – None      ABSENT– Jeffrey Siedlecki  
Susan Daniels  
Michael Tuman  
Jeffrey Warner

**CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT:** None

**PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS**

Jeffrey Warner moved, seconded by Susan Daniels, to approve the Personnel Appointment item listed below:

12.01 APPROVE to employ Jay Rabinowitz as Social Worker, Child Study Team, Step **10** MA of Teacher Salary Guide, effective September 1, 2015.

12.02 APPROVE the following salary guide change for Jamie Jiampetti to BA+15, effective February 1, 2015.

12.03 APPROVE to employ Tara Orichowskyj as Head Coach for the 2015 IMMS Track season, at Category 2 stipend, as outlined in the Bargaining Agreement.

12.04 APPROVE to employ Ryne Davies as Assistant Coach for the 2015 IMMS Track season, at Category 3 stipend, as outlined in the Bargaining Agreement.

12.05 APPROVE Barbara Quimby and Kylene Roth to provide additional supervision during the 2014-2015 school year, during home track meets (5-6), for up to 2.5 hours per meet, at the 'class average' rate of \$25 per period (44 minutes), and Karen Davies to serve as alternate in this position.

12.06 APPROVE to contract Rob Sandusky to provide professional services as LDT/C, effective March 16, 2015, at the following rates:

- Evaluations ..... \$395
- CST Services..... \$455 Full Day (6.5 hours)
- CST Services..... \$234 Half Day (3.25 hours)

12.07 APPROVE the following individuals to complete observation experience in the district, during the 2014-2015 school year, as indicated.

*Maria Seffrin*, West Chester University, Educational Psychology  
12 observation hours, IMMS, March 1-31, 2015  
Cooperating Staff Member: Susan Styers, Music

*Jessica Packard*, Richard Stockton College of NJ, Education  
10 observation hours, IMS, March 15 through April 2, 2015  
Cooperating Staff Member: Mary Barnes, Grade 1

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:**

Roll Call Vote AYES:	Melissa Ciliberti	NAYS – None	ABSENT – Jeffrey Siedlecki
	Susan Daniels		
	Michael Tuman		
	Jeffrey Warner		

**PROGRAMS:**

Jeffrey Warner moved, seconded by Michael Tuman, to approve the following Program items:

13.01 APPROVE the district's 2015-2016 school calendar.

13.02 APPROVE the following IMMS Spring sports' schedules:

Baseball	Lacrosse	Softball	Track
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13.03 APPROVE the STEA Ice Cream Social, on May 28, 2015, IMMS Cafeteria.

Roll Call Vote AYES:	Melissa Ciliberti	NAYS – None	ABSENT – Jeffrey Siedlecki
	Susan Daniels		
	Michael Tuman		
	Jeffrey Warner		

**POLICY:** None

**TRANSPORTATION:** None

**USE OF FACILITIES:** None

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Melissa Ciliberti opened the meeting to the public for agenda and non-agenda items at 7:55 p.m. A teacher and Association Member commented on how impressed she was at a recent awards dinner/ceremony, recognizing the elementary school principal as Administrator of the Year, to see the district's Superintendent and BOE President in attendance. She also congratulated the IMMS Principal on his selection to present at the State level in the near future, commenting on how difficult it is to be accepted from applicants. Melissa Ciliberti closed the public portion of the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was determined by the BOE that no Executive Session was necessary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Michael Tuman moved, seconded by Jeffrey Warner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

AYES – FOUR

NAYS – NONE

ABSENT – Jeffrey Siedlecki

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Goodwin  
Business Administrator /  
Board Secretary