

Transcript of 11/2/22 Special BOE Meeting

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testing one two siblings

0:17

all right

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those uh good evening the special

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meeting of the Moorestown Township Board

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of Education is called to order uh this

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meeting is called in conformance with

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the open public meetings act with

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adequate notice provided as follows in

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The Courier Post on October 31st and

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with the Burlington County Times on

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October 31st as well like this moment

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like to ask for a moment of silence

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thank you please rise for the Pledge of

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Allegiance

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I pledge allegiance to the flag of the

0:56

United States of America and to the

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Republic for which it stands one nation

1:01

under God indivisible with liberty and

1:04

justice for all

1:09

thank you Mr Heiser would you please do

1:12

the roll call Dr Alberti here Mrs arcara

1:15

Burns

1:16

Mrs fowles Macaluso yeah Mrs mccopless

1:20

Miss Morano Miss Romano Mr Villanueva

1:25

here Dr Snyder here present thank you

1:28

thank you

1:30

okay uh the board met in executive

1:34
session uh starting at 5 30 until just a
1:36
few moments ago thank you for
1:39
everybody's patience uh and our in the
1:42
time it took us to get over here so
1:45
um we really have a short agenda
1:46
although there's one amendment I need to
1:48
do to the um to the agenda I'll do that
1:51
when we get past this first one so um
1:54
I'd like to
1:56
um we have a motion that I'd like to
1:58
I'll read it uh a resolution is
2:01
requested accepting the resignation of
2:03
superintendent Michael Volpe uh
2:07
effective March 2nd 2023 in accordance
2:09
with the terms of his current Employment
2:11
contract uh I'll entertain a motion uh
2:14
to put that up for a vote so moved
2:16
second thank you
2:19
um any discussion questions
2:23
okay seeing none uh all in favor
2:27
oh sorry roll call vote roll call vote
2:30
excuse me
2:32
Dr Alberti yes Mrs arcara Burns yeah
2:36
yeah Mrs fellows Macaluso yeah
2:39
Mrs mccopless yeah yeah Mrs Moreno yes
2:42
Miss Romano
2:44
Mr Villanueva yes Dr Snyder yes Mr weeks
2:48
yes

2:50
thank you the motion carries so uh next
2:53
as amended in our executive session
2:56
um we have another motion
2:58
so a motion to authorize the posting and
3:02
advertising for the position of interim
3:04
superintendent
3:05
so I'll entertain a motion to vote on
3:08
that so moved thank you
3:12
thank you any questions comments
3:18
okay uh another roll call vote
3:21
please
3:24
Dr Alberti yes Mr Cara Burns yes
3:29
yeah Mrs mccopless yeah
3:33
Mrs Morano yes Miss Romano Mr Villanueva
3:37
yes Dr Schneider yes Mr Williams yes
3:40
thank you thank you okay so motion
3:43
carries another nine zero all right uh
3:48
at this point uh having concluded uh the
3:51
business section primarily
3:53
um
3:54
we'll move to public comment so as uh as
3:58
we always discuss uh at this point a
4:01
public comment is an opportunity for us
4:03
to hear uh from the from the audience
4:05
tonight we didn't actually have public
4:07
comment on the agenda items just this
4:09
one public comment period so this does
4:11
could be the agenda items or not

4:14
um please address the board but not
4:17
individual members uh state your name as
4:20
much of your address possible as you're
4:22
comfortable with
4:23
um so those rules apply so I'll
4:26
entertain a motion to open public
4:28
comment so moved thank you thank you all
4:32
in favor
4:33
aye aye any opposed abstentions
4:36
okay
4:37
would anybody like to come to the mic
4:45
it's such a small meeting uh my name is
4:48
Marcela Clark I have two children in the
4:49
district and
4:51
um
4:52
you know we're sad to see Mr Volpe leave
4:55
um I really appreciated the opt-in for
4:57
the Rucker survey
4:59
um even though my children are only in
5:00
second grade I know they're not in a
5:02
survey but I think that parents are so
5:05
busy I talk to so many parents they have
5:07
no clue what's happening and I think as
5:09
much transparency and information that
5:11
can be given I think really people
5:13
appreciate it
5:15
um so I noticed the opt-in and I I
5:17
really appreciated the Rutgers opt-in

5:19
versus opt out
5:21
um also I know superintendent search is
5:23
really daunting and we go through it
5:25
quite often
5:27
um you know I I know that there's going
5:29
to be meetings later about that but
5:32
um again I'm just going to speak from my
5:34
experience no one else is
5:36
um you know someone that you know is
5:38
going to be comfortable changing things
5:41
up a little bit
5:43
um and having a little bit more
5:44
transparency in the district like for
5:46
instance I'll give an example one of my
5:48
children receives basic skills services
5:50
and I didn't think the district did
5:52
respond to intervention or irns meetings
5:55
because I heard nothing about it she
5:57
doesn't have a goal I know some
5:59
districts and if you look on the State
6:00
website they really recommend including
6:02
parents and saying your child is basic
6:05
skills this is what's happening with
6:06
your child this is why we identified
6:08
your child as basic skills you're
6:10
getting basic skills in reading your
6:11
math your letter the letter that I
6:14
received last year for both children and

6:16
then this year for my one child it just
6:19
says reading and or math so you know I
6:22
always feel like I have to always reach
6:24
out and say well which is it and could I
6:26
confer with the basic skills teacher and
6:28
can I find out information I just think
6:30
some of that could be even a form letter
6:32
just circle reading just circle math and
6:34
then just write the indicators you know
6:36
this is why your child's identified
6:39
um and include parents you know because
6:41
parents can give uh important
6:43
information and say Hey you know for my
6:45
for instance my child has an attention
6:47
issue not to the point that she's
6:49
diagnosed but hey these are some things
6:51
that most motivate her so I would just
6:53
appreciate someone who has a strong
6:55
backgrounds in addressing achievement
6:58
gaps and response to intervention and
7:00
would include parents in the process
7:02
thanks so much
7:04
thank you thanks for comments
7:08
hey
7:09
anybody else
7:12
you're going once
7:14
twice all right motion to close uh
7:17
public comment thank you all in favor

7:22
aye thank you
7:24
so at this point I'll ask if there is
7:26
anything for the good of the order
7:31
nope
7:33
good
7:35
um
7:36
I'll just add
7:37
um you know thank you uh Mr Volpe we're
7:41
definitely appreciated a lot of the
7:43
efforts uh all the efforts that you made
7:45
while you were here
7:47
um we're sorry to see you go and wish
7:49
you luck uh with with your uh your next
7:52
opportunity
7:54
so all right I'll entertain a motion for
7:57
a German
7:59
thank you
8:00
thank you all right I assume there's no
8:02
discussion did you want to say go fills
8:05
uh
8:09
yeah yeah
8:12
should we go back okay
8:13
all right all right uh all in favor hi
8:17
hi an opposed extensions all right thank
8:20
you everybody good night