

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE ELK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021 AURA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VIRTUAL MEETING.

Purpose: 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR REGULAR BOARD MEETING FOR AUGUST
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Special Note: THE MEETING APPROVED AND PRE-SCHEDULED BEGAN 7:00 P.M.

Board Mem.	Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent	Mrs. Mary Snively
Pres.	Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.	Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.
	Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett	Ms. Courtney Vance
	Ms. Cheryl Potter	Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz
	Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent	

Admin. Pres. Dr. Piera Gravenor, Superintendent, Mr. Joseph Collins, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Statement: As Board President of the Elk Township Board of Education, I hereby certify that all provisions of the
Regular "Open Public Meeting Law" P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, have been met. Notice of this meeting was mailed to
Session: "The South Jersey Times", "The Sentinel", as well as to the Municipal Clerk of Elk Township.

Pledge: Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mission Statement: Mrs. Mary Snively read the below statement:

We strive to educate students and assist them in realizing their full potential as responsible, productive, contributing members of society by providing an educational environment in which students are challenged, differences are valued, and excellence is expected.

MINUTES:

Aprv. Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz to approve the minutes as listed:
Minutes:

1. Regular Session – July 08, 2021

Voice Vote:

Yes – 5 No – 0 Abstentions – 1

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively – Abstain

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

COMMUNICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The SSDS Report was presented to the Board

CITIZENS

Open Public: Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz to open the first public portion

Voice Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

Ms. Colleen Barbaro spoke of the mask mandate and medical issues with masks

Close Public: Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett to close the first public portion

Voice Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

COMMITTEES:

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

(All hiring is pending completion of required state paperwork and is dependent upon COVID 19 legislation and funding)

Aprv. E. Price
ERC: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved Eshe Price as a part time Evaluation and Research Coordinator at a rate of \$37.00/hr, 29 hours per week effective July 6, 2021

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 5 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Ms. Courtney Vance - Absent

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. Rate for
ESY/S. Camp
Nurse: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the daily rate of \$250 per day for Extended School Year/Summer Camp Nurse

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. P For T
21-22 Teacher
Evals: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved Passion For Teaching, LLC to conduct teacher evaluations/SER's for the 2021-22 school year at the rate of \$125 per evaluation, not to exceed \$7,500

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent
 Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes
 Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes
 Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent
 Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes
 Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.
 Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes
 Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv F. Foley
 Jr. Sub
 Custodian:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved Frank Foley, Jr. as a sub custodian at a previously approved rate

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Voice Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent
 Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv Leaves
 of Absence

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following leaves of absence as listed:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Leave Requested</u>	<u>Paid/Unpaid Days</u>	<u>Federal Medical Leave Act</u>	<u>State Medical Leave Act</u>
Heather Gonnelli	11/01/2021 through 5/03/2022	Paid leave 11/01/2021 through 1/14/2022 Unpaid leave 1/17/2022 through 5/03/2022	1/17/2022 through 1/31/2022 <i>(benefit 2 weeks)</i>	2/01/2022 through 5/03/2022 <i>(benefit 12 weeks)</i>
*Dawn Patterson	7/26/2021 through 10/18/2021	Paid leave 7/26/2021 through 9/15/2021 Unpaid leave 9/16/2021 through 10/18/2021	7/26/2021 through 10/18/2021 <i>(benefit 12 weeks)</i>	7/26/2021 through 10/18/2021 <i>(benefit 12 weeks)</i>

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

Voice Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent
 Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – 7:21 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

POLICY – Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin

Aprv. Policies/
 Regulation:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved on first reading the following policies/regulation as listed:

Policy # 1643	Family Leave (M) (N)
Policy # 4125	Employment of Support Staff Members (M) (R)
Policy # 6360	Political Contributions (M) (R)

Policy # 8330	Student Records (M) (R)
Policy # 9713	Recruitments by Special Interest Groups (M) (R)
Reg. # 1642	Earned Sick Leave Law (M) (N)

Motion by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. The
Abolishment
of Policies:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the abolishment of the following policies as listed:

Policy # 3431.1	Family Leave
Policy # 3431.3	New Jersey’s Family Leave Insurance Program
Policy # 4431.1	Family Leave
Policy # 4431.3	New Jersey’s Family Leave Insurance Program

Motion by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY – Ms. Cheryl Potter

Aprv. 21-22
Mentoring
Plan:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the Mentoring Plan for the 2021-2022 school year

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Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. 21-22
District PD
Plan:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the District PD plan for the 2021-2022 school year

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Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. 21-22
Tuition Rates:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the cost per pupil for tuition purposes for the 2021-2022 school year as listed (per Choice School Guidelines):

Pre K / K	\$ 18,120
Grade 1-5	\$ 18,300
Grade 6-8	\$ 18,587
MD	\$ 18,535
Pre K / PT	\$ 11,350

Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. 21-22
Rate for
Summer
Workshops/
Trainings:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following 2021 Professional Development Summer workshops/trainings at a rate of \$150 per day as listed:

Orton Gillingham Comprehensive Training (Title II Funds)- July/August TBD	
Danielle Barbato (5 days)	Kerry Kramme (5 days)
Terri Fleming (4 days)	Ryan Malloy (2 days)
Alex Jaraiedi (5 days)	Rachel Tomczak (3 days)
Steve Keane (5 days)	Marielle Walker (5 days)
Orton Gillingham Intermediate Virtual Training (Title II Funds)- August 23-27, 2021	
Christine Bunting (5 days)	

Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Yes

Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. 21-22
Summer PD:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following 2021 Professional Development Summer workshops/trainings at a previously approved rate as listed:

Beyond the Basics...(Title II Funds) - 1 day August 18, 2021	
Kristen Molinari	

Let Me Learn (Title II Funds) - 1 day August 23, 2021	
Brooke Tharp	Sandi Chacker
Kristina Thumlert	Dina Holmes

Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

BUDGET & FINANCE/FACILITIES/CAFETERIA/TRANSPORTATION

BUDGET & FINANCE – Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Aprv. Board
 Secretary's
 Report:

Approved Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of June (Draft) 2021. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year

Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv.
 Treasurer's
 Report:

Approved the Treasurer's Report (Draft) in accordance with 8A:17-9 and 18A:17-36 for the month of June 2021. The Treasurer's Report (Draft) and Secretary's Report (Draft) are in agreement for the month of June 2021.

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv Board
 Sec. Cert.:

Approved in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 2 the certification of the Board Secretary that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources

Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
 Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
 Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv Board
Cert:

Approved Board of Education Certification – pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4. We certify that after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or funds have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv.
Transfers:

Approved the June 2021 Transfer Report (Draft)

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Yes

Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. Bills:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the monthly bill list as distributed:

1. General Bill List	\$	109,962.73
2. Hand Check	\$	166,053.89
3. Cafeteria Bill List	\$	5,958.29

Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Yes

Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

FACILITIES – Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

None

CAFETERIA – Ms. Courtney Vance

Aprv. Café
Report:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the June 2021 cafeteria report as listed:

Total Income	7,568.49
Total Expense	(6,498.98)
Net Income or (Loss)	1,069.51
Average Daily Attendance	306
Average Daily Participation	52
Percentage of Participation	17%

Motion by Ms. Courtney Vance, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. 21-22
Lunch/
Breakfast
Pricing:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the lunch/breakfast pricing for the 2021-2022 school year as listed:

	<u>Full Price</u>	<u>Reduced Price</u>
Lunch	\$ 2.90	\$.40
Breakfast	\$ 1.60	\$.30
Adult	\$ 4.00	N/A

(Aura School participates in the National School Lunch Seamless Summer Program)

Motion by Ms. Courtney Vance, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

TRANSPORTATION - Mrs. Mary Snively

Aprv. Trans.
Jointure:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following 2021-2022 transportation jointure as listed:

1. Delsea Regional High School District

Motion by Mrs. Mary Snively, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Aprv. June
HIB:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the June 2021 HIB report as previously submitted

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Board Reports:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent acknowledge the receipt of the following reports as listed:

1. Enrollment
2. Staff Attendance
3. Nurse’s Report
4. HIB Report – July 2021
5. Facility Manager’s Report
6. Principal’s Report
7. Fire Drills/Crisis Drills

Fire Drill	7/28/2021	9:15 am
Lockout Drill	7/28/2021	9:25 am

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. Revised
21-22 District
Calendar:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the revised 2021-2022 District School Calendar

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Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. Spec.
Ed. Tuition
Placements:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following special education tuition student placements as listed:

<u>Initials</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Contracted Educational Tuition - Per Diem</u>
G. B.	10/31/17	Elk	PSD	Gloucester County Special Services School District	ESY: \$4,500.00 (\$225 per diem)

S. L.	5/14/13	Elk	M.D.	Gloucester County Special Services School District	ESY: \$4,500.00 (\$225 per diem) 1:1 Teacher Assistant: \$3,690.00 (\$184.50 per diem)
S. T.	7/14/17	Elk	PSD	Gloucester County Special Services School District	ESY: \$4,500.00 (\$225 per diem) 1:1 Teacher Assistant: \$3,690.00 (\$184.50 per diem)

Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Yes

Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

LEGISLATION – Mrs. Mary Snively

Mrs. Mary Snively questioned if sixth grade is considered elementary or middle school

Dr. Piera Gravenor stated that sixth grade is considered elementary level

GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION – Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin

None

SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – Mr. Joseph Collins

Aprv. Asst
Sup. 21-22
Contract:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the Assistant Superintendent contract for the 2021-2022 school year

Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. Adv.
Club
Before/After
School
Program:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the School Partnership Agreement with The Adventure Club for the Before/After School Program 2021-2022 school year

Motion by Mrs. Mary Snively, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Cheryl Potter provided school finance information to the Board

CITIZENS

Open Public: Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively to open the second public portion

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro questioned what if any procedures were in place for mask shaming
Dr. Piera Gravenor stated that all teachers and staff will be made aware to look for any mask shaming

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro questioned if the cafeteria/all purpose room will be used for both lunch and gym
Dr. Piera Gravenor stated that the cafeteria/all purpose room will be used for both gym and lunch and stated that Mr. Murschell worked very hard to make sure the number of students in each lunch is as balanced as possible

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz read a prepared statement in opposition to the Governors mask mandate

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin stated her support for the Governors mask mandate due to the inability of some children to be vaccinated and feels that schools need to do whatever possible to protect the students

Mrs. Courtney Vance questioned how to get a mask exemption

Dr. Piera Gravenor stated the district is currently working on a form with the district attorney

Close Public: Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz to close the second public portion

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session Begins 8:18 p.m.: Motion by Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett to enter into the executive session to discuss matters as listed.

**ELK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Resolution Authorizing Executive Session**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Elk Township School District has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Board of Education will reconvene at the conclusion of closed session, at approximately 8:18 p.m. this evening.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Elk Township School District will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

1. ETEA - Negotiations

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that it's discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time the Board Attorney advises the Board of Education that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the School District or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Board Secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

I, Joseph Collins, Board Secretary do hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Elk Township School District Board of Education at their meeting held on August 12, 2021.

Joseph M. Collins,
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Adjourn Executive: Motion by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Wirtz that the executive session be adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent
Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Negotiations Committee - J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

Aprv. Ratification of ETEA Negotiated Agreement: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the ratification of the negotiated agreement between the ETEA and the Elk Township Board of Education as presented for the years 2021-2026

Motion by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr., seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0
Ms. Danielle Bland - Absent
Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes
Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes
Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes
Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent
Mrs. Mary Snively - Yes
Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Yes
Ms. Courtney Vance - Yes

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz – Yes

Motion carried unanimously

CITIZENS

Open Public: Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively to open the third public portion

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Ms. Lynn Peterson thanked Mrs. Wirtz for speaking up about masks since she feels that the district will not speak up about masks

Close Public: Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively to close the third public portion

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Aprv. - Meeting Adjourned 8:38 p.m.: Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Mary Snively that the meeting be adjourned 8:38 p.m.

Voice Vote:

Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstentions – 0

Ms. Danielle Bland – Absent

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Absent

Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph M. Collins,
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary