

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Cape May County Special Services School District and
Cape May County Technical School District

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**September 22, 2021
3:00 P.M.**

The following board members were present (in person or remotely) at the special board meeting: Mr. Alan Gould, Board President, Mrs. Jane Elwell, Board Vice-President, Mr. Christopher Kobik, Board Member, Mr. Kenneth Merson, Board Member and Ms. Nancy Ramundo, Board Member.

Not present. Dr. Judith DeStefano, Board Member.

In addition, present at the meeting (in person or remotely) were Dr. Nancy Hudanich, Superintendent, Ms. Jamie Moscony, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Kathleen Allen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other administrators and members of the public.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Business Administrator Kathleen Allen led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Business Administrator Kathleen Allen read the following statement:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-10, adequate notification of this meeting has been properly posted in The Cape May County Herald, The Press of Atlantic City and the County Commissioner's office on September 7, 2021 as prescribed by Chapter 231, laws of 1975.

DEVELOPMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS WITH SCHOOL BOARDS REPRESENTATIVE

The meeting was led by Ms. Terry Lewis and Ms. Michele Kennedy, NJSBA.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Kobik discussed why he thought goals were important as the Board's primary effort should be to support administration and would allow some meaningful measurement to reflect upon on an annual basis. Mr. Gould noted that the two school districts complement each other and pointed out a good deal of focus will be on the construction and expansion of programs. He also noted the success of various shared-services

between the districts. Mr. Merson discussed the declining population of the county and the economic disproportionately of our families. He noted fairly strong labor relations at both districts, freeing up the Board to focus on other meaningful initiatives. Ms. Ramundo noted that she would like to see more committee level work so that Board members could contribute their talents and contacts.

It was decided to pursue an ethics training through NJSBA in the Spring, along with trainings on how both district's financial structure works during the budget approval process.

Ms. Allen pointed out the mandatory trainings will need to be addressed and have been problematic given the appointment status of several members.

PUBLIC INPUT

Board President Alan Gould read the following statement:

This meeting will now be open to public comments. If your questions pertain to litigation, student or personnel items please see the Superintendent after the meeting as the board does not discuss these matters in public. Depending on the nature and complexity of your questions, the board secretary may ask for your contact information so that someone can get back to you with a response. Pursuant to policy 9322, public comment will be five minutes per person and limited in time to a total of 30 minutes for all public comments.

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURN

On the motion of Mr. Merson, seconded by Ms. Elwell, the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Kathleen Allen
Board Secretary