

BRADLEY BEACH BOARD OF EDUCATION
515 Brinley Avenue
Bradley Beach, NJ 07720

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Special Meeting
February 7, 2012

I. Call To Order

The special meeting held by the Bradley Beach Board of Education was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Migdon at the school, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach, NJ.

II. Open Public Meetings Act

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been given to the designated newspaper, *The Asbury Park Press*, and posted in the school in a place reserved for this kind of notice.

III. Flag Salute/Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Feeley Dr. Monroe
 Mr. Gerdes Mr. Migdon
 Mr. Gorry arrived at 7:11 p.m. Dr. Rodriguez
 Dr. Turner, Superintendent/Principal
 David Tonzola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Absent: Mr. Bardinas
 Mr. Johnson
 Mr. Mandina

IV. Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Report

Mr. Tonzola began the special meeting by going over his agenda items. He went over with the Board the resolution to change the annual school election date and the ramifications it would have on current and future budget adoptions. A brief board discussion followed Mr. Tonzola's presentation.

Mr. Tonzola then went over the upcoming board meeting dates to adopt a tentative budget and hold the public hearing on the budget.

A. Approval to Change the Annual Election Date for School Board Members from the Third Tuesday in April to the November General Election, Beginning in 2012

RESOLVED: That the Board approve to establish the election of members of the Bradley Beach Board of Education as the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 authorizes changing the election date of school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November (the General Election); and

WHEREAS, Such action requires the adoption of a resolution by a school district or the municipality or municipalities constituting such district, as set forth in P.L. 2011, c. 202; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that the change to a November election remain in effect for four years; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 eliminates the annual voter referendum on the proposed general fund tax levy (i.e., the base budget which is at or below the statutory tax levy cap) in school districts where board of education members are elected at the General Election; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that an additional general fund tax levy proposal (i.e., for an expenditure in excess of the tax levy cap) be presented to voters as a separate question at the General Election; and

WHEREAS, The Bradley Beach Board of Education believes that the financial interest of its constituents is safeguarded by the state's tax levy cap and the thorough review of the proposed school budget by the Executive County Superintendent and the Executive County School Business Administrator; and

WHEREAS, The Bradley Beach Board of Education believes that more citizens will participate in the selection of school board members at the General Election than on the third Tuesday in April and that the higher level of participation will foster positive interest in our public schools; and

WHEREAS, The Bradley Beach Board of Education is committed to the non-partisan status of school board membership and the non-partisan conduct of school elections, and believes this principle will not be compromised by conducting board member elections in November.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, the Bradley Beach Board of Education, changes the annual election date for school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the November General Election, beginning in 2012; and be it further

RESOLVED, That pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, the annual organization meeting of the Bradley Beach Board of Education will take place in the first week of January following the November General Election and that the board of education's next organization meeting will take place in the first week of January 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, members of the Bradley Beach Board of Education whose terms would have expired by May 2012 will continue to serve in office until the January 2013 organization meeting; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That this resolution be transmitted to the Monmouth County Clerk, the Monmouth County Board of Elections, the Department of Education's Executive County Superintendent, and the Bradley Beach Municipal Clerk.

MOTION: Mr. Gerdes SECOND: Mrs. Feeley VOTE: 6-0

B. Approval of Special Public Meeting and Public Hearing Dates

Resolved: That the Board schedule the following meetings:

1. Special Public Meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library of the Bradley Beach Elementary School, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach, N.J. for the purpose of adopting the preliminary budget for the 2012/2013 school year and take action on any other Board business.
2. Workshop/Regular Public Meeting and Formal Public Meeting/Final Adoption of the 2012/2013 School Budget on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library of the Bradley Beach Elementary School, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach, N.J. for the purpose of conducting a formal public hearing on the proposed budget for the 2012/2013 school year.
3. Workshop/Regular Public Meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library of the Bradley Beach Elementary School, 515 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach N.J.

MOTION: Mr. Gerdes SECOND: Mrs. Feeley VOTE: 6-0

V. Old Business

Dr. Monroe and Dr. Rodriguez discussed with the Board the math forum that was held this afternoon after school. Both indicated that the event was well attended and that after-school events that involve the students seem to bring out more parents.

VI. New Business – None

VII. Committee Reports

Dr. Monroe stated that the student advisory committee met; however, no parents attended the meeting.

Mr. Tonzola stated that a finance committee meeting would be held on Wednesday, February 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

VIII. President's Report – None

IX. Public Comments (Regular Meeting Only)

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X. Executive Session – None

XII. Adjournment

By a unanimous voice vote the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Tonzola
Business Administrator/Board Secretary