

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

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Special Meeting**  
**December 4, 2018**

I. Call To Order

The special meeting held by the Bradley Beach Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Monroe 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

IV. Roll Call

Present:       Mrs. Carlucci               Mrs. Merenda  
                  Ms. Devane                 Mr. Warnet  
                  Dr. Franks                  Dr. Monroe  
                  Mr. Lozowick  
                  Dr. Wisniewski, Superintendent/Principal  
                  David Tonzola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Absent:         Mr. Bardinas  
                  Mr. Gerdes

V. Open Public Forum – Listening Session on Security Concerns

The following Bradley Beach, NJ residents expressed their opinion regarding school security concerns:

1. Jane Machta, 212 Brinley Avenue, spoke concerning not being in favor of having a gun in school.
2. Rosemary Ventor, 405 Beach Avenue, spoke concerning the increase of anxiety guns cause.
3. Robin Flipse, 408 Lake Terrace, spoke concerning the return on investment for the new safety procedures being installed.
4. Ann Caruso, 508 Monmouth Avenue, spoke concerning getting teacher's input through the use of surveys.
5. Larry Fox, 604 Monmouth Avenue, inquired how the school resource officer proposal was initiated.
6. Rich Despina, 600 3rd Avenue, also inquired how the school resource officer proposal was initiated.
7. Brian Johnson, 407 Newark Avenue, was concerned who would be in charge of the discipline with a school resource officer in the building.

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8. Linda Curtis, 202 3rd Avenue, stated she opposed the school resource officer proposal.
9. Rusty Caldwell, 603 Monmouth Avenue, stated that the district should conduct its own security evaluation, analyze the response time of the police, and believed it was not necessary to have an officer.
10. Abigail Bonavico, 413 Ocean Park Avenue, asked when the Board would vote on the school resource officer proposal.
11. Angie Majeski, 614 Newark Avenue, was concerned about the true cost of the police officer.
12. Regina Mahr, 320 Park Place Avenue, stated that data suggest that there are issues with having an armed guard in school.
13. Rich Bosse, 320 Park Place Avenue, inquired about the formation of the school safety committee.
14. Christina Boyle, 608 Hammond Avenue, stated her concerns about after-school events.
15. Kenny Walker, 503½ Monmouth Avenue, inquired where the funding was coming from.
16. Jane Machta, 212 Brinley Avenue, also inquired about funding for the school resource officer.
17. Tom Cohen, 612 3rd Avenue, spoke about his opposition to the school resource officer and questioned the funding of the proposal.
18. John Weber, 313 LaReine Avenue, thanked the Board for their work on this issue.
19. Ruth Ramirez, 705 Brinley Avenue, spoke about her support for the proposal.

Dr. Monroe then read letters that were sent to her concerning security issues and the school resource officer. The letters were sent from Ines Altemose, Kathie Deak, Kari Stewart, and Esmeralda Luna

Dr. Monroe thanked everyone for coming to tonight and assured the public that the Board is working on this issue.

Dr. Wisniewski also stated that the Board cannot share everything as it relates to security with the public but wished to reassure the public that the Board is working and the goal is to keep everyone in the building safe at all time.

- VI. Superintendent's Report – None
- VII. Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Report – None
- VIII. Old Business – None
- IX. New Business – None
- X. Committee Reports – None
- XI. President's Report – None
- XII. Public Comments (Agenda Items Only) – None
- XIII. Public Comments (Other Items Only) – None
- XIV. Executive Session – None

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XV. Adjournment

By a unanimous voice vote the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Tonzola  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary