

SOMERDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

301 Grace Street
Somerdale, NJ 08083

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

**March 22, 2018
6:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

BOE Mission Statement

The mission of the Somerdale School District, in active partnership with the community and staff, is to provide a safe and supportive environment which offers all students the opportunity to develop academically, socially, physically and emotionally, and to create students who are inquisitive and value learning not, only now, but also in the future.

We aspire to provide a broad range of educational opportunities in a nurturing environment designed to challenge all students to strive for personal excellence, achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Standards and become responsible citizens in this rapidly changing world.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. SUNSHINE LAW/ROLL CALL

Sunshine Law:

The Somerdale Board of Education Meeting is called to order. The Board of Education is in compliance with the sunshine regulations. This meeting was appropriately advertised by notifying The Courier Post and The Philadelphia Inquirer, as well as posting notices in Borough Hall, the Somerdale Post Office and the Somerdale Park School.

Our attorney has advised us that we cannot prevent you from making remarks about our employees. He has requested we advise you that our employees are not Public Officials and you are not immune from civil actions they may bring as a result of your remarks whether vocal, by e-mail, or social media such as Facebook, Twitter, etc.

James Anderson	Alicia Conte	Susan Lowden
Kim Barkoff	Colm Fidgeon	Melissa Moore
Jason Bishop	Monique Howard	James Walsh

Also Present:

Cleve Bryan, Superintendent/Principal
Melissa Engelhardt, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS on any action items.

NOTATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The Board President will recognize those individuals in the audience whom wish to comment **on any action items on this Agenda**.

Please respect the following procedures:

1. Be recognized by the Board President.
2. State your full name and address.

3. Identify the resolution/item number on which you wish to comment.
4. Wait to be recognized before you make your comment
5. Limit your comments to the specific resolution/items.
6. Limit your comments to (3) minutes per person.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

BUSINESS AFFAIRS, Colm Fidgeon, Chairperson, Susan Lowden, Alternate Chairperson, Jason Bishop, Administrative Liaisons: Cleve Bryan, Melissa Engelhardt

A. Finance – Reviews and monitors the school district budget and assumes other fiscal responsibilities

Report by Finance Committee Chair

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

Recommend that the Board of Education on the recommendation of the business administrator approve the following item 1:

1. To approve the proposed 2018-19 Budget in the amount of \$8,957,593 for submission to the Camden County Executive Superintendent, pending the review and approval of same. In conjunction with the submission of the proposed 2018-19 budget, to hold a Public Hearing of same on May 3, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in conjunction with the regular Board Meeting, to be held following the Public Hearing.

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Somerdale Borough Board of Education budget for the FY 2018-2019 School Year for submission to the county as follows:

	Budget	Local Tax Levy
Total General Fund Budget	\$8,298,697	\$4,628,926
Total Special Revenue Budget	\$403,483	
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$255,413</u>	<u>\$168,555</u>
Totals	\$8,957,593	\$4,797,481

WHEREAS, an amount not to exceed \$2,000 may be utilized for professional development travel expenses,

WHEREAS, general fund budget includes utilization of \$119,165 in capital reserve funds for HVAC upgrades and phase two of the drainage/paving project;

WHEREAS, general fund budget includes utilization of fund balance in the amount of \$289,417;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board has approved that there should be raised a total tax levy of \$4,797,481 whereas bank cap of \$54,426 is utilized for the purpose of hiring another world language teacher and meeting the 3.5% salary increase as negotiated with the SEA.

NOW IT THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That there should be a General Fund tax levy of \$4,628,926 and a Debt Service Fund tax levy of \$168,555 for the ensuing FY 2018-19 School Year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES _____ NO _____ ABSTAIN _____ ABSENT _____

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ TIME _____