

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF
THE BUTLER BOARD OF EDUCATION AND
THE BUTLER BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2008 IN THE
BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BUTLER, NEW JERSEY

Mr. Heywang, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Heywang, Mayor, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mr. Heywang made the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Butler Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Borough Hall, communicated to THE SUBURBAN TRENDS and THE DAILY RECORD, and filed with the Borough Clerk on April 26, 2007.

Chapter 8, P.L. 1995 provides for the representation of sending school district board of education members on the receiving school district board of education.

The Bloomingdale Board of Education representative has voting privileges on matters as outlined in Board Policy No. 0141.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Knapp, Lee, Luciani, O'Shea (arrived at 7:07 p.m.), Puglise, Roche, Sokoloff, and Lakawicz

Members absent: Marion

Others present: Dr. René T. Rovtar, Ms. Debra Naley-Minenna, 6 Borough Council Members, 2 Butler School District staff members, 11 current and former students and 2 members of the public

- Dr. Rovtar presented the School District Budget to the Borough Council.
- The Borough Council and the Butler Board of Education entered into a dialogue on the details of the Budget.
- The Borough Council caucused and re-entered the meeting with the following recommended reductions to these areas of the Budget:
 - \$35,000 from salaries and benefits (reducing high school staff member to half-time
 - \$10,000 from instructional supplies
 - \$10,000 from athletic supplies
- The Borough Council will vote at their next meeting on May 6, 2008.
- The Board of Education will vote at their next meeting on May 12, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mrs. Lakawicz and seconded by Mrs. Roche, it was moved to **adjourn the meeting to the call of the chair**. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Naley-Minenna,
Board Secretary