

East Newark Board of Education, 501 North 3rd St., East Newark, N. J. 07029

The **Special Public Meeting** of the East Newark Board of Education to be held on March 1, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. Via [Zoom](#)

Agenda

I. Sunshine Statement/Call to Order/Flag Salute –

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Jersey Journal and posted at the Borough Clerk’s Office.

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Ms. Goncalves (Brigite)		
Mr. Balsam Jr. (Mark)		
Ms. Lopez (Johanna)		
Ms. Slattery (Valeria)		
Ms. Fernandes (Carla)		

II. Executive Session (as needed)

Executive Meeting was read by _____.

Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education hereby adjourns to Executive Session in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, for the reason(s) identified below. The minutes of the discussion during Executive Session will be available to the public when such minutes have been approved by the Board of Education pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 and the need for confidentiality no longer exists.*

- a. Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule
- b. Individual privacy
- c. Collective bargaining agreements
- d. Purchase or lease of real property if public interest could be adversely affected
- e. Investment of public funds if public interest could be adversely affected
- f. Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting public safety and property
- g. Pending or anticipated litigation
- h. Attorney-client privilege
- i. Personnel – employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employers

Enter Executive Session: Motion _____; Second _____; Voice Vote _____.

Exit Executive Session: Motion _____; Second _____; Voice Vote _____.

III. Superintendent Report

IV. Audit Report

V. Public Comment

VI. Resolutions (Consent agenda)

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- 03-887-21 Approve the submission of grants: Digital Divide and School Security.
- 03-888-21 Approve SEMI waiver
- 03-889-21 Suspend Bylaw 0131
- 03-890-21 Acknowledge first reading of policies
- 03-891-21 Approve the abolishment of policies
- 03-892-21 Approve temporary application
- 03-893-21 Approve Auditor’s Management Report and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2020.
- 03-894-21 Approve retroactive pay.
- 03-895-21 Approve bills list for March 1, 2021
- 03-896-21 Approve Amendments for Title I and IIA
- 03-897-20 Approve Matthew Kazdin basketball monitor and Covid-19 screener.
- 03-898-21 Approve minutes
- 03-899-21 Approve transfers
- 03-900-21 Approve ESSA grant salaries
- 03-901-21 Approve travel expenditure approvals
- 03-902-21 Approve monthly financial report
- 03-903-21 Approve Open Valley Bank Account
- 03-904-21 Approve application for final bathroom payment

03-887-21 **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the submission of grants: Digital Divide and School Security.

03-888-21 **Be It Resolved that** the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the following SEMI waiver be approved:

WHEREAS, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides the school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2021-22 school year; and

WHEREAS, the East Newark Board of Education in the County of Hudson desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students OR participation in SEMI would not provide a cost benefit to the district based on the projection of the District’s available SEMI reimbursement for the 2021-22 budget year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Newark Board of Education in the County of Hudson hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Hudson an appropriate waiver of requirements of NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2021-22 school year.

03-889-21 **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the suspension of Bylaw 0131 that requires two readings to adopt a Bylaw of Policy and adopt Bylaw 0164.6 with one reading to be in compliance with the new emergency regulations regarding remote meetings held during a Governor-declared emergency, N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1 through 1.7, promulgated by the Department of Community Affairs.

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03-890-21 **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Acknowledges the first reading of the following policies:

First Reading			
Policy	Regulation	Title	Summary
0145 (M)		Board Member Resignation and Removal	“Regular” board meeting option has been removed.
0164.6 (M)*		Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency	This new policy established protocols for remote, public board meetings.
	1642 (M)	Earned Sick Leave Law	Revised to incorporate the pertinent amendments to NJSA 34:11D-1 et seq.
1643 (M)		Family Leave	This new policy incorporates the revisions to the NJFLA.
5330.1 (M)	5330.1 (M)	Administration of Medical Cannabis	Revised to change “marijuana” to “cannabis.”
7425 (M)	7425 (M)	Lead Testing of Water in Schools	Policy revised to require testing every third year beginning 2021 -2022 New Regulation reflecting mandated procedures for testing.
2415 (M)		Every Student Succeeds Act	Revised to list the general provisions of ESSA.
2415.02 (M)		Title I – Fiscal Responsibilities	Revised to provide a “Supplement, Not Supplant” section.
2415.05 (M)		Student Surveys, Analysis, and /or Evaluations	Revised to remove the NCLB citation and provide an updated definition of “minor” student.
2415.20 (M)	2415.20 (M)	Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints	Revised to update provisions of the complaint procedure.
4125 (M)		Employment of Support Staff Members	Revised to change “NCLB” to “ESSA.”

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6360 (M)		Political Contributions	Revised to remove the provisions referencing “contracted educational services.”
8330 (M)		Student Records	Revised to reflect changes in NJSA 18A:36-19.1.
9713 (M)		Recruitment by Special Interest Groups	Revised to reflect changes in NJSA 18A:36-19.1.
* Approved: First Reading.			

03-891-21 **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves abolishment of the following policies:

Approval of the abolishment of the following policies:			
Policy	Regulation	Title	Summary
3431.1 (M)		Family Leave	Now under Policy 1643
4431.1 (M)		Family Leave	Now under Policy 1643
3431.3		New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program	Now under Policy 1643
4431.3		New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program	Now under Policy 1643
7430 (M)	7430 (M)	School Safety	Abolished since legal requirements are incorporated in other policies.
2415.01 (M)		Academic Standards, Academic Assessments, and Accountability	AYP no longer required.
2415.03 (M)		Highly Qualified Teachers	ESSA no longer requires teachers meet the “highly qualified teacher” definition under NCLB.

03-892-21 **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the *Temporary School Facilities Application; 2020-2021*.

03-893-21 **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the Auditor’s Management Report and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the East Newark Public School for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020, have been received from our Auditors, Samuel Klein and Company; and,

Be it further resolved that audit rules and regulations promulgated by the New Jersey

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Department of Education (N.J.S.A. 18A:23-5) require the Board of Education to read and discuss the audit recommendations made by the Auditors in the annual audit; and,

Be it further resolved that a copy of the minutes of the Board meeting, together with a Corrective Action Plan (attached) be submitted within 30 days after the audit is received by the Board, to the State Department of Education through the Hudson County Superintendent of Schools; and,

Be it further resolved the East Newark Board of Education accepts the Auditor's Management Report, Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended, June 30, 2020 and the recommendations included therein, and approves the Corrective Action Plan as submitted.

- 03-894-21** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves ENEA retro payments for 2019-20, September 2020 – February 2021 to be paid with the March 15, 2021 payroll.
- 03-895-21** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Bill List as submitted in the amount of \$ 897,888.06 for March 1, 2021 is hereby approved and payment authorized as funds of the board are made available following this meeting.
- 03-896-21** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following ESSA amendments.
- Title I A – Instructional Supplies 52,639
 - Title II A - Instructional Supplies 16,131
 - Purchased Services 28,500
- 03-897-20** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Matthew Kazdin basketball monitor and Covid-19 screener, \$13.77 per hour, not to exceed \$600 retroactive February 17, 2021.
- 03-898-21** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following minutes as submitted.
- January 25, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - January 25, 2021 Executive Meeting Minutes
- 03-899-21** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Monthly Transfer Reports as submitted for the month ended January 31, 2021.
- 03-900-21** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves salaries for following individuals to be charged to the 2020-2021 ESSA Grant.
- Title IV Vera Nathaly \$14.567
 - Title III Marlene Hinostroza \$1,377
- 03-901-21** **Be it resolved**, that the Board of Education of East Newark, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the 2021-2022 Travel Expenditure be approved.

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A: 11-12, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3(a) in each pre-budget year, the

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Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year which may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, the East Newark Board of Education established for the 2020-2021 school year a budget amount of \$0 with a maximum travel expenditure amount of \$0 per employee which was subject to the approval requirements in N.J.S.A18A: 19-1. and

WHEREAS, the Est Newark Board of Education has expended \$0 as of January 31, 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the East Newark Board of Education hereby establishes for the 2021-2022 school year a budget amount of \$1,000 with a maximum travel expenditure amount of \$100.00 per employee which shall be subject to the approval requirements in N.J.S.A18A: 19-1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum is not exceeded.

03-902-21

Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the financial reports as submitted, which include the monthly Board Secretary's report and the Treasurer of School Monies report for the month ended January 31, 2021. The Board notes that the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports are in balance for the cash receipts and disbursements for the month ended January 31, 2021 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c), I, R. Paul Vizzuso, Board Secretary, certify that as of January 31, 2021 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1, and that the District financial accounts have been reconciled and are in balance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that through the adoption of this resolution, we, the East Newark Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10, certify that as of January 31, 2021 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

03-903-21

Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the opening of a new bank account entitled *Capital Reserve* with Valley Bank, and also approves the transfer of \$559,127.00 from the Operating Account to the Capital Reserve Account as it's starting balance.

03-904-21

Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves application for final bathroom payment in the amount of \$32,649.55

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Consent Agenda: Resolutions: 03-887-21 – 03-904-21				
Motion:	Second:			
	Yea	Ney	Abstain	Absent
Ms. Goncalves (Brigite)				
Mr. Balsam Jr. (Mark)				
Ms. Lopez (Johanna)				
Ms. Slattery (Valeria)				
Ms. Fernandes (Carla)				

- VII. Old Business**
- VIII. New Business**
- IX. Public Comment/Questions**
- X. Board Comments**
- XI. Adjournment**