

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

GOOD EVENING. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME THOSE OF YOU IN ATTENDANCE AT TONIGHT'S BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING.

1. As I have stated previously, the Carlstadt Public School District has been in the process of preparing for this year's PARCC administration. We will again stress the importance of having the student's take part in the administration of the test. However, we also continue to understand that it is a parental right to not have their child participate in the test administration. I will keep the Board updated continually as we move closer to the administration of the test.
2. I had the opportunity to attend the middle school winter concert last Thursday evening. The 6 through grade 8 choral and instrumental students put on an excellent show featuring both individual and group performances. Much thanks to Mrs. Mello, Mr. Garde and the middle school teachers for preparing the students for their performances.
3. Janet, Bert and I have been very busy meeting with security companies and different committees to discuss and put additional plans in place to enhance the safety of our school district. We will continue to set up meetings in the very near future to discuss the various options that are available to the district and the time lines and plans that it will take to accomplish these goals. The Board will be kept informed of the plans so they can be involved in all decision making.
4. Once again, it is time to discuss the cost of our tuition based Pre-K program. Parental interest surveys will be going out next month. Right now, the cost is \$1750 per year for Carlstadt residents and \$2500 for students who do not reside in Carlstadt.
5. Under the Harassment, Intimation, and Bullying Law, I as Superintendent am required to report to the Board of Education no later than the date of the next Board meeting results of investigations regarding HIB when those investigations have been completed. We had zero incidents investigated since the last Board of Education meeting.

Mrs. Lahullier, so ends my report.

REPORT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

GOOD EVENING. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME THOSE OF YOU IN ATTENDANCE AT TONIGHT'S BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING.

1. New Jersey's local boards of education play an essential role in our students' lives. The district recognizes by resolution the role of the boards of education and the contributions of their communities' school board members. The district commends the efforts of their colleagues throughout New Jersey during School Board Recognition Month and to urge the public to support efforts to improve education.
2. I have had discussions with our architect, Robert Donahue, and he informed me that he continues to work on the specifications for the projects and that he should have a schedule for us shortly.
3. I have been very busy meeting with the technology coordinator, administration and several security companies to discuss and put a plan in place to enhance the safety of our school district. I will be setting up a Buildings and Grounds Committee in the very near future to discuss the various options that are available to the district and the time line and plans that it will take to accomplish these goals.
4. I will be working with the individuals in my department to send out the necessary advertisement regarding the recent board member vacancy. I will keep the board informed as we move forward in this area.
5. Reminder – 2017 Personal/Relative and Financial Disclosure Statements must be filed by every school official, which includes board members and certain administrators, by April 30. Newly elected or newly appointed school officials must file the Disclosure Statement within 30 days of taking office or assuming a position. For newly elected Board Members, the deadline is February 1. Officials who have previously filed in the District, the deadline is April 30. I would like to encourage everyone to complete their forms as soon as possible. Failure to file a statement by the deadline may subject you to disciplinary action up to and including removal pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-25.

You should receive an email from the School Ethics Commission for instructions for filing the Disclosure Statements. Please check your spam folder if you have not received it. Please do not delete this email. If you require any assistance to file, please contact me.

Mrs. Lahullier so ends my report.

HEARING OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY None

Any citizen present who wishes to be heard on agenda items only, should raise his/her hand to be recognized, state name and address, and limit remarks to five minutes in accordance with board policy. Another Hearing will be conducted after new business for any other matter. The hearing of citizens shall not exceed one hour.

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves on first reading the following Policy:

Policy-Revised (M)	#P1510	Americans with Disabilities Act
Regulation – Revised	#R1510	Americans with Disabilities Act
Policy – New (M)	#P2415.30	Title I – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care
Policy – New (M)	#P2418	Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973
Regulations - New (M)	#P2418	Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973
Policy – Revised	#P5116	Education of Homeless Children
Regulation – Revised	#P5116	Education of Homeless Children
Policy – Revised (M)	#P8330	Student Records
Regulation – Revised (M)	#P8330	Student Records
Policy – Revised (M)	#P 6620	Petty Cash
Policy – Revised	#P8220	School Day

2. **School Board Recognition Month**

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2017 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time when all residents can acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Carlstadt Board of Education is one of more than 581 local school boards in New Jersey, which sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Carlstadt Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s local school boards help determine the educational goals for approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s 5,000 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public’s expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation’s best in key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Educational

