



# HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

AGENDA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
HOLMDEL HIGH SCHOOL  
FEBRUARY 21, 2024 6:00 P.M.  
PUBLIC MEETING APPROXIMATELY 7:00 P.M.

## *Mission Statement*

*The mission of the Holmdel Township School District is to provide a well-rounded and inclusive education that empowers all students to reach their full potential and thrive. We believe that excellence comes from building strong relationships, embracing a positive attitude toward growth, overcoming challenges with determination, and celebrating our unique differences. Through teamwork and cooperation, we aim to create an environment where students can succeed academically as life-long learners and responsible global citizens.*

## A. Call to Order

The Board of Education, Township of Holmdel, met in a Committee of the Whole Meeting on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at Holmdel High School, 36 Crawfords Corner Road, Holmdel, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mr. Wall, Board President.

## B. Open Public Meetings Act

Statement is hereby made that adequate notice of this meeting was given by:

- Posting written notice prominently on the bulletin board in the Office of the Board of Education, 65 McCampbell Road, Holmdel, New Jersey, the District's website and sent to the four district schools.
- The mailing and/or hand delivery of said notice to the designated newspapers, Asbury Park Press, Star Ledger, the PLG, PSG, PSA, PTSO, SAB presidents and student representatives to the Board.
- Filing with the Clerk of Holmdel Township, Police Headquarters and Public Library.

## C. Roll Call

The following Board members were present: Mesdames: Collur, Tuccillo and LoPresti. Messrs: Wall, DiMare, Reddy, Buckley, Mann and Libecc. Also present, Dr. J. Scott Cascone, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Michael R. Petrizzo, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Mr. Kyle Trent, Board Attorney. Student Representatives to the Board, Ms. Anugna Parvatneni and Mr. Jack Powers were absent.

## D. Resolution for Executive Session

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act, specifically N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b, permits a public body to go into an Executive (Closed) Session during a public meeting to discuss certain matters specified in the statute; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that it is necessary to go into an Executive Closed Session to discuss matters relating to certain items as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Township of Holmdel that it shall adjourn into Closed Session at this time to discuss the following subject matter(s) without the presence of the public in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b and 10:4-13:

1. Student matters
2. Personnel matters
3. 3. Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, it is not yet possible to determine when the matters discussed in Closed Session will be made public; the matter(s) discussed will be made known to the public at such time as appropriate action is taken on said matter(s), and when disclosure will not result in unwarranted invasion of individual privacy or prejudice to the best interests of the Board of Education, provided such disclosures will not violate Federal, State, or local statutes or regulations and do not fall within the attorney-client privilege.

MOTION: Dr. Collur                      SECOND: Mr. Mann                      VOTE: 9-0

At 6:05 p.m., the meeting moved to Executive Session.

E. Motion to Return to Public Session

MOTION: Mr. Reddy                      SECOND: Mr. Buckley                      VOTE: 9-0

At 7:04 p.m., the meeting returned to public session.

F. Call to Order

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G. Opening Statement

Meetings of the Board are open to the public and all members of the community should feel free to participate:

- There is one opportunity for the public to speak.
- Any individual desiring to speak shall give his or her name, address, and the group, if any, that is represented.
- The presentation shall be as brief as possible but no more than three (3) minutes per individual.
- There are certain matters that may be brought before the board that cannot be immediately addressed in public. Such matters may be referred by the president to a board committee and/or to the Superintendent for consideration and/or resolution.
- The board vests in its president, or other presiding officer, authority to terminate the remarks of any individual if he/she deems it in the best interest of those present to do so.

H. Roll Call/Flag Salute

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I. Questions or Comments from the Public – None

J. Old Business

1. Complex Ingress/Egress Project – Update

Dr. Cascone provided an update/reviewed the revised proposal and applicable timelines.

Mr. Wall provided additional comments regarding the details of the project, its overall impact on the community and the intent to request reimbursement from the Township for the cost(s).

There was a discussion amongst the Board regarding the project.

Mr. Reddy made comments regarding potential issues that could arise and asked about the possibility of doing a test run to see what we will be up against come September.

Dr. Cascone advised that the district will plan for contingencies and will ensure that we have human traffic management support in place at both Satz and the High School during key times (arrival/dismissal) and shared that he will be communicating and collaborating with Building Administration, the Transportation Department and local enforcement to get a date secured to conduct a test run.

Dr. Collur made comments regarding the cost of the project and the plan to request reimbursement and also asked for clarification on what will happen if the Township does not agree to provide the reimbursement. Mr. Wall made follow-up comments.

2. New Turf Field Lights – Update

Mr. Wall provided an update regarding this matter.

Mr. Reddy inquired as to the lead time for the lights and Mr. Petrizzo advised there is a 12 weeks lead time.

K. New Business

1. Review of Agenda Action Items for February 28, 2024 Public Meeting

Dr. Cascone provided an overview of the draft agenda.

Mrs. Tuccillo asked for additional information regarding the Schedule B appointment of a Coach with kids in the program and asked if it would be feasible to not have the parent on the same team level. Dr. Cascone provided follow up comments and additional information regarding the application process and Schedule B appointments.

Mr. Reddy made comments regarding the Summer Step-Up Program and Dr. Irwin provided additional information.

There were comments from the Board on the applicable resolutions regarding the Book Lists.

2. Central Office Department Updates

Administration provided the applicable department updates.

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3. MS/HS Code of Conduct Changes

Dr. Kukoda provided an overview of the changes.

4. MS/HS Program of Studies

Dr. Irwin and Dr. Kukoda provided an overview of the Program of Studies.

5. Board Sub Committee Reports

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Mr. DiMare reported out the items discussed during the meeting.

6. Mr. Reddy referenced the old trophy cases throughout the district that hopefully can be replaced.

L. Executive Session (if required) – None

M. Adjournment

Board President Wall called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. LoPresti motioned, Mr. Reddy seconded and by a unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Michael R. Petrizzo, CPA  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary