

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN  
REGULAR MEETING**

**January 8, 2024  
AGENDA**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Gripp called the January 8, 2024, meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

**SUNSHINE NOTICE:**

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, I wish to announce that:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. Adequate notice of this Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Interlaken was published in the Asbury Park Press and was delivered to the Municipal Clerk, Borough of Interlaken, in accordance with PL 1975, Ch. 231A.”

**2.0 FLAG SALUTE**

**Certified Election Results**

**Announcement of Official Results of Annual School Board Election - November 7, 2023**

**The following are OFFICIAL results of the Interlaken Board of Education election as reported by the Board Secretary as certified by the Monmouth County Board of Elections.**

- Jill Barrett - Full Term

**Administer Oath of Office**

The Board Secretary will administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board member.

- Jill Barrett

**Roll Call**

The Board Secretary will call the roll.

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| ● Mr. Ludwig  | Yes ___X___ | No _____ |
| ● Ms. Barrett | Yes ___X___ | No _____ |
| ● Mr. Cohen   | Yes ___X___ | No _____ |
| ● Dr. Abrams  | Yes ___X___ | No _____ |

**Nomination and Election for Office of President**

The Board Secretary will call for nominees for President.

Dr. Abrams was nominated for President by Ms. Barrett.

- Mr. Ludwig                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Barrett                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Cohen                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Abrams                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

**Nomination and Election of Vice-President**

The President will call for nominees for Vice-President.

Mr. Ludwig was nominated for Vice-President by Mr. Cohen.

- Mr. Ludwig                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Barrett                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Cohen                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Abrams                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

**Appointment of a Board Member**

Recommend Board appointment of Vicki Labella as a Board Member for Interlaken Borough Board of Education, for a one year term, expiring December 31, 2024.

- Mr. Ludwig                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Barrett                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Cohen                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Abrams                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

**Administer Oath of Office**

The Board Secretary will administer the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Board member.

- Vicki Labella

**3.0 COMMUNICATIONS**

**4.0 OLD BUSINESS**

- Email related to Shore Regional

**5.0 NEW BUSINESS**

**6.0 APPROVE MINUTES**

It was motioned by Ms. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Ludwig to approve the following minutes:

December 18, 2023

● Mr. Ludwig	Yes__X__	No_____
● Ms. Barrett	Yes__X__	No_____
● Mr. Cohen	Yes__X__	No_____
● Ms. Labela	Abstain	
● Dr. Abrams	Yes__X__	No_____

## 7.0 RESOLUTIONS

### 1. Approval of Code of Ethics

It was motioned by Dr. Abrams, seconded by Ms. Barrett to approve the following:

Recommend approval to reaffirm the Code of Ethics of the Board of Education.

#### CODE OF ETHICS

I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes should be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.

I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools which meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.

I will confine my Board action to policy-making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.

I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow Board members, to see that they are well run.

I will recognize that authority rests with the Board of Education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action which may compromise the Board.

I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan, political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.

I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. But in all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow Board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.

I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.

I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.

I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on such complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

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| ● Mr. Ludwig  | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Ms. Barrett | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Mr. Cohen   | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Ms. Labella | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Dr. Abrams  | Yes__X__ | No____ |

## 2. Designation of the Official Newspaper

It was motioned by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Ludwig to approve the following:

Recommend Board approval of the following resolution designating the official newspaper(s) for the district's legal notices:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is required to designate a newspaper of record for public notices,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Interlaken Board of Education designates the Asbury Park Press as its newspaper of record.

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| ● Mr. Ludwig  | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Ms. Barrett | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Mr. Cohen   | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Ms. Labella | Yes__X__ | No____ |
| ● Dr. Abrams  | Yes__X__ | No____ |

## 3. Approval of Meeting Dates

It was motioned by Dr. Abrams, seconded by Ms. Barrett to approve the following:

Recommend Board approval of the following Public Notice for meeting dates:

### PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Interlaken Board of Education to the residents of the Interlaken That:

The regular/workshop meetings of the Interlaken Board of Education for the year 2024 will be held at Interlaken Borough Hall at 6:00 PM, unless otherwise noted, on the dates listed below:

- January 8
- February 19
- March 11
- May 6
- June 17
- August 26
- September 23
- October 21
- December 16

- Mr. Ludwig                      Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Barrett                    Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Cohen                        Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Labella                      Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Abrams                       Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. Approval of Depositories

##### AUTHORIZED SIGNERS

It was motioned by Ms. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Ludwig to approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Investors Bank is hereby designated as depository for funds of the Board of Education, Borough of Interlaken, for the ensuing year, and

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education approves the President of the Board of Education or in his/her absence, the Vice President of the Board of Education, and the Business Administrator be authorized to sign all legal documents, payrolls and warrants as required by law as follows:

Account Name	Authorized Signer
Interlaken General Account	President,  Vice President, Business Administrator, Frank Gripp III
Interlaken 6-month CD	President,  Vice President, Business Administrator, Frank Gripp III

- Mr. Ludwig                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Barrett                    Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Cohen                        Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Labella                      Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Abrams                       Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

#### 5. Appointments

It was motioned by Ms. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Cohen to approve the following:

Recommend Board approval of the following the appointments:

- Representative to NJSBA and Monmouth County SBA - Dr. Abrams
- Affirmative Action Officer - Frank Gripp
- Public Agency Compliance Officer - Frank Gripp

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| ● Mr. Ludwig  | Yes_____ | No_____ |
| ● Ms. Barrett | Yes_____ | No_____ |
| ● Mr. Cohen   | Yes_____ | No_____ |
| ● Ms. Labella | Yes_____ | No_____ |
| ● Dr. Abrams  | Yes_____ | No_____ |

**8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION - None**

**10.0 ADJOURNMENT**

It was motioned by Dr. Abrams, seconded by Mr. Ludwig to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 PM.

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| ● Mr. Ludwig  | Yes__X__ | No_____ |
| ● Ms. Barrett | Yes__X__ | No_____ |
| ● Mr. Cohen   | Yes__X__ | No_____ |
| ● Ms. Labella | Yes__X__ | No_____ |
| ● Dr. Abrams  | Yes__X__ | No_____ |