

**REORGANIZATION MEETING  
MINUTES  
January 7, 2019 7:30 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER – OPENING STATEMENT**

This meeting is called to order at 7:43 p.m. with the following opening statement read by Ms. Laraway:

“I would like to announce and have placed in the minutes that adequate notice of this meeting of the Califon Board of Education has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Said notice was posted at the office of the Califon School, mailed to the Hunterdon County Democrat, the Hunterdon Review and The Express Times. A copy of this notice has also been posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed with the Borough Clerk. The agenda of this meeting has been posted at the Califon School and on the district’s website.

**II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION RESULTS – November 6, 2018**

A. Membership on the Board of Education - (2) seats. Full Term - 3 years

	<u>Votes</u>
Michael Reaves	289
Jeffrey Dahl	221
Pearl Van Elkan	214

Michael Reaves and Jeffrey Dahl were duly elected members of the Board of Education.

The Oath of Office was administered to the elected members.

**IV. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Jeffrey Dahl	Present
Mrs. Nina DeCoster	Present
Mr. Christopher Keiser	Present
Mr. Michael Reaves	Present
Mr. Mark Cantagallo	Present

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Johanna Ruberto, Interim Superintendent  
Karin Laraway, Interim Board Secretary

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**V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A. Election of the Board President (18A: 15-1)

Ms. Laraway, Board Secretary calls for nominations for the office of President of the Board of Education.

Motion made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Dahl, to open nominations for President of the Board of Education.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Reaves, seconded by Mrs. DeCoster, to nominate Mr. Cantagallo for President.

There were no other nominations for President;

Motion made by Mrs. DeCoster, seconded by Mr. Dahl, to close nominations for President.

B. Roll call vote for President:

Nomination	Ayes	Nays	Abstentions
M. Cantagallo	5	0	0

Mr. Cantagallo assumed office and presided over the remainder of the meeting.

C. Election of Vice President: (18A: 15-1)

Motion made by Mr. Reaves, seconded by Mrs. DeCoster, to open nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mr. Dahl, to nominate Mrs. DeCoster for Vice President.

Motion made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Reaves, to nominate Mr. Reaves as Vice President.

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Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mr. Dahl, to close nominations for Vice President.

D. Roll call vote for Vice President:

Nomination	Ayes	Nays	Abstentions
N. DeCoster	4	1	0

Mrs. DeCoster assumed the office of Vice President.

**VI.** Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mrs. DeCoster to approve the Board of Education calendar changing the March 20 meeting to March 12

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

**VII.** Motion made by Mr. Cantagallo, seconded by Mr. Dahl, to appoint the following BO representative:

Hunterdon County ESC	Superintendent
Hunterdon/Warren SBA	Mr. Cantagallo
N.J.S.B.A. Delegate	Mr. Cantagallo

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT (all school-related topics; time limits: 30 min. total; 3 min. /person)**

At this time, comment is invited on any matter relating to the school district.

Anyone wishing to speak before the board may do so during the public commentary portion of the agenda. The presenter shall give his/her name and address and make the presentation as brief as possible. Unless an extension of time is given, each speaker shall be limited to 3 minutes.

Speakers may offer suggestions or express their concerns. However, in public session, the board will not discuss concerns about individual students or staff members. Other, more appropriate, channels are available for expressing concerns about individual students or staff members.

The Board President may terminate the remarks of any individual, when they do not adhere to the rules established above.

Dr. Ruberto spoke about the BOE committee structure confirming that each regular BOE meeting should start with a personnel meeting with the full BOE in executive session beginning at 6:30 PM. The regular BOE meeting will then begin at 7:30 PM. Facilities/finance/transportation will meet as needed. Curriculum and instruction will

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schedule on Wednesdays. Policy, negotiations, long term planning/shared services/school choice as needed. Steering committee has a schedule meeting once a month.

Board retreat is being planned for January 29, beginning at 5:00 PM. Ethics training will be scheduled for that evening.

Mrs. Kathy Smith informed the BOE that she is the Town Council Liaison for the BOE.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Cantagallo, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 8:23 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Laraway  
Board Secretary