

**KINNELON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING  
6:00 P.M.  
NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

Please be advised that the Kinnelon Board of Education special meeting scheduled for November 3, 2021, will take place as planned. However, the meeting will occur electronically on a device or over the phone. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, community members will have the opportunity to witness the BOE conduct business via phone or video conference. Public comments will be facilitated as usual.

The meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, through Zoom, a video, and audio conferencing application. The link for the meeting can be found on the Kinnelon Public Schools.org website just below the picture on the District Home Page.

**MINUTES**

A Special Meeting of the Kinnelon Board of Education was held on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom Webinar.

**I. OPENING OF THE MEETING BY THE PRESIDENT**

Mr. Michael Petruccelli, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and read the Meeting Notice.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provision of the act, the Kinnelon Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published in the Suburban Trends on **November 3, 2021**, filed with the Borough Clerk and the Kinnelon Library, distributed via School Messenger E-Mail System, and posted on the District web site.

**II. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT	Mr. Michael Petruccelli, Board President Dr. Peter Hughes, Vice President Mrs. Karen D'Amico Mrs. Jean Donaldson Ms. Michelle Donus Mrs. Megan Fischbeck Mr. David Gigante
ABSENT	None
ALSO PRESENT	Kerry A. Keane, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Diane DiGiuseppe, Superintendent Vincent DeLucia, NJSBA Representative

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. BOARD MEMBER EQUITY TRAINING WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION.**

Mr. Vincent DeLucia, New Jersey School Boards Association Representative, had a presentation for the Board Members regarding Implicit, Inherent and Unconscious Bias.

Dr. Peter Hughes made comments about Critical Race Theory and Halloween.

Ms. DiGiuseppe spoke about diversity growing in town and the difficulties attracting minority staff.

Mr. Petruccelli mentioned a bias toward Special Education students.

Mrs. Donaldson likes the suggestion of getting community members on board.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A comment was made by a parent that it was nice to see the Board of Education members at the meeting and thank you to Mr. DeLucia.

**VI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

The following comments were made:

Mrs. Fischbeck – Thank you for doing the training.

Ms. Donus – Thank you for the training.

Mr. Gigante – Thank you for the training, it was very informative.

Mrs. Donaldson – Thank you for the training.

Dr. Hughes – The more dialog that can be had, the better.

Ms. DiGiuseppe – Appreciate topic and thank you to Mr. DeLucia.

Mr. DeLucia – Thank you to all that came.

Mr. Petruccelli – Thank you to Charlene for setting the training up.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY DR. HUGHES, SECONDED BY MR. GIGANTE TO ADJORN THE MEETING AT 7:19 P.M. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE WITH ALL PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

MEETING ADJORNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry A. Keane  
Board Secretary

