



Wednesday, March 25, 2015
Board of Education Regular Meeting

Ossining High School Library
7:30 p.m.

1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Subject **1.1 Call to Order**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Type Procedural

The meeting will be Called to Order by the President of the Board of Education, Mr. Bill Kress.

Subject **1.2 Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Type Procedural

Those assembled will be asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Subject **1.3 Prouds**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Type Report

Board of Education President, Mr. Bill Kress, will share good news, accomplishments, and information about our District.

Subject **1.4 Report from the Student Representative to the Board**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Type Report

Ossining High School Student Representative to the Board, Ms. Charlotte Keeley, will provide an update.

Subject **1.5 Report from Proyecto ALCANCE**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Type Report

A representative Proyecto ALCANCE will provide an update to the Board of Education.

Subject 1.6 Special Recognition

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening of the Meeting - Board President

Type Recognition

Congratulations to the Ossining High School Girls Basketball Team! <https://vimeo.com/123085809>

2. Work Session

Subject 2.1 Update Regarding New State Education Department Requirements Regarding Graduation and Part 154

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 2. Work Session

Type Presentation

Audience Recognition: Members of the audience will be invited to comment and/or raise questions regarding the Work Session topic following discussion.

File Attachments

[03-25-15 Regents Pathways to Graduation.pdf \(254 KB\)](#)

[03-25-15 Changes to Part 154 .pdf \(87 KB\)](#)

Subject 2.2 District Budget 2015-2016

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 2. Work Session

Type Presentation

Audience Recognition: Members of the audience will be invited to comment and/or raise questions regarding the Work Session topic following discussion.

File Attachments

[03-25-15 Budget Presentation.pdf \(565 KB\)](#)

3. Audience Recognition - Agenda Items Only

4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Subject 4.1 Resolution Setting the Date of the Annual District Election of the Ossining Union Free School District

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget Statutory Hearing of the Ossining Union Free School District will be held in the Ossining High School Library, 29 South Highland Avenue, Ossining, County of Westchester, New York on Tuesday, May 12, 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual District Election of the Ossining Union Free School District will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 in the Harvey Culp Gymnasium at Ossining High School, 29 South Highland Avenue, Ossining, County of Westchester, New York. Voting will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Subject 4.2 Resolution Appointing Additional Consultants for the 2014-2015 School Year

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to engage the services of the following consultants for the 2014-2015 school year at fees not to exceed the amount noted below.

<i>Name of Consultant</i>	<i>Brief Description of Expertise</i>	<i>Descriptive Need for Consultant</i>	<i>Consultation Fee Not to Exceed</i>
Jacob Burns	Writing and Film	Support AMD and OHS in writing and filming immigration stories.	\$3,600 [Project Excel - Grant Funded]
Teatown Lake Reservation	Local Environmental and Education Organization	Teatown Lake Reservation will bring the <i>Nurtured by Nature</i> program to the Pre-Kindergarten classrooms, a hands-on program to promote learning about ecology, natural systems and sustainable living.	\$5,040 [Grant Funded – Full Day Pre-K Grant]

Subject 4.3 Resolution to Approve a Stipulation of Settlement

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves a Stipulation of Settlement in connection with a special education matter, a copy of which has previously been reviewed by members of the Board of Education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said Stipulation of Settlement on behalf of the Board.

Subject 4.4 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session of February 11, 2015

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session of February 11, 2015.

Subject 4.5 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 25, 2015

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 25, 2015.

Subject 4.6 Resolution Regarding Creation of a Central Office Administrative Position: Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received from the Superintendent of Schools recommendations for the reorganization of Central Office Administration for the 2015-2016 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the Ossining Union Free School District to effectuate said recommendation; and

WHEREAS, based upon those recommendations the Board of Education determined that there is an operational need to create the position of Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning, effective July 1, 2015; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2015, the Board of Education authorizes the creation of a new full-time Central Office administrative position of Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning.

Subject 4.7 Resolution Regarding Creation of a Central Office Administrative Position: Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received from the Superintendent of Schools recommendations for the reorganization of Central Office Administration for the 2015-2016 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the Ossining Union Free School District to effectuate said recommendation; and

WHEREAS, based upon those recommendations the Board of Education determined that there is an operational need to create the position of Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services, effective July 1, 2015; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2015, the Board of Education authorizes the creation of a new full-time Central Office administrative position of Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services.

Subject 4.8 Resolution Regarding an Agreement Between the Ossining Union Free School District and the Food Bank for Westchester

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board

Type Action

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ossining School District authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Agreement with the Food Bank for Westchester.

5. Regular Meeting: Curriculum and Instruction

Subject 5.1 Motion to Accept Recommended Placements

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 5. Regular Meeting: Curriculum and Instruction
 Type Action

I move that the Board of Education accept the recommended classifications, placements and related services recommended in the IEP for students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and Sub-Committees on Special Education in meetings held on February 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 March 4, 9, 10, 11, 13 and direct the administration to arrange for the appropriate placement as set forth.

6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Subject 6.1 Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report for the Month of November and December 2014

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

I move that the November and December 2014 Treasurer's Report be approved and placed on file with the District Clerk.

Subject 6.2 Motion to Approve Budget Report and Revenue Report for November and December 2014

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

I move that the Board of Education approve the Budget Report and Revenue Report for November and December 2014 as presented.

Subject 6.3 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of funds from Target Take Charge of Education Program

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Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

through their Take Charge of Education Program, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the General fund budget as detailed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A 2705-000, "Gifts and Donations".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the amount of \$38.69 be appropriated into the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
A-2110-500-12-0000	\$38.69	Supplies

Subject 6.4 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Funds from NYSIR

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools,

hereby increases the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$10,267.79 as listed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A 2680.000

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
1621-438-00-0000	\$10,267.79	Maintenance of Plant

Subject 6.5 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of funds from the Katonah Museum of Art

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks a gift in the amount of \$1680.00 from The Katonah Museum of Art to the Park Early Childhood Center for its Pre-K classes to visit the Katonah Museum of Art.

The funds will be accounted for in the Special Aid Fund. The revenue code shall be A 2770.000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the total amount of \$1,680.00 be appropriated to the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5543-401-15-0000	Transportation	\$1,680.00

Subject 6.6 Resolution Regarding Cooperative Bid with Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES

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Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

WHEREAS it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Putnam Northern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services adopting this Resolution to bid jointly in those supplies, commodities, materials and equipment set forth below.

Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Ossining Union Free School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Putnam Northern Westchester Board of Educational Services, Westchester County, New York adopting this in the joint bidding of:

	<u>Participation</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Art Supplies	X	
Auto Replacement Parts	X	
Custodial & Culinary Art Supplies	X	
Fine Paper Supplies	X	
Health Supplies	X	
Office/General Supplies	X	
Automotive Supplies	X	
Auto Body Supplies	X	
Carpentry Supplies	X	
Construction Electricity	X	
Commercial Supplies	X	

HVAC Supplies	X
Plumbing Supplies	X
Science School and Lab Supplies	X
Science Hardware and Science Art Supplies	X
Urban Forestry	X
Welding Supplies	X

TIME AND MATERIALS

Painting (General Wall Painting)	X
Asphalt Paving and Site Work	X

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall remain in effect until June 30, 2016, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other participating school districts in Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said Commodities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the *Journal News* in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 to the General Municipal Law.

Subject 6.7 Resolution Regarding Amendment to the Rich Royster Helping Hand Scholarship

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 Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters
 Type Action

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accepts the amended agreement for the Rich Royster Helping Hand Scholarship and hereby acknowledges with thanks a gift in the amount of \$500.00 from Jacqueline Royster for the Rich Royster Helping Hand Scholarship. The funds will be accounted for in the 2014-15 General Fund Budget. The revenue code shall be A 2705.000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the total amount of \$500.00 be appropriated to the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
Roys-401	\$500.00	Rich Royster Scholarship

Subject 6.8 Resolution Regarding Tax Certiorari Payment - 45 S. Highland Avenue

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting
 Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters
 Type Action

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the tax certiorari payment of \$13,344.19 to Michael Kelly and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$6,670.75 from assessment 2013 year be paid from current funds resulting in a reduction of tax revenue and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the increase of the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$6,583.44 for the payment of assessment year 2012 and appropriates these funds from the Tax Certiorari Reserves as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1964-404-0000	Refund Property Tax	\$6,583.44

Subject **6.9 Resolution Regarding Tax Certiorari Payment - 200 South Highland Avenue LLC.**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the tax certiorari payment of \$244,849.92 South Highland Avenue LLC. and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$45,465.95 from assessment 2013 year be paid from current funds resulting in a reduction of tax revenue and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the increase of the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$199,383.97 for the payment of assessment years 2009 through 2013 and appropriates these funds from the Tax Certiorari Reserves as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1964-404-0000	Refund Property Tax	\$199,383.97

Subject **6.10 Resolution Regarding Tax Certiorari Payment to 46 Grace Lane**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the tax certiorari payment of \$78,238.84 to Robert Gatti and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$12,886.98 from assessment 2013 year be paid from current funds resulting in a reduction of tax revenue and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the increase of the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$65,351.86 for the payment of assessment years 2009 through 2012 and appropriates these funds from the Tax Certiorari Reserves as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1964-404-0000	Refund Property Tax	\$65,351.86

Subject **6.11 Motion to Approve Quarterly Treasurer's Student Fund Report for October to December 2014**

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Action

I move that the October to December 2014 Quarterly Student Fund Treasurer's Report be approved and placed on

file with the District Clerk.

Subject **6.12 Resolutions Regarding Interfund Transfers**
Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting
Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters
Type Action

Recommended Motion

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute interfund transfers as specified below.

From: A 2251-200-01-0400 Special Education Equipment
 To: A 1620-550-01-0400 B&G Equip.
 Amount: \$14,956.49
 Reason: Office furniture move at Central Office must be appropriated to the proper codes.

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From: A 2331-152-00-4000 AIS-Teacher Salaries-ELA
 To: A 2331-156-00-4000 AIS-Prof Develop-ELA Sum Academy
 Amount: \$12,783.73
 Reason: To increase AIS-Professional Development Budget for ELA Summer Academy

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From: H A-RS15-1620-247-16-15 Environmental Testing
 To: H A-RS15-1620-293-16-15 Construction
 Amount: \$130,051.00
 Reason: Transfer to correctly allocate budget for Roosevelt Renovation

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From: H A-RS15-1620-299-16-15 \$276,414.00 Contingency
 To: H A-RS15-1620-293-16-15 \$105,414.00 Construction
 To: H A-RS15-1620-294-16-15 \$45,000.00 HVAC
 To: H A-RS15-1620-296-16-15 \$54,000.00 Electric
 To: H A-RS15-1620-245-16-15 \$72,000.00 Architect
 Reason: Transfer to correctly allocate budget for Roosevelt Renovation

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From: A	2110-140-00-0000	Teach Sal Substitutes	\$128,000.00
	A 2110-140-11-0000	OHS Substitutes	\$ 8,000.00
	A 2110-140-12-0000	AMD Substitutes	\$10,000.00
	A 2110-140-13-0000	BRK Substitutes	\$10,000.00
	A 2110-140-14-0000	CLR Substitutes	\$7,000.00
	A 2110-140-15-0000	PRK Substitutes	\$1,000.00
	A 2110-140-16-0000	ROS Substitutes	\$4,000.00

	A	2250-140-00-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$10,000.00
	A	2110-140-00-0000	Teach Sal Substitutes	\$ 800.00
	A	2110-140-00-0000	Teach Sal Substitutes	\$3,000.00
To:	A	2110-145-00-0000	Sub. Salaries Long Term	\$128,000.00
	A	2250-140-11-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$8,000.00
	A	2250-140-12-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$10,000.00
	A	2250-140-13-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$10,000.00
	A	2250-140-14-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$7,000.00
	A	2250-140-15-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$1,000.00
	A	2250-140-16-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	\$4,000.00
	A	2250-145-00-0000	L/T Special Ed Inst. Subs	\$10,000.00
	A	2250-145-00-0000	L/T Special Ed Inst. Subs	\$800.00
	A	2250-140-15-0000	Special Ed Instructional Subs	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
Amount:				\$181,000.00

Reason To Adjust Special Education Substitutes

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From: A 2110-480-15-0000 Instructional Texts Park

To: A 2110-480-11-5014 Instructional Texts OHS

Amount: \$9,000.00

Reason: Transfer to cover balance for the OHS ELA textbooks

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Subject 6.13 Claims Audited and Paid - For Information Only

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters

Type Information

The matter is presented here for information only and no action is required.

7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Subject 7.1 Resolution Regarding Tenure Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education grant tenure to the Professional Staff member(s) so noted.

Subject 7.2 Resolution Regarding Rescind of Bus Attendant Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

RESOLVED, that the appointment of employee ID number 04600 be rescinded.

Subject 7.3 Resolution Regarding Administrative Resignation(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation(s) of the administrative staff member so noted.

Subject 7.4 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Resignation(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation(s) of the Professional Staff members so noted.

Subject 7.5 Resolution Regarding Bus Attendant Resignation(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation(s) of the Bus Attendant members so noted.

Subject 7.6 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointment(s) so noted.

Subject 7.7 Resolution Regarding Support Staff Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Support Staff appointment(s) so noted.

Subject 7.8 Resolution Regarding Bus Attendant Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Bus Attendants appointments so noted.

Subject 7.9 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointment(s) - Before/After/Summer Programs

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointment(s) so noted.

Subject 7.10 Resolution Regarding Support Staff Appointment(s) - Before/After/Summer Programs

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Support Staff appointment(s) for the persons so noted.

Subject 7.11 Resolution Regarding Per Diem Substitute Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Per Diem Substitute appointments for the person(s) so noted.

Subject 7.12 Resolution Regarding Volunteer Appointment(s)

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Action

I move that the persons listed on the following page be appointed by the Board of Education as school volunteers for the 2014-2015 school year.

Subject 7.13 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Request for Personal Leave

Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Category 7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters

Type Information

In accordance with our contract with the Ossining Teachers Association, teachers are entitled to medical/personal leave without pay on a yearly basis not to exceed (3) years. On the following page Board members will find a request for personal leave.

8. For Information Only

Subject **8.1 Enrollment Report**
Meeting Mar 25, 2015 - Board of Education Regular Meeting
Category 8. For Information Only
Type Information

The matter is presented here for Board of Education information only and no action is required.

9. Audience Recognition

10. Board Committee/Liaison Reports and Board Dialogue

11. Adjournment
