

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WAYNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WAYNE, NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL MEETING
October 9, 2013**

The Special Meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2013 in the Wayne Board of Education Conference Room, 50 Nellis Drive, Wayne, New Jersey 07470. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to the terms of the Sunshine Law.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mr. Mitch Badiner, Board President.

Reading of "Sunshine Law" Statement

Adequate notice of this Special Meeting, setting forth time, date and location, has been provided in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act on September 27, 2013 by:

Prominently posting a copy on the bulletin board in the lobby of the offices of the Board of Education, which is a public place reserved for such announcements, transmitting a copy of this notice to The Record, The Wayne Today, and the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Mitch Badiner, Laura Stinziano, Kim Essen, Eileen Albanese, Robert Ceberio, and Rogger Ortiz

ABSENT: Allan Mordkoff, Michael Bubba, and Donald Pavlak, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT : Dr. Raymond A. Gonzalez, Superintendent and Juanita A. Petty, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Administrative Summary Report

Board Retreat

- **14-15 Budget Development**
- **District Goals and Objectives**

Dr. Gonzalez noted that the retreat was scheduled to review budget parameters for the development of the 2014-2015 budget and to review the District Goals and Objectives. No formal action is being sought from the Board tonight.

BUDGET

Dr. Gonzalez reviewed budget overview. Key elements: development, review, and public input. Reviewed proposed budget calendar and budget preparation memo. Discussion ensued. Suggested that base not to exceed 13-14 original budget, rather than CAP at 2%. Then provide rationale if it increases. Dr. Gonzalez noted by the end of December, budget will be built in preliminary form. Will then "vet" budgets in January and gather public input.

Public input to include two public sessions. Finance indicated it had a discussion for stakeholder group input. Dr. Gonzalez suggested to target feedback in areas such as: maintaining/reducing class size, technology, safety, and extra-curricular to help decision making. Can also include open-ended input as well. Calendar- Built in Special Meetings if needed.

Discussion on focus groups and whether to conduct with Finance Committee Meeting or Finance and HR Chair. Use as general discussion to facilitate. Focused input discussion at full BOE meeting. Suggested to start with Council of PTO's. It was also suggested to do a survey enlisting help from the PTO to reach more people and they don't have to come out another night. Survey could be posted on-line. Each Committee could put 5 questions in survey. Consensus to develop.

In April, it was suggested to email a budget flyer. Mrs. Petty reviewed process to submit budget for meritorious Budget Award and explained more documents will be posted on the website. Calendar will be revised and emailed to full Board for review.

Discussion ensued on potential questions from the public about decreasing class size and its impact on the budget. It was also suggested to evaluate the cost of offering full-day Kindergarten and if there was an outside consultant who could be hired to do an assessment.

DISTRICT GOALS

Dr. Gonzalez noted original goals developed for remainder of 12-13 and 13-14. However, they are over-achieving goals, so only the objectives need to change to prioritize our work this year.

Plan is to review and adopt at November meeting. Question whether there are formal activities to support objectives. Dr. Gonzalez responded "Yes."

Middle School Revitalization – How will it be provided to public? Needs to be presented for January. Dr. Gonzalez stated that surveys were done to current middle school families, and a public presentation is part of the plan.

The Board asked to review and provide feedback.

Dr. Gonzalez recapped discussion that should occur in Committees:

1. Survey Questions
2. Budget Development
3. Goals and Objectives

Will provide feedback to community through Community Newsletter. Board can also invite community to be part of the budget process.

Revisions to Agenda Items

None

Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Wayne Township Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") from time to time must convene into Executive Session to discuss confidential matters including but not limited to personnel issues, legal matters, student issues and labor negotiations. -Approved-

WHEREAS, THE Board has on its agenda for the meeting being held on October 9, 2013 issues relating to legal and or personnel items which must be discussed in a confidential closed session.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board shall move into Executive Session to discuss the above referenced matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the executive session will provide as much information as possible without violating any applicable privilege or confidentiality so that

the public can understand what was discussed and when available what the Board decision was.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the executive session will be released to the public in an appropriately redacted form within a reasonable period of time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the redacted portion of the executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.

A motion was made to convene into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.

Motion: To Approve, Moved by Board Member LAURA STINZIANO, Seconded by Board Member EILEEN ALBANESE. Passed. 6-0-0. Board Members voting Aye: ALBANESE, BADINER, CEBERIO, ESSEN, ORTIZ, STINZIANO. Board Members Absent: BUBBA, MORDKOFF, PAVLAK.

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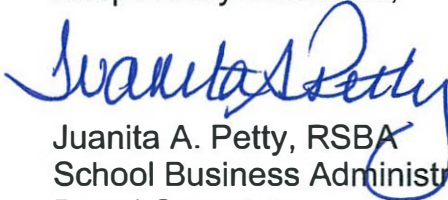
The Board reconvened at 7:14 p.m. in the Wayne Board of Education Administration Building Conference Room, 50 Nellis Drive, Wayne, New Jersey. Mr. Mitch Badiner, Board President, advised that the Board had been meeting in Executive Session at 50 Nellis Drive for the purpose of discussion of negotiations. Information regarding these matters will be made public if, and when, appropriate.

Adjournment

There being no further business of the Board, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Motion: To Approve, Moved by Board Member DONALD PAVLAK, Seconded by Board Member ROGGER ORTIZ. Passed. 6-0-0. Board Members voting Aye: ALBANESE, BADINER, CEBERIO, ESSEN, ORTIZ, STINZIANO. Board Members Absent: BUBBA, MORDKOFF, PAVLAK.

Respectfully submitted,



Juanita A. Petty, RSBA
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

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