

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the East Windsor Regional School District Board of Education June 30, 2008

The Board of Education of the East Windsor Regional School District held a regular meeting on **Monday, June 30, 2008** at the Hightstown High School cafeteria.

ITEM 1: WELCOME / SUNSHINE NOTICE & FIRE CODE

Board President Alice Weisman called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement as follows:

“Written advance notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with law. Minutes of this meeting are being kept by the Board Secretary and will be made available promptly to any member of the public requesting them from the Board Secretary at the Administration building located at 25A Leshin Lane, Hightstown, NJ. Minutes will be provided at cost and in accordance with Board policy.”

Ms. Weisman asked “Are there any Board members present who believe this meeting to be in violation of the Open Public Meeting Act?” No one objected. “There being none, we may proceed.”

Members Present: Stuart Dolgon, Suzann Fallon, Bonnie Fayer (7:42 arrival), James Hauck, Robert Laverty, Susan Lloyd Kennedy Paul, and Alice Weisman

Member(s) Absent: Bruce Ettman

Also Present: Ron Bolandi, School Superintendent
Kurt Stumbaugh, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
David Coates, Board Legal Counsel.

Compliance with Fire Code:

Ms. Weisman made the following announcement: “In compliance with the fire code of the State of New Jersey, I call your attention to the emergency exit for this room, which is located.....” (Ms. Weisman pointed to the emergency exit.)

ITEM 2: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Weisman asked those present to join in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ITEM 3A: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Having read the material received Mr. Laverty moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, to approve the agenda. On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Dolgon, Ms. Fallon, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Laverty, Ms Lloyd, Mr. Paul, Ms. Weisman.

Members voting no: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion to approve was carried: unanimously.

3B. RESOLUTION: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Lavery moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the EWRSD Board of Education will hold two executive sessions during its regular meeting on Monday June 30 2008. These closed sessions concern:

1. Personnel Matters 2. Litigation 3. Contract Negotiations

Minutes of these closed sessions will be available in accordance with Board policy when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Dolgon, Ms. Fallon, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Ms. Weisman.

Members voting no: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion to approve was carried: unanimously.

ITEM 4: PRESENTATION - TESTING

This item was tabled until complete data is received from the State.

ITEM 5: SECOND READING OF POLICY #9712 Distribution of Non-School Materials

Mr. Lavery moved, seconded by Mr. Hauck to approve Board Policy #9712 as submitted.

(Copies of EWRSD Policies and Regulations can be found on the District website, and in Administration and school offices.)

On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Dolgon, Ms. Fallon, Ms. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Ms. Weisman.

Members voting no: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion to approve was carried: unanimously.

ITEMS 6 & 7: These items were tabled until arrival of Superintendent Bolandi.

ITEM 8: FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ITEM 9: FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Lloyd commented on the Robotics presentation.

Ms. Lloyd thanked the Board and Administration for their kindness during the recent death in her family.

Ms. Fallon gave an update on the promotion exercises.

Ms. Weisman read a letter of thanks from Governor's Teacher Recognition Award recipient, Phyllis Vannozzi.

The Board recessed at 7:45 and resumed the meeting at 7:50.

ITEM 6: OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP – HHS MUSIC DEPT. TO ATLANTA GA

The Atlanta trip activities were discussed. Cruise line and International trips were denied

ITEM 7: ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Superintendent gave an update on the middle school promotion exercise. The weather caused some challenges but the ceremony went well. The High School graduation went well in spite of motor vehicle accidents. We finished the year on a good note. Almost all hiring is completed, (approx. 90%).

ITEM 10. FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM 11. MOTION TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS BY EXCEPTION

Board approval is requested for the following routine agenda items:

- A. Staffing**
- B. Removal of Ineligible Affidavit Students**
- C. Out of District Placement**
- D. Professional Services for Students**
- E. Donations**
 - 1. MHK - Grant to Purchase Saxophone**
 - 2. GNR – Children’s Books and Teacher Resource Books**

(Ms. Weisman acknowledged the donors for their donations and expressed gratitude for their generosity.)

- F. Volunteers**

HHS -Roger Weck as Assistant Wrestling & Soccer Coach, HHS.
WCB: Mr. Castro, Mrs. Karim, Mrs. Rosen, Ms. Silverio, Ms. Veiga
- G. 2008-2011 Mentor Plan**
- H. Travel and Related Expenses**
- I. Approval of Art and Music Curriculums for Grades 6-12**
- J. Accept FLAP Funds for 2008-09**
- K. Approval of Minutes for June 9, 2008**
- L. Change Order #2: Jonico Paving Contract**
- M. Disposal of Obsolete Audio-Visual Equipment**
- N. Resolution: Approval of 457 Deferred Compensation Plan with AIG/Valic**
- O. Surplus Property Sale:**
 - 1. District Vehicles**
 - 2. MHK Piano**
- P. Staff Eligible for Mileage Reimbursement**

Additional staff added to list for 08-09: Alix Arvizu, Lydia Locke, Susan Cotton, Milagros Roux, Daljeet Sandhu
- Q. Award of Bids and Contracts: Unleaded Gasoline & Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel**

Bid awarded to : **RIGGINS INC.** for lowest responsible bid of 3.705 per gallon of unleaded gasoline& 4.1215 per gallon for ultra low sulfur diesel fuel.
- R. Resolution: Joint Transportation Agreement with Roosevelt School District:** for 08-09 for Roosevelt students in 7th -12th grade.
- S. Board Secretary’s Report: April, 2008**
- T Treasurer’s Report: April, 2008**
- U. Transfer Report: April 2008**
- V. Bill List**

Mr. Lavery moved seconded by Ms. Fayer to approve the above routine agenda items as submitted:

(Copies of these agenda items are on file in the Board Secretary’s office.)

On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Dolgon, Ms. Fallon, Ms. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms Lloyd, Mr. Paul, Ms. Weisman.

Members voting no: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion to approve was carried: unanimously.

ITEM 12: SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Marjorie Raymond commented on an incident at school, and the Superintendent responded that student issues cannot be discussed in public forum.

ITEM 13: SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Dolgon commented on RFID technology mentoring. Assistant Superintendent Dzwonar responded that this is being pursued now.

Ms. Fallon reported on a recent legislative meeting held in the district re: State Budget update. She commented that very little new information was exchanged.

ITEM 14. SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM 15. OPEN SESSION

ITEM 16. ADJOURN

Ms. Lloyd moved to adjourn at 10:30 pm.

Kurt Stumbaugh, Board Secretary