

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD
IN UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

MINUTES of a **WORK & STUDY** Meeting of the Board of
Education Held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018

A **WORK & STUDY** Meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Plainfield was held this day in the Plainfield High School conference room. Notice had been provided to Board members and to the Courier-News, Star Ledger, Public Library, City Clerk, Plainfield Police Department, and posted in all Plainfield Public Schools and the District's website. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Mrs. Yolanda Koon, Acting Board Secretary, and the following action took place:

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. WELCOME

WELCOME to a Work & Study Meeting of the Plainfield Board of Education. Members hope you will find the meeting interesting and informative. We thank you for taking the time to attend. Please be advised that this and all meetings of the Board are open to the media and public, consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act (Ch. 231, Laws of 1975), and that the advance notice required therein has been provided to the Courier News and the Star Ledger on Friday, December 22, 2017.

III. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. Richard Wyatt, President
Mr. Cameron E. Cox, Vice President
Ms. Lynn B. Anderson, arr. @ 6:40 p.m.
Mr. John C. Campbell, arr. @ 6:45 p.m.
Mr. Dorien Hurtt, arr. @ 7:10 p.m.
Mr. Terence J. Johnson
Mrs. Emily E. Morgan
Ms. Carmencita T. Pile
Dr. Avonia A. Richardson-Miller

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Caryn D. Cooper, Acting Superintendent
Mr. Philip Stern, Esq.
Mrs. Yolanda Koon

The following resolution was moved by Ms. Pile seconded by Mr. Cox and unanimously approved by the Board:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss:

- Personnel
- Legal

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

The Board of Education adjourned into its Executive Session at 6:35 p.m.

The Plainfield Board of Education resumed the public session of its Work & Study Meeting at 8:25 p.m.

IV. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

NONE.

V. REMARKS FROM THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Cooper welcomed all and mentioned that our professional development will take place Jan 29th. She also mentioned Literacy night for all to attend.

Dr. Cooper introduced Mr. Webster to discuss free dinner meals for our students. Mr. Webster discussed the opportunity to provide this service at no cost to the District. He provided his experience of doing this program for many years.

The Board inquired about when this program would rollout. Who would supervise the program? How often does the State come to monitor?

Dr. Bolandi spoke with the public about his intentions, experience, and he is looking forward to working with the community and the Plainfield Board of Ed.

Mr. Wyatt mentioned that there would be an Open Forum for the community to meet and state their concerns to Dr. Bolandi next week.

Ms. Pile inquired about the naming of the new school and suggested we consider Mr. & Mrs. Charles Booker.

VI. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

All agendas was moved to the business agenda.

VII. REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC

The public inquired about the agenda and answers were provided.

Dr. Cooper mentioned the status of the 504 Madison building.

Reported by,

Yolanda Koon, Acting Board Secretary
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