

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, December 4, 2012

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 on the Plainfield Public Schools' website. Mr. Gary L. Ottmann, Board Secretary called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. and the following action took place:

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. WELCOME

WELCOME to a Work & Study Meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Plainfield. 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 advance notice required therein has been provided to the Courier News and the Star Ledger on Thursday, November 29, 2012 for advertisement on Saturday, December 1, 2012.

III. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mrs. Renata A. Hernandez, President
Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell, Vice President
Mrs. Jackie Coley
Mr. Alex O. Edache
Mrs. Keisha Edwards, arr. @ 7:00 p.m.
Mr. Dorien Hurtt, arr. @ 7:30 p.m.
Ms. Jameelah Surgeon

ALSO PRESENT

Mrs. Anna Belin-Pyles, Superintendent
Mr. Gary L. Ottmann
Mr. Robert Pickett, Esq.
Mr. Charles Craig, Esq.
Mr. Nixon Kannah, arr. @ 7:20 p.m.

Mrs. Brenda Gilbert, excused
Mrs. Lisa Logan-Leach, unexcused

The following resolution was moved by Ms. Surgeon seconded by Mr. Edache, 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 6:56 p.m.

The Plainfield Board of Education resumed the public session of the Work & Study Meeting at 8:15 p.m.

IV. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

NONE.

V. REMARKS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Belin-Pyles indicated that there will be some presentations at the December Business Meeting.

The Board reviewed the C&I, Finance and Policy agendas and moved them to the business agenda.

Mrs. Belin-Pyles reviewed the results of the survey with regard to making up the lost days due to Hurricane Sandy. The preference was to extend the school year until June 30th.

Mrs. Edwards moved, seconded by Ms. Surgeon and unanimously approved by the Board to return to the executive session at 8:35 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal.

Mrs. Campbell moved, seconded by Ms. Surgeon and unanimously approved by the Board to return to the public session at 9:50 p.m.

Mrs. Campbell moved and seconded by Mrs. Edwards and unanimously approved by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:51 p.m.

Recorded by:

Gary L. Ottmann, Board Secretary
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