

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, June 12, 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 Wednesday, June 6, 2012 for advertisement on Saturday, June 9, 2012.

III. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mrs. Renata A. Hernandez, President, left @ 10:10 p.m.
Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell, Vice President
Mr. Alex O. Edache
Mrs. Keisha Edwards
Mrs. Brenda L. Gilbert
Mr. Dorien Hurtt, arr. @ 7:07 p.m.
Dr. Susan Phifer
Ms. Jameelah Surgeon

ALSO PRESENT

Mrs. Anna Belin-Pyles, Interim Superintendent
Mr. Gary L. Ottmann
Mr. Robert Pickett, Esq.
Mr. Charles Craig, Esq.
Ms. Lauren Craig, Esq.
Mr. Nixon Kannah, Esq.
Mr. Galen Medley, Esq.

Mrs. Lisa Logan-Leach, excused

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

The Plainfield Board of Education resumed the public session of the Work & Study Meeting at 8:30 p.m.

IV. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

NONE.

V. REMARKS FROM THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

The Board reviewed the C & I, Finance agendas.

VI. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Dr. Phifer questioned why B&G doesn't have its own committee agenda. The Board supported the development of this committee and will present at the July meetings.

Mrs. Belin-Pyles reviewed a spending plan for smart boards for the District for \$1,300,000.00 to be installed over the summer for every classroom.

Mr. Medley and Mr. Pickett reviewed their email dated June 11, 2012 concerning policy 4121 (substitute teachers) and their recommendation to adopt.

Mr. Ottmann reviewed the Hub Stine Field project.

Ms. Surgeon moved, and seconded by Mr. Hurtt and unanimously approved by the Board to return to executive session at 9:45 p.m.

Mrs. Edwards moved, and seconded by Ms. Surgeon and unanimously approved by the board to return to the public session of the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

Dr. Phifer moved and seconded by Ms. Surgeon and unanimously approved by the board to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 p.m.

Recorded by:

Gary L. Ottmann, Board Secretary
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