

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 9, 2009

A **WORK & STUDY** Meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Plainfield was held this day in the Plainfield Board of Education Administration Building, auditorium. 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 6:45 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 Tuesday, May 26, 2009 for advertisement on Friday, May 29, 2009.

III. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Ms. Bridget Rivers, President, left @ 8:15 p.m.
Mr. Agurs Linward Cathcart, Jr., arr. 7:55 p.m.
Ms. Patricia I. Barksdale, left @ 7:25 p.m. & ret. @ 8:30 p.m.
Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell
Mr. Martin Cox, left @ 8:15 p.m.
Mr. Christian Estevez
Mrs. Brenda Gilbert
Ms. Katherine Peterson

Mrs. Lisa Logan-Leach, absent

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Steve Gallon III, Superintendent
Dr. Garnell Bailey
Mr. Gary L. Ottmann
Mr. Terry Ridley, Esq.

The following resolution was moved by Mr. Cox, seconded by Ms. Barksdale, 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 adjourned to closed session to discuss:

- personnel and 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 6:46 p.m.

The Plainfield Board of Education resumed the public session of its Work & Study Meeting at 8:10 p.m.

IV. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Ms. Rivers had to leave the meeting tonight so Mr. Cathcart welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mrs. Gilbert reviewed communication delivered from the community police for the DARE event scheduled for August 1, 2009, and requested Board support for the bicycle rodeo.

Mr. Cathcart indicated he was very glad to see that the district has been very communicative with parents concerning the seniors who may not be able to graduate on time.

Board members were very excited that a summer program is being offered this year.

V. REMARKS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Gallon welcomed members of the public and gave an overview of two (2) presentations scheduled for tonight.

Ms. Kemp presented the PPS Passport to Summer Learning and Master Scheduling Framework & Highlights.

VI. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

NONE

Ms. Barksdale moved, seconded by Mrs. Campbell and unanimously approved by the Board, to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Recorded by:

Gary L. Ottmann, Board Secretary
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