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PLAINFIELD, NJ - Three newly elected members of the Plainfield Board of Education officially became members of the board at Tuesday's reorganization meeting.

The board members were sworn in by the Board Secretary Craig Smith who administered the oath of office. Taking the oath were Emily Morgan, who became a board member for the first time following the elections in November. John C. Campbell and Richard Wyatt were also elected. Both had previously served on the board by appointment to complete the terms left vacant by previous members.

A proposal was approved by the Superintendent of Plainfield Public Schools Anna Belin-Pyles to renovate a district property located at 504 Madison Ave. The action taken by the board allows the Business Administrator Gary Ottmann to present the plan to the New Jersey State Commissioner of Education for final approval. The board voted 8-1 to approve the renovations.

During the open session of the meeting newly elected Council President of the City of Plainfield Cory Storch and Councilman for the First Ward Barry Goode congratulated the board and made a pledge to work with the board for the benefit of the children of Plainfield. Also in attendance were other city officials and Alice Cardona, President of PEA.

Re-elected to lead the board was Wilma G. Campbell, who has been President of the Plainfield Board of Education for the past three years. Campbell was nominated by Frederick Moore, who also was re-elected by the members, as vice-president. Moore was nominated by John C. Campbell.

In the upcoming weeks committee chairs will be selected by Board President Wilma Campbell. The standing committees are Finance/Budget Committee, Curriculum & Instruction Committee, Human Resources Committee, Buildings & Grounds Committee, Policy Committee and the School/Community Relations Committee. Other committees include PASA Negotiations Committee, PEA Negotiations Committee and the Board/Council Liaison.