BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY

The workshop meeting of the Board of Education was held on Thursday, October 15, 2015 in the Wilson School Board Meeting Room beginning at 7:00 PM. Those present: Ms. Kalin, presiding, Ms. Chang, Ms. Colbert, Mr. Dietze, Mr. Hanley, and Ms. McCann. Mr. Freeman arrived at 7:12 PM.

Also present were Mr. Chang, Superintendent, Dr. Glazer, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Pepe, Assistant Superintendent/Board Secretary, Dr. Kachmar-Desonne, Director of Special Services, and Mr. Block, Director of Human Resources. There were 8 people in the audience.

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION

The following notice was presented:

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Chang spoke about the following:

- Voting in the schools
- Discussion of High School parking situation to take place at the November Workshop Meeting

The items listed under Superintendent’s Report on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on October 22, 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Education Committee – Ms. Colbert stated the committee met on October 15th. Items discussed include: 5-year Guidance Plan; SHS rankings; Sustainable NJ program; 2015 new and revised curriculum; Ramapo College Education Leadership program; FDK; Graduate Research

B. Operations Committee – Mr. Dietze stated the committee met on October 8th. Items discussed include: SHS Facilities Assessment Report; SHS parking; construction update; audits and reviews

C. Policy Committee – Ms. McCann stated the committee met on October 8th. Items discussed include: Nepotism policy

D. Communications Committee – Mr. Hanley stated the committee met on October 8th. Items discussed include: Friday Night Lights, Warren Hills football game; K-9 sweep; school voting locations; decision on live TV broadcasts of Board meetings

E. Negotiations Committee - No report
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F. Liaison Reports:
   1. Mr. Dietze spoke about SEF’s Partner’s Night, a fundraiser
   2. Ms. Kalin reported on the PTO Presidents Council
   3. Ms. Kalin reported on the Speak Up Summit meeting

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Colleen Manion thanked the board for consideration of the SHS parking situation, and highlighted the safety concerns and additional needs for parking at the high school.

Melanie Wilson asked if the goal of the Chrome Book initiative is to eliminate the need for textbooks. Mr. Chang responded.

Susan Sidebottom asked when the EI Associates’ HS Facilities Assessment Report would be made public. Mr. Chang & Mr. Pepe responded.

Heather Siegel asked a question regarding voting in the schools. Mr. Chang responded.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

The items listed under Approval of Board Minutes on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on October 22, 2015.

SCHOOL BOARD OPERATION

The items listed under School Board Operation on the agenda were presented to the Board.

Mr. Freeman moved the following under School Board Operation:

   B. Approval of the following under change orders:

1. Change Order #49 from Ingrassia Construction Company for Alterations & Renovations at LCJSMS +$51,621 for net of all change order credits/debits for settlement purposes including 2 months liquidated damages to include:

   a. Balance of outstanding change orders +$17,621
   b. Settlement of delays/general conditions +$34,000

Seconded by Mr. Hanley. The roll was called and all present voted “Aye.” The motion was declared adopted.

After discussion, there was consensus that the remaining items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on October 22, 2015.
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PERSONNEL

Items listed under Personnel on the agenda were presented to the Board.

Ms. McCann moved the following under Personnel:

B. Approval to appoint the following support staff:

3. Jessica Prisco, Washington School inclusion aide, Aide Step 1, $31,347, effective September 1, 2015
4. Andrew Graham, middle school instructional aide, Aide Step 1, $31,347, effective September 1, 2015

E. Approval to appoint Andres Lara, middle school French teacher, BA Step 1, $54,896, effective September 1, 2015

Seconded by Ms. Chang. The roll was called and all present voted “Aye.” The motion was declared adopted.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on October 22, 2015.

POLICIES

Items listed under Policies on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on October 22, 2015.

FINANCE

Items listed under Finance on the agenda were presented to the Board.

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on October 22, 2015.

CLOSED SESSION

At this time, Ms. Kalin stated that the Board would now go into executive session and asked that the appropriate resolution be presented. The following resolution was then presented:

A. That it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session on Thursday, October 15, 2015 to discuss:

1. Legal – Discussion of Policy 5530
B. That the matter discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.

Motion by Mr. Hanley, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and carried to Executive Session at 8:50 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 9:10 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hanley, seconded by Ms. McCann, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Secretary