September 10, 2015

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY

The workshop meeting of the Board of Education was held on Thursday, September 10, 2015 in the Wilson School Board Meeting Room beginning at 7:00 PM. Those present: Ms. Kalin, presiding, Ms. Chang, Ms. Colbert, Mr. Freeman and Ms. McCann. Mr. Hanley was absent.

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.

PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Kalin welcomed all to the first meeting of the 2015-2016 school year and thanked the administrators, teachers, custodians and staff for a successful first day of school.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Chang spoke about the following:

- Summit High School AP data
- Opening of Schools/Instruction in Classroom
- Construction Update (report with Mr. Pepe)
- LCJSMNS Principal Search
- HIB Self-Assessment
- Annual HS Rankings
- Shanghai Delegation
- National Merit Semifinalists will be recognized at the Regular 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 September 17, 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Education Committee – Ms. Colbert stated the committee met on September 9th. Items discussed include: Special Education overview; committee goals review.

B. Operations Committee – Mr. Dietze stated the committee met on September 9th. Items discussed include: SHS facilities assessment report; SHS parking; construction update.
C. Policy Committee – Ms. McCann stated the committee met on September 9th. Items discussed include all policies on the agenda in September for first reading.
D. Communications Committee – Ms. Kalin stated the committee met on September 3rd. Topics discussed include live BOE meeting broadcasts; local and national school rankings.
E. Negotiations Committee - No report
F. Liaison Reports:
   1. Ms. Colbert reported on S4A

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Melanie Wilson asked a question regarding Gov. Christie’s decision to re-evaluate the Common Core and the impact on PARCC testing. Dr. Glazer responded.

A parent commented that there was a great discussion regarding the parking situation.

Mayor Dickson congratulated the board on the new position at the HS Media Center, filled by Carlos Garcia, to allow students greater ability for videotaping.

A parent had a question regarding board goal #3. Mr. Chang responded.

Tina O’Connor expressed concern about students walking on an extended pathway to the Primary Center at Jefferson. 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 September 17, 2015.

SCHOOL BOARD OPERATION

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

After discussion, there was consensus that the remaining items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on September 17, 2015.

PERSONNEL

Items listed under Personnel 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 September 17, 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 September 17, 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 September 17, 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, September 17, 2015, to discuss:

1. Legal – Discussion of Policy 5530
2. Personnel – Superintendent Merit Goals

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. Dietze, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and carried to Executive Session at 8:49 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 10:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Dietze, seconded by Mr. Freeman and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Secretary