

December 8, 2016

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY

The workshop meeting of the Board of Education was held on Thursday, December 8, 2016 in the Wilson School Board Meeting Room beginning at 7:00 PM. Those present: Mr. Dietze, presiding, Mr. Bonner, Mr. George, Ms. McCann, and Ms. Primack. Ms. Chang arrived at 7:06 PM.

Also present were Mr. Chang, Superintendent, Mr. Pepe, Assistant Superintendent/Board Secretary, Dr. Kachmar-Desonne, Director of Special Services, Mr. Block, Director of Human Resources, and Ms. Ambrose, Director of Elementary Education. There were 9 members of the public 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.

PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

1. Summit Educational Foundation – Fall 2016 Grants – Amy D’Andrea

Ms. McCann moved the following:

Approval to accept the Summit Educational Foundation Fall 2016 Grants in the amount of \$449,616

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

2. Presentation of 2015-2016 Audit – Paul Lerch – Lerch, Vinci & Higgins

PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Dietze spoke about the following:

- NJSIAA Award to Jennifer Schwarzenbek
- Summit High School Model UN to Rutgers
- FDK Lottery application deadline of December 15th

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Chang spoke about the following:

- Director of Secondary Education on leave – district will hire an interim consultant for up to 18 days

- The LCJSMS Assistant Principal search garnered over 200 applicants – he wished Nick Grimshaw and Carly Johnson well
- Challenge Day at Summit High School
- Computer Education Week – Hour of Code
- Speech & Debate Team - Summit Hilltopper Classic at Summit High School on December 10th – 27 schools and over 400 entries

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 December 15, 2016.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Education Committee – Ms. McCann stated the committee met on December 2nd. Items discussed include: 1:1 rollout; AP classes update; LCJSMS greenhouse; kindergarten policy; new course proposals 2017-2018
- B. Operations Committee – Ms. Chang stated the committee met on December 7th. Items discussed include: EnerNOC energy auction; capital projects exploration; capital projects survey of additional building needs; 2017-2018 budget
- C. Policy Committee – Mr. George stated the committee met on December 1st. Items discussed include: Policy 2415.30 Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care
- D. Communications Committee – Ms. Chang stated the committee met on December 2nd. Items discussed include: Chromebook rollout; Honeywell Alert System; district website
- E. Negotiations Committee - No report
- F. Liaison Reports
 - NJSBA – Ms. Primack attended the negotiations training session and will attend the upcoming session on analysis of guides
 - UCSBA – Mr. Bonner attended the November meeting on special education
 - Speak Up Summit – Ms. McCann reported on the November meeting
 - Mayor’s Diversity Council – Ms. McCann reported on the December meeting
 - Hispanic Diversity Event – Mr. George reported
 - SEF – Ms. Chang reported on the dedicated work done by SEF

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Ms. Wilson asked questions about AP testing; the SEF grant for the greenhouse; speech and debate tournament. Mr. Chang and Ms. McCann 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 December 15, 2016.

SCHOOL BOARD OPERATION

Ms. Primack moved the following under School Board Operation:

- B. Approval to accept 2015-2016 Audit - Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (attached)
- C. Approval to accept 2015-2016 Audit – Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Corrective Action Plan (attached)
- D. Approval of Energy Supply Procurement Agreement dated November 23, 2016 with EnerNOC, Inc., One Marina Park Drive, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02210 for the purpose of providing energy service auction as per the agreement and authorize the School Business Administrator to execute a supplier agreement with the lowest responsible bidder at the time of auction based on the recommendation and review of all bidders by EnerNoc. Any agreement will then be certified by the Board of Education at its next available Regular Board Meeting

Motion was seconded by Mr. Bonner. The roll was called and all present voted “Aye.” The motion was declared adopted.

Item “E” was removed from the agenda.

After discussion, there was consensus that the remaining items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on December 15, 2016.

PERSONNEL

The 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 December 15, 2016.

POLICIES

The 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 December 15, 2016.

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 December 15, 2016.

CLOSED SESSION

At this time, Mr. Dietze 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, December 8, 2016 to discuss:

1. Student Suspension – SID #5239287522

B. That the matters 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 Ms. Chang, seconded by Ms. Primack, and carried to Executive Session at 8:52 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 9:16 PM.

Ms. McCann moved the following:

Pursuant to a formal disciplinary hearing, which was held before the Board on December 8, 2016, after notice to the student and parent, as set forth in N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.3, the Summit Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to impose a longer term suspension on student #5239287522 through January 9, 2017 during which the student will continue to receive home instruction

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

At this time, Mr. Dietze stated that the Board would now go back 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, December 8, 2016 to discuss:

1. Personnel – LCJSMS Assistant Principal Positions
2. Personnel – Sick Leave Request

B. That the matters 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 Ms. Primack, seconded by Ms. Chang, and carried to Executive Session at 9:18 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 9:56 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. McCann, seconded by Ms. Primack, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary