

February 14, 2017

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY**

The workshop meeting of the Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 in the Wilson School Board Meeting Room beginning at 7:00 PM. This meeting was re-scheduled due to a weather-related district closure on February 9, 2017. Those present: Mr. Dietze, presiding, Mr. Bonner, Ms. Chang, Mr. George, Mr. Hanley, Ms. McCann, and Ms. Primack.

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, Ms. Ambrose, Director of Elementary Education, and Ms. Masbang, Assistant Business Administrator. 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 AND DISCUSSIONS

1. Draft 2017-2018 Budget Presentation – June Chang and Louis Pepe

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Dietze spoke about the following:

- Tonight's budget presentation by Mr. Chang & Mr. Pepe
- Timeline for budget process
- Hearts for Hope campaign by the Summit Principals Association
- Styles for Smiles fashion show at SHS to benefit Operation Smile
- Upcoming district events – Parent Wellness series on March 15th at New Providence HS dealing with “Dangers in Your Medicine Cabinet”; Sports Careers panel (check website for details)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Chang spoke about the following:

- American Heart Association's “Jump Rope for Heart” events at elementary schools
- Student safety: NJ's Move Over Law & “X the Text” Pledge drive
- 14 LCJSMS students accepted to perform for the CJMEA
- Attended performances of *Peter Pan Jr.* at Lincoln-Hubbard and *Shrek* at Franklin – many opportunities for students in cast, crew, chorus, costumes and more
- Save the date for the LCJSMS performance of *Willy Wonka* on March 31st & April 1st

After discussion, there was consensus that the items would be presented for approval at the regular

meeting on February 16, 2017.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Education Committee – Ms. McCann stated the committee met on February 1st. Items discussed include: iExcel data in 5th & 8th grades; FDK Lottery Ecolab alignment with STEAM focus; curriculum budget review
- B. Operations Committee – Mr. Hanley stated the committee met on February 1st and February 8th. Items discussed include: Brown & Brown reps attended the Feb 1st meeting and answered questions regarding health benefits; budget presentation & update
- C. Policy Committee – Mr. George stated the committee met on February 6th. Items discussed include: revised policies on suicide prevention and entrance age
- D. Communications Committee – Ms. Chang stated the committee met on February 1st. Items discussed include: public release forms; student and staff highlights on the website; reminder for the public to view budget updates/calendar on the website
- E. Negotiations Committee - No report
- F. Liaison Reports
 - Ms. McCann attended the Mayor’s Council on Diversity meeting

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Pinzon had questions regarding how much money volunteers have saved the district and how much money has the community put into the school system. Mr. Chang and Mr. Pepe 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 February 16, 2017

SCHOOL BOARD OPERATION

Ms. Chang moved the following under School Board Operation:

- B. Approval to authorize the district Architect of Record, EI Associates, to submit to the N.J. Department of Education the plans for Masonry Repairs at Brayton Elementary School and Roof Replacement at Franklin Elementary School as approved on 1/19/17

Motion was seconded by Ms. McCann. 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 February 16, 2017.

PERSONNEL

Ms. McCann moved the following under Personnel:

- J. Approval to appoint Clare Mustafa as Long-Term Substitute ESL Teacher, Summit High School, pending criminal history review and ability to obtain Standard NJ teaching certification, \$225/day, effective February 10, 2017 through approximately June 2, 2017

Motion was 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 remaining items would be presented for approval at the regular meeting on February 16, 2017.

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 February 16, 2017.

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 February 16, 2017.

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 Tuesday, February 14, 2017 to discuss:

1. Legal – Special Education
2. Personnel – Superintendent Merit Goals

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. McCann, and carried to Executive Session at 9:05 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 9:44 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hanley, seconded by Ms. McCann, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Regan', written in a cursive style.

Secretary