

CITY OF VINELAND BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 25, 2021- ADDITIONAL COMBINED MEETING MINUTES

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The additional combined meeting of the City of Vineland Board of Education was held in the Landis Administration Building, 61 W. Landis Avenue, Vineland, New Jersey, Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at 5:02 p.m., pursuant to notice with Mr. English presiding and the following members present: Ms. Acosta, Mrs. Codispoti, Mr. Fiocchi, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Rivera, Mr. Silva, and Mr. Sbrana.

Absent: Ms. Spinelli.

Also present: Mr. Llano, Superintendent, Mr. Frey, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Sneathen, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Leary, Board Secretary, Dr. Rossi, Executive Director of Personnel, Mr. DeSanto, Board Solicitor, press, and public.

Absent: None.

Mr. English announced that in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law, commonly referred to as “The Sunshine Law,” the Vineland Board of Education has caused notice and posting of this meeting to be sent to the following, announcing the time and place thereof, agenda, etc.: The Daily Journal, SNJ Today, the Press of Atlantic City, Nuestra Comunidad, Visto Bueno, the Clerk - City of Vineland, and Administrative Office Public Bulletin Board.

Flag Salute:

Resolution:

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Special

Presentations: Honored middle school students, as selected by the City of Vineland for the 2nd Annual Unity Day, for contributions to their school and community.

Mr. Alfonso Q. Llano, Superintendent of VPS, gave an update on The Road Forward.

Approval of
Minutes:

Committee

Reports: Ms. Acosta shared the Curriculum, Instruction & Technology Committee Meeting update from August 16, 2021.

Solicitor

Report: None.

Public

Comment: Nicole McBride - Vineland Parent.
Cindy Weber - Vineland Parent.
Lea Arcidiacono - Vineland Teacher.
Amber Egorov - Vineland Teacher.
Connie Giovinazzi - Vineland Teacher.
Michael and Katie Sarnoff - Vineland Parents.
Joy Marion - Vineland Teacher.
Natalya Bauman - Vineland Resident.

Recommendations:

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

PROCEDURES & OPERATIONS (2.1 - 2.7)

2.3. Approval regarding the abolishment of the following policies as of August 21, 2021:
 1. P 5114 Children Displaced by Domestic Violence
 2. P 8810 Religious Holidays
 3. P 1648 Restart and Recovery Plan
 4. P 1648.02 Remote Learning Options for Families
 5. P 1648.03 Restart and Recovery Plan - Full Time Remote Instruction

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

2.4 Approval regarding waiving the time requirements for review according to Policy #0131 "Bylaws and Policies" and adopt the following Policy:
 - Policy 1648.11 The Road Forward COVID-19- Health and Safety (NEW)

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

2.5 Approval regarding the following MOU for the purpose of ensuring a level 2 evacuation site for each district public school.

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

2.6 Approval authorizing the Board Secretary to approve the district SEL curriculum for Grade 6, Grade 7, and Grade 8.

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

2.7 Approval authorizing the Board Secretary to enter into a dual credit agreement for the 2021 - 2022 school year with Atlantic Cape Community College.

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (none)

FINANCE (4.1 - 4.5)

4.1 Approval to accept the following funding:
 - NJYC grant as provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board;
 Dawn Leary NJ Youth Corps/Department of Labor and Workforce Development through the Vineland Public Schools in the amount of: \$376,525.

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

4.2. Approval regarding the acceptance of the following AdoptAClassroom donation by Subaru in accordance with Board Policy #7230 "Gifts, Grants, and Donations" for the Gloria M Sabater Elementary School.
 - Value: \$3,000

All Members voted
"yes."
(8-0-0)

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RECOMMENDATIONS

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FINANCE (4.1 - 4.5)

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4.5 Approval regarding the following Cumberland County Regional Cooperative Transportation initiatives:
 1. 2021-2022 Bid#3 Award
 2. 2021-2022 Jointure

All Members voted
 "yes."
 (8-0-0)

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Proposed Item: Upon motion by Mrs. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Sbrana, adoption of the Superintendent Goals by the Board Members for 10b, 1a-d was approved.

All members voted “yes” except for Mr. English and Mr. Silva who “abstained.”
(6-0-2)

Upon motion by Mrs. Codispoti, seconded by Ms. Acosta, adoption of 10b, 2, the delay of the opening of school and to amend the 2021-2022 school calendar to set the start date for students to September 9, 2021, and the end date of June 21, 2022, for classes was approved.

All members voted “yes” except for Mr. Holmes, Mr. Rivera, and Mr. Silva who voted “no.”
(5-3-0)

Approval of
Bills:

None.

Emergent
Item(s):

Upon motion by Mrs. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Holmes, adoption of Policy 1648.12 (Mandatory Masks) and Policy 1648.13 (Proof of Vaccination/COVID Testing) was approved.

All members voted “yes” with Mrs. Codispoti, Mr. Rivera, Mr. Silva, and Mr. English voting “yes” under protest.
(8-0-0)

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Old Business:

New Business: Review of Class trip protocol for 2021.
Rental Facilities and the follow up on Covid compliance regarding Executive Order 251.

Board

President: Upon motion by Mrs. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Silva, approval for the Board President, Mr. English, and the Superintendent, Mr. Llano, to prepare and send a letter to the Governor regarding Executive Order 251.

All members voted "yes."
(8-0-0)

Adjournment: A motion was made by Mrs. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Silva, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dawn Leary
Board Secretary

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