

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Vineland was held in the Reber Administration Office, 625 Plum Street, Vineland, New Jersey, Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 5:37 p.m., pursuant to notice with Mr. Jennings presiding and the following members present: Ms. Acosta, Mr. Bordley, Ms. Codispoti, Mr. Fiocchi, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Medio, Ms. Rios and Mr. Sbrana. Absent: None.

Also present: Dr. Gruccio, Superintendent, Mr. Frangipani and Mr. Frey, Assistant Superintendents, Mrs. Haley, Board Secretary, Dr. Rossi, Executive Director of Personnel, Mr. DeSanto, Solicitor, press and public. Absent: None.

Mr. Jennings announced that in compliance with the New Jersey meeting law commonly referred to as "The Sunshine Law," the Vineland Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be sent to the following, announcing 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:

Mrs. Haley read a resolution to convene into executive session for the following reasons as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10-4-12. Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public provision relied upon is terms of potential Interlocal agreements for busing and other services. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Board attorney advises the Board of Education that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the School District or any other entity or person with respect to said discussion.

Motion:

Upon motion by Mr. Bordley, seconded by Ms. Codispoti, the resolution was passed. All Members voted "yes."

Special

Presentation (s):

None.

Approval of Minutes: Upon motion by Ms. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Fiocchi, the minutes were approved from August 9, 2017. All Members voted “yes.”

Solicitor’s Report: None.

Public Comment on
Agenda Items:

Ruth Barreiro.

Ms. Barreiro thanked the Board for considering the resolution to support our undocumented immigrant students.

Lisette Gonzalez Sosa.

Ms. Gonzalez Sosa thanked the Board for the resolution supporting our children.

Maria Laboy

Ms. Laboy thanked Administration and the Board for considering and voting positively for the resolution in support of our children.

Mr. Medio departed the meeting.

Recommendations:

JENNINGS	BORDLEY	ACOSTA	COLESPOTI	FIORCHI	HOLMES	MEDIO	RIO	SBRANA
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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

PERSONNEL (1.1a-d)

- 1.1 The Board approve the personnel items in accordance with the lists provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board:
 - a. Retirements, Resignations, Terminations, Leaves of Absence, Employment, Transfers
 - b. Substitutes
 - c. Extracurricular Activities
 - d. Extracurricular Summer

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

PROCEDURES & OPERATIONS (2.1 - 2.3)

- 2.1 The Board approve field trips and district travel.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

- 2.2 The Board approve a resolution regarding the Right to Education of Immigrant and Refugee Students.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

- 2.3 The Board approve the second reading for following Bylaws, Policies and Regulations:
 - Mandated Changes
 - Policy/Regulation 1240 – Evaluation of Superintendent (Revised) [this Regulation must be adopted by the Board of Education as indicated by statute law or administrative code]
 - Policy/Regulation 3221 – Evaluation of Teachers (Revised) [this Regulation must be adopted by the Board of Education as indicated by statute law or administrative code]

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

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Policy/Regulation 3222 – Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (Revised) [this Regulation must be adopted by the Board of Education as indicated by statute law or administrative code]

Policy/Regulation 3223 – Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (Revised) [this Regulation must be adopted by the Board of Education as indicated by statute law or administrative code]

Policy/Regulation 3224 – Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (Revised) [this Regulation must be adopted by the Board of Education as indicated by statute law or administrative code]

Policy/Regulation 3240 – Professional Development for Teachers and School Leaders (Revised) [no vote needed on Regulation]

Policy/Regulation 5610 – Suspension (Revised) [this Regulation must be adopted by the Board of Education as indicated by statute law or administrative code]

Policy 5620 – Expulsion (Revised)

Policy 8505 – Local Wellness Policy/Nutrient Standards for Meals and other Foods (Revised)

Policy 8550 – Unpaid Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Charges (Revised)

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BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (none)

FINANCE (4.1 - 4.13)

4.1 The Board approve the following budgetary transfers:
 General, School-Based and ECPA-June 2017- Final
 General, School-Based and ECPA-July 2017

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.2 The Board approve the Board Secretary and Treasurer reports for June 2017- Final and July 2017

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.3 The Board approve Special Education student placements.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.4 The Board approve the sale of various items which are on file with the Board Secretary to be auctioned on Gov. Deals.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

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4.5 The Board approve the listed professionals to provide needed services/assessments for classified students for 2017-2018 school year.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.6 The Board approve the NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development Youth Corps grant funded contracts for Non-Union Youth Corps staff members whose names are on file with the Board Secretary for the 2017-2018 school year.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.7 The Board approve the bus advertisement renewal of 22 ads for Inspira Health Network for one year from October 27, 2017 to October 26, 2018 in the amount of \$7,624.76.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.8 The Board approve the following Cumberland County Regional Cooperative Transportation initiatives:
 a. 2017-18 Jointures
 b. 2017-18 Quoted Contracts
 c. 2017-18 Addenda

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

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4.9 The Board approve to award the following bid:
 Vineland Board of Education Transportation Routes Record and Award Bid #17-001-17/18 to Sheppard Bus Service in the amount of \$1,026 per diem for various to and from school routes that are on file in the Business Administrator's office.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.10 The Board approve to award the following contract for:
 Online Literacy Services for the term of September 14, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with option to renew two-one-year terms or one-two-year term for a maximum of a three-year-term in a form acceptable to Superintendent and Board Solicitor.
 Contractor: Newsela
 475 10th Avenue, 4th Floor
 New York, NY 10018
 Total Bid Amount: \$39,550

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

4.11 The Board approve the following change order to the VHS South Locker Room Upgrades:
 Modification to #2..... \$1,262.33
 Provide labor, materials and equipment to install frame wall with gypsum wall board at one side between Athletic Storage A145 and existing boy's locker room A139.
 Modification to #3..... \$ 503,60
 Provide labor, materials and equipment to install exit lights.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

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- 4.12 The Board approve to accept the following funding:
- a. New Jersey School Insurance Group- NJSIG Safety Grant in the amount of \$39,033.53 for surveillance cameras at Veterans' Memorial Middle School.
 - b. Carl D. Perkins Grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Education for the fiscal year 2018 July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 Perkins Secondary Consolidated Federal---\$77,835
 - c. 21st Century Community Learning Center Wallace Middle School From September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2018 In the amount of \$ 58,360
- Addendum One: United Way Funding
 From September 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018
 In the amount of \$2,500

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

- 4.13 The Board approve the settlement of the Bowman vs. Vineland Board of Education and Stacey Johnson litigation in the amount of \$275,000 to be paid entirely by the Board's insurance carriers New Jersey Schools Insurance Group and Indian Harbor Insurance Company.

All Members voted "yes" except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote. (8-0-0)

B. Proposed for review or discussion or adoption by Board Members: None.

Approval of Bills: Upon motion by Ms. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Holmes, the bills were approved and warrants issued for same. All Members voted “yes” for June (\$25,593,739.78) except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote and All Members voted “yes” for July (\$2,740,953.19) except Mr. Medio who was not present for the vote.

Emergent Item(s)
(with prior approval) None.

Public: None.

Mr. Medio returned to the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Mr. Jennings read a thank you card from Mr. Klimek in regards to honoring him by naming the high school soccer field on his behalf.

Board Member
Remarks:

Mr. Sbrana said he is pleased in regards to the honoring of Mr. Klimek who is a great guy and coach. He is also pleased that the dedication of the Tanner building is on the agenda. Mr. Sbrana said he is happy that the opening of school went smooth and safe, which is a credit to our staff and administration. He was delighted to attend the 911 ceremony on Monday.

Ms. Acosta congratulated administration with respect to the resolution to support the right of education for all students. She is grateful and sure that the families of the children are grateful that we are providing the students with a safe environment where they can learn.

Ms. Codispoti echoed the comments made by Mr. Sbrana and Ms. Acosta. She welcomed all the students, teachers and support staff back. Ms. Codispoti said she was impressed as to how many students, parents and grandparents she saw at a couple of the back to school nights she attended.

Mr. Bordley congratulated the Petway and Winslow School students, who attended the 911 Memorial, for doing a fantastic job. He thanked Ms. Quinn, Winslow Principal and Ms. Bordo, Petway Music Teacher for getting the students ready and prepared.

Report/Remarks by
Board President:

Mr. Jennings said our football team put out a lot of effort and never gave up. He said that he was extremely happy to see Carli Kling make history and kick her first field goal. Mr. Jennings said Don Adams was honored at the game and it was a great night. He thanked Coach Russo along with all the Assistant Coaches and players. Mr. Jennings urged the players to do everything to the best of their ability and is hoping to see some deep playing this year.

Mr. Bordley congratulated the field hockey team for doing a phenomenal job.

Dr. Gruccio thanked everyone who helped with the smooth beginning of a new school year.

Ms. Codispoti thanked Mr. Callavini for the great job he did this year with transportation along with Mr. Frangipani.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Ms. Codispoti, seconded by Mr. Bordley, to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m. to executive session. All Members voted “yes.”

Respectfully Submitted,



Helen G. Haley
Board Secretary