

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Vineland was held Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 6:31 p.m., in the Board Room, 625 Plum Street, Vineland, New Jersey, pursuant to notice with Mr. Giordano presiding and the following members present: Mr. Bernardini, Mr. DiGiorgio, Mr. Fanucci, Mr. Franceschini, Mrs. Phillips, Ms. Rios, and Mr. Ulrich. Absent: Mr. DeWinne.

Also present: Dr. Figgs, Interim Superintendent, Mr. Franchetta, Board Secretary, Mr. Smith, Executive Controller and Mr. DeSanto, Board Solicitor. Absent: Dr. Gruccio, Assistant Superintendent and Ms. Greenfield, Executive Director of Personnel.

Mr. Giordano 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.

Flag Salute:

Resolution: Mr. Franchetta read a resolution to recess into executive session on **Wednesday, October 21, 2009** regarding personnel matters and/or contract negotiations.

Motion: Upon motion by Mr. Franceschini, seconded by Mr. Fanucci, the resolution was passed. All Members voted "yes."

Special
Presentation: None.

Public Comments: None.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. The Board approve personnel items in accordance with the lists provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board.

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

2. The Board approve travel for district members as required by NJAC 6A:10A-8.3 and/or school field trips as per lists provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board.

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

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B. Proposed for review or discussion or adoption by Board Members:

1. Appointment of Superintendent

Mr. Giordano announced that the Board has concluded their search for Superintendent of Vineland Public Schools. He said it was a long difficult task and he commended his colleagues who were on the original committee for their hard work, dedication, time and commitment. Mr. Giordano said we had four board members who were conflicted. When they were permitted to join the process they got right to the task and did the best that they could possibly do so late in the process, which he appreciates. Mr. Giordano entertained a motion to appoint Dr. Maryann Banks as the next Superintendent of Vineland Public Schools for a term beginning December 15, 2009 ending July 1, 2013 subject to the terms and conditions of the contract that both parties have agree to.

Motion: A motion was made by Mr. Franceschini, seconded by Ms. Rios, to approve Dr. Maryann Banks as the next Superintendent of Vineland Public Schools for a term beginning December 15, 2009 ending July 1, 2013 subject to the terms and conditions of the contract that both parties have agreed to. All Members voted “yes” except Mr. DiGiorgio and Mr. Ulrich who “abstained.”

Mr. Ulrich said as one of the conflicted board members he was not able to participate during the entire process. He did have a chance to meet Dr. Banks a couple of weeks ago and his first impression was really good. Mr. Ulrich said for the sake of the process he will “abstain” from the vote.

Mr. DiGiorgio said it would be disingenuous on his part to vote “yes” because his participation was minimal in this process. He acknowledged the board for all their efforts and looks forward to working with Dr. Banks who he believes is a good addition to the district.

Mr. DeSanto said since the County Superintendent requires a copy of our minutes he wanted to make it clear that the motion passed was to adopt a Resolution authorizing and approving the appointment of Dr. Maryann Banks as Superintendent of Schools for a term of December 15, 2009 to July 1, 2013.

Mr. Giordano congratulated Dr. Banks and said it is with distinct pleasure to introduce the new Superintendent of Vineland Public Schools, Dr. Maryann Banks.

Dr. Banks thanked Mr. Giordano and the board. She said that she is honored to be appointed Superintendent of this wonderful school district. Dr. Banks said that she was very impressed with the board's commitment and dedication throughout the entire process. She is honored to be the Superintendent and promised everyone that they will not be disappointed. Dr. Banks said that she looks forward to working with the board, administration, staff, students and members of this fine community.

Public

Comment:

Jacqueline Gavigan, Vineland Resident

Mrs. Gavigan congratulated and welcomed Dr. Banks to Vineland. She also congratulated the board for the fine job they have done in choosing a superintendent.

Mr. Giordano commended Mr. DeSanto the Board Solicitor for the hard work that he has put into this and for expediting the process in order to meet the deadline.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned to executive session a 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin J. Franchetta, CPA
Board Secretary