

The Annual Organization meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Vineland was held in Landis Administration Board Room, 61 W. Landis Avenue, Vineland New Jersey, on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Flag Salute:

Temporary Chairman: Dr. Guccio, serving as temporary chairperson, 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

Members Sworn In: Mr. DeSanto administered the oath of office to Inez Acosta, Scott English and Christopher Jennings who took their seats on the Board for a term of three years.

Roll Call: The following members were present: Ms. Acosta, Mr. English, Mr. Fiocchi, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Medio Mr. Sbrana, Ms. Spinelli and Mr. Ulrich. Absent: None.

Dr. Guccio reviewed the procedures for the election of Board President and Vice President

Dr. Guccio called for nominations for the office of President of the Board.

President: Mr. Holmes nominated Mr. English for Board President.

Mr. Jennings nominated Ms. Acosta for Board President.

There were no other nominations for President of the Board of Education

Dr. Guccio closed nominations for office of the President of the Board and asked for a vote to be taken for nominee Mr. English.

All Members voted "yes" for Mr. Holmes nomination of Mr. English for President of the Board of Education except Ms. Acosta and Mr. Jennings who voted "no."

Mr. English won the nomination of President of the Board of Education.

Mr. English requested nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education

Vice President

Mr. Holmes nominated Mr. Ulrich for Vice President of the Board of Education.

Ms. Acosta nominated Mr. Jennings for Vice President of the Board of Education.

Mr. English closed nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education and asked for a vote to be taken for nominee Mr. Ulrich.

All Members voted “yes” for Mr. Holmes nomination of Mr. Ulrich for Vice President of the Board of Education except Ms. Acosta and Mr. Jennings who voted “no”. The motion carried.

Mr. Ulrich won the nomination of Vice President of the Board of Education.

Public Comments on
Agenda Items:

None.

Recommendations:

Public Comments: None.

Board Member
Comments:

Ms. Acosta congratulated Mr. English and Mr. Ulrich on their nominations as President and Vice President. She welcomed back all students and teachers from their break. Ms. Acosta thanked her children for coming out tonight.

Ms. Spinelli congratulated Mr. English and Mr. Ulrich and looks forward to working with new leadership.

Mr. Sbrana congratulated Mr. English and Mr. Ulrich. He said there is a lot of work to be done this year. Mr. Sbrana said he wanted to discuss the combined meetings and the start times. He would like to consider going back to having the meetings at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Medio congratulated everyone who was elected tonight.

Mr. Jennings congratulated everyone and said there is a lot of experience on the Board leading us into 2019. He said he was happy to have the opportunity to nominate Ms. Acosta and possibly have our first Hispanic female leadership as President of the Board. Mr. Jennings hopes for the continuation of great things and the smooth operation of the Vineland School District and Board.

Mr. Ulrich congratulated Mr. Jennings, Ms. Acosta and Mr. English on being elected and re-elected to the Board. He thanked everyone for their support and said we will work hard to make sure the entire Board is up to date on all matters as quickly as we can.

Dr. Gruccio congratulated Mr. Jennings, Mr. English and Ms. Acosta. She looks forward to working with everyone and wished everybody a healthy, happy and prosperous new year.

Board President
Comments:

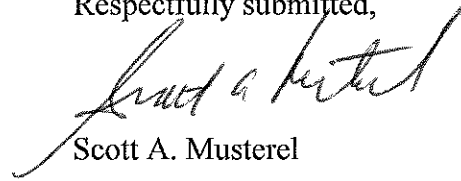
Mr. English thanked the Board members for their confidence this evening. He said that he is a communicator, collaborator and transparent person and does not believe in anyone being in the dark. Mr. English said he believes in things being open and out front. He said during the next couple weeks he will be sending out a lot of emails. Mr. English said we are dealing with the record highest shortfall in the history of the Vineland Public School District, which is something that will not be a comfortable position for any of us.

Mr. English said we will make sure that everyone is aware of what is going on. He said we currently do not have a Business Administrator position, which is currently on the front burner. Mr. English congratulated Mr. Jennings and Ms. Acosta on being re-elected.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by voice vote at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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