

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Vineland was held in the Board Room, 625 Plum Street, Vineland, New Jersey, Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 7:02 p.m., pursuant to notice with Mr. Franceschini presiding and the following members present: Mr. English, Mr. Fanucci, Dr. Mounier, Mrs. Phillips, Ms. Rios, and Mr. Ulrich. Absent: Mr. DeWinne and Mr. DiGiorgio.

Also present: Dr. Banks, Superintendent, Dr. Gruccio and Mrs. Elliott, Assistant Superintendents, Mr. Franchetta, Board Secretary, Mr. DeSanto, Solicitor, Ms. Greenfield, Executive Director of Personnel, Mrs. Polof, Special Education Director, press and public. Absent: None.

Mr. Franceschini 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:

Nynah Cannon, Josef Garcia and Jayda Hamlet students from Durand Elementary School lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Greco, Assistant Principal was in attendance.

Mr. Franceschini asked for a moment of silence for former Board President, Frank Giordano, who passed away suddenly.

Special

Presentation (s):

Dr. Banks said it is her pleasure this evening to honor the 2010 Teacher of the Year Recipients who have been selected in their schools by their colleagues as the best of the best. She introduced the following recipients and presented them with a certificate: Gary Yeager, VHS, Jan LoBiondo, VHN, Dawn Spickenreuther, Landis, Carl Dolente, Memorial, Sean McCarron, Wallace, Migdalia Miranda, Rossi, Kevin Haight, Barse, David Thies, D’Ippolito, Deanna Speranza-Murphy, Durand, Nicole Velazquez, Johnstone, Patricia Abdil, Sabater, Danielle Burns, Mennies, Jennifer Trivellini, Petway, Carolyn Ansink, Winslow, Amy Procaccino, Dallago, Jennifer Hosey, Leuchter and Robert Gipe Cunningham Alternative School.

Dr. Banks also introduced this year’s recipient of Administrator of the Year, Mrs. Monica Dannenberger.

Mrs. Dannenberger said to be selected for anything positive by your peers is a truly wonderful thing. She said that she began her career as an aide and cannot believe how many friends that she has made. Mrs. Dannenberger said in the end only kindness matters and she thanked everyone.

Approval of Minutes: Upon motion by Mr. Fanucci, seconded by Mr. English, the Board approved the minutes from May 2, 2010, May 10, 2010, May 12, 2010 and May 24, 2010. All Members voted “yes” except Ms. Rios who voted “yes” on all minutes but “abstained” on May 10, 2010 minutes.

Report of the  
Secretary/Custodian  
Of School Monies:

Upon motion by Mr. Fanucci, seconded by Ms. Rios, the reports of the Secretary and Custodian of School Monies for the month of April 2010, which are in agreement were approved as submitted and on file in the Minute Book, and the Board approved its monthly certification of budgetary major account fund status and the Board Secretary’s monthly certification as on file with the Secretary. All Members voted “yes.”

Upon motion by Mr. Fanucci, seconded by Ms. Rios, the William Simpson Scholarship Certificate of Deposit was renewed on June 1, 2010 for one year at a 1.26% interest rate in the amount of \$26,849. 63. All Members voted “yes.”

Solicitor’s Report: Mr. DeSanto said tonight was the rescheduled date for the School Ethics Act Presentation but as a result of two board members not being present he has requested that the presentation be postponed.

Public Comment on  
Agenda Items: None.

Recommendations:

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

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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” except Mr. Fanucci who voted “yes” on all items except he “abstained” on #13 under extra curricular (7-0-0)

2. The Board authorize the assignments of the pupils, whose names are provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board, to special education programs outside the district with tuition costs to be borne by the Board.

All Members voted “yes.” (7-0-0)

Further, the Board approve the acceptance of the tuition pupil(s), whose names are on file with the Secretary of the Board, for placement in special education programs offered in Vineland with tuition costs to be borne by the sending district(s).

(Tuition payment and assignments shall be regulated by Chapter 46, Laws of 1966, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the State Department of Education.)

3. The Board approve budgetary transfers in accordance with the list provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board:

All Members voted “yes.” (7-0-0)

- a. General Fund
- b. School-Based Budget

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4. The Board approve submission of the following grant(s) as provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board:

- a. State of New Jersey  
 Department of Labor & Workforce  
 Development  
 Vineland Adult Education Program  
 In the amount of ----- \$450,000.00
  
- b. New Jersey Department of Education  
 Individuals with Disabilities  
 Education Improvement Act (IDEIA)  
 Carryover Amendment  
 September 1, 2009 – August 31, 2010  
 Basic Allocation (3 – 21)  
 In the amount of ----- \$485,909.00  
 Preschool Allocation (3 – 5)  
 In the amount of ----- \$ 7,466.00

5. Bids:

- a. The Board acknowledge receipt of bids as provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board and award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the following items in the amount shown:

**Annual Concrete Paving/Concrete Masonry Units**

Award:  
 Fabbri Builders, Inc.  
 Vineland, New Jersey  
 In the estimated amount of ----- \$ 92,150.00

**Annual Electrical Services**

Award:  
 G.M. White Electric Contractors, Inc.  
 Vineland, New Jersey  
 In the amount of ----- \$ 77.08/hour  
 (Regular Time)  
 \$135.12/hour  
 (Premium Time)

All Members  
 voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

All Members  
 voted "yes"  
 except for Mr.  
 Ulrich who  
 voted "no" on  
 all bid items.  
 (6-1-0)

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5. Bids (Continued)

**Annual HVAC Services**

Reject:

A. A. Duckett, Inc.  
 Glassboro, New Jersey

Award:

Multi-Temp Mechanical, Inc.  
 Westville, New Jersey

In the amount of ----- \$ 73.00/hour  
 (Regular Time)  
 \$105.00/hour  
 (Premium Time)

**Annual Parking Lot Paving**

Award:

Asphalt Paving Corp.  
 Malaga, New Jersey

In the estimated amount of ----- \$117,600.00

**Annual Plumbing Services**

Reject:

Northeast Mechanical Services, Inc.  
 Williamstown, New Jersey

Award:

Surety Mechanical Services of NJ, Inc.

In the amount of ----- \$ 90.00/hour  
 (Regular Time)  
 \$135.00/hour  
 (Premium Time)

**Annual Roof Maintenance Services**

Award:

Alper Enterprises  
 Moorestown, New Jersey

In the amount of ----- \$ 80.00/hour  
 (Regular Time)  
 \$100.00/hour  
 (Premium Time)

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5. Bids (Continued)

- b. The Board approve an updated list of contracts on file with the Board Secretary that is bid by the State of New Jersey and/or Cumberland County for use by local entities for materials and supplies that are expected to exceed \$29,000.00 from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-10 and 11.
- c. The Board approve the amount of \$109,956.00 for the 2010 – 2011 district-wide software licenses and support for Fusion software products supplied by Keystone Information System, Inc., of Maple Shade, New Jersey in accordance with 18A: 18A-5(19).

**Mr. Fanucci said last week there was a conversation in regards to changing the bid process to level the playing field. He asked what our step is in that direction. Mr. DeSanto suggested for the business administrator and purchasing department to prepare bids and questions could be asked.**

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

**Dr. Banks noted that there was an incorrect amount listed for travel for Mrs. Elliott and herself, which has been corrected.**

**Dr. Mounier commented that these items appear to relate to professional development rather than travel. Mr. Franchetta said the Department of Education requires that whenever a staff member leaves the district to attend professional development it needs to be approved by the board. Dr. Mounier said it is confusing and asked if we could have a separate category for professional development.**

All Members voted "yes" except for Dr. Mounier who voted "yes" on all items except item #1 he voted "no" and Mr. Franceschini who voted "yes" on all items but "abstained" on his travel. (7-0-0)

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**Dr. Banks said the regulations require us to list professional development under travel but we can add an extra column and tag the items that are specifically professional development.**

**Ms. Rios asked if the \$1,600 is professional development as well. Mr. Franchetta said Mr. Savage annually needs to attend an Avid Seminar in order to renew our contract.**

**Dr. Mounier asked if the \$1,300 first item listed is necessary to satisfy some regulation. Dr. Banks said that is for professional development that the principals are entitled to because it is in their contract.**

7. The Board approve the submission of the Amended FY 2010 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Application to the State of New Jersey Department of Education in the amount of \$5,755,835.48 for the period September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010.

All Members  
 voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

8. The Board approve the appointments of staff of Federal Programs salaries and funding percentages for the 2009 – 2010 school as per the name provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board.

All Members  
 voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

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9. The Board approve the hourly rates for substitute personnel for the 2010 – 2011 school year.

All Members voted “yes” except for Dr. Mounier who voted “yes” on all positions except asst. principals, supervisors, cst evaluations, social workers and school psychologists he voted “no.” (7-0-0)

10. The Board approve cancellation of the accounts receivable list deemed uncollectible by the Board-appointed attorney.

All Members voted “yes.” (7-0-0)

11. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dr. Robert Smick of South Jersey Healthcare – Occupational Health Services, to provide medical screening services for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted “yes.” (7-0-0)

12. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dr. Timothy Rhyme as Chief School Physician for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted “yes.” (7-0-0)



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13. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dr. Joseph P. Bernardini and Dr. Brad J. Bernardini as Alternate School Physicians for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

14. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Frank DiDomenico, Esquire as Alternate Counsel for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

15. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dina L. Elliott to the position of Title IX Coordinator for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

**Mr. Ulrich welcomed Mrs. Elliott to her new assignments and first regular board meeting.**

16. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dina L. Elliott to the position of Affirmative Action Officer for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

17. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dina L. Elliott to the position of Homeless Children Liaison for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

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18. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Dina L. Elliott to the position of Working Papers Issuing Officer for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members  
 voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

19. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Ruth Ann Polof to the position of Section 504 Student Compliance Officer for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members  
 voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

20. The Board approve a Resolution appointing Maryann Greenfield to the position of Section 504 Employee Compliance Officer for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

All Members  
 voted "yes."  
 (7-0-0)

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21. The Board re-adopt the 2010 – 2011 school district budget as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$162,815,788.	\$21,619,781.
Special Revenue Fund	26,708,026.	0.
Debt Service Fund	0.	0.
Less: Transfer from General Fund	296,956.	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$189,226,858.</u>	<u>\$21,619,781.</u>

Further, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-7.3, the Board establish the maximum travel amount for the 2010 – 2011 school district budget at \$237,249.00 and the amount spent to date in the 2009 – 2010 school year for travel has been \$92,354.00. Additionally, the supporting documentation of this budget contains an itemization of certain expenditures required under administrative regulations.

Additionally, the following action items are required as a result of Governor Christie’s Executive Order #14 that withholds a total of \$13,314,132.00 in State Aid from the Board of Education’s 2009 – 2010 budget:

The Vineland Board of Education authorizes the following:

Reduction of 2009 – 2010 budget line items in the amount of \$12,000,000.00

Transfer of Excess Surplus in the amount of \$1,314,132.00 as no other line item balances are or will be available and no other emergency reserves or maintenance reserves are available for transfer. Further, the transfer is for thorough and efficient (T&E) purposes or to ensure the health and safety of students and staff, and any excess (under projected) unreserved, undesignated fund balance has been utilized.

All Members voted “yes” except for Ms. Rios and Mr. English who voted “yes” on the cut list but “abstained” on line item #34 and Dr. Mounier who voted “no.” (6-1-0)

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22. The Board approve a contract with Bayada Nurses in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-1 in the following amount:

One (1) LPN at \$40/hour  
 May 7, 2010 – June 30, 2010  
 Approximately 39 days at 7 hours per day  
 In the amount of ----- \$10,920.00

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

23. The Board approve the collaboration agreement between Bridgeton Public Schools and the Vineland Public Schools to participate in the activities proposed in the Stewart B. McKinney-Vento Grant Program for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth.

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

24. The Board approve the membership renewal of the New Jersey Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA) for the 2010 – 2011 school year.

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

25. The Board approve the complete Four-Year Comprehensive Air Force JROTC Curriculum for grades 9 through 12 with NJ CCCS and other revisions added by the High School Curriculum Committee.

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

26. The Board approve participation in the Dutch and German Exchange Program for the 2010 – 2011 school year.

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

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27. The Board approve the following legal attendance days for pupils:

June 21 – 25, 2010  
 June 28, 2010 – Vineland High School teachers only

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

28. The Board approve the Bell Schedules, which includes the regular day, 90-minute delay and abbreviated (legal attendance) day for elementary, middle and high school commencing with the 2010 – 2011 school year.

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

29. The Board approve the donation of \$5,000.00 from Allen Associates for Vineland High School Project Graduation in accordance with Board Policy #7230, “Gifts, Grants and Donations.”

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

30. The Board grant permission for the City of Vineland to use the Vineland High School South complex (with the exception of the track area) for fireworks on July 4, 2010 (rain date July 5, 2010).

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

31. The Board approve the reappointment of non-tenured administrative/supervisory/auxiliary personnel and teachers for the 2010 – 2011 school year as per list provided and on file with the Secretary of the Board.

All Members  
 voted “yes.”  
 (7-0-0)

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32. The Board approve the amended Section 125 Cafeteria Plan between the Vineland Board of Education and the district bargaining units of which a copy is on file with the Secretary of the Board.

All Members voted "yes." (7-0-0)

33. The Board approve a Resolution appointing the Law Firm of Gruccio, Pepper, DeSanto and Ruth, P.A. as Collective Bargaining/Negotiator for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The contract approved at the May 12, 2010 board meeting which is on file will be amended accordingly to reflect this change.

All Members voted "yes." (7-0-0)

34. The Board approve the Second Reading of the revised and updated By-Laws, Policies and Regulations for adoption.

All Members voted "yes." (7-0-0)

**Dr. Mounier requested a list of the organizations that use the schools on a regular basis.**

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

Approval of Bills: Upon motion by Mr. Fanucci, seconded by Ms. Rios, the bills were approved and warrants issued for same. All Members voted “yes” (\$5,879,715.56).

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

Public: Maria Francisci, Vineland High School Student  
Ms. Francisci expressed her concern on behalf of the students at Vineland High School in regards to the shortened lunch period at the high school and the final exams.

Valorie Francisci, Parent  
Ms. Francisci said that she agrees with what her daughter, Maria Francisci, spoke about. She said shortening the lunch period is not what the committee recommended. Ms. Francisci said that creating these final exams so late in the year comes with too many flaws. She asked the board to please consider using this year’s final exam results for their intended purpose as a gauge to see what is happening in the classrooms.

Board Member  
Remarks: Mrs. Phillips said discussed at tonight’s Curriculum & Technology Committee meeting was the Snap Program, which is nutrition education for second graders. She said the program may be expanded from kindergarten to fourth grade. Mrs. Phillips said Mr. Ed Benish attended the meeting and discussed the Air Force Junior ROTC Program. She said Nancy Bleistine the Principal of Dallago Preschool Center spoke about preschool education in Vineland.

Dr. Mounier thanked everyone in the public who spoke tonight. He feels the student exchange program is a wonderful idea and hopes that those who are traveling to the Netherlands have a good time and learn a lot. Dr. Mounier said the ROTC Program is a good program and thinks it could be instrumental in making a change in the direction of discipline in this district. He is requesting a clear concise synopsis to be done for all committee meetings.

Mrs. Phillips congratulated all the teachers who received awards tonight along with Mrs. Dannenberger on receiving VASA Administrator of the Year. She thanked all Vineland Public School staff for another very successful year. Mrs. Phillips wished the best to the graduating seniors. She urged all students to read and practice their math over the summer.

Ms. Rios congratulated all the 2010 Teacher of the Year recipients along with Monica Dannenberger for receiving VASA Administrator of the Year. She thanked the students who participated in the flag salute. Ms. Rios thanked Mr. Franceschini for putting her on as a Curriculum & Technology Committee Member. She said the meeting was very informative and she learned a lot.

Mr. English congratulated all the 2010 Teacher of the Year recipients along with the VASA Administrator of the Year. He also congratulated all the seniors and asked for them to be safe and make wise decisions. Mr. English thanked the students and staff throughout the Vineland Public School system for their questions

Mr. Fanucci congratulated all the 2010 Teacher of the Year recipients along with Monica Dannenberger for receiving VASA Administrator of the Year. He asked the students to please be careful over the summer. Mr. Fanucci thanked the entire staff for another year well done. He said last Saturday evening he attended the Air Force Junior ROTC Ball, which was amazing and he was honored to be there. Mr. Fanucci wished maximum success to the ROTC Program and will support it in any way possible.

Mr. Ulrich congratulated the teachers of the year along with Monica Dannenberger. He said that the ROTC Program is a great program and has his overwhelming support. Mr. Ulrich mentioned that one of the Junior ROTC students received a full scholarship to Temple University. He said that he attended the honors banquet and he congratulated the students on their accomplishments. Mr. Ulrich apologized and said that he gave the Personnel & Policy Committee minutes to Mr. Franchetta if anyone would like a copy.

Dr. Banks congratulated all the Teacher of the Year recipients along with the VASA Administrator of the Year, Mrs. Dannenberger.



Report/Remarks by  
Board President:

Mr. Franceschini said last night he attended a concert at Vineland High School North and we have very talented people in our school district. He congratulated all the Teacher of the Year recipients along with the VASA Administrator of the Year, Mrs. Dannenberger. Mr. Franceschini thanked the Franciscis for speaking their mind. He reminded the board that there will be a retreat held on Saturday, June 19, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Franceschini said at the July 7 work session Ruth Polof will be giving a presentation on special education and a portrait dedication of Frank Giordano will be held at 6:30 p.m. before the July 14 regular meeting.

Resolution:

Mr. Franchetta read a resolution to recess into executive session on **Wednesday, June 9, 2010** and **Wednesday, July 7, 2010** regarding budget issues, personnel matters, contract negotiations, student residency/disciplinary matters and anticipated or pending litigation.

Motion:

Upon motion by Mr. Fanucci, seconded by Ms. Rios, the resolution was passed. All Members voted “yes”.

Adjournment:

The Board adjourned to executive session by voice vote at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin J. Franchetta, CPA  
Board Secretary

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