

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the City of Vineland was held Wednesday, August 25, 2010 at 6:31 p.m., in the Board Room, 625 Plum Street, Vineland, New Jersey, pursuant to notice with Mr. Franceschini presiding and the following members present: Mr. DiGiorgio, Mr. English, Mr. Fanucci, Dr. Mounier and Mrs. Phillips. Absent: Mr. DeWinne, Ms. Rios and Mr. Ulrich.

Also present: Dr. Banks, Superintendent, Dr. Gruccio and Mrs. Elliott, Assistant Superintendents, Mr. Franchetta, Board Secretary, Ms. Greenfield, Executive Director of Personnel and Mr. DeSanto, Board Solicitor. 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.

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Presentation(s): None.

Public Comments: None.

Solicitor Report: None.

Recommendations:

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” except for Dr. Mounier who voted “yes” on all items except e. summer employment Landis School he “abstained.” (6-0-0)

2. The Board approve of the transfer of twenty computers from the Vineland Adult Education Center to the city of Vineland Fire Department

All Members voted “yes.” (6-0-0)

3. The Board, in accordance with 18A-18A-5.a.1, approve the professional agency of Partners in Pediatrics, L.L.C., as Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapists for Section 504 students at the rate of \$77 per hour

All Members voted “yes.” (6-0-0)

Dr. Mounier asked what services are being provided. Mrs. Elliott said the services will be occupational therapy for our 504 students that cannot be provided by our in-district occupational therapist. Dr. Mounier asked why this cannot be provided in-house. Mrs. Elliott said currently for our special education students we have an in-house case load of 310 cases. These students are serviced by four occupational therapists. Dr. Mounier asked if 504 is imposed upon us by law coming down from the federal government. Mrs. Elliott said that is correct.

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Dr. Mounier asked if he was correct in saying that the federal government does not provide funding. Mrs. Elliott said that is also correct. Dr. Mounier said it was to his understanding that a 504 service is called for when there is an impairment that substantially limits a student’s major life activity. Mrs. Elliott said that is correct. Dr. Mounier said the regulations do not define the word “substantially.” Dr. Banks said the Americans with Disabilities Act describes what the limited activities are. Mr. DeSanto said guidance is issued by the federal government in that regard along with court decisions that provide examples of cases where the particular situation has been considered substantial. Dr. Mounier said basically this is a service that we cannot provide on our own because of the volume. Mrs. Elliott said that is correct. Dr. Mounier asked how many practitioners will service us from Partners in Pediatrics. Mrs. Elliott said one was contracted last year. Dr. Mounier asked if last year the cost to the district was around \$61,000. Mrs. Elliott said she believes that is the number that Mr. Franchetta came up with.

- The Board approve an Extraordinary Unspecified Service (EUS) contract to Pearson to provide consulting services relating to multiple instructional and assessment products in an amount that may exceed \$36,000 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(2)

All Members
 voted “yes.”
 (6-0-0)

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5. 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 item in the amount shown:

VHS South Track Resurfacing
 Award:
 ATT Sports, Inc.
 115 B Cross Keys Road
 Berlin, NJ 08009
 In the amount of \$185,900.00

All Members
 voted "yes."
 (6-0-0)

6. The Board approve the following curricula which will be taught beginning September 2010:

Science: Anatomy and Physiology, Grades 11 & 12
 Advance Placement Biology, Grades 11 & 12
 Honors Biology, Grade 9
 College Biology, Grades 10, 11 & 12

Music: Elementary School General Music, Grades K - 5
 Middle School General Music, Grades 6 – 8

LEAP: Learners With Exceptional Abilities Program,
 Grades K - 8

Mr. English asked if students who are enrolled in honors classes are able to switch back to advanced classes now that we are offering advance courses. Dr. Gruccio said they would still take the honors classes.

All Members
 voted "yes."
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7. The Board adopt the 2010 – 2011 bell schedule for the SUCCESS program

All Members voted “yes.”
 (6-0-0)

8. 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.

There was no travel

B. Proposed for review or discussion or adoption by Board members: No discussion.

Public

Comments: None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned to executive session by voice vote at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin J. Franchetta, CPA
Board Secretary

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