

NESHAMINY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Langhorne, Pennsylvania

REGULAR ACTION MEETING/PUBLIC WORK SESSION MINUTES
NESHAMINY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
June 7, 2016

The Neshaminy Board of School Directors met in a regular action board meeting/public work session on June 7, 2016 in the District Offices Board Room at the Maple Point Middle School. The following persons were in attendance:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Scott E. Congdon, President
Ms. Irene Boyle, Vice President
Mr. Bob Feather
Ms. Tina Hollenbach
Mr. Mike Morris
Mr. Stephen Pirritano
Mr. Ron Rudy
Mr. Robert Sanna
Mr. Marty Sullivan

ADMINISTRATORS:

Gloria Hancock, Ed. D.
Mr. Don Harm
Mrs. Theresa Hinterberger
Mr. Paul Meehan

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS: Approximately 35 persons from the public, staff and press

SECRETARY: Mrs. Jennifer Burns

SOLICITOR: John Torrente, Esquire

REGULAR ACTION MEETING

1. Call to Order

Mr. Congdon called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Congdon requested those in attendance join in the salute to the flag.

3. Announcements

None

4. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hancock advised the Board on the following:

- Dr. Hancock called for a moment of silence for several staff members who have lost loved ones in the recent weeks.
- Neshaminy High School Student - Brandon Bradley recognized for his volunteer hard work on videos at all of the board meetings.
- Ryan Brennan from Reynolds Construction gave a Power Point Presentation on the Tawanka Construction Project.
- Margaret Monahan gave a Power Point Presentation on the status of expansion of STEM to STEAM.
- Summer Fine Arts/Summer Stock Programs.
- Neshaminy Summer STEM Academy.
- Vegetable Garden at Schweitzer Elementary School.
- Poquessing raises \$5.3K to fight AUTISM.
- Congratulations to the NHS Envirothon Team who placed 4th.
- Mr. Hunt's 6th-grade homeroom at Maple Point was the top fundraisers in the school's Pasta for Pennies benefit for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.
- Maple Point 8th-grade students wrote letters to Veterans.
- Ceremony Honors 10 NHS seniors who are military bound.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Items for Approval Tonight

a) Election of District Superintendent

Mr. Congdon read the following motion:

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the office of Superintendent of Neshaminy School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors of the Neshaminy School District desires to elect Joseph Jones, III to serve as District Superintendent of the School District; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Jones, III is agreeable to serve as District Superintendent in accordance with the terms of District Superintendent's Employment Agreement prepared by the School District's Solicitor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors elects Joseph Jones, III to be Superintendent of the School District for a term of three years and eleven months commencing on August 1, 2016 and ending on June 30, 2020, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Public School Code.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors approves the District Superintendent's Employment Agreement as prepared by the District's Solicitor and presented at this meeting and authorizes the Board President and Secretary to execute said Agreement on behalf of the School District.

Mrs. Hollenbach seconded the motion.

Mr. Congdon called for a roll call and the tally indicated that the motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, (Ms. Boyle, Mr. Congdon, Mr. Feather, Mrs. Hollenbach, Mr. Morris, Mr. Pirritano, Mr. Rudy, Mr. Sanna, and Mr. Sullivan), and 0 nays.

Mr. Jones stated he is very excited and looking forward to interacting with the teachers, administrators, parents and students, as Neshaminy continues forward on the good path that it is already on.

b) Revised Lease of the Everitt Building to BCIU #22

Ms. Boyle read the following motion:

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Neshaminy School District ("School District") for which Notice was duly given, held on the 7th day of June 2016 at the District Office - Boardroom of the Maple Point Middle School, 2250 Langhorne-Yardley Road, Langhorne, PA 19047, upon motion duly made and seconded,

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School District enter into a Lease for the lease by the School District of that certain building and appurtenant tract of ground known as the Samuel Everitt Elementary School located at Forsythia Drive South, Middletown Township, Bucks County, PA to Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 for a Term of seven (7) years commencing on July 1, 2016 for a base annual rent of \$317,244 for the first year of the Term with rent escalators of one (1 %) percent for the second year, of two (2%) percent for each of the third and fourth years of Term and of three (3%) percent for each subsequent year of the Term, subject to the terms and conditions of the Lease presented at this

meeting and approved by the Solicitor of the School District.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Solicitor of the School District are hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the School District, and under its Corporate Seal, to execute the Lease as presented at this meeting and approved by the Solicitor and such other documents and other affidavits, and to take such further action as may be required by law and necessary or desirable to effectuate the Lease and the intent of this Resolution.

RESOLUTION adopted this _____ day of _____, 2016.

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Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion.

Mr. Congdon called for a roll call and the tally indicated that the motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, (Ms. Boyle, Mr. Congdon, Mr. Feather, Mrs. Hollenbach, Mr. Morris, Mr. Pirritano, Mr. Rudy, Mr. Sanna, and Mr. Sullivan), and 0 nays.

c) Approval of Suspension (Furlough) & Demotion of Certified Staff

Mr. Feather read the following motion:

WHEREAS, The Board of School Directors directed the Superintendent, the Business Administrator and such other members of the School District's Administration team who the Superintendent deemed necessary to undertake various studies related to program requirements, staffing capacities and needs; and

WHEREAS, the School District Officials did conduct such studies and prepared for consideration by the Board, a plan detailing such findings and recommendations to these matters; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby concurs with the Superintendent's recommendations and authorizes the Superintendent to undertake such measures as are necessary and prudent in order to notify the Department of Public Instruction of the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the recommended courses of action and to undertake such other actions as are necessary to advance the purposes of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors concurs with the recommendation of the Superintendent to curtail or alter the educational programs in the School District, which will affect a change in the School District's organization.

The Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent of the School District to notify the Pennsylvania Department of Education of the reduction of professional staff to meet the circumstances outlined above.

Mr. Pirritano seconded the motion.

The Board unanimously approved said motion by a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays.

d) Personnel Agenda

Dr. Hancock read the following motion:

Request to approve Agreement between Neshaminy School District Board of School Directors and Employee 19695 as previously distributed.

Mr. Congdon made a motion to accept the request to approve Agreement between Neshaminy School

Board of School Directors and Employee 19695 as previously distributed.

Mr. Feather seconded the motion.

The Board unanimously approved said motion by a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays.

e) **Approval of Agreement with STA of Pennsylvania, Inc.**

Mrs. Hollenbach read the following motion:

WHEREAS, The Neshaminy School District is entering into an agreement with STA of Pennsylvania, Inc. to retain a Full Time Fleet Maintenance Supervisor ; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of said agreement will be to reduce significantly the overhead, insurance and operating expenses expected to be incurred by the district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Neshaminy Board of School Directors approves the agreement with STA of Pennsylvania, Inc. in the form submitted as approved by the Solicitor and Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion.

The Board unanimously approved said motion by a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays

7. Adjournment of Meeting

Mr. Congdon moved the meeting be adjourned and Mr. Pirritano seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion. Mr. Congdon adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

PUBLIC WORK SESSION

1. Call to Order

Mr. Congdon called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

2. Items for Approval at the June 21st Public Board Meeting

- a) Approval of Contracted Substitute Nursing Services for the 2016 - 2017 School Year
- b) Approval of Alternative Programming Contracts
- c) Approval of Budgetary Increase for Federal & Other Programs (2015 - 2016)
- d) Approval of Year End Budget Transfers
- e) 2016 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution
- f) Local, State and National Contract Participation Authorization for 2016 - 2017
- g) Facilities Professional Services/Consultants for 2016 - 2017
- h) Approval of Fund Balance Commitment for PSERS
- i) Addendum to Extend Agreement Between Source4 Teachers and the Neshaminy School District
- j) Approval of the Apple Financial Services Lease Agreement
- k) Approval of the Dell Leasing Services Agreement
- l) Bids/Budget Transfers
- m) Adoption of the 2016 - 2017 Final Operating Budget

Dr. Hancock briefly reviewed items A through M.

Mr. Congdon stated that items A through M will be agenda items at the June 21 Public Board Meeting.

3. Committee Reports

a) Board Policies

Ms. Boyle advised the Board that at the last meeting they discussed various topics involving Board Government. Ms. Boyle stated that the meetings will resume in September.

b) Educational Development

Ms. Boyle informed the Board that at the last meeting they discussed curriculum updating. Ms. Boyle stated that the meetings will resume in September.

c) Finance/Facilities

Mr. Congdon advised the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for June 13 at 6:00 p.m.

d) IU Board

Ms. Boyle informed the Board that the last meeting was in May and meetings will resume in the fall.

e) Education Foundation

Mr. Rudy informed the Board that at the last meeting they discussed a new alumni directory. The next meeting will be held at Bertucci's on June 20 at 5:30.

f) Technical School

Mr. Morris advised the Board that graduation is scheduled for June 14 at 6:00 p.m.

g) Technology

Mr. Feather advised the Board that there is no update at this time.

h) Facilities Ad Hoc Committee

Mr. Pirritano announced to the Board that at the last meeting they discussed the future GESA Phase 3 Project. He also stated that meetings will resume in September.

i) Legislative

Ms. Boyle stated to the Board that there are no future meetings planned at this time.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Future Topics

None

6. Board Comment

Mr. Pirritano welcomed Mr. Joseph Jones as incoming Neshaminy School District Superintendent and said he is looking forward to his future leadership. He also thanked Dr. Hancock for filling in as interim superintendent and doing a great job under a difficult situation. Mr. Pirritano thanked Brandon Bradley for his assistance in the audio-video department and wished him well. He wished his neighbors, who are moving out of the district, good luck and welcomed the new homeowners to Neshaminy.

Mr. Rudy congratulated Mr. Jones and welcomed him to Neshaminy. He thanked Dr. Hancock for her service.

Mr. Morris thanked Dr. Hancock for her service and welcomed Mr. Jones to the district. He said he looks forward to seeing the STEAM program advance forward.

Mr. Feather expressed greetings to Mr. Jones and welcomed him to Neshaminy.

Ms. Boyle thanked Dr. Hancock for her service and welcomed Mr. Jones to Neshaminy.

Mr. Congdon expressed his appreciation to Dr. Hancock for her service and he said he is looking forward to working with Mr. Jones in the future. Mr. Congdon noted that June 15 is the 2016 Neshaminy graduation and he wished the seniors well and asked that everyone have a safe and enjoyable ceremony.

7. Adjournment of Meeting

Mr. Congdon moved the meeting be adjourned and Mr. Feather seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion. Mr. Congdon adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Jennifer Burns
Board Secretary

**NOTICE OF REGULAR ACTION MEETING
OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
OF NESHAMINY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, as amended, and the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act of 1986, July 3, P.L. 388, No. 84, as amended, that the Board of School Directors of Neshaminy School District ("Board") will hold a Regular Action Meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the District Offices - Boardroom of the Maple Point Middle School, 2250 Langhorne-Yardley Road, Langhorne, PA 19047 to consider and take action on the Appointment of Superintendent of Schools and to take Action on such other matters as shall come before the Board.

The Public Work Session of the Board scheduled and advertised for Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. will commence immediately following the conclusion of the Regular Action Meeting.

Members of the public are invited to attend and participate in this Regular Action Meeting as permitted by law.

Dated: May 27, 2016

Jennifer Burns, Secretary
Board of School Directors of
Neshaminy School District

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

IN RE: June 7, 2016, 7:00 p.m. Regular Action Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Neshaminy School District

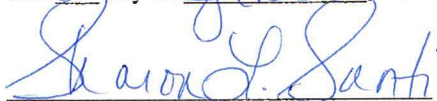
Debby Spadaccino, having been duly sworn does depose and say:

That she is the Assistant Secretary of the Neshaminy School District, and that she did, on May 27, 2016, cause Notice of the Regular Action Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Neshaminy School District, to be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit "A," to be posted at a conspicuous location at the main entrance of the School Administration portion of Maple Point Middle School, 2250 Langhorne-Yardley Road, Langhorne, Pennsylvania, and that said Public Notice has been continuously posted at said location from the date of posting through the date of this Affidavit.



Debby Spadaccino
Assistant Board Secretary
Neshaminy School District

Sworn to and subscribed before me on
this 7th day of June, 2016.



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