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MOUNTAIN LAKES BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING / BOARD RETREAT

September 8, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:04p.m. by Ms. Barkauskas

MINUTES

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Mountain Lakes Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Mountain Lakes Municipal Building and sent to the following newspapers: *The Daily Record, The Citizen, and the District Website.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Mrs. Barkauskas will lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Board Member	Present	Absent
Dr. Don	X	
Dr. Driscoll	X	
Dr. Hirschfeld	X (arrived at 6:08p.m.)	
Ms. Leininger	X	
Mr. LeVar	X	
Ms. Lewis	X (arrived at 6:36p.m.)	
Dr. McIntyre	X	
Mrs. Parker (<i>Vice President</i>)	X (arrived at 6:59p.m.)	
Mrs. Tucker	X	
Mrs. Barkauskas (<i>President</i>)	X	

Also present: Mr. Michael Fetherman, Mr. Alex Ferreira, Mrs. Ciresi

EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountain Lakes Board of Education enter into Executive Session was made by Dr. Driscoll and seconded by Mrs. Tucker, that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution.

The motion was approved 7-0-0

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mountain Lakes Board of Education on this 8th day of September, 2022 at 6:06p.m. as follows:

1. The Board shall recess to closed session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1), (2), (6), (7) and (8). The general nature of the discussion:

Matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to staff and/or student discipline matters, and specifically: Privacy matters

2. These matters will be disclosed to the public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer applies. Although the Board cannot guarantee it, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be 30 minutes after which the public meeting of the Board shall reconvene and proceed with business. Action may take place.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION, to leave executive session at 6:34p.m. was made by Dr. Hirschfeld and seconded by Dr. Driscoll.

The motion was approved 8-0-0 and the Board returned to public session at 6:34p.m.

SCHEDULE

- NJSBA Presentation by Mrs. Charlene Peterson
 - Mrs. Barkauskas introduced Mrs. Charlene Peterson, NJSBA

Mrs. Lewis entered at 6:36p.m.

- Mrs. Peterson provided an outline for the evening's training
- Mrs. Peterson reviewed:
 - Board goals process
 - Strategic plan
 - District goals
 - Board goals
 - Review of strategic plan goals
 - Board discussion on annual district goals from strategic plan
 - Board review of 2022 goals

Mrs. Parker entered at 6:59p.m.

- Creation of Board goals for 2023
- Review of purpose of public comments during meetings
- Review of code of ethics and how it relates to public comments
- Review of who speaks on behalf of the BOE
- School Board wisdom from a dozen truths as best practices

Board recess for 5 minutes at 8:35p.m.

Mr. Levar departed at 8:38p.m.

- Board ice breaker exercise

COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Green Forde

- Comment on presentation by Mrs. Peterson
- Comment on honoring Juneteenth through event or day off
- Consideration for observing holiday
- Comment on process for lead testing
- Question about mitigation on lead levels

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 9:15p.m. was made by Dr. Hirschfeld and seconded by Ms. Lewis.

Roll Call Vote 9-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Alex Ferreira

School Business Administrator / Board Secretary