

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on November 14, 2022 at 6:30pm at the Stafford Township Arts Center (STAC).

CALL TO ORDER

The Stafford Township Board of Education is called to order in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act Law - 1975 Chapter 231 (P.L. 1975-231C). This meeting was advertised in the Atlantic City Press. Notice has been posted in the office of the Stafford Township Clerk, all school buildings and the district website.

ROLL CALL

Taylor Brennan	Member
Kevin Cooney	Member
Patricia Formica	Member
Deborah Lyons	Member (Absent)
Matthew Regulski	Member (Absent)
Joseph Washco	Member
Mark Zoladz	Member (Absent)
Joseph Mangino	Vice President
Tammy Wagner	President

ALSO PRESENT

George J. Chidiac	Superintendent
Lourdes LaGuardia	Business Administrator/Board of Education Secretary
Martin J. Buckley, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

A. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

None

B. CLOSED SESSION – Contractual Matters

Whereas Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting under certain circumstances; and

Whereas, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Stafford Township Board of Education, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action of the hereinafter specified subject matters.

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Contractual Matters

It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matters shall be made public at such time as the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exists.

A motion was made by Ms. Formica and seconded by Mr. Washco to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (6-0); motion passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Formica and seconded by Mr. Brennan to exit closed session. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (6-0); motion passed.

TIME IN: 6:32pm

TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 6:33pm

C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

D. PERSONNEL/POLICY

Chairperson Tammy Wagner – Update (Policy Only)

1. To discuss the **second reading** of the following **revised** policy:
 - 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying
2. To discuss the **first reading** of the following **revised** policy and regulation:
 - 8505 Local Wellness Policy - Nutrient Standards for Meals and Other Foods
 - R8505 Nutritional Guidelines

Ms. Wagner reported that on tonight’s agenda there are 25 substitutes in different capacities for approval. There are no transfers, five changes of assignment and five new hires in various positions. There is also the second reading of a revised policy and a first reading of a revised policy and regulation.

E. SPECIAL EDUCATION/CURRICULUM

Chairperson Patricia Formica – Update

Ms. Formica reported that at the at the Curriculum Committee meeting Mrs. Bush reviewed and showed the data entered into LinkIt and reviewed the I-Ready pre-assessments. Mrs. Bush also shared updates from county meetings.

Ms. Formica reported that at the Special Education Committee meeting Ms. Reo shared that on October 28, 2022 the district celebrated Down Syndrome Day, where a “student created video” was shared and all wore blue and yellow to show support. MD classes

(district-wide) will visit the Field of Dreams in Toms River. The complex is open to special needs residents.

F. FINANCE/BUILDINGS&GROUNDS

Chairperson Joseph Mangino – Update

Mr. Mangino reported that at the Committee meeting Mrs. LaGuardia reviewed the bills list (1.3m in September/October), school evacuation, credit carry-over, close-out November, HVAC, audit, GovDeals and that a letter was received from the state with regards to availability of ROD grants.

Mr. Chidiac shared that the PTO did a wonderful job with the Halloween celebrations. Marching Band did a great job. Make a Difference Day brought in \$18,000, which will be donated to the Stafford Police Department for canine bullet-proof vests.

G. CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Formica and seconded by Mr. Cooney to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm. All members present voted yes (6-0); motion passed.

Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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