

***MEETING OF THE LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 1, 2010, 2010, AT 8:03 P.M., AT 1771 MADISON AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, NEW
JERSEY 08701***

Mr. Leonard Thomas, Board President, called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. Lisa Miller, Interim Assistant Board Secretary read the following notice:

SUNSHINE LAW

***Sunshine
Law***

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231, of the Laws of 1976 (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT), Mr. Finger notified the public that notice of the date, time, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent known, was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner:

1. By posting such notice on the public announcement board of the Lakewood Board of Education Offices, and the Lakewood Township Municipal Building.
2. By mailing such notice to the offices of the Asbury Park Press and the Tri-Town News.
3. By filing such notice with the Board Secretary.
4. By mailing such notice to all individuals who requested and paid for a copy of same.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Miccio,
Mr. Ostreicher, Mr. Seidler,
Mr. Silver, Mr. Thomas

Board Members Absent: Mr. Fink, Ms. Gonzalez,
Mr. Grunhut, Mr. Zlaskin

Also Attending: Lydia R. Silva, Superintendent,
Debra Mercora, Assistant Superintendent
Robert Finger, Business Administrator
Michael I. Inzelbuch, Esq.

***Also
Attending***

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Public Recog.

Mike Rush

Mike Rush – “Good evening, I came here for one thing only. I had opportunity of attending the first football game in perhaps two years. I was encouraged by the Board President to attend the game because he felt they could really win this game. I did not realize that the losing streak was 33 games, I did not know they have not won a game since 2007. Let me tell you, looking into those boys eyes I saw them win a game, I saw team work and do the things as a team. I am going to ask you to please put some time into your extra curricular programs. Time and money, if you want to reduce the drop out rate. we know especially with boys and athletics and girls, so look at your budget for next year and put some monies in for your sports programs. The other program that I saw and I counted the young people in your band and I think there was about fifteen kids and I saw in them the same thing that I saw in the football team. I come from an era where I played football and in the band because there was only fifty-nine students in my graduating class. I was a drum major in college not football and when I saw those kids out there, they made me want to play with them. I saw fifteen students with so much stamina and so much courage like they were 100 strong and there was only fifteen kids. I told Dr. Deb that I am going to work with her and work with these band kids to do something during the basketball season. Basically, what I am saying is that if the Board and I know you care about the kids in Lakewood, the extra-curricular programs are important, they build character, strength, and team work and these are the kinds of things that our young people need to be successful in life. Again, I ask you

when you do your budget for 2011, put funds in the athletic and extra curricular activities.”

PUBLIC RECOGNITION CLOSED

Public Recog. Closed

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Public Discussion

Mr. Inzelbuch – “I have been told by Lisa, that on page 3, number 3 needs to be removed and Mr. Finger has also told me that there are two Addendums, one is involving Title I Instructional Services Contracts and as long as they comply with Federal and State Law they should run not through June 30, 2011 but August 30, 2011. The second Addendum we did hear from our Tax Attorney today and we need to approve to extend the statute of limitations through December 31, 2011 regarding the IRS Audit Appeal Tax Year 2004 as been recommended by the districts’ Tax Counsel, Alan Zuckerman.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Thomas – “So page 3 item 3 was removed and I think we may need to address a few other things on the agenda as well, based on our conversation in the back. Page 4, items 2 and 3.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – “Just so the public is aware, regarding number 2, Mr. Finger put that number 625 because that is based on his current salary divided by 260, which what I understand is the State recommendation. The public should be aware that numerous candidates have been observed and met with both with Mr. Finger and Ms. Silva and the finalist, if you will then met with the Board, those who did show and those who were interested. This was not only this meeting but last meeting as well. At this point the Superintendent would make her recommendation if she so desires.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Ms. Silva – “I would like to reiterate my recommendation. I urge the Board to vote on the recommendation made by myself and Bob Finger for the assignment of the Interim Business Administrator, we really do not have the time and we must have a Business Administrator. Mr. Finger will be leaving us the 19th of November and today is the 1st. If we were to assign that individual then we proceed and he can shadow Mr. Finger while we still have the benefit of having Mr. Finger here. Mr. Finger has already started the budget and it is very necessary for who ever we choose to start the work. So, I would recommend the individual that we discussed in closed session. The individual for the Interim Business Administrator would be Tom DiAmbola.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Thomas ‘I would like to make the motion to move the Agenda, with the gentleman. Would that be an addendum?

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – “That would be a modification. Number 4 page 2 and that would be Thomas DiAmbolia. And for number 3 who are you suggesting?”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Ms. Silva – “For a number reasons I am recommending Lourdes Laguardia, she comes with a requisite experience and quite frankly she is also one of the cheapest that we can get, while she still has the skills. I think the Board has concerns about curtailing costs and I think we are going to get quality and we are not going to spend as much. So, I recommend for the permanent Lourdes Laguardia.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Ostreicher – “What would that salary be?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Ms. Silva – “She is right now making \$105,000 we are recommending \$145,000 for her and that is one of the least amounts that have been requested by any of the candidates that Mr. Finger and I have interviewed.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Inzelbuch – “So, if I am clear just so we know what we are voting on, Thomas DiAmbola would be for the Interim and that would be effective, on or about November 15th. And Lourdes Laguardia who was here last time in closed session, she did say she needs to give sixty days notice because she is currently employed elsewhere, she would then begin on January 1st if not sooner. Is that what you are saying?”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Ms. Silva – “Correct.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Inzelbuch – “And are you certain, and I am just making sure the Board however they may vote. Lourdes Laguardia is accepting of the salary of \$145,000?”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Ms. Silva – “I can call her now.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Inzelbuch – “Is that what you are recommending?”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Ms. Silva – “I am recommending that.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Ostreicher – “Through the chair. Can I ask a question now or do I have to wait for a second?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Thomas – “It is not even in the first, we are just clarifying the Agenda at this point. We do need to make some type of a motion on the issues that we would like to discuss.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Ostreicher – “I thought you moved on the Agenda?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Thomas – “I made an attempt, but there was some clarification that had to occur. As clarified it now needs to be in the second.”

Mr. Thomas

Ms. Miccio – “I will second it.”

Ms. Miccio

Mr. Thomas – “Now, go ahead, you can discuss it at length.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Ostreicher – “Through the chair. I would just like to ask the Superintendent if it is an emanate decision that we have to make on the permanent position? One of the reasons we were given a littler earlier is that we may loose her if we waited a couple of months down the line to see if we wanted Mr. DiAmbola as a permanent or not. Is it possible to ask her to hold her availability for a month or two?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Ms. Silva – “It is a gamble because there is an expression a bird in flight, or a bird in hand. Right now we are basically telling her to wait for us to make a decision. She will be actively looking, I am just saying I can not speak for Ms. Laguardia, but I can speak for myself, if you are going to take something that is for sure, we can ask her.”

Ms. Silva

Mr. Ostreicher – “The reason I bring this up, is because when we did interview her last week we did have five members here, but he President was not here and several other members were not here. If we are going to take a permanent BA I would prefer that at least a stronger majority of the Board have an opportunity to interview her and perhaps it would be an idea to bring her in for a second interview. That is why I am wondering if it would make sense to put off number 3 for a future meeting.”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Thomas – “I hear Mr. Ostreicher. Personally my take on Superintendent recommendations with Ms. Silva and prior to Ms. Silva and with Mr. Luick and all of the people who have had the position is that they have a job to do and I will allow them to do their jobs. I was not here at the last meeting when she was interviewed and I don’t need to meet her to be honest with you. I think the bigger question is right now is that we may not have the support necessary to do that, but I beg of this Board to act swiftly on the Interim position. Interim is exactly that, if we do not like them on day two we can continue to look. The truth of the matter is for the sake of the district, for those

Mr. Thomas

of us who have trusted, and we may not all agree at times with Mr. Finger that he has done a wonderful job and has gotten us in order. I don't believe he would want to hand his stuff over to someone he thinks is going to mess it up or make it look bad. I would hope that we would as those who have the ability to get our district at least a stop gap why we move forward. For those who were not here when we went through tumultuous times in the Business Office, I want to tell you that I am very, very afraid of some kind of a gap between Mr. Finger and another person, we have already suspected that it might be a lot of work in that department. Right now the issue at hand is that we must do our very best to run the district and I don't want to be negligent and set our selves up for a bad Business Office because we acted late. We did not give a person to be with, to be mentored, to see how it is suppose to work, it is a set-up and we are going to be the ones looking bad in front of the township. We are going to be the ones that they say how did this happen and why did this happen, so at the very least we need a good Interim who is going to be able to carry and then be able to transition it to a permanent, or we are going to be in trouble."

Mr. Ostreicher – "I have no problem with voting on the Interim, the only question was should we give it more time on the permanent."

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Thomas – "The only reason I did not address that is because I don't believe that that is going to pass anyway. She will have more time because you know she is not gong to get appointed tonight. I have to be real candid and get to the point. I do not have all day to dance, I want to get to it. I would like us to focus on the things that I think we can do, which is get an interim in, if we can all work together to do that, that would be a great thing for us, and I don't even know if that is going to happen, the other I know is not going

Mr. Thomas

to happen.”

Mr. Inzelbuch – “If I may, I am looking through a list, just so the public is aware, there were four individuals according to the list we were given as Board that were interested in the interim. None of those four are being recommended and one of them backed out. The person who is being recommended was here tonight. It is in the second, is there anymore comments? Seeing none, Mrs. Miller please call it.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AND ADDENDUMS

***Motion to approve
Agenda and Addendums***

ROLL CALL:

YES

Irene Miccio, Mr. Ostreicher,
Mr Seitler (yes, but no to page 4
item 1 and 3, page 6, item k)
Mr. Silver (yes, but no to page 1
items a, b and c, no on page 2
items d, e and f and page 4,
items 1 and 3)
Mr. Thomas – (Yes, but no to
page 1, items a, b and c and no
to page 2, items d, e, and f)

MOTION PASSES EXCEPT FOR:

**Pages 1 and 2, items a, b, c, d, e and f
and the permanent BA on page 4, items
1 and 3 also page 6 item k**

**AGENDA
NOVEMBER 1, 2010**

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – PRESIDENT, LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. PRESENTATIONS - NONE AT THIS MEETING
- IV. MINUTES - NONE AT THIS MEETING
- V. RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

VI. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

VIII. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

A. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Negba Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$118.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$8,614.00 (73 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Lakewood Pre School Campus II, for the 2010/2011 school year. **Route:**

RAPRS1	Failed
Quotes were sought and received by:	
Durham School Services, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport Services, Lakewood, NJ	\$144.00
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$118.00

B. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Negba Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$118.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$8,614.00 (73 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Lakewood Pre School Campus II, for the 2010/2011 school year. **Route:**

RAPRS2	Failed
Quotes were sought and received by:	
Durham School Services, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport Services, Lakewood, NJ	\$144.00
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$118.00

C. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Negba Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$118.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$8,614.00 (73 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Lakewood Pre School Campus II, for the 2010/2011 school year. **Route:**

RAPRS3	Failed
Quotes were sought and received by:	
Durham School Services, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport Services, Lakewood, NJ	\$144.00
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$118.00

D. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Negba Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$118.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$8,614.00 (73 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Lakewood Pre School Campus II, for the 2010/2011 school year. **Route:**

RAPRS4	Failed
Quotes were sought and received by:	
Durham School Services, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport Services, Lakewood, NJ	\$140.00
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$118.00

E. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Negba Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$118.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$8,614.00 (73 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Lakewood Pre School Campus II, for the 2010/2011 school year. **Route:**

RAPRS5

Failed

Quotes were sought and received by:

Durham School Services, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport Services, Lakewood, NJ	\$144.00
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$118.00

F. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Negba Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$118.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$8,614.00 (73 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Lakewood Pre School Campus II, for the 2010/2011 school year. **Route:**

RAPRS6

Failed

Quotes were sought and received by:

Durham School Services, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport Services, Lakewood, NJ	\$144.00
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$118.00

G. Approval for the School Business Administrator to prepare, advertise and solicit bids for Trash/ Recycling Services for the 2010-2011 school year.

IX. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS

1. Approve Yvonne Marti de Daniels, Principal Ella G. Clarke School to attend NJDOE: Using Data to Improve and Inspire Student Achievement on Monday, November 29, and Tuesday, November 30, 2010. Cost to the district: Reimbursement of mileage \$30.40.
2. Approve Yvonne Marti de Daniels, Principal Ella G. Clarke School to attend NJDOE: Developing the School Restructuring Plan on Wednesday, December 8, 2010. Cost to the district: Reimbursement of mileage \$30.40.
3. Approve Neva Musella to attend workshop at Mercer County College on Monday, November 1, 2010. Cost to the district: Reimbursement of mileage \$22.32.
4. Approve the following Non-Public student for Home Instruction as per Doctor's recommendation. Paid through Chapter 192 Grant Funding.

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B. PERSONNEL

Reports and Recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for the following professional staff in accordance with the requirements of Element 6, Indicator 6.5 of the monitoring process.

1. CERTIFICATED

a. Resignations - N/A at this meeting

b. Retirements

(1) MACK, Alida
Teacher – Ella G. Clarke School
Effective: July 1, 2011

c. Terminations – N/A at this meeting

d. Leaves of Absence – N/A at this meeting

e. Transfers – N/A at this meeting

f. Appointments

(1)***CONSULTANTS TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL **Failed**
DEVELOPMENT (NONPUBLIC)
Effective: School Year 2010 – 2011

Abramowitz	Shmuel	\$ 300
Beer	Aryeh	\$ 200
Berger	Shainy	\$ 180
Center for Teacher Training		\$ 600
Danziger	Leah	\$ 1,000
Fleischer	Esther	\$ 500
Fried	Etty	\$ 2,000
Gobiof	Chaim	\$ 500
Goldenberg	Roded	\$45,000
Gorelick	Chana	\$ 1,400
Hess	Sara	\$ 500
Jacobs	Yitzchok	\$ 300

Jaffe	Sara	\$ 500
Kaplovitz	Rivka	\$ 500
Kohn	Kaila	\$ 500
Munk	Zissy	\$11,200
Pal	Abraham	\$ 4,800
Pearl Blau Learning Center		\$ 600
Pollak	Moshe	\$ 225
Poverman	Rosemarie	\$ 500
Rabinowick	Mindy	\$ 500
Ready Set Grow		\$ 690
Ribowsky	Helen	\$ 7,000
Rosansky	Shulamis	\$ 500
Rottenberg	Sima	\$ 250
Rottenstreich	Asher	\$15,000
Schwartz	Tvizev	\$ 937.50
Schwartz	Leah	\$ 500
Selengut	Aaron	\$ 150
Teitelbaum	Reb	\$ 300
Verschlester	Broda	\$ 500
Wechsler	Miriam	\$ 500
Weiss	Shlomtzie	\$ 500
Weissman	Raizel	\$ 500
Weller	Judah	\$ 3,350
Wikler	Sara	\$ 2,200
Zimmerman	Dassi	\$ 500

(2)*** Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Salary: \$625 per diem
 Effective: November 8, 2010
 Terminating: Upon hiring a permanent Business Administrator

(3) Business Administrator/Board Secretary ***Failed***

Salary: (pro-rated to June 30, 2011)
 Effective:
 Terminating: June 30, 2011

(1)***CONSULTANTS/PHYSICIANS

ALTER, Janet
 Occupational Therapist
 Effective: 2010-2011 School Year

Salary: \$70.00 per hour as needed

- g. Reappointments – N/A at this meeting
- h. Salary Adjustments

(1) CLIMER, Donna
Social Worker – OSS
From: MA 15, Step 12 - \$60,216 (10%)
TO: MA, Step 12 - \$59,116 (10%)
Effective: July 1, 2010
(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(2) FASTNACHT, Richard
Teacher – SSS
From: MA, Step 6 - \$49,941
To: BA 15, Step 6 - \$47,941
Effective: September 1, 2010
(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(3) FRUEND, Elchanan
Psychologist – Pupil Personnel
From: MA 15, Step 4 - \$49,441
To: MA, Step 4 - \$48,441
Effective: September 1, 2010
(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(4) LAZWINI, Rochel
Speech Therapist – EGC
From: MA 30, Step 20 - \$78,547 (15% ESY)
To: MA 15, Step 20 - \$77,397 (15% ESY)
Effective: July 1, 2010
(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(5) MACKOW, Nicole
Teacher – LMS
From: MA 30, Step 8 - \$53,761
To: MA 15, Step 8 - \$52,761
Effective: September 1, 2010
(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(6) PASQUALICCHIO, Suzanne

Teacher – OSS

From: MA, Step 5 - \$48,941

To: BA 30, Step 5 - \$47,941

Effective: September 1, 2010

(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(7) SCHMIDT, William

Teacher – LHS

From: MA 30, Step 11 - \$55,150

To: MA 15, Step 11 - \$54, 150

(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(8) SHANN, Antoinette

Teacher – LHS

From: BA 15, Step 6 - \$47,941

To: BA, Step 6 - \$46,941

Effective: September 1, 2010

(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

(9) SPITZ-STEIN, Malka

Teacher – LMS

From: MA, Step 15 - \$56,769

To: BA 30, Step 15 - \$55,769

Effective: September 1, 2010

(Reversal Pending Approval of 2010 -2013 LEA Contract)

i. Stipends

(1) LHS CLUB ADVISORS/FALL SPORTS

School Year 2010 – 2011

FREIRMUTH, Neil	\$2,798	(Fall, Winter, Spring)
DOWNS, Laurie	\$2,798	(Fall, Winter, Spring)
SNYDER, Brian	\$1,328	Set Director
SALGUERO, Samuel	\$ 538	Gospel Choir Accompanist

(2) PARENT LIASION POSITION

Effective: School Year 2010-2011

Salary: \$3,500

(Paid through Title I Funds)

JANUSZ, Maria LMS
GONZALEZ, Evelyn EGC

- j. Tuition Reimbursement – N/A at this meeting
- k. Miscellaneous

JACCODINE, Beth \$3,960 Sp. Ed. Coordinator ***Failed***

2. NON-CERTIFICATED

- a. Resignations – N/A at this meeting
- b. Retirements – N/A at this meeting
- c. Terminations – N/A at this meeting
- d. Leaves of Absence – N/A at this meeting
- e. Transfers – N/A at this meeting
- f. Appointments

(1)***SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFSSIONAL/SECRETARY

Effective: 2010-2011 School Year
Salary: \$12.00 per hour

MARTINEZ, Xiomara – Highly Qualified (Bilingual)

- g. Reappointments – N/A at this meeting
- h. Salary Adjustments – N/A at this meeting
- i. Stipends

(1) CRADDOX, Kenneth
Parent Liaison – LHS
Effective: 2010-2011 School Year
Salary: \$3,500
(Paid through Title I Funds)

(2) RODRIGUEZ, Jossie

Parent Liaison – PTO President - CAGS

Effective: 2010-2011 School Year

Salary: \$3,500

(Paid through Title I Funds)

j. Tuition Reimbursements – N/A at this meeting

k. Miscellaneous – N/A at this meeting

* Appointment subject to approval of Criminal History background check by State Department of Education, as per NJSA 18A:6-7-1, et. seq., NJSA 18A:39-17 et. seq., or NJSA 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as applicable.

** As required by law and code, this Emergent Employee Resolution, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that this person be employed by the Board of Education of the Lakewood Public School District in the County of Ocean on an emergent basis.

*** This position does not include the following:

Medical Coverage

Personal Days

Dental Coverage

Professional Days

Prescriptions

Vacation Days

Optical Coverage

Sick Days

Reimbursement for Credits

Mr. Ostreicher – “Through the chair. This is the second time that the NEGBA items did not pass. What are these routes to do, how are we transporting these children.”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Inzelbuch – “My understanding is, and I am not in charge of busing is that these children are being bused.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Ostreicher – “By Negba?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Seitler- “They are being bused by NEGBA and they are hoping that one day someone will approve their contract and they will get paid.”

Mr. Seitler

Mr. Ostreicher – “So, you are saying they are busing students without getting paid. Is that legal?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Inzelbuch – “I would be very careful on that. I would be remiss if I just sat here and I am not prepared to render a legal decision. I believe they are being bused.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Seitler – “I was told by Patty that they are being bused.”

Mr. Seitler

Mr. Thomas – “I am not going to render an opinion, but I will say this in the interest of our children and some of the discussions that I have heard I do have questions and concerns and as a Board we need to have addressed. When we are dealing with children and things are remiss and there is a chance that things aren’t going in a way that they should be, I have stopped checks before and they weren’t happy. But, guess what they either got it right or I didn’t reissue the checks. I am not saying that that is what we are going to do, because I don’t know the legal ramifications.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – “At the last meeting didn’t we say to Patty to have them here? Where are they?”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Thomas – “We need to have that addressed so, I would say to the Superintendent, we need a report.”

Mr. Thomas

Ms. Silva – “I need the direction of the Board. If in fact this is the second time that we have voted them down that I remember. Therefore we also need a plan, and I will ask the Transportation Department to have a plan, because no matter what we need to transport these children. So, if we are going to transport from another company, although I have been told by our transportation department that every other company is truly at their maximum capacity. If you are instructing me, I will speak

Ms. Silva

with our transportation department and for them to indicate what is viable.”

Mr. Thomas – “I will help you. I will direct you to speak to the transportation department to find out what inconsistencies that have been discussed and what has been done to rectify them. In addition to that do they have a contingency plan in the event they choose not to rectify them. I agree with you, we can not play with vendors. We need to do the right thing.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Ostreicher – “Mr. President, what I am concerned about is perhaps even another idea that has not been brought up. How are we exposed as liability heaven for bid something happens while they are transporting and we are not giving them any pay?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Inzelbuch – “You know what, I am going to say this very candidly. When I get involved and all I am told don’t. I have watched this busing thing go on for several weeks, even more than that. I have seen good ideas, I have seen certain directives go out, I have seen that here we are at 8:36 p.m. at the same place we were last week, and the week before. I gave you the statute last time and told you the way goes, you may or may not like it.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Silver – “Mr. Seidler made a nice motion last time.”

Mr. Silver

Mr. Inzelbuch – “He did, and I modified it and he was fine with that.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Thomas – “I know I was not here at the last meeting. I do want to know this I remember seeing something that said we were going to have them here to discuss multiple issues.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – “They were here last meeting and we can’t discuss all of it because some of

Mr. Inzelbuch

it is contractual.”

Mr. Thomas – “Related to this.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – “What was publicly discussed at last meeting, we did get various printouts from State websites showing the rate of violations of other bus companies and showing the rate of violations of other districts, like Brick and Toms River who run their own buses. The company was here in closed session and tough questions were asked, some answers were replied and Mr. Seitler had an idea, which was modified to get some input and we did read the statute here which says you need to have a hearing. There are rules here, lowest responsible bidder, according to the transportation department this vendor was the lowest responsible bidder. The statute, which I do not have at the moment is clear that a hearing has to be held if there is consistent non-compliance, these are my words at the moment. To have a hearing you need to have the County Office, the Superintendent, and the vendor. Mr. Seitler brought up an idea to get input as to this process. As of yet, I have not seen any emails from the Administration or the Board about this, nor the Transportation Department. I do want to say this publicly, Mr. Hobday did respond to my public request and did send me one complaint about this vendor which I did pass onto all of you and you all got it. This is a serious issue and I can not give you legal advice until the transportation people, you have two coordinators.”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Seitler – “Through the chair. Mr. Attorney there was one email from Mr. Grunhut, not that that makes difference recommending something to be changed. I do believe that by the next meeting of November 17th that we were going to ask for a change, a policy I am sorry. The

Mr. Seitler

question was at last meeting the vendor did come and he claimed that all of the issues have been taken care since the week before. The Transportation Committee.”

Mr. Thomas – “I think you said a good thing, the Transportation Committee needs to address this. Has the Transportation Committee met in any shape, form or fashion and discuss these things. Who is the chair>”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Seidler – “Mr. Grunhut is the chair.”

Mr. Seidler

Mr. Thomas – “I am going to call Mr. Grunhut tomorrow, the Transportation Committee needs to address this. They need to meet and come back to the Board and tell us what they found and inform us so that we can make decision. But if all I am hearing is that things are not as safe as they should be, I can not consciously just go on.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Ostreicher – “That is not the point that I am trying to bring up. Mr. President what I am concerned about is if the children are still being transported, there are certain liabilities that we are taking upon selves, number one and number two if we truly feel that there is a problem with this vendor why are we allowing the kids to go on the buses?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Thomas – “I am not a lawyer, but there is at least two answers and one of them is, I have been around a little bit and I think when someone assumes and takes on the role that they don’t have a contract for that they have already assumed the same responsibilities as if they had a contract, I could be wrong. But, as long as they are transporting the kids and they have not ceased and assist, I think they are under.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – “Now that I have not heard answers for the last fourteen minutes, if the

Mr. Inzelbuch

Board will allow me I am going to call Ms. Bunnell and Mr. Coyle and we will have an answer either through me or the Superintendent's office tomorrow afternoon, as to number one are these kids being bused, number two, what is the status, three have we heard complaints? We are trying."

Mr. Thomas – "This is what we are going to propose, the Transportation Committee needs to meet and aside from what you do the Board members on that committee need to come together and they need to come back to us with a report so that we can act appropriately. I will call Mr. Grunhut tomorrow and you will all have a meeting this week."

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Silver – "Motion to adjourn."

Mr. Silver

Mr. Thomas – "Second."

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – "I do have information that I wanted to discuss with you in closed session, that is your call."

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Thomas – "Personnel, contracts?"

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Inzelbuch – "It does fall under the Sunshine Law."

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Silver – "How long will it be?"

Mr. Silver

Mr. Inzelbulch – "Five minutes."

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Thomas – "Okay. So, I will make a motion to go into Executive Session and that we will not be coming out and voting again this evening."

Mr. Thomas

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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