

Rockaway Borough Board of Education

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

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Tuesday, August 11, 2020: 6:30 PM

~~Thomas Jefferson School Cafeteria/Gym, 95 East Main Street, Rockaway, NJ 07866~~

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Meeting ID: 820 8111 7973 Passcode: 7THAK2

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m., by Mrs. Christa Smith, Board President, by reading the following announcement:

"In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, The Rockaway Borough Board of Education has provided adequate notice of this meeting to the public by having the time, date and place thereof advertised in The Daily Record newspaper, posted on our website and at town hall. The purpose of this meeting is to enter into Executive Session (Private) to discuss legal issues pertaining to a construction contract now in effect. There will be no Board action taken.

2. Board Member Roll Call:

Mrs. Linda McGovern, VP: Present

Elected 2017 Board Member to 1st Term (Full 3-year term runs to Dec. 31, 2020)

Mrs. Alexis Piombino: Absent

Elected 2018 Board Member to 1st Term (Full 3-year term runs to Dec. 31, 2021)

Mrs. Christa Smith, President: Present

Elected 2019 Board Member to 7th Term (Full 3-year term runs to Dec. 31, 2022)

Mr. Jeffrey Tobias: Present

Elected 2017 Board Member to 1st Term (Full 3-year term runs to Dec. 31, 2020)

Mrs. Karen Walter: Present

Elected 2018 Board Member to 1st Term (Full 3-year term runs to Dec. 31, 2021)

Mrs. Phyllis Alpaugh, Superintendent of Schools: Present

Appointed 2017 Chief School Administrator & Non-Voting Board Member (CSA/Supt)

Mr. William Stepka, SBA/Bd. Sec.: Present

Appointed 2017 School District Business Administrator (BA) & Secretary of the Board

Mr. Stepka Declares: A Board Quorum is Present (4-1)

No members of the public were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was then held.

3. Motion to Enter Executive Session: 6:32 PM

Be it Resolved, that the Board enter into Executive Session (Private) for the purpose of discussing a legal issue pertaining to a construction contract now in place, the nature of which will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

THE BOARD ANTICIPATED TO BE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR APPROXIMATELY 90 MINUTES.

Moved by: Mr. Tobias Seconded by: Mrs. Walter Voice Vote: All Ayes

At this time, this Public ZOOM meeting was paused, and the Board entered into another, separate & private ZOOM meeting to conduct the Executive Session.

4. Motion to Adjourn Executive Session and Return to the Public Meeting: 8:33 PM

Moved by: Mr. Tobias Seconded by: Mrs. Walter Voice Vote: All Ayes

5. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: 8:33 PM

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned.

Moved by: Mr. Tobias Seconded by: Mrs. Walter Voice Vote: All Ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. William Stepka, RSBA
Secretary of the Board of Education/
School District Business Administrator