

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on July 8, 2024 at 6:10pm at the Oxycocus Elementary School.

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

Brian Fenlon	Member
Gregory Gioe	Member
Robert Morello	Member
Matthew Regulski	Member
Christopher Smith	Member (Late)
Bonnie Strouse	Member
Joseph Washco	Member
Kevin Cooney	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 – Personnel 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:

Personnel Matters, Contractual Matters & Student Matters, Specifically HIB Related

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 Dr. Regulski and seconded by Mr. Morello to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (9-0); motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Washco to exit closed session. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (8-0); motion passed.

TIME IN: 6:11pm

TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 6:24pm

C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

D. PERSONNEL/POLICY

Chairperson Tammy Wagner – Update (Policy Only)

1. To discuss to approve suspending Bylaw 0131 to have a first and only reading on item #2 due to timeline.
2. To discuss the **first reading and only reading** of the following **revised** policy:
 - 5111 Eligibility of Resident and Non-Resident Students

Mr. Chidiac discussed the Active Shooter Drill on August 28, 2024 at Southern. Mr. Chidiac noted that the district received \$220,086 in Stabilization Aid and it is on the agenda for approval (G-21). Mr. Chidiac discussed Policy 5111 and noted that there is no transportation for non-residents. There will be a new form around February 1st to determine anticipated enrollment. Mr. Chidiac relayed that a meeting with a community senior citizen liaison, Mr. Joe Mazzola, has been set up for July 10th as an informational meeting on the upcoming Referendum. There is also a meeting set up with the Township on July 11th with regard to the Referendum details.

Mrs. Wagner stated that on tonight's agenda there are 14 substitutes, one transfer and one change of assignment for the 2024-2025 school year. There is one policy for a first and only reading.

E. SPECIAL EDUCATION/CURRICULUM

Chairperson Matthew Regulski – Update

Dr. Regulski reported that Mrs. Bush reviewed the purpose and responses to the Three-Year Language Instruction Educational Program (LIEP) Plan that is being approved at tonight's meeting.

Dr. Regulski reported that Mr. Reilly reviewed the beginning of Extended School Year (ESY). Additionally, he discussed the application for the IDEA Federal Grant.

F. FINANCE/BUILDINGS&GROUNDS

Chairperson Joseph Washco – Update

Mr. Washco reported updates on the following: the meal plan; pricing and management transition, Referendum; ROD Grant (HVAC/Roofing), bus purchase, \$250K fire insurance reimbursement, end of year closeout, new year start-up, state aid and STAC bookings.

G. CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Regulski and seconded by Mr. Fenlon to adjourn the meeting at 6:38pm. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (9-0); motion passed.

Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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