

# NEW PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 9, 2024

The Special Meeting of the New Philadelphia Board of Education was called to order at 7:21 p.m. by President MacMath at the Administration Office with the following members present: Ms. Fontana, Mr. Gallentine, Mr. MacMath, Mr. Ricklic and Mrs. Schrock. Also present were Mrs. Erwin, Mrs. Wentworth and Mr. Williams.

## Approval of Agenda 89-24

Mrs. Schrock moved, Ms. Fontana seconded to approve the Special Meeting agenda including any additions or deletions to the agenda.

Roll call: Ayes: Schrock, Fontana, Gallentine, MacMath, Ricklic (5)  
Nays: (0)

Motion carried.

## Discussion of LifeWise Academy and Board Policy [JEFB - Released Time for Religious Instruction](#)

The discussion included Pros and Cons regarding:

- BCI/FBI Background checks
- Building Secretary verifying release time.
- Children missing specials such as physical education, music and art.
- Current policy in place should be followed.
- The rights of the parents to make decisions for their children.
- H.B. 445 will change release time for schools from MAY to SHALL.
- Should specials be core classes?
- Will LifeWise provide lunch to students?

## Motion to Repeal 90-24

Ms. Fontana moved, Mrs. Schrock seconded to repeal the Released Time for Religious Instruction until the process of revision can be completed.

Roll call: Ayes: Fontana, Schrock, Gallentine (3)  
Nays: MacMath, Ricklic (2)

Motion carried.

## Adjournment

Mrs. Schrock moved, Ms. Fontana seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Roll call: Ayes: Schrock, Fontana, Gallentine, MacMath, Ricklic (5)  
Nays: (0)

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

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President

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