

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on October 14, 2024 at 6:00pm 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 (Absent)
Gregory Gioe	Member
Robert Morello	Member (Absent)
Matthew Regulski	Member
Christopher Smith	Member
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 and Board 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 and Board 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 Mrs. Strouse and seconded by Dr. Regulski to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (7-0); motion passed.

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

TIME IN: 6:02pm

TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 6:38pm

C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

D. PERSONNEL/POLICY

Chairperson Tammy Wagner – Update (Policy Only)

- Mrs. Wagner reported that on tonight’s agenda there are 15 substitutes, multiple transfers and change of assignments for the 2024-2025 school year. There are no policies and regulations on the agenda.

E. SPECIAL EDUCATION/CURRICULUM

Chairperson Matthew Regulski – Update

- Dr. Regulski reported that Mrs. Bush reviewed the DCRP that is being approved this evening and shared information from her county meeting as well as curriculum updates.
- Dr. Regulski reported that Mr. Reilly discussed the recent success of the Stafford Olympics, he spoke about the recent special education parent meeting and the guest speaker, and he updated the committee on information from his special education county meeting.

F. FINANCE/BUILDINGS&GROUNDS

Chairperson Joseph Washco – Update

- Mr. Washco reported that Mrs. LaGuardia discussed the Referendum, Bond, Architect, Construction Manager RFP, ROD Roofing/HVAC, Oxycocus Fire Remediation, which is at 75% Restoration, QSAC Monitoring, Budget and Food Service Chef Days.
- Mrs. LaGuardia introduced and discussed the following resolution for architectural contract services related to Referendum 2024:
 - Resolved to accept the attached contract proposal from Spiezle Architectural Group for Referendum Projects amending the existing agreement dated January 6, 2022, and subsequent AIA agreement dated April 25, 2023, to include conversion of our previously approved percentage of construction fee to a lump sum fee. Additionally, we are updating the existing agreement to include the attached services that were excluded from the original agreement: Site/Civil Engineering, Landscape Architectural Services, Geotechnical Engineering Services, and Furniture Design Services. The revised fees are stated on the attached Amendment.

G. CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Regulski and seconded by Mrs. Strouse to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (7-0); motion passed.

Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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