

Special Workshop Meeting

South Orange-Maplewood

Board of Education

August 6, 2007

A Special Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education of South Orange-Maplewood was held in the Third Floor Conference Room in the Administration Building, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, New Jersey, on August 6, 2007.

Board president Mark Gleason called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adequate written notice of this meeting of the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education was sent to the Township and Village Clerks, the Libraries, The Star Ledger, the News Record and all schools.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Bennett, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Daugherty,
Mr. Eastman, Mr. Gleason, Mrs. Jasey, Mr. Laine, Dr.
Payne-Parrish, Mrs. Wren-Hardin

Absent: None.

9 MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Gleason announced a Governor Corzine event to be held at SOPAC Thursday, August 9 and encouraged members to attend.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

MOTION made by Mr. Eastman, seconded by Ms. Crawford, that the Board of Education:

2289A. Approves an agreement with Terms Environmental Services of Berkeley Heights, New Jersey to provide environmental consulting services to remediate the oil tank spill at Columbia High School, including site investigation, site remediation, and to prepare any documentation necessary to comply with New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation, N.J.A.C. 7:26E. The costs of the investigation and remediation are as follows:

Investigation Costs: \$13,400.00

Remediation Costs: \$ 8,000.00 for installation of groundwater monitoring wells

Additional remediation costs may be necessary based on the findings of the investigation including, but not limited to, ongoing monitoring of the groundwater wells, recovery of any remaining free product, treatment of any remaining free product that cannot be recovered, preparation/submission of a classification exception area request.

2289B. Approves a memorandum of agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to provide oversight of clean-up activities associated with the oil tank spill at Columbia High School, conducted in accordance with the Technical Rules for Site Remediation (N.J.A.C. 7:26E et seq.) and pursuant to the Procedures for Department Oversight for the Remediation of Contaminated Sites (N.J.A.C. 7:26E et seq.)

ROLL CALL: Motion 2289A-B passed; 9 yes, 0 no.

MOTION made by Mr. Laine, seconded by Ms. Crawford, that the Board of Education approve the following:

2290A. WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has enacted P.L. 2007, c.53, An Act Concerning School District Accountability; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of the Act requires boards of education to provide public notice 30 days prior to the renegotiation, extension, amendment or alteration of an employment contract with the superintendent of schools, assistant superintendent of schools, or school business administrator; and

WHEREAS, said notice of such action was provided to the public via notification to the district's official newspapers, The News Record and The Star-Ledger, on July 26, 2007 and on the district's public website on July 26, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of the Act requires boards of education to provide public notice of a public hearing 10 days prior to the renegotiation, extension, amendment or alteration of an employment contract with the superintendent of schools, assistant superintendent of schools or school business administrator; and

WHEREAS, said notice of a public hearing was provided to the public via notification to the district's official newspapers, The News Record and The Star-Ledger, on July 26, 2007 and on the district's public website on July 26, 2007.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education hereby designates August 20, 2007 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the District Meeting Room, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ as the public hearing required by the act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education hereby designates September 10, 2007 as the date for action on the contract of the School Business Administrator.

2290B. WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has enacted P.L. 2007, c.53, An Act Concerning School District Accountability; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education hereby designates September 10, 2007 as the date for action on the contract of the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction.

ROLL CALL: Motion 2290A-B passed. YES: Mr. Bennett, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Daugherty, Mr. Eastman, Mr. Gleason, Mrs. Jasey, Mr. Laine, Dr. Payne-Parrish, Mrs. Wren-Hardin. NO: none.

MOTION made by Mrs. Daugherty, seconded by Mrs. Jasey, that the Board of Education:

2291. Approves the addition of a special education class for the 2007-08 school year, as follows:

Marshall Elementary School-Preschool ~~Autistic~~ Students with Autism

MOTION made by Ms. Crawford, seconded by Mrs. Jasey, to amend Resolution 2291 as above.

ROLL CALL: Motion to amend Resolution 2291 passed; 9 yes, 0 no.

Motion 2291 passed as amended; 9 yes, 0 no.

DISCUSSION

District Goals

- ← The principles and roles of the proposed district goals were discussed.

Board/Superintendent Relations

- ← A policy governance model as described by John Carver in the book, Boards That Make a Difference was presented and discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Future Public Board Meetings ñ Read by Mr. Gleason

The Board of Education will meet in Closed Session on Monday, August 20, 2007, at 7:00 pm, in the Superintendent's Office to discuss personnel and legal issues, negotiations and other matters to be announced at a later date. Immediately following the Closed Session, the Board of Education will meet in Public Session at 7:30 pm in the District Meeting Room, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ. Action will be taken.

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MOTION made by Ms. Crawford, seconded by Mrs. Wren-Hardin, that the Board of Education recess to Closed Session to discuss personnel and legal issues. Motion unanimously approved at 10:00 p.m.

Karla Milanette

Business Administrator