

**SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 6, 2020-MINUTES**

**HEMPSTEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
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The special meeting of the Hempstead Public Schools Board of Education was held in the high school auditorium, 201 President Street, Hempstead, New York 11550. The meeting was called to order at 6:08 P.M. All of the Board Members were present. The purpose of the meeting was presentations from attorneys, public relations and lobbying firms. The Interim Superintendent offered brief remarks and the Board immediately convened to executive session.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

LaMont Johnson	President
Patricia Spleen	Vice President
Carmen Ayala	Trustee
Patricia McNeill	Trustee
Victor Pratt	Trustee

SED MONITOR:

William Johnson

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Regina Armstrong	Interim Superintendent
Jamal Scott	Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations
April Keys	District Clerk Pro-Tem

Trustee Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill to appoint April Keys as District Clerk-Pro-tem for the meeting of August 8, 2020.

MOTION

YES 5

MOTION CARRIED

To appoint April Keys as
District Clerk Pro-tem for
the meeting of 8-6-2020

Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Ayala to convene to executive session at 6:12 P.M. for discussion of a particular individual and personnel.

MOTION

YES 5

MOTIN CARRIED

To convene to
executive session

Trustee Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee Spleen to reconvene to open session at 10:06 P.M.

MOTION

YES 5

MOTION CARRIED

To reconvene to
open session

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Trustee Johnson moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to waive policy # 2342 agenda preparation and dissemination in order to consider the hand carry items being presented at the meeting of 8-6-2020.

MOTION YES 5 **MOTION CARRIED**
To waive policy # 2342

Trustee Spleen moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to extend the services of current counsel, public relations, and lobbying firms until 9-17-2020.

GENERAL COUNSEL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education **APPOINTS TBD** as General Counsel for the Board of Education, with a retainer of \$ _____ for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Any additional work of the attorneys shall be paid at an hourly rate of \$ _____ **for all attorneys**. (Letter of agreement will be on file). ***Extend current counsel until 9-17-2020.***

LABOR COUNSEL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education **APPOINTS _____**, as Labor Counsel to the Board of Education for the 2020-2021 school year with a retainer of **\$ 28,200 per annum** for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Any additional work of the attorneys shall be paid at an hourly rate of **\$ 235.00 for all attorneys**. (Letter of agreement will be on file) ***Extend current counsel until 9-17-2020.***

PUBLIC RELATIONS & LOBBYING

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve _____ as the public relations firm for the district for the 2020-2021 school year at an annual fee of \$60,000 and approve _____ for lobbying services for the 2020-2021 school year at a rate of \$60,000. ***Current firm Extended until 9-17-2020.***

MOTION YES 5 **MOTION CARRIED**
To extend current services
until 9-17-2020.

Trustee Ayala moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 P.M.

MOTION YES 5 **MOTION CARRIED**
Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted:

April Keys
District Clerk Pro-tem

***The minutes of this meeting were recorded by April Keys, District Clerk Pro-tem and prepared by Patricia Wright, District Clerk.