MINUTES OF THE PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING

June 25, 2018 – 5:45 p.m. International High School

Presiding: Comm. Oshin Castillo, President

Present:

Ms. Eileen Shafer, State District Superintendent Ms. Susana Peron, Deputy Superintendent Robert Murray, Esq., General Counsel

Comm. Vincent Arrington Comm. Joel Ramirez

Comm. Emanuel Capers Comm. Nakima Redmon, Vice President

Comm. Manuel Martinez Comm. Flavio Rivera

Absent:

Comm. Jonathan Hodges Comm. Kenneth Simmons

The Salute to the Flag was led by Comm. Castillo.

Comm. Redmon read the Open Public Meetings Act:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of, and to attend the meetings of the Paterson Public School District, as well as other public bodies at which any business affecting the interest of the public is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this law, the Paterson Public School District has caused notice of this meeting:

Special Meeting June 25, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. International High School 200 Grand Street Paterson, New Jersey

to be published by having the date, time and place posted in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Paterson, at the entrance of the Paterson Public School offices, on the district's website, and by sending notice of the meeting to the Arab Voice, El Diario, the Italian Voice, the North Jersey Herald & News. and The Record.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

It was moved by Comm. Redmon, seconded by Comm. Martinez that the Public Comments portion of the meeting be opened. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Ms. Elizabeth Elias asked whether the evaluation would be discussed in public.

Comm. Castillo responded that it would not be discussed publicly, but that personal issues are handled privately.

Ms. Elias indicated that it would be more beneficial for it to take place publicly so that the working relationship between the public and the district, as well as the public and the Superintendent, would be greatly improved, to the benefit of the entire community.

It was moved by Comm. Martinez, seconded by Comm. Redmon that the Public Comments portion of the meeting be closed. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO CONDUCT A SUMMARY CONFERENCE WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT ON HER EVALUATION

It was moved by Comm. Redmon, seconded by Comm. Ramirez that the Board goes into closed session to conduct a Summary Conference with the Superintendent on her evaluation. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

The Board went into executive session at 5:55 p.m.

Comm. Arrington did not participate in the executive session due to conflicts.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Comm. Capers, seconded by Comm. Rivera that the meeting be adjourned. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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