Andover Regional Board of Education Special Meeting

June 18, 2025

Attendance:

Present: Dr. Maria Dunbar, Mr. James Fetcho, Mr. Brian Hertenstein, Mr. Steven Minnick, Mr. William Porter, Mrs. Lena Sciroppo and Dr. Robert Koroski

Also Present: Mr. John Fritzky, Superintendent
1 member of the public

Not Present: Ms. Jane Byron and Ms. Margaret Widgren

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:

President Koroski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Dr. Koroski led the flag salute.

Mission Statement: Dr. Koroski read the mission statement:

Andover Regional Schools prepare students to successfully meet the challenges of today and tomorrow by fostering a love of learning. Our safe, supportive, and stimulating environment encourages students to reach their full potential. It is an expectation that all students shall achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels. In Andover Regional, every child catches the learning spirit!

Public Meeting Notice: President Koroski read the following public meeting notice:

"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 public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. The Board has fully complied with the notice requirements by advertising in the New Jersey Herald, posting publicly and by notifying the municipal clerk of the date, time and place of the meeting."

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None at this time.

III. PRESENTATION(S): None at this time.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None at this time.

V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None at this time.

VI. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:** None at this time.

VII. **SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT:** None at this time.

VIII. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None at this time.

IX. **ACTION ITEMS:**

A. **PERSONNEL/POLICY:** None at this time.

B. **FINANCE/OPERATIONS:**

Mr. Porter moved and Mr. Minnick seconded, that the Andover Regional Board of Education approve resolution #1 as presented:

1. **Comprehensive Equity Plan (CEP) & SOA**: Approve the authorization of the Affirmative Action Team to conduct the Needs Assessment and develop a Comprehensive Equity Plan and submission for full implementation of the proposed three-year Comprehensive Equity Plan (2025-2028) along with the Statement of Assurance (SOA), as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Dr. Dunbar, Mr. Fetcho, Mr. Hertenstein, Mr. Minnick, Mr. Porter, Mrs. Sciroppo and Dr. Koroski

No: None

Abstain: None

C. **CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION:** None at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS TO BOARD: None at this time.

OLD and NEW BUSINESS: None at this time.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Hertenstein moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Andover Regional Board of Education, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter; 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows: negotiations, legal and personnel matters; 3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matters will be made public upon resolution of all information discussed; 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately; the Board anticipates being approximately 30-45 minutes to discuss the Superintendent evaluation and no action will be taken.

Motion was seconded by Mr. Minnick at 7:40 p.m. and unanimously CARRIED in a voice vote.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Mrs. Sciroppo moved to return to regular session, seconded by Mr. Fetcho and unanimously CARRIED in a voice vote at 8:22 p.m.

Adjournment: Dr. Dunbar moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Minnick and approved at 8:22 p.m. and carried by a Unanimous Voice Vote call by all members in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Robert Koroski

Board President