COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING July 14, 2025

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on July 14, 2025 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
Matthew Regulski	Member (Absent)
Christopher Smith	Member (Absent)
Bonnie Strouse	Member
Joseph Washco	Member
Kevin Cooney	Vice President (Late)
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, Board Matters and Student Matters, Specifically HIB-Related

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, Board Matters and Student Matters, Specifically HIB-Related

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 Mr. Washco and seconded by Mr. Gioe to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (5-0); motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Washco and seconded by Mr. Gioe 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: 6:45pm

C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

D. PERSONNEL/POLICY

Chairperson Tammy Wagner – Update (Policy Only)

Mr. Chidiac reported that he discussed the items on the personnel section of the agenda with the committee, the new hire bios and various anticipated postings districtwide. Mr. Chidiac noted that with the resignation of Mrs. Jen Lowe, Mr. Chris DiMicco (former PE teacher) will be a 10-month Vice Principal. Mrs. Carolyn Roselli (former BD teacher) will be a 10-month Vice Principal to Special Education.

E. SPECIAL EDUCATION/CURRICULUM

Chairperson Matthew Regulski – Update

Mrs. Bush reported that she discussed ESY; IDEA grant prep; teacher assistant interviews 18 short due to 1:1 reassignments; new students (9 IEP); Mrs. Banach - new Director of Curriculum; Stafford Standards of Success; QSAC; District Improvement Plan – not hitting benchmarks 79%; ELL growth 31 – previous and 151 current; socioeconomic impact scores.

F. FINANCE/BUILDINGS&GROUNDS

Chairperson Joseph Washco – Update

Mr. Washco reported that Mrs. LaGuardia discussed the finance items; building and grounds items; referendum 25-year bond sale; HVAC replacement; OA roofing and chiller; Oxycocus fire final payment; summer custodial work schedule; 2024-2025 budget open/close; and Eagleswood shared services for cafeteria administration.

G. CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Gioe and seconded by Mrs. Strouse to adjourn the meeting at 6:53pm. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (6-0); motion passed.

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Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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