COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING December 8, 2025

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on December 8, 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
Gregory Gioe	Member
Matthew Regulski	Member
Christopher Smith	Member (Absent)
Bonnie Strouse	Member
Joseph Washco	Member
Kevin Cooney	Vice President
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 – Board Vacancy Interviews, Student Matters, Specifically HIB Related, Board Matters

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:

Board Vacancy Interviews, Student Matters, Specifically HIB Related and Board Matters

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 Mrs. Strouse and seconded by Mr. Gioe to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (6-0); motion passed.

A motion was made by Dr. Regulski and seconded by Mr. Gioe to exit closed session and resume regular meeting. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (5-0); motion passed.

TIME IN: 6:02pm
TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 6:52pm

C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

D. PERSONNEL/POLICY

Chairperson Tammy Wagner – Update (Policy Only)

Mr. Chidiac discussed the items on the personnel section of the agenda; new hire personnel; transfers/changes of assignment; and various postings districtwide.

E. SPECIAL EDUCATION/CURRICULUM

Chairperson Matthew Regulski – Update

Mrs. Roselli discussed school tours, where she introduced Mr. Louth to the administrators, staff and students; speech services vertical articulation; all grades A/R season sharing ideas; IEP committee meeting; turning over IEAP parent information on designated template; CST to pilot for Ars; ERI January 5th opening – new teacher fully staffed getting CPI training; student surveys – snapshot – challenges communication to all special area teachers; and elimination of classroom aides.

Mrs. Banach discussed that during the first marking period conferences, parents/guardians had the opportunity to meet with his/her child's teachers. Within the conference time, parents were notified of results from the Universal Literacy Screener in grades K-3, and received information of beginning of year assessments

and the previous year's NJSLA results for students in grades 4-6. All certified staff meet by grade level on grading minimums per subject area and the importance of maintaining accurate records on student data. Additionally, Mrs. Banach gave a briefing on: piloting FXL (My Path); and family steam night – global tour.

F. FINANCE/BUILDINGS&GROUNDS

Chairperson Joseph Washco – Update

Mrs. LaGuardia reported on referendum update: Oxycocus Addition and Alterations bids due January 14th, notice to proceed issued for both the Ocean Acres and Multiple Schools HVAC projects and bonds/insurance submission.

G. CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Gioe and seconded by Mr. Washco to adjourn the meeting at 7:00pm. All members present voted yes (7-0); motion passed.

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Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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