

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION, HELD ON THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 15, 2018, AT 8:00 P.M., IN THE COMMONS, 855 SOMERSET AVENUE, LAKEWOOD,
NEW JERSEY 08701**

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Moshe Bender, Board President

Kevin Campbell, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m. Mr. Campbell read the following:

SUNSHINE LAW

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231, of the Laws of 1976 (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT), Mr. Campbell notified the public that notice of the date, time, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent known, was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner:

1. By posting such notice on the public announcement board of the Lakewood Board of Education Offices, and the Lakewood Township Municipal Building.
2. By e-mailing such notice to the office of the Asbury Park Press.
3. By filing such notice with the Board Secretary.
4. By mailing such notice to all individuals who requested and paid for a copy of same.

II. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Mr. Moshe Bender – left 9:38 p.m., returned 9:42 p.m., left 10:28, returned 10:35 p.m.
Mrs. Thea Jackson-Byers – arrived 8:01 p.m., left 10:12 p.m., returned 10:24 p.m.
Mrs. Ada Gonzalez – left 10:28 p.m.
Mr. Chanina Nakdimen
Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez
Mr. Moshe Tendler - left 9:58 p.m., returned 10:01 p.m., left 11:10 p.m.
Mr. Bentzion Treisser
Mr. Isaac Zlatkin – left 8:49 p.m., returned 8:51 p.m., left 11:12 p.m., returned 11:14 p.m.

Board Members Absent: Mr. Moshe Newhouse

Also Attending: Mrs. Laura A. Winters, Superintendent
Mr. Kevin Campbell, Interim Business Administrator/Interim Board Secretary
Mr. Robert Finger, Interim Asst. Business Administrator/Interim Asst. Board Secretary
Mr. David Shafter, State Monitor
Mr. Michael I. Inzelbuch, Esq., Board Attorney

Translator: Ana Faone

III. RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC: The public participated in the open forum for transportation.

STATEMENT BY BOARD PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Board Policy 0164, Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern the Board of Education in its deliberations and in the conduct of its meetings. As such, all comments from the public and from other members of the Board should be directed to the Board President who is responsible for presiding over the meeting.

The President shall direct all inquiries or comments to the appropriate Administrator or Board member for response, as appropriate. The law requires a period of public comment at our meetings, not a question or answer session or debate. The board president at his discretion may or may not feel it is appropriate to answer questions raised during the public comment period. The board and administration do take all public comments seriously and consider them when conducting business.

The President may interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive or obscene. In addition, Security Personnel may direct any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum, whether the person is at the microphone or at any other place in the meeting room. New Jersey law makes it a crime for any person to intentionally disrupt a public meeting. Law enforcement will be contacted if a person disrupts the meeting and fails to desist after being directed to do so.

Finally, we ask that you silence all electronic devices.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS TO DISCUSS TRANSPORTATION.

Lisa Vargas, Transportation Manager, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the cost of transportation for Public School Students. The Board welcomed questions and comments from the Public during the presentation. The following are a few of the persons from the audience who participated in the open forum:

1. Pastor Glenn Wilson
2. Annette Kearney
3. Gus Kakavas
4. Bill Coyle
5. Noreen Gil
6. Avraham Krawiec – LSTA
7. Adeola Klarr – Klarr Busing
8. Kofo Klarr – Klarr Busing
9. Joseph Ellison – Jays Busing

MOTION TO HAVE AN INDEPENDENT COMPANY TO DO AN ANALYSIS OF BUSING COST, TO REVIEW EFFICIENCY AND PROPOSE SOLUTIONS. (passed/ FAILED)

Motion: Mr. Zlatkin **Second:** Mr. Rodriguez

6 Ayes: Mr. Zlatkin, Mr. Nakdimen, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Treisser, Mrs. Jackson-Byers, Mr. Bender

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

3 Absent: Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Tendler

By my authority as state monitor [David Shafter] under Title 18A:7A-55, I am overriding this motion for the following reasons: The interim Business Administrator and Interim Assistant Business Administrator are more than capable of reviewing actual cost and or last year and coming up with a daily route cost and not spending \$15,000 for the study. In addition, approving a study now regardless of the recommendations would have an adverse effect on current year transportation and 2018-19 transportation costs.

MOTION TO HAVE A TRANSPORTATION STUDY TO REVIEW CURRENT COST, TO REVIEW EFFICIENCY, AND PROPOSE SOLUTIONS. (passed/FAILED)

Motion: Mr. Zlatkin **Second:** Mr. Rodriguez

6 Ayes: Mr. Zlatkin, Mr. Nakdimen, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Treisser, Mrs. Jackson-Byers, Mr. Bender

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

3 Absent: Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Tendler

By my authority as state monitor [David Shafter] under Title 18A:7A-55, I am overriding this motion for the following reasons: The Business Administrator and Assistant Business Administrator are more than qualified to perform this study. In addition, approving a study now regardless of the recommendations would have an adverse effect on current year transportation and 2018-19 transportation costs.

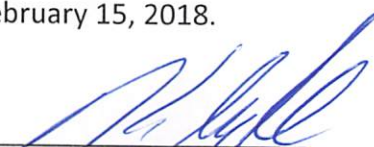
IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Mr. Zlatkin **Second:** Mr. Treisser

Meeting was adjourned at 11:36 p.m.

I, Kevin Campbell, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary, of the Lakewood Board of Education, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the Minutes from a special meeting held on February 15, 2018.



Kevin Campbell, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

March 28, 2018