Organization Meeting Minutes Passaic Board of Education Passaic, New Jersey 07055

Monday, May 4, 2015

6:04 p.m.

## Board Meeting Room

#### AGENDA:

**A.** Calling the Meeting to Order

Ms. Erlinda R. Arellano, School Business Administrator, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. She said that the meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act". The meeting notice was mailed to <u>The Herald News</u>, <u>El Diario</u>, <u>The Record</u> and the presidents of the five employee groups.

- B. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- C. <u>Election Results</u>—Tuesday, April 21, 2015

## ELECTION RESULTS SUMMARY-Certified Results By the Board of Elections

2015-2016 Tax Levy Question	Yes	No
Local Tax Levy \$16,818,577	1,373	272

Candidates (3) for Three Year Seat		
Byron Bustos	1,641	Re-elected
Rene L. Griggs	1,055	
Salim Patel	1,818	Re-elected
Ronald Van Rensalier	1,803	Re-elected

## D. Oath of Office for Re-Elected Board Members—Board Secretary

• <u>Byron Bustos</u> • <u>Salim Patel</u> • <u>Ronald Van Rensalier</u>

#### E. Roll Call

Members Present: Mr. Bryon Bustos, Ms. Maryann Capursi, Mr. Horacio "Ray" Carrera, Mr. Richard Diaz, Ms. Kenia Flores, Mr. Craig Miller, Mr. Salim Patel, Mr. Peter Rosario, and Mr. Ronald Van Rensalier.

Also Present: Mr. Pablo Muñoz, Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Eveny Pagan, Asst. Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Rachel Goldberg, Asst. Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, Ms. Aida Garcia, Chief of Operations, Ms. Erlinda R. Arellano, School Business Administrator and Ms. Michelle Calas, Asst. School Business Administrator

#### **F.** Organization Items:

#### Election of the Office of President - Presided by the Board Secretary

Ms. Arellano opened the nomination for President. A motion was made to nominate Mr. Richard Diaz to the Office of President.

Moved: Mr. Byron Bustos Seconded: Mr. Salim Patel Vote: 8-0

## Election of the Office of Vice President - Presided by the Newly-Elected President

President Diaz opened the nomination for Vice President. A motion was made to nominate Mr. Byron Bustos to the Office of Vice President.

Moved: Mr. Craig Miller Seconded: Mr. Salim Patel Vote: 8-0

# Resolution Setting the Annual Meeting Schedule - Passaic Board of Education—2015-2016 School Year

Your Committee of the Whole recommends the adoption of the Annual Meeting Schedule of the Passaic Board of Education as follows:

## <u>Annual Meeting Schedule - Passaic Board of Education— 2015-2016</u> School Year

Pursuant to the "Open Public Meeting Act" N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 et. seq., the Passaic Board of Education hereby establishes the Annual Meeting Schedule of the Board for the 2015-2016 School Year:

Thursday	Мау	14, 2015 14, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	June	1, 2015 1, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	June	29, 2015 29, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	July	27, 2015 27, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	August	31, 2015 31, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	September	21, 2015 21, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	October	26, 2015 26, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	November	23, 2015 23, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	December	21, 2015 21, 2015	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	January	25, 2016 25, 2016	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	February	29, 2016 29, 2016	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Monday	March	21, 2016 21, 2016	Committee of the Whole Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

All meetings will be held in the Board Rooms, 101 Passaic Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey, 3rd floor, unless otherwise noted.

A motion was made to accept the above resolution.

Moved: Mr. Craig Miller Seconded: Mr. Salim Patel Vote: 8-0

#### G. Comments from Board Members

Ms. Capursi expressed thanks to teachers for teacher appreciation.

Vice President Bustos congratulated Passaic High School for the "Annie" play, School #17 Autism Event and welcomed students returning from Florida

#### H. Public Comments

Mr. Jaroslaw Jackiw, 266 Lafayette Ave, asked the following questions:

- 1) Are there any comments from the school board on the use of the RICO Law in Atlanta, Georgia in the prosecution/conviction of educators?
- 2) What is the state of the eight (8) designated RAC (Focus Schools-School #s, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, and PHS) as of May 2015?
- 3) For the past two years the BOE has violated its Shared Services agreements with the City of Passaic. Can the BOE give the community a timeline when William B. Cruise Memorial School #11 will have its parking lot maintained/paved, as per lease agreement of SY 2014-15 with the City of Passaic?
- 4) Can the Chief of Operations assure the community/parents and students that all district schools lavatories have been inspected and are maintained on a day to day basis during school activities Monday-Friday in SY 2014-15?
- 5) How many BOE/Administrators/Educators employed within the City of Passaic School District in SY 2014-15 hold a PhD (Dr.)/Doctor of Education Degree?
- 6) When will the Chief of Operations submit all work schedules to the School Board for review/approval on all work to be performed by BOE/Facilities Services and designated contractors during the summer vacations (July-August of 2015) at all school district facilities?
- 7) Will the Chief of Operations start addressing the numerous exterior deficiencies at various school facilities during summer vacation (July-August of 2015)?
- 8) Will the BOE employ additional help during summer vacation (July-August of 2015) at various school projects?
- 9) Will special preference be given to the City of Passaic residents during summer employment?

President Diaz referred to Mr. Muñoz to answers the questions.

Mr. Muñoz noted there is no violation of Shared Services agreement and the bathrooms are cleaned every day.

## I. Announcement of Next Regular Public Meeting

The next <u>Regular Public Meeting</u> of the Board of Education will be held on <u>Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.</u>, at the Passaic Board of Education, 101 Passaic Avenue, Passaic, NJ

## J. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Recorded By:

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School Business Administrator/Board Secretary