

## **RETREAT MEETING**

**December 1, 2011**

A Retreat Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on December 1, 2011 at 6:00 pm in the Administration Building.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Stafford Township's 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, Asbury Park Press, and the Beacon. Notice has been posted in the office of the Stafford Township Clerk and all school buildings.

### **ROLL CALL**

Sharon Bialecki	Member
Wendy Cotter	Member
Christine English	Member
Kevin Leonard	Member
Gregory Quille	Member – Arrived at 6:55 pm
Joseph Sauer	Member
Susan Spaschak	Member
Tammy Nicolini	Vice President
Samuel Fierra	President

### **ALSO PRESENT**

Judith DeStefano-Anen, Ed.D.	Superintendent
Enrico D. Siano	B.S./S.B.A.
Tracey Schneider, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney

### **FLAG SALUTE**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

- Boardsmanship – Charlene Zoerb – NJSBA Field Representative
  - HIB and the Board
  - Roles and responsibilities for board members as individuals and as board members
  - Clarifying the role of the superintendent

A motion was made by Christine English and seconded by Susan Spaschak to enter into an intermission. Roll call vote: nine members present voted yes; motion passed.

A motion was made by Sharon Bialecki and seconded by Wendy Cotter to exit intermission and resume retreat meeting. Roll call vote: nine members present voted yes; motion passed.

TIME IN: 7:12 pm

TIME OUT: 7:20 pm

- Review – Tracey
- Language Arts Update - Judee
- Foundation/Preschool Update - Judee
- Moving Forward
  - Oxycocus Plan – Rick

### **CLOSED SESSION**

We are looking for a motion to enter into closed session for the purposes of discussing contractual matters, specifically the Preschool and EDP contracts with the Stafford Township Education Foundation.

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the public will be excluded from this discussion. However, results of the discussion will be made public at a time when the Board feels the matter has been resolved.

A motion was made by Joseph Sauer and seconded by Sharon Bialecki to move on the above resolution. Roll call vote: nine members present voted yes; motion passed.

A motion was made by Tammy Nicolini and seconded by Sharon Bialecki to exit closed session and resume retreat meeting. Roll call vote: nine members present voted yes; motion passed.

TIME IN: 9:08 pm

TIME OUT: 9:30 pm

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Gregory Quille and seconded by Christine English to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 pm. Roll call vote: nine members present voted yes; motion passed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE - STAFFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS**

The Stafford Township Board of Education welcomes the opportunity to hear what members of the public have to say about matters of public interest. However, we do have specific procedures in place for you to bring your concerns to the proper personnel. We refer to this as the chain of command. For example, if you have a concern involving something within the classroom, we would ask that you first speak to the teacher, and if necessary, the principal. If you have not utilized the chain of command, we would ask that you please do so prior to addressing your concerns in this meeting so that the district personnel are given the opportunity to resolve these matters to your satisfaction. If, after utilizing the chain of command, you feel your concerns have not been addressed, we welcome you to return to the next Board meeting to

voice your concern. If you have any questions about the chain of command (or the appropriate person to whom you should address your concern), please feel free to ask any member of the Board at the break or when this meeting concludes. We would also like to make you aware that there are certain matters that the Board can only discuss in closed session. Thus, if your comments touch upon an issue that is only to be discussed in closed session or one where certain notices must be provided prior to the Board conducting any discussions, the Board will not be able to respond to your comments at this time. We will inform you if this is the case when you have finished speaking. Specifically, this situation may arise if you are discussing a particular employee (or employees) of the district or a particular student (or students).

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Enrico D. Siano – BS/SBA

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