

BOARD RETREAT

August 8, 2022

The Board Retreat of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on August 8, 2022 at 5:30pm 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

Taylor Brennan	Member
Kevin Cooney	Member
Patricia Formica	Member
Deborah Lyons	Member (Absent)
Matthew Regulski	Member
Joseph Washco	Member
Mark Zoladz	Member (Late)
Joseph Mangino	Vice President (Absent)
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 (via Zoom)

FLAG SALUTE

A. CLOSED SESSION – Personnel and Contractual 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:

Personnel and Contractual 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 Ms. Formica and seconded by Dr. Regulski to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (6-0); motion passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Formica and seconded by Dr. Regulski to exit closed session. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (7-0); motion passed.

TIME IN: 5:35pm

TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 6:22pm

B. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

- Mr. Chidiac presented the 2022-2023 School Year Highlights:
 - Maintenance highlights at all schools
 - SuperScoop
 - Preschool
 - Focus Points of Year
 - Pilot New Curriculum
 - LBGTQ Mandates – Parent Nights
 - Safety
 - Bus Garage
 - Mental Health
 - Parent Involvement
 - Additional Staff Meetings
 - PreK
 - Busing Passes
- Mr. Chidiac stated that the state and local police will hold an Active Shooter Drill on August 31st with debriefing August 24th–27th. There will be Threat Assessment Teams.
- Mr. Chidiac stated that the staff comes back on September 1st and the first day of school is September 6th.
- The Board Attorney, Mr. Buckley reviewed Roberts Rules and Conflicts of Interest with the Board.
- Mr. Chidiac reviewed the new hire information, the walk-in resolutions and the transportation rate efficiencies.
- Ms. Reo presented the CST planned events; field trips for special education students, which include the fire house, Costco, Blue Claws game. Ms. Reo also mentioned the MD Café at McKinley and Intermediate. Ms. Reo shared the

special education acronyms. Teacher assistant requirements were discussed. There are eight out-of-district placements to date and 400 CST placements.

- Mrs. Bush presented the Health and Physical Education Curriculum Action Plan. She gave accolades to the gym teachers who spent many days in planning. Three physical education teachers rewrote the curriculum based on standards. Link-It Data Warehouse software will be utilized to track: Gifted and Talented, I&RS. This program eliminates Google sheets and syncs with Genesis, thus having historical data.
- Mrs. LaGuardia provided an update on the bus garage project and maintenance projects. Mrs. LaGuardia provided an update on Transportation, which included the bi-annual bus inspections, pairing of student runs, which she explained were revamped to take into account the number of drivers, the amount of time students were spending on a school bus and school start times, in addition to including preschool transportation. Currently Administration is looking into hiring additional school bus aides. Mrs. LaGuardia shared that the food service manager, Shannon, is back and hoping to roll out some improvements in the coming year, which include new serving lines and point of sale system. Mrs. LaGuardia shared that Facilities is working on the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and PreK analysis, along with temperature controls.

C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

D. CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Cooney and seconded by Dr. Regulski to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (7-0); motion passed.

Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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