

## **RETREAT MEETING**

**July 11, 2013**

The Retreat Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on July 11, 2013 at 5:00pm at the Oxycocus Elementary School.

### **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
Michael Hemenway	Member
Carey Lawlor-Kessler	Member
Kevin Leonard	Member (Arrived 5:08pm)
Tammy Nicolini	Member (Arrived 5:08pm)
Sean Wasacz	Member
Beth Sicoli	Vice President
Joseph Sauer	President (Absent)

### **ALSO PRESENT**

George Chidiac	Superintendent
Steven Terhune	Interim B.S./S.B.A.
Tracey Schneider, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney

### **FLAG SALUTE**

#### **A. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)**

None

#### **B. CLOSED SESSION - PERSONNEL MATTERS AND ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGES**

We are looking for a motion to enter into closed session for the purposes of discussing personnel matters and matters that fall within the attorney client privilege.

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 Sean Wasacz and seconded by Sharon Bialecki to move on the above Resolution. Roll call vote: six (6) members present voted yes; motion passed.

A motion was made by Beth Sicoli and seconded by Sharon Bialecki to exit closed session and resume the regular meeting. Roll call vote eight (8) members present voted yes; motion passed.

TIME IN: 5:01pm

TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 8:41pm

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Developmental Kindergarten - Discussed
2. Board Self-Evaluation - Distributed

**D. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Sean Wasacz and seconded by Kevin Leonard to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm. Roll call vote: eight (8) 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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Steven Terhune  
Interim Board Secretary/Business Administrator