

The Randolph Township Board of Education held a Work Session meeting on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 07:15 p.m. Randolph High School Library, 511 Millbrook Avenue Randolph, New Jersey.

Board President Tammy MacKay called the meeting to order and read the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Randolph Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in The Daily Record. It is also posted in all district schools as well as the Randolph Township Municipal Building.

Roll Call

The following Board members were present: Ms. Christine Aulenbach, Mr. Ronald Conti, Mr. Sheldon Epstein, Mr. Al Matos, Ms. Colleen Pascale, Ms. Anne Standridge, Dr. Diana Thomas and Ms. Tammy MacKay.

Board member David Rosenblatt was absent.

The following administrators were present: Dr. David Browne, Superintendent, Miss Jennifer Fano, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Michael S. Neves, Business Administrator / Board Secretary and Board Counsel Marc H. Zitomer, Esquire was also present.

Closed Session – 07:20 p.m.

Board Vice President Al Matos made a motion seconded by board member Anne Standridge and carried by roll call vote to adopt the following with an exception:

Board member David Rosenblatt was absent.

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13 that the Board of Education of the Township of Randolph will hold a closed session regarding Personnel, Litigation and Negotiations. It is not yet possible to determine when the matters discussed in Closed Session will be made public.

The Board returned to open session at 08:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review of Board Minutes

- Work Session 03-11-14 and Business Session 03-18-14

Correspondence - None

President's Report

Ms. MacKay inquired about the feasibility and benefit of mining and analyzing some of the data now available on student performance in planning future curriculum.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Browne introduced Richard Walsh and updated the board on the department's evolution over the years. Mr. Walsh discussed the support of the department received by the district and its plans for future integration of technology into learning in the years to come.

Student Council Representative Report

Student representative report will be given at the April 8, 2014 meeting.

Committee Reports

- Personnel

- Finance, Facilities and Transportation:
 - Commented on the ROD Grant process;

 - Commented on policy 9191 - Booster Clubs and requested policy committee to review;

 - Commented on Board policy 7230 - Gifts, Grants and Donations and requested policy committee to review.

Liaison Reports

Ms. MacKay updated the board on the recent joint meeting with the Township to share proposed budgets.

Public Discussion

Randolph resident questioned the wisdom of using Strauss Esmay for policy development. She commented that they develop policy from State policy perspective and that the district should be redacting portions of those recommended policies that don't apply to the district.

She further commented that the comparison of districts in the school budget presentation is not an accurate representation because the districts used for

comparison are not similar to Randolph, and

She further commented favorably on the expertise of the district's technology staff. She still questioned the effectiveness of the district's PA system in public meetings.

Another Randolph resident asked several budget related questions including inquiries of roof leaks at the buildings.

Another Randolph resident asked if there was a way that committee meetings could be consolidated to allow for more participation by the public. People could come to one nightly meeting vs. several meetings per month. She questioned a district job description and was referred to the job descriptions that are posted on line. She inquired as to the rationale for adding the additional security staff.

Randolph Education Foundation President announced the award of two grants to Randolph teachers. She commented affirmatively on the need for donations to the district should be disclosed to the board for proper acceptance.

The first above mentioned Randolph resident disapproved of changing the current committee structure and calendar as the present system gave the public the best opportunity to have input into the district operations.

Old Business

Ms. MacKay asked Mr. Zlock what the process should be for the public having access to the district website for publicizing their events. Mr. Zlock explained that the process outlined on the rtnj website was the most effective means for obtaining website access for informational posting purposes.

Ms. MacKay asked that the Board be updated on data and benchmark information that would help make the classroom better.

New Business

Personnel Motions 1 – 2

Education Motions 1

PERSONNEL and ADMINISTRATION MOTION 1 – 2

April 1, 2014

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on behalf of the Personnel Committee, Board member Christine Aulenbach made a motion seconded by Ms. Anne Standridge and carried by roll call vote to approve Personnel Motion 1 and 2 with an exception:

Board member David Rosenblatt was absent.

1. TEACHERS/PROFESSIONAL STAFF

A. New Hires

1. Approve the appointment of Andria Barosi-Stampone as a .5 Paraprofessional at Ironia School for the 2013-2014 school year at the annual salary of \$10,680 (pro-rated) (Step 4), effective April 2, 2014.

2. JOB DESCRIPTION

1. Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby approves the job description for the position of Security Guard as amended, effective immediately.

On behalf of Education Committee, board member Anne Standridge made a motion seconded by Mr. Sheldon Epstein and carried by a roll call vote to approve Education Motion 1 with an exception:

Board member David Rosenblatt was absent.

EDUCATION MOTION 1

APRIL 1, 2014

1. Field Trip

a. **MOTION** to approve a field trip for approximately five students and two chaperones from the Autism Speaks Club to visit Millburn and/or New Providence, New Jersey April 7, 2014 to film a segment for HomeTowne TV (HTTV). HTTV is featuring four segments on autism for the month of April, which is Autism Awareness Month.

Adjournment

Board Vice President Al Matos made a motion seconded board member Colleen Pascale and carried by roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 09:35 p.m.

The board adjourned the meeting at 09:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael S. Neves
Business Administrator /
Board Secretary