

The Randolph Township Board of Education held a Work Session meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 7:15 p.m. in the Randolph High School Library, Millbrook Avenue, Randolph, New Jersey.

Board President, Gregory Mark, 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.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Ethan Blynn, Ms. Christine Carey, Ms. Barbara Levinson, Ms. Tammy MacKay, Ms. Maria Martorana, Mr. Al Matos, Ms. Amy Sachs, Ms. Jeanne Stifelman and Mr. Gregory Mark.

The following administrators were present: Mr. Owen Snyder, Superintendent, Dr. Thomas Kane, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Ann Marie McGoldrick, Personnel Administrator, Dr. Theresa Schiftenhaus, Director of Special Services, Mr. Michael Neves, Business Administrator / Board Secretary.

### **Closed Session – 7:15 p.m.**

Board member Ms. Amy Sachs made a motion seconded by Ms. Maria Martorana and carried unanimously by roll call vote to adopt the following resolution:

**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 reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Review of Board Minutes**

Closed Session Minutes, 08-11-09, 08-18-09

Board Work Session, 08-11-09

Board Business Session, 08-18-09

### **Public Discussion**

A Randolph resident was appalled that students had to spend \$45 for the powder-puff football jerseys.

Another resident was upset and concerned that Ironia would be losing its present vice principal to another district school and the impact it would have on the Ironia elementary school along with insufficient communication concerning the change.

The first Randolph resident further commented that the public should be better informed when staff and positions are changed or relocated within the district.

### **Correspondence**

#### Cell Tower Update

Board member Ms. Barbara Levinson inquired as to procedure should the board wish to take action concerning this topic.

#### Payments - Practices

#### Pay-for-Play

#### President Obama's Speech

Board member Ms. Maria Martorana asked the superintendent to clarify whether the speech was available for broadcast to students and what the parameters were for allowing viewing.

### **President's Report**

Announced that the Alive at 25 presentation by the state and the township traffic committee would occur in October.

### **Superintendent's Report**

The superintendent announced his plans for future presentations to the board to highlight the accomplishments and achievements of students.

### **Committee Reports**

- Education
- Policy
- Communications

### **Old Business**

Board member Tammy MacKay opened discussion of the 2010 and 2011 calendar for setting aside two days for Rash Hashanah. Jeanne Stifelman requested if the calendar was going to be reopened, it should also review the relationship in the calendar between Passover, vacation week and school elections. Overall the board was not interested in pursuing the latter.

Mr. Mark discussed presenting language to the board concerning implementation of Board Goals which will be presented to the board for future action.

**New Business**

Board member Ms. Barbara Levinson made a motion seconded by Ms. Maria Martorana and carried unanimously by roll call vote to approve Education Motions 1.

**Education Motions – September 8, 2009**

1. **MOTION** to approve the following professional development opportunities:

**DISTRICT FUNDING**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Name of Workshop</b>	<b>Date of Workshop</b>	<b>Workshop TOTAL Cost</b>
Deignan	Peter	Facilities	Waste Water Operators Mandatory Workshop	9/10/09, 9/15/09, 9/18/09	\$815.00

Ms. Barbara Levinson asked that the board resolve to request the township that cell towers should be located as distant from the schools as is practical. In lieu of a motion, the board asked that the FFT committee at its next meeting where the township will be present, the committee present this sentiment of the board.

The superintendent informed the board he received a formal request from the Township to access the Randolph Middle School for vaccinations of the H1N1 flu virus. There was no objection for the superintendent to move forward on this administratively.

**Public Discussion**

A district staff member inquired if district employees would receive the vaccination gratis? She further inquired if the regular flu shots would be available to staff as in the past.

The REA President; speaking as a middle school teacher – informed the board on her personnel experience in accessing the President’s speech.

## **Adjournment**

Board member Mr. Ethan Blynn made a motion seconded by Mr. Al Matos and carried unanimously by roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

The board adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael S. Neves  
Board Secretary