

The Randolph Township Board of Education held a Work Session meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 2009 at 6:30 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.

Roll Call

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

Board members Ms. Christine Carey and Ms. Tammy MacKay were absent.

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

Closed Session – 6:30 p.m.

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, 11-10-09, 11-17-09

Board Work Session, 11-10-09

Board Business Session, 11-17-09

Public Discussion

A Randolph resident praised the custodial workforce for cleaning up after the storm

on 12/6/09 at the high school.

Superintendent's Report

Special Education Presentation - Mr. Snyder introduced Dr. Schiffenhaus who made a presentation to the board addressing board goal # 4 and the use of funds received by the district through the state's ARRA grant. She explained the use of these funds and the required accountability of the grant.

Committee Reports

Education

Policy

Student Council Representative Report

Miss Erika Borgo updated on recent activities.

Old Business

Ms. Barbara Levinson questioned the yearly board evaluation process and the next steps required for board action.

New Business

Ms. Stifelman commented on the pending budget process in conjunction with the pending financial implications for the district.

Public Discussion

A Randolph resident was looking for more detail as to the status of ARRA money that has already been spent. She wanted to know what has been purchased and where is it. She further requested information concerning the elimination of the "C" level courses. Specifically, where do the "C" level students go and what colleges do they go to.

Another Randolph resident commented on her attendance at the last Education Committee meeting. She also inquired as to how the improvements made from using the ARRA will be measured.

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 10:00 p.m.

Board members Ms. Christine Carey and Ms. Tammy MacKay were absent.

The board adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael S. Neves
Board Secretary