

FARMINGDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2012 @7:30pm

- I **Meeting Called to Order**
- II Announcement of Open Public Meetings Law (NJSA 10:4-6) was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this law, Public Notice of this meeting was provided to the Asbury Park Press on May 5, 2011.
- III **Roll Call** - Mr. Dyevoich-present, Mr. Shaffer-present, Mr. Byrtus-present, Mrs. Wright-absent, Mrs. Rhein- present. Also present: Mrs. Crowl - Superintendent, Mrs. Minutolo - SBA/BS, Mrs. Ruetiman, Ms. Vitale, Ms. Batesko, Mr. Ruetiman, Ms. Moriarity, Ms. Maltese, Mrs. Renehan, Mrs. Dangle, Mrs. Hyer, Mrs. Baghsarian.
- IV **Pledge of Allegiance**
- V **Committee Reports:**
 1. **Superintendent -**
 - Superintendent report - see attached - Mrs. Crowl reviewed her report.
 - Mrs. Crowl reviewed her planning list with the Board (see attached).
 2. **Buildings and Grounds** - review of January 23, 2012 @ 9:00am
 - On-going identification of classrooms where the heat is not working properly.

 - Mr. Shaffer reviewed the attached playground minutes. Mr. Shaffer will keep everyone updated.
 3. **Policy and Curriculum -**
 - The January 25, 2012 meeting was cancelled
 4. **Personnel**
 - Negotiations timeframe - Feb.
 5. **Technology and Communications**
 - 2nd question meeting - Mr. Dyevoich reviewed the possible second question for the purchase of technology inclusive of network upgrading, new equipment/servers, printers laptops, etc.

Mrs. Crowl welcomed the audience. The teacher's were provided an open forum to discuss what they would like to see for the future of Farmingdale. In particular the items discussed were school wide e-mail, laptops, on-course, upgraded lab in the media center, technology person, more ELMO systems, etc. Other items added were storage facilities, portable speakers and A/C for the gym and books verses nooks.

Mr. Dyevoich thanked everyone for coming out and sharing their insight with the Board.

6. Finance

- first download of the State budget
- Mrs. Crowl, Ms. Vuyovich and Mrs. Minutolo are reviewing student software to replace IBS (IBS - no quote for next fiscal year). Also, the software has to be in compliance with NJ SMART.

7. New Business

- The Board agreed to change the February 22nd meeting to February 29, 2012
- Bill signed by Governor re: November election
- Election - two seats open: Mr. Byrtus and Mr. Shaffer for three year terms - board applications are in the business office
- Disclosure forms are enclosed - please fill out the form and return to the SBA/BS - possible change in election dates changed to November election
- Mid year review by the State of NJ - Monmouth County Office was completed on January 24, 2012 with Mrs. Crowl and Mrs. Minutolo.
- State Monitoring - QSAC is February 14, 2012

8. Old Business

VI Minute Approval:

Resolved, that the Board of Education accept the minutes from the January 11, 2012 meeting.

Roll Call: **Mr. Dyevoich**-abstain **Mr. Shaffer**-Y **Mrs. Rhein**-Y
 Mr. Byrtus-Y **Mrs. Wright**-absent

VII Correspondence:

VIII Audience Participation:

During the course of the Board meeting the Farmingdale School District Board of Education offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of the Farmingdale School District. The Board reminds those individuals who take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and address and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operation of the School district. **Questions raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board.** All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. **Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board.** Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded to them by the laws of New Jersey. There will be a thirty-minute limit for public participation.

Motion to open the meeting to the public: Mrs. Rhein

Second: Mr. Byrtus @ 8:37pm

Roll Call: Mrs. Wright-absent Mr. Dyevoich-Y Mr. Shaffer-Y
Mr. Byrtus-Y Mrs. Rhein -Y

-If elections are changed to November, the petitions for board members will be due in June (1st week), 2012.

Motion to close the meeting to the public: Mr. Shaffer

Second: Mr. Byrtus @ 8:38pm

Roll Call: Mrs. Wright -absent Mr. Dyevoich-Y Mr. Shaffer-Y
Mr. Byrtus-Y Mrs. Rhein-Y

IX. Board Action:

Motion by: Mr. Byrtus Seconded by: Mrs. Rhein
RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept resolution
1-25-12-1 - 1-25-12-9

Roll Call: Mr. Byrtus -Y Mr. Dyevoich-Y Mr. Shaffer-Y
Mrs. Wright-absent Mrs. Rhein-Y

1-25-12-1 **RESOLVED**, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent requests a waiver from the County Executive Superintendent regarding the Special Education Medicaid Initiative

(SEMI) for the 2012-13 school year. The waiver is based on the district having nine eligible students and the effort to participate in the program will not provide a cost benefit to the district (see attached).

- 1-25-12-2 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following class trip:
Camp Bernie (6th grade) - 2/1/12 - 2/3/12
Staff: Mrs. Hyer, Mrs. Quigley, Mr. Lavin, Mrs. Ruetiman,
Mrs. Barrall \$1,475.00
Bus: \$ 824.00

\$2,299.00
- 1-25-12-3 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the bills list for January 2012 in the amount of \$214,848.07 see attached.
- 1-25-12-4 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent accepts the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies' Reports for November 2011 - see attached.
- 1-25-12-5 **RESOLVED**, that pursuant to NJAC 6:30-13C district administration certify as of November, 2011 after review of the Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund had been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 1-25-12-6 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following substitute for the 2011-2012 school year: Rachel Miller, 738 Tanager Way, Brick, NJ 08724.
- 1-25-12-7 **Resolution to Eliminate the Vote on the Annual Budget and to Move the Election Of School Board Members to the General Election in November**

Whereas Public Law 2011, Chapter 202, Laws of 2012 provides that a local school district may adopt a resolution to eliminate the vote on its annual school budget that is within the statutory cap imposed by the State of New Jersey, and Whereas the above legislation provides that the above action would require districts to hold their annual election for school board members in November during the regular general election, and

Whereas, the Farmingdale Board of Education has determined that the statutory restrictions on the local levy tax increase for annual school appropriations is appropriate and sufficient to control and maintain a thorough and efficient education for the children of Farmingdale, and

Whereas, the Farmingdale Board of Education, consistent with the budgetary restrictions expressed above, believes that dispensing with annual school budget votes will save taxpayer dollars, and

Whereas, the Farmingdale Board of Education believes that school board member elections in November will attract a far greater number of voters than typically vote in April elections, and

Whereas, the Farmingdale Board of education believes that the elimination of the vote on the school budget and the movement of the board member election to November is in the best interest of the Farmingdale community, and Whereas, the Farmingdale Board of Education understands that this decision shall remain in effect for a minimum of four years,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Farmingdale Board of Education does hereby determine that it will eliminate the vote on its annual school budget which shall be within the statutory cap and become effective for the 2012-13 budget, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Farmingdale Board of Education does hereby determine that the election of school board members will occur at the annual general election in November, 2012.

- 1-25-12-8 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the attached budget transfers and the submission of the Executive County Superintendent for approval.
- 1-25-12-9 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves TSA Consulting Group (formerly GALIC) for modification of the existing contract 403 (b)/457(b) plan administration services formerly provided by Great American Plan Administrators (GALIC) at a cost of \$50.00 per month.

X Motion by: Mr. Shaffer **Seconded by:** Mrs. Rhein

Motion for Closed Session at 8:43pm: Whereas, the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning: **CSA, Negotiations, Personnel-ERI** and, Whereas, the aforesaid subject is not an appropriate subject to be discussed in a public meeting; and, Whereas, the aforesaid subject to be discussed is within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in private session pursuant to P.L.1975, Chapter 231, it is therefore, RESOLVED, that the aforesaid subject shall be discussed in private recess by this Board and administrative staff, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist. There may be action taken at the close of this session.

Motion to adjourn Closed Session at 9:15pm.
Motion: Mr. Byrtus Seconded: Mrs. Rhein

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Wright -absent Mr. Byrtus-Y
 Mr. Dyevoich -Y Mr. Shaffer -Y
 Mrs. Rhein -Y

XI Motion for Adjournment: Mr. Byrtus **Second:** Mrs. Rhein
Time:9:15pm
Roll Call: Mrs. Wright-absent Mr. Byrtus - Y
 Mr. Dyevoich -Y Mr. Shaffer -Y
 Mrs. Rhein-Y