

FARMINGDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 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 April 27, 2012.

Mr. Byrtus opened the meeting at 7:30pm.

- III **Roll Call** - Mr. Dyevoich-arrived 7:40pm, Mr. Shaffer-present, Mr. Byrtus-present, Mrs. Wright-present, Mrs. Rhein-present, Also present: Mrs. Crowl-Superintendent, Mrs. Minutolo-SBA/BS, Mr./Mrs. John Rogers.

IV Pledge of Allegiance

V Committee Reports:

1. Superintendent -

-Superintendent report – Mrs. Crowl reviewed her report (see attached).

2. Buildings and Grounds -

-All summer projects are complete.

3. Policy and Curriculum

4. Personnel

5. Technology and Communications

-Phase I of Technology project – near completion

-Phase II of Technology project – Mr. Byrtus had attended a school Board's meeting which discussed technology. It was agreed that integration into the curriculum and teacher driven information is key to the success of purchasing new technology. Discussions on State testing and an application driven environment will be ongoing inclusive of teachers input. A deadline of November 14, 2012 for the Technology Committee/Board and Teachers to establish the benchmark for technology. Discussions on Policy and developing a school-wide virtual platform that will automatically generate a twitter and facebook feed was discussed.

6. Finance

-Auditors on campus September 17&18. Continuation of audit prep is ongoing.

7. New Business

-Basketball for Grades 5th-8th - Monroe Sports League (see attached) – Mrs. Crowl introduced Mr. & Mrs. John Rogers. Mr. Rogers is the Head Coach for the Boys Basketball Traveling League. Mr. Rogers spoke about the basketball program and the positive outcomes for the students who participate in the program. Mr. Rogers would like to offer boys basketball to the students of Farmingdale.

-Mr. Shaffer discussed the following: PTA community clean-up, town yard sale (October 27th) and establishing an alumni wall for past classes and staff.

8. Old Business

-School Crossing Guards – Mr. Dyevoich stated there is no update but all crossing guards are at each stop.

-Annual NJSBA/NJASA/NJASBO workshop October 23-25, 2012 at the Atlantic City Convention Center. Please let the SBA/BS know if you would like to be registered.

-October Festival – Mr. Shaffer stated the next three Wednesday's have meetings regarding the details of the festival.

-Follow-up documentation from Kathy Winecoff - NJSBA - goal setting, Professional Development Plan, Board Self Evaluation (see attached)

VII Minute Approval:

Moved by: Mr. Byrtus Seconded by : Mr. Shaffer

Resolved, that the Board of Education accept the minutes from the August 22, 2012 meeting.

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

VIII Correspondence:

-Letter dated August 20, 2012 from Andrea Scott to Mrs. Crowl re: Maternity Leave (see attached letter).
-Letter of Termination dated August 30, 2012 from Message Equivalence to Mrs. Crowl (see attached letter).

IX 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.

NONE

X. Board Action:

Motion by: Mr. Byrtus Seconded by: Mrs. Rhein

RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept resolution
9-12-12-1 - 9-12-12-4

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

9-12-12-1 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent accepts the letter of termination from Message Equivalence LLC (sign language services) effective September 30, 2012.

9-12-12-2 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the maternity leave for Andrea Scott starting November 19, 2012 (with an anticipated return date of April 2, 2013).

9-12-12-3 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the cost of \$1,178.00 for the implementation of a Monroe/Farmingdale Vikings Boys Basketball League (practices at school gym) with the Head Coach as Mr. John Rogers for the 2012-2013 school year.

9-12-12-4 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts with deep regret the resignation of Mr. George Dyevoich, Board President/member effective September 13, 2012.

Mr. Dyevoich discussed his years of service and his personal experiences as his children went through Farmingdale School. As a Board member his main concerns were to establish the best education possible for the students of Farmingdale as well as maintaining a positive/safe environment for students, staff, board, parents and community members. Mr. Dyevoich stated that it has been an honor and a pleasure to work with such a committed Board, Administration, Faculty and Staff.

The Board and Administration thanked him for his years of service as a board member (9 years). Mr. Dyevoich has contributed to the benefit of the students, board, personnel and community over the years and wish him the best of luck as a Councilman for the Borough of Farmingdale.

9-12-12-5 **Nomination of President:**

Mr. Beau Byrtus, nominated by Mrs. Wright and seconded by Mr. Shaffer, for the office of Board Vice President.

“Do you Mr. Byrtus consent to having your name placed in nomination for the office of Board President?”

With no other nominations, the SBA/BS will request that the nominations be closed.

Moved by: Mrs. Wright Seconded by: Mrs. Rhein

RESOLVED, that Mr. Byrtus having been properly nominated, be elected as President of the Farmingdale School District Board of Education.

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

*Until Reorganization meeting in January/2013.

It was stated that a notice of vacancy will be advertised for a seat on the Farmingdale Board of Education and to please send a letter of interest to the SBA/BS.

XI Motion for Closed Session at ___pm: Whereas, the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning: **None** 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.

NONE

XII Motion for Adjournment: Mrs. Wright **Second:** Mr. Shaffer
Time: 8:50pm
Roll Call: Mrs. Wright - Y Mr. Byrtus - Y
Mr. Dyevoich -Y Mr. Shaffer -Y
Mrs. Rhein - Y