

Minutes

May 12, 2010

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Dyevoich at 7:30 p.m.

Announcement of Open Public Meetings Law (NJASA 10 et. seq.) 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 the Asbury Park Press on April 20, 2010.

Those present: Mr. Dyevoich, Mrs. Brandl, Mr. Byrtus, Mr. Shaffer, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Crowl and Mrs. Daley

Motion by: Mr. Shaffer

Seconded by: Mrs. Brandl

Motion for Closed Session: Whereas, the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning: Personnel 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. 7:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Brandl Y

Mr. Byrtus Y

Mr. Dyevoich Y

Mr. Shaffer Y

Mrs. Wright Y

On a motion by Mr. Byrtus, seconded by Mrs. Brandl the regular meeting resumed.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Superintendent-attached-Mrs. Crowl read a proclamation from Mayor and Council for the staff of Farmingdale School**
- 2. Buildings and Grounds-no meeting**
- 3. Policy and Curriculum-no meeting**
- 4. Personnel-no meeting**
- 5. Technology and Communications-no meeting**

Mrs. Brandl discussed the committees and said that she does not have much experience with technology. Mr. Dyevoich said that Mrs. Brandl would be good at communication and he is going to keep the committees as they had been appointed.

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. **Issues 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. Brandl

Second: Mr. Shaffer

**Roll Call: Mrs. Brandl Y Mr. Dyevoich Y Mr. Shaffer Y
Mr. Byrtus Y Mrs. Wright Y**

Mrs. Sharp said that there is still bullying going on in the 5th grade especially with dodge ball. Mrs. Brandl said that she thought dodge ball was being eliminated in a lot of schools. Mrs. Crowl said she will check into how teams are formed and exactly how it is played.

Mrs. Sharp asked who the 1st grade teacher would be. Mrs. Crowl said after the Board votes on contracts she would release the name.

Mrs. Hyer said that June 2nd is the 8th grade theater trip and the class did raise enough money for the trip. Mrs. Hyer said that this year is the first year that all algebra students have to take a state end of the year test and the test will be given on May 24th.

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

Second: Mrs. Brandl

**Roll Call: Mrs. Brandl Y Mr. Dyevoich Y Mr. Shaffer Y
Mr. Byrtus Y Mrs. Wright Y**

Board Action:

5-12-10-1 Motion: Mrs. Brandl Second: Mr. Byrtus
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education pursuant to P.L. 2007, chapter 53, hold a Public Hearing on the Superintendent and Business Administrator contract for the 2010-2011 school year on June 9, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the school library.
**Roll Call: Mrs. Brandl Y Mr. Dyevoich Y
Mr. Shaffer Y
Mr. Byrtus Y Mrs. Wright Y**

5-12-10-2 Motion: Mr. Shaffer Second: Mrs. Brandl
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the attached (attachment A) staff contracts for the 2010-2011 school year.
Roll Call: Mrs. Brandl Y Mr. Dyevoich Y
Mr. Shaffer Y Mr. Byrtus Y
Mrs. Wright Abstain because of financial reasons

Mrs. Wright said that she was worried about giving tenure to all five teachers because of financial reasons and budgeting into the next year. Mrs. Crowl said that she is recommending the list of teachers, since they are all excellent teachers. Mrs. Brandl said, "Why let go of a good teacher and then rehire one?". Mr. Dyevoich said that the school's reputation is at stake also, Farmingdale would be known as a school that never gives tenure and no one would want to work here. Mr. Byrtus said that teachers that stay develop a relationship with students which is very important. Mrs. Wright said that she agrees with all comments but she still worried about the school's financial situation.

Mrs. Crowl said that Mrs. Motzenbecker would be the new 1st grade teacher and Ms. Zummo would be the new Kindergarten teacher.

Mrs. Sharp asked why there are two teachers in a class. Mrs. Crowl said that because of IEP's have to be implemented. Some IEP's call for in-class support or supported instruction.

Mrs. Brandl said that she would still like to discuss dodge ball. Mrs. Crowl said that she would check on curriculum first.

Mr. Shaffer said that he respects differences of opinion and that the Board would not agree on everything all of the time. Mr. Shaffer told Mrs. Wright not to feel pressured by the differences. Mrs. Wright said, "Thank you".

The Board agreed to donate \$25 each for a luncheon for the teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week.

Motion for Adjournment: Mrs. Wright
Second: Mr. Byrtus
Time: 8:55 p.m.
Roll Call: Mr. Byrtus Y Mrs. Brandl Y
Mrs. Wright Y
Mr. Dyevoich Y Mr. Shaffer Y

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Daley
Board Secretary

