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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
 MINUTES
 SPECIAL MEETING
 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019**

Mrs. Van Dyk, Board President, called to order the Special Meeting of the Board of Education at 6:09 p.m. in the Administration Building Lower Conference Room. Mrs. Van Dyk asked for a moment of silence, led the flag salute, read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement, and reminded everyone in attendance to silence or turn off their cell phones and note the location of the emergency exits.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, a public notice of this meeting has been sent to Board Members, all district Schools, the Herald News, the Trends, the Record, the Messenger, West Milford Town Hall, the County Superintendent's Office, the Board Attorney, and Cablevision of Warwick; and posted in the Administration Building. Copies of the Board Meeting Calendar Resolution were provided to all local media, Town Hall, Township Library, and all district schools.

MS. BARBARA FRANCISCO, BOARD SECRETARY, CALLED THE ROLL:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Mrs. Romeo	Present	Mrs. Dwyer	Present	Mr. Ofshinsky	Present
Mr. Cytowicz	Absent/Arr. 6:15 p.m.	Mr. Guarino	Absent	Mrs. O'Brien	Present
Mr. Drew	Absent/Arr. 6:40 p.m.	Mrs. Fritz	Present	Mrs. Van Dyk	Present

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Dr. Alex Anemone	Superintendent of Schools	Present
Ms. Barbara Francisco	Board Secretary/Business Administrator	Present
Mr. Daniel Novak	Director of Education	Present
Dr. Elizabeth McQuaid	Director of Special Services	Present
Joanne Butler, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney	Present

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Minutes for the Special Meeting of April 10, 2019

VI. PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the meeting, which was facilitated by Kathy Helewa, Field Representative from the New Jersey School Boards Association, was for Goal Setting for the 2019-2020 school year.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT (PLEASE SIGN IN)

Members of the public who have requested to speak prior to the meeting will be first with five (5) minutes for each speaker, for a period of thirty (30) minutes; and then time permitting, other public comment limited to five (5) minutes per speaker will be allowed, until the thirty (30) minute period transpires. All speakers are asked to give their full name, spell their last name, and provide their address. Speakers may not use the names of students during Public Comment.

Motion by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Ofshinsky, to close Public Comment.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

VIII. MOTION BY MRS. O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY MRS. DWYER, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA, AS PRESENTED.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

IX. GOAL SETTING - 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Kathy Helewa reviewed the 2018-19 goals and asked Dr. Anemone to provide an update. Board members discussed the current goals and the progress toward their completion. They specifically questioned Dr. Anemone, Mr. Novak, and Dr. McQuaid on differentiation.

The Board members then discussed ideas and collaborated with the administrators to develop the following:

Board Goals for the 2019-2020 school year:

- Complete Board Self-Evaluation by July 10, 2019.
- Schedule regular presentations at Board of Education meetings that showcase student achievement.
- Increase professional development for Board members, and explore Board Certification.
- Increase partnerships and engage in advocacy at the State level to restore District funding.

District Goals for the 2019-2020 school year:

- Increase academic performance, challenge, and rigor for all learners through targeted intervention, carefully selected learning goals and course placements, enhanced collaborative teaching dynamics, and a differentiated classroom experience.

IX. GOAL SETTING - 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR - Continued

District Goals for the 2019-2020 school year (cont'd):

- Increase student mathematics achievement at every level through enhanced teacher pedagogy, thoughtful implementation of 21st-century learning tools, specific data analysis, and a careful program review and replacement strategy.
- Continue to improve and increase student writing across the curriculum through elevated expectations, teacher and administrative training, and student supports.
- Explore all opportunities for District-wide cost efficiencies in order to maximize funding for District programs.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

The Board determined no need to go into Executive Session.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Cytowicz, seconded by Mrs. Dwyer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

**Barbara Francisco
Board Secretary**