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**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 MINUTES  
 SPECIAL MEETING  
 TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2014**

Mrs. Inga Koeppe, Board President, called to order the Special Meeting of the Board of Education of July 8, 2014, at 7:35 p.m. The meeting was held in the Administration Building Lower Conference Room. She led the flag salute, read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement and asked for a moment of silence. Mrs. Koeppe reminded everyone in attendance to silence or turn off their cell phones and note the locations of the emergency exits. The Board reserved the right to act on any and all agenda items.

**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, Aim West Milford, the Messenger, West Milford Town Hall, the County Superintendent's Office, the Board Attorney, and Cablevision of Warwick; and posted in the Administration Building with a copy in the district's monitoring files. 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
Mr. Babbitt	Present	Mr. Gottlieb	Present	Mrs. Koeppe	Present
Mr. Bailey	Present	Mrs. O'Brien	Present		
Mr. Conlon	Present	Mrs. Schultz	Present		

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Dr. James V. McLaughlin	Superintendent of Schools	Present
Ms. Barbara Francisco	Board Secretary/Business Administrator	Present
Ms. Iris Wechling	Director of Education	Absent
Dr. Stuart Barudin	Interim Director of Special Services	Absent
Joseph Roselle, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney	Present

There were no members of the public in attendance.

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VI. MOTION BY MR. CONLON, SECONDED BY MRS. SCHULTZ, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA, AS PRESENTED.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

VII. PETITIONS & REQUESTS

Petitioners who have requested to speak prior to the meeting will be first with five (5) minutes for each petitioner, for a period of thirty (30) minutes; and then time permitting, other petitions and requests limited to five (5) minutes per petitioner will be allowed, until the thirty (30) minute period transpires. Petitioners speaking during Petitions & Requests are asked to address topics listed in the agenda. 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 Petitions and Requests.

Motion by Mr. Conlon, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to close Petitions and Requests.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. James V. McLaughlin

Dr. McLaughlin reported that, to date, there are two (2) HIB's for the Board's consideration at the July 22, 2014, meeting.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:41 p.m., Mr. Conlon made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Schultz, to go into Executive Session for approximately 10 minutes, to deliberate on candidates to fill vacancies on the Board.

The executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

At 7:56 p.m., the board returned to the public meeting.

Mr. Bailey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conlon, to appoint Valerie McGuinness and James Devor to fill the unexpired terms vacated by David Richards and Donna Richards.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Babbitt	Yes	Mr. Gottlieb	Yes		
Mr. Bailey	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes		
Mr. Conlon	Yes	Mrs. Schultz	Yes*	Mrs. Koeppe	Yes

Mrs. Schultz voted no for Mr. Devor.  
The MOTION PASSED.

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At 8:00 p.m., Mr. Bailey left the meeting.

Mr. Roselle performed the swearing in of Valerie McGuinness and James Devor.

Mrs. Koepp informed the Board that new committees will be formed prior to the July 15 Committee Meeting.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Conlon, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

**VOICE VOTE:                      All in Favor.                      MOTION PASSED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Francisco  
Board Secretary/Business Administrator