

The Randolph Township Board of Education held a Work Session meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 7:15 p.m. in the Randolph High School Library, Millbrook Avenue, Randolph, New Jersey.

Board President, Gregory Mark, called the meeting to order and read the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Randolph Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in The Daily Record. It is also posted in all district schools as well as the Randolph Township Municipal Building.

### **Roll Call**

The following board members were present: Mr. Ethan Blynn, Ms. Christine Carey, Ms. Tammy MacKay, Ms. Maria Martorana, Mr. Al Matos, Ms. Jeanne Stifelman and Mr. Gregory Mark.

Board members Ms. Amy Sachs arrived at 7:45 p.m. and Ms. Barbara Levinson arrived at 8:00 p.m.

The following administrators were present: Mr. Owen Snyder, Superintendent, Dr. David Browne, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Theresa Schiffenhaus, Director of Special Services, Ms. Ann Marie McGoldrick, Personnel Administrator, Mr. Michael Neves, Business Administrator / Board Secretary.

### **Closed Session – 7:15 p.m.**

Board member Ms. Tammy MacKay made a motion seconded by Ms. Maria Martorana and carried unanimously by roll call vote to adopt the following with an exception:

Board members Ms. Amy Sachs arrived at 7:45 p.m. and Ms. Barbara Levinson arrived at 8:00 p.m.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13 that the Board of Education of the Township of Randolph will hold a closed session regarding Personnel, Litigation and Negotiations. It is not yet possible to determine when the matters discussed in Closed Session will be made public.

The board reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Review of Board Minutes**

Closed Session Minutes, 12-08-09, 12-15-09

Board Work Session, 12-08-09

Board Business Session, 12-15-09

### **President's Report**

Mr. Mark commented on discussions with the Superintendent and the Board Vice President concerning the forthcoming budget presentations. Ms. Sachs inquired if the elementary schools should be presented too as one unit vs. individually. Additional discussion will occur at the upcoming PTA Council meeting later this week.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Snyder introduced Dr. David Browne as the newly seated Assistant Superintendent.

### **Committee Reports**

Finance, Facilities and Transportation

Education

Policy

Communications

### **Liaison Reports**

Mr. Matos updated the board on a recent meeting of the Randolph Athletic Council (R.A.C.)

Mr. Mark updated the board on a recent Randolph Township Liaison meeting.

### **Student Council Representative Report**

Miss Erica Borgo, student council representative updated the board on student council activities and fund raising efforts.

### **New Business**

Board member Ms. Barbara Levinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Al Matos and carried unanimously by roll call vote to approve **Education Motion 1**;

## **Education Motions – January 12, 2010**

1. **MOTION** to authorize the submission of the Memorandum of Understanding and Preliminary Scope of Work documents as the application for federal money available to local districts as part of the Department of Education Race to the Top grant.

Mr. Mark and Mr. Snyder executed the memorandum of agreement for the Race to the Top grant submission. Mr. Mark invited Elizabeth Bauer, REA co-president, to sign the agreement as well, but, she declined sighting concerns with the content of the application.

Ms. MacKay questioned if it was necessary for the student council representative to show up for both monthly board meetings. The student representative attendance is not mandatory and is flexible dependent upon the representative's personal schedule. Mr. Mark will contact the representative to make sure she understands the requirements of the position.

### **Public Discussion**

Randolph resident requested additional information concerning the publication of the election schedule is published on the school web site.

Member of the Randolph Township Municipal Alliance committee was looking forward to a cooperative effort in making the drug and alcohol policy work.

Another Randolph resident commented on the drug and alcohol policy up for review.

One additional Randolph resident expressed her appreciation for past practices of the board presenting to the individual PTA's. She further inquired as to the ramification for the REA's refusal to sign the memorandum of agreement for submission for the Race to the Top grant.

### **Adjournment**

Board member Mr. Ethan Blynn made a motion seconded by Ms. Tammy MacKay and carried unanimously by roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

The board adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael S. Neves  
Board Secretary