

TRENTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
108 North Clinton Avenue
Trenton, New Jersey 08609
BOARD RETREAT
Saturday – February 4, 2012 – 8:30 A.M.
MINUTES

Completed February 9, 2012
Convened at 8:43 A.M.

Call to Order

Sasa Montaña, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 8:43 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Sasa Montaña, Vice President, led the salute to the flag.

Roll Call

Present:

Denise Millington
Sasa Olessi Montaña
Marisol Ovalles
Jason Redd
Jane Rosenbaum – arrived 8:46 a.m.
Donald O. Shelton
Nicola Tatum – arrived 9:20 a.m.
Mary Taylor-Hayes
Toby Sanders – arrived 8:50 a.m.

Interim Superintendent of Schools – Raymond Broach - Present

Business Administrator/Board Secretary – Jayne Howard - Present

New Jersey Sunshine Law - Read by Board Vice President Montaña

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right to the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted on.

On the rules of this act, the Trenton Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting by publicizing the date, time and place, therefore posted in the Central Services Building, 108 North Clinton Avenue, City Clerk's Office, City Hall and the Times. Anyone whose name is on the mailing list should receive a notice.

Formal action will take place at this meeting.

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Adoption Of Agenda

Motion was made by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Ms. Taylor-Hayes to adopt the agenda. Agenda was adopted by all Board Members present.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Denise Millington	X		
Sasa Olessi Montaña	X		
Marisol Ovalles	X		
Jason Redd	X		
Jane Rosenbaum	not present for vote		
Donald O. Shelton	X		
Nicola Tatum	not present for vote		
Mary Taylor-Hayes	X		
Toby Sanders	X		

At this time, a motion was made by Mr. Redd and seconded by Ms. Millington, revising the agenda, moving the Budget presentation before the Reorganization presentation. The motion was unanimously approved by all Board Members present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ms. Coreen Grooms, parent, felt that the Budget discussion should be held in public.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made and properly seconded to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session. All were in favor 0 opposed 0 abstentions.

Rev. Sanders read the Executive Session Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning personnel matters, negotiations, and legal matters;

WHEREAS, The aforesaid subjects are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in public meeting; and,

WHEREAS, The aforesaid subjects to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in closed executive session pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, it is therefore

RESOLVED, That the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in closed executive session by this Board and administrative staff at the conclusion of the public segment of this meeting, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

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ADJOURN 9:00 a.m.

REOPEN PUBLIC MEETING

Open Public Meeting reconvened at 11:02 a.m. The Board and Business Administrator had further preliminary discussion regarding the 2012-2013 Budget. Ms. Howard departed the meeting at approximately 12:30 p.m., at which time Board Attorney Carl Tanksley, Jr. recorded the minutes (See Attachment 1 for Board action taken).

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

Dr. Heather Jackson, Principal at Columbus School, presented on the proposed grade reconfiguration in the District. Due to the time constraints of the Retreat schedule, it was motioned by Mr. Redd and seconded by Dr. Rosenbaum to have Dr. Jackson re-present the reconfiguration plan at the February 13 Board Workshop with public participation. The motion was unanimously **approved** by the full Board.

Mr. Marvin Jackson, Sr. from Idea Connection Systems provided Board professional development in the Innovative Strengths Preference Indicator® (ISPI). The ISPI is a management tool used to determine individuals' unique approaches to innovation within a specific organization.

Mr. Robert Moses, a civil rights veteran, MacArthur Foundation Fellow and founder of The Algebra Project, addressed the Board on working together with the community, and the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education to the District's future curriculum plans.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Jayne S. Howard

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Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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BOARD RETREAT AGENDA
SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 4, 2012 - 8:30 A.M.

<u>Call to Order</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Late</u>
SM	8:43				
		Denise Millington	X		
		Sasa Montaña	X		
		Marisol Ovalles	X		
		Jason Redd	X		
		Jane Rosenbaum		X	
		Donald O. Shelton	X		
		Nicola Tatum		X	9:20
		Mary Taylor-Hayes	X		
		Toby Sanders		X	8:50

Actions

<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	
DS	MTH					
Adopt the agenda		Denise Millington	X			
		Sasa Montaña	X			
		Marisol Ovalles	X			
		Jason Redd	X			
		Jane Rosenbaum				
		Donald O. Shelton	X			
		Nicola Tatum				
		Mary Taylor-Hayes	X			
		Toby Sanders	X			
			Total	7	0	0
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	

<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
JRedd	DM				
Amend agenda to place budget presentation before re-organization presentation		Denise Millington	X		
		Sasa Montaña	X		
		Marisol Ovalles	X		
		Jason Redd	X		
		Jane Rosenbaum			
		Donald O. Shelton	X		
		Nicola Tatum			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes	X		
		Toby Sanders	X		
			Total	7	0
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
9:00 Adjourn to executive session - anticipate return to open session in 2 hours (11:00)		Denise Millington			
		Sasa Montaña			
		Marisol Ovalles			
		Jason Redd			
		Jane Rosenbaum			
		Donald O. Shelton			
		Nicola Tatum			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes			
		Toby Sanders			
			Total		
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
JRedd	NT				
11:02 - Reconvene open session		Denise Millington			
		Sasa Montaña			
		Marisol Ovalles			
		Jason Redd			
		Jane Rosenbaum			
		Donald O. Shelton			
		Nicola Tatum			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes			
		Toby Sanders			
			Total		
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
			X		

<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	
DM	SM					
Add executive session to the end of the agenda		Denise Millington	X			
		Sasa Montaña	X			
		Marisol Ovalles	X			
		Jason Redd		X		
		Jane Rosenbaum		X		
		Donald O. Shelton	X			
		Nicola Tatum		X		
		Mary Taylor-Hayes		X		
		Toby Sanders		X		
			Total	4	5	0
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	
<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	
Discussion absent motion - to complete preliminary budget discussion. JH & CT unavailable on 2/9. (JH & HJ had to leave)		Denise Millington				
		Sasa Montaña				
		Marisol Ovalles				
		Jason Redd				
		Jane Rosenbaum				
		Donald O. Shelton				
		Nicola Tatum				
		Mary Taylor-Hayes				
		Toby Sanders				
			Total			
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	
<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	
JRedd	JRose					
H Jackson to represent grade re-configuration plan w/ public participation on the plan during the 2/13 meeting		Denise Millington	X			
		Sasa Montaña	X			
		Marisol Ovalles	X			
		Jason Redd	X			
		Jane Rosenbaum	X			
		Donald O. Shelton	X			
		Nicola Tatum	X			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes	X			
		Toby Sanders	X			
				9	0	0
			Total			
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	

<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
DM	NT				
12:25 - 10 minute recess		Denise Millington			
		Sasa Montaña			
		Marisol Ovalles			
		Jason Redd			
		Jane Rosenbaum			
		Donald O. Shelton			
		Nicola Tatum			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes			
		Toby Sanders			
		Total			
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
		X	0	0	
<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
NT	DM				
12:40 - Reconvene		Denise Millington			
		Sasa Montaña			
		Marisol Ovalles			
		Jason Redd			
		Jane Rosenbaum			
		Donald O. Shelton			
		Nicola Tatum			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes			
		Toby Sanders			
		Total			
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
		X	0	0	
<u>Motion</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
SM					
3:42 Motion to adjourn		Denise Millington			
		Sasa Montaña			
		Marisol Ovalles			
		Jason Redd			
		Jane Rosenbaum			
		Donald O. Shelton			
		Nicola Tatum			
		Mary Taylor-Hayes			
		Toby Sanders			
		Total			
		<u>Voice Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nay's</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
		X	0	0	