MATAWAN-ABERDEEN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ABERDEEN, NEW JERSEY 07747

Special Meeting Summary Minutes – June 12, 2008

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MISSION STATEMENT

To provide every child with the highest quality of instruction, curricula, and services; to treat every child with respect and dignity; to give every child the opportunity to learn and mature, to acquire a thirst for knowledge, to experience the satisfaction of accomplishment, and to anticipate becoming a productive member of a democratic society.

VISION STATEMENT

Upon leaving the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District, all children will credit us with having given them what they need educationally to help them succeed in life in the pursuit of their own goals.

SPECIAL MEETING on June 12, 2008, Administration Building, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, New Jersey.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Ms. Demarest presiding called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Ms. Demarest read the following statement:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10: 4-6, also known as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press, at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting, on May 15, 2008. Notices were also posted in the Board Office and schools, the municipal buildings of the Borough of Matawan and the Township of Aberdeen, the Matawan Aberdeen Joint Free Public Library and sent to those on the Board's subscription list. Action may be taken on agenda items.

IV. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mr. Barbato, Ms. Demarest, Mr. Kenny, Mr. O'Connell (8:17)

Dr. Gambino, Ms. Rubino, Mr. Ruprecht (7:12), Ms. Zavorskas (8:08)

Absent:

Mr. Donaghue

Also Present:

Dr. O'Malley, Mr. Glastein, Ms. Irons

V. PURPOSE OF MEETING

Ms. Demarest read the following Statement of Purpose:

The purpose of this June 12, 2008, Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District is:

Goals and Objectives

VI. PRESENTATION - Diane Morris - New Jersey School Boards Association

Ms. Morris assisted the Board of Education on the goals and objectives for the 2008-2009 school year. There were six areas that the Board of Education focused on which included the following:

Expectation - 3-4 goals and the Superintendent expectations.

Pride and Accomplishments - hiring of the new Superintendent, good news ever day related to students, hired a new Business Administrator, work as a Committee of the Whole, restructured the administrative staff etc.

Goal Areas – create a professional learning community which fosters an enriched curriculum, commitment of stakeholders, to increase student learning of math etc.

Mergers and Acquisitions - data, assessment, academics and skills.

Goals – by the end of the 08-09 school year, 10% of the partial proficient students will achieve proficiency on the state assessments while maintaining our advanced proficient student percentages.

Commitment of Stakeholders – increase the number of parents and opportunities for parents to attend school functions. Increase collaboration between the teachers and administrators in evaluating programs and initiatives. Collect data on student involvement in extra-curricular activities to determine needs/modifications aimed at increasing involvement.

VII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Kenny, seconded by Dr. Gambino.

RECOMMEND: That the Special Meeting be adjourned. The Special Meeting was adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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NAYS

BESENT

ABSTAIN

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Donaghue

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Irons

Business Administrator/Board Secretary