

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: August 14, 2017

Type of Meeting: Special Meeting

Place of Meeting: Long Beach Middle School Auditorium

Members Present: President Stewart Mininsky
Vice President Perry Bodnar, Jr.
Board Member Dennis Ryan
Board Member Darlene E. Tangney
Board Member Maureen Vrona, Esq.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. David Weiss, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael I. DeVito, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Michele Natali, Exec. Director, HR
Ms. Carole Butler, District Clerk

I. Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Pledge/Opening Remarks

President Mininsky opened the meeting at 7:30 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Report of the Superintendent of Schools– Mr. Weiss

Report of the Superintendent

1. Personnel Matters: Certificated

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following personnel actions.

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(a) Recommend that the Board of Education approve amendment to the contract for Superintendent of Schools David Weiss dated August 14, 2017.

(b) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: David Weiss
Assign./Loc: Superintendent of Schools/Districtwide
Effective Date: September 20, 2017

President Mininsky called for a motion.

Motion by: Vice President Bodnar

Seconded by: Board Member Vrona

Approved: 5-0

- Mr. Weiss acknowledged and thanked all of those who sent appreciative correspondence, positive sentiments, and shared experiences. Schools should make a difference. He noted that he was proud of the work that was done together: building the foundation of lifelong learning, academic achievements, financial work, and construction, once again reiterating that the work was done collectively.

BOE Comments

III. Board of Education Comments

- President Mininsky recognized Mr. Weiss for his six (6) years of service, his commitment to the students and their families, and setting a high bar. He was happy that Mr. Weiss was staying for the opening of the school year giving the Board of Education time to plan for a replacement including input from everyone.
- Vice President Bodnar thanked Mr. Weiss for his service and wished him well.
- Board Member Vrona thanked Mr. Weiss for his dedication to the district and congratulated him on his new position, wishing him the best of luck.
- Board Member Tangney thanked Mr. Weiss for his dedication to the students and families moving the district in the right direction. As School Board President, she enjoyed working with him and noted that he will be missed.
- Board Member Ryan thanked Mr. Weiss and wished him well. Mr. Weiss saw the district through lots of turnover, Superstorm Sandy, tax caps. Although they did not always agree, he never questioned his beliefs and appreciated his never panicking under pressure.

Public Comments

IV. President Mininsky called for Questions and Comments from the Public
None.

Announcements

V. Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association- Karen Bloom, VP, apologized for the absence of President Harvey who had a personal emergency. Appreciated Mr. Weiss' leadership style; it was an honor and pleasure to work with him. She has confidence in the Board of Education's search for a new superintendent.
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – President Epstein thanked Mr. Weiss. Superstorm Sandy was horrific and Mr. Weiss' leadership for the administrators was incredible. Other times were great but it is important to recognize that above all. He did not think there was that much time to find a new leader.
3. LBSEA -Long Beach Schools Employees' Association – Group C - None
4. Parent/Teacher Association – Co-Presidents Jackie Miller and Sharon Powers thanked Mr. Weiss and wished him the best. All LBPTAs will do everything to help the transition to a new superintendent. Mrs. Miller was co-president of CCPTA when Mr. Weiss was hired.

- VI. President Mininsky called for a motion to adjourn at 7:43 PM.**
Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Tangney

Minutes submitted by: _____
Carole Butler, District Clerk
August 31 2017