

**New Jersey State Board of Education
Minutes of the Public Work Session
in the Conference Room on the First Floor,
100 River View Executive Plaza
Trenton, NJ**

September 21, 2005

Presiding: Arnold G. Hyndman, Ph.D., President

Secretary: Lucille E. Davy, Acting Commissioner

PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Mr. Arcelio Aponte
Dr. Ronald K. Butcher
Mr. John A. Griffith
Ms. Debra Casha
Ms. Maud Dahme
Ms. Kathleen A. Dietz
Ms. Josephine E. Figueras
Rev. Frederick H. LaGarde, Jr.
Dr. Ernest Lepore
Mr. Edward M. Taylor

ABSENT:

Ms. Margaret F. Bartlett
Dr. Thelma Napoleon-Smith

CONVENING

Arnold G. Hyndman, president, State Board of Education, convened the public meeting with the reading of the resolution pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of this act, the State Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Department of Education, Secretary of State's Office and notice also having been given to the State House press corps, the Governor's Office and the State Board agenda subscribers, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that by adopting this resolution the State Board of Education states its intention to convene a public meeting to conduct the state's business on Wednesday, August 17, 2005.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

**Items scheduled for a vote are marked with an asterisk.*

***A. Appointments**

- There were no appointments.

***B. Professional Licensure and Standards**

- Approved for publication in the *New Jersey Register* the amendments pertaining to emergency certification for special education and bilingual education proposed at N.J.A.C. 6A:9 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:1-1, 18A:4-15, 18A:6-34, 18A:6-38, 18A:26-10 and 18A:26-2.7.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

C. Alternatives for High School Graduation Requirements

The State Board members continued their discussion of the replacement of the Special Review Assessment (SRA) option as an indicator of successful completion of the High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA).

D. Vocational Education Plan

Due to time constraints the State Board will reschedule Vocational Education Plan at a future State Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board adjourned its September 21, 2005 public work session at 3:00 p.m.

Lucille E. Davy, Acting Commissioner
Acting Secretary, NJ State Board of Education