

**New Jersey State Board of Education
Minutes of the Special Meeting
Via Teleconference
in the Conference Room on the First Floor,
100 River View Executive Plaza
Trenton, NJ**

June 12, 2008

Presiding: Ronald Butcher, President

Secretary: Lucille E. Davy, Commissioner

PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM

Ms. Kathleen Dietz
Ms. Edithe Fulton
Ms. Josephine E. Hernandez
Dr. Ernest Lepore
Mr. Kenneth Parker
Dr. Dorothy Strickland

ABSENT

Mr. Arcelio Aponte
Ms. Debra Casha

CONVENING

Dr. Ronald Butcher, president, State Board of Education, convened the special public meeting at 4:00 p.m. 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 June 12, 2008.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

On motions duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Education took the following action:

A. Appointments

- Approved the following resolution appointing Dr. Clifford Janey to the position of State District Superintendent for the Newark School district:

Resolution to Approve
Appointment of the State District Superintendent of the
State Operated School District of City of Newark

WHEREAS, on July 5, 1995, the New Jersey State Board of Education issued an Administrative Order creating the State-Operated School District in the City of Newark; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-53, the State-Operated School District of the City of Newark was evaluated by a team of highly skilled professionals, based on the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC); and

WHEREAS, based on the provisions of NJQSAC, the State-Operated School District of the City of Newark regained control in the area of Operations Management and remained under partial State intervention in the areas of Personnel, Instruction and Program, Governance and Fiscal Management, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:30-7.2 and -8.3; and

WHEREAS, the contract of the current Newark State District Superintendent will expire on June 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, after a national and comprehensive search for a new State District Superintendent, a community-based search committee and the Newark School District Advisory Board have identified Dr. Clifford Janey as the best candidate to serve as the Newark State District Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Education has affirmed the decision of the search committee and the local school district advisory board and recommends the appointment Dr. Janey to serve as the Newark State District Superintendent; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that, subject to an employment contract, the New Jersey State Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Dr. Clifford Janey as the State District Superintendent of the State-Operated School District of the City of Newark.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly seconded and carried the State Board of Education adjourned its June 12, 2008 special public meeting at 4:40 p.m.

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