

**New Jersey State Board of Education
Minutes of the Special Meeting held via teleconference
In the Conference Room on the First Floor
100 River View Executive Plaza
Trenton, NJ**

June 21, 2013

Presiding: Arcelio Aponte, President

Secretary: Christopher D. Cerf, Commissioner

PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM

Mr. Joseph Fisicaro
Mr. Jack Fornaro
Ms. Edithe Fulton
Mr. Robert Haney
Mr. Peter Simon
Dr. Dorothy Strickland

ABSENT

Dr. Ronald Butcher
Mr. Mark Beidron
Ms. Claire Chamberlain
Dr. Ernest Lepore
Mr. Andrew Mulvihill
Mr. Ilan Plawker

CONVENING

State Board of Education President Arcelio Aponte convened the public meeting with the reading of the statement pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

The 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.

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.

And seeing there was a quorum, the meeting of June 21, 2013, was called to order.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Aponte then read the resolution pertaining to the executive session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, in order to protect the personal privacy and to avoid situations wherein the public interest might be disserved, the Open Public Meetings Act permits public bodies to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which certain matters are discussed, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that consistent with the provision of *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)*, the State Board of Education will now adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues. The State Board immediately adjourned to executive session on June 21, 2013.

RECONVENING

President Aponte reconvened the open meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the reading of the resolution pertaining to the resumption of the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, consistent with the provision of *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)*, the State Board will now adjourn from executive session to resume the open session of this meeting.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

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

***A. Appointment**

- Approved the following appointment pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:2*, *N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-15* and *N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-15.1*:

RESOLUTION FOR AN INTERIM APPOINTMENT- STATE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE STATE-OPERATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2013, the State Board of Education issued an administrative order pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-15 et seq.* directing that the Camden City board of Education be placed under full State intervention; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2013, the Camden City Board of Education entered into a Consent Order with the Commissioner of the Department of Education, waiving its right to a plenary hearing and consenting to the recommendation by the Commissioner to the State Board of Education that it issue an Administrative Order placing the District under full State intervention; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Consent Order, the Camden City School District will be placed under full State intervention, and become the State-Operated School District of the City of Camden, effective June 25, 2013, or the day after the last day of school for teachers in the 2012-2013 academic year, whichever is the later date; and

WHEREAS, upon full State intervention, and pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-15* and *N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-15.1*, the Commissioner of Education may recommend to the State Board of Education the appointment of a State District Superintendent of schools in the State-Operated School District of the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Education hereby recommends the appointment of an Acting State District Superintendent in the State-Operated School District of the City of Camden to assume the duties of the State District Superintendent until such time as a permanent State District Superintendent is appointed and commences employment; now be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Margaret J. Nicolosi, the current interim Executive County Superintendent for Camden and Burlington Counties and former Superintendent of the Salem City School District, as Acting

State District Superintendent of the State-Operated School District of the City of Camden for an interim period effective June 25, 2013.

***B. Special Education**

- Vacated the April 3, 2013 approval to publish in the *New Jersey Register* the proposed readoption with amendments pertaining to special education proposed at N.J.A.C. 6A:14, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:4-15, 18A:7A-1 et seq., 18A:7B-1 et seq., 18A:7C-1 et seq., 18A:39:1-1, 18A:40-4, 18A:46-1 et seq., 18A:46A-1 et seq., U.S.P.L. 93-112, Sec. 504, 94-142, 99-457 101-476, 105-17, and 108-446.

***C. Special Education**

- Approved for publication in the *New Jersey Register* the notice of readoption without amendments pertaining to special education at N.J.A.C. 6A:14, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1) and N.J.S.A. 18A:4-15, 18A:7A-1 et seq., 18A:7B-1 et seq., 18A:7C-1 et seq., 18A:39:1-1, 18A:40-4, 18A:46-1 et seq., 18A:46A-1 et seq., U.S.P.L. 93-112, Sec. 504, 94-142, 99-457 101-476, 105-17, and 108-446.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Education adjourned its June 21, 2013, public meeting at 1:40 pm.

Susana Guerrero, Acting Commissioner
Acting Secretary, State Board of Education