

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE
CITY OF HAZEL PARK
COUNTY OF OAKLAND AND STATE OF MICHIGAN
SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Hazel Park Board of Education was held at the Ford School Administration Office on September 10, 2013, and was called to order by Vice President LaForme at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: LaForme, C. Hemple, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Nagy, Polowski
Members Absent: Love (excused)
Others Present: Barlow, Berger, Mayo, Meisinger, Stefanski, Watripont, Paterson

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Mr. Hemple, supported by Mr. Nagy, that the Agenda be approved as written.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: C. Hemple, Nagy, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Polowski, LaForme

Nays: None

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Resignations/Retirements – to be received and filed
 - a) Beatrice Agueros - Custodian - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire effective August 30, 2013.
 - b) Tina Bray - Teacher - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire effective September 6, 2013.
 - c) Geraldine Fuhr - Teacher - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire effective August 29, 2013.
 - d) Delores Graham - Custodian - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire effective August 23, 2013.
 - e) Teresa McCarney - Teacher - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire effective July 1, 2013.

- f) Brandy Wilson-O'Connell Teacher - Informs the Board of Education her intention to resign effective August 27, 2013.
- g) Jennifer Reminder Custodian - Informs the Board of Education her intention to resign effective August 29, 2013.
- h) Samuel Richardson Custodian - Informs the Board of Education his intention to resign effective August 30, 2013.
- i) Zachary Spencer Teacher - Informs the Board of Education his intention to resign effective August 31, 2013.

Mr. James Paterson, Board Counsel, confirmed that there are no conflicts of interest or financial gain with any of the employees listed on the resignations and retirements list. At this time, he is not directing any Board of Education Members to refrain from voting.

Mrs. Laura LaForme, Board Vice President, thanked Mr. Paterson for the clarification.

Moved by Mr. Nagy, supported by Mr. Hemple, that the above notices of intention to retire and resign be received and accepted.

Discussion

Mr. Charles Hemple, Board Secretary, asked if the secretary's severance incentive was also extended. Mr. Meisinger confirmed it was.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, C. Hemple, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Polowski, LaForme

Nays: None

2. Closed Session

- a) Motion to recess into closed session to review and consider the contents of an application for employment or appointment,
- b) and for Attorney-Client Communications concerning collective bargaining strategies with regards to the District Deficit Elimination Plan, which is exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act.

Moved by Mr. Hemple, supported by Mrs. Hemple, that the Board of Education adjourn to a Closed Session.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: C. Hemple, S. Hemple, Hammonds, Nagy, Polowski, LaForme

Nays: None

The Board of Education adjourned to a Closed Session at 6:34 p.m. The meeting resumed as an open meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Mr. James Meisinger, Superintendent, recommended to the Board of Education to appoint James Gordon to the position of Assistant Principal at the Hazel Park High School.

Moved by Mrs. Polowski, supported by Mrs. Hammonds, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of James Gordon to the position of Assistant Principal at the Hazel Park High School.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Hammonds, Nagy, LaForme

Nays: C. Hemple, S. Hemple

Mr. James Meisinger, Superintendent, stated that the district has experienced a severe decline in enrollment. As a result of the enrollment decline he recommended to the Board of Education to lay-off approximately four elementary teachers and extend the severance incentive to the AFSCME, HPEA and IUOE groups.

Moved by Mrs. Hemple, supported by Mrs. Hammonds, that the Board of Education approve the lay-off of elementary teachers and extend the severance incentive to the AFSCME, HPEA and IUOE groups.

Discussion

Mr. Charles Hemple, Board Secretary, asked when would the severance incentive be extended to the groups, and what will the terms be. Mr. Meisinger and Mr. Barlow stated they did not have the details this evening, but they would move quickly to get the details to the union groups involved.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: S. Hemple, Hammonds, C. Hemple, Nagy, Polowski, LaForme

Nays: C. Hemple, S. Hemple

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

No Participants.

BOARD MEMBER AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

No Participants.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Hemple, Secretary
Hazel Park Board of Education