# BOARD OF EDUCATION (Official)

January 3, 2018 Elizabeth, New Jersey

Prior to the scheduled reorganization meeting of the Elizabeth Board of Education at 7:00 p.m. held at Juan Pablo Duarte-José Julián Martí School No. 28, 25 First Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, Board President Stanley Neron welcomed everyone.

Colors were presented during the Flag Ceremony by members of the Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr. Health & Public Safety Academy Marine Corps Junior R.O.T.C.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ambar Hernandez, eighth grade student at Juan Pablo Duarte-José Julián Martí School No. 28.

The Star Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key was played.

The Pledge of Ethics was led by Kamila Villavicencio, eighth grade student at Juan Pablo Duarte-José Julián Martí School No. 28.

Mr. Neron introduced students in the Juan Pablo Duarte-José Julián Martí School No. 28 Choir who performed *A Cold in My Nose* by Stephen Lawrence and *Noche de Paz* by Franz Gruber. Mr. Neron thanked them for a wonderful performance.

Mr. Neron recognized Senator Ray Lesniak, Mayor Chris Bollwage, State Assemblywoman Annette Quijano, Union County Freeholder Sergio Granados, and Elizabeth City Councilmembers who were in attendance.

Mr. Neron stated that he is humbled and grateful to have served as the President of the Board. Mr. Neron thanked his fellow Board members for their great work they have done this year and the Superintendent and entire staff for a remarkable year. Mr. Neron stated that serving as Board of Education President was an incredible experience and that it was truly an honor to meet so many of our wonderful team members during his visits to our schools and administrative offices to witness their outstanding work in leading our district to becoming one of the nation's highest performing urban districts. Mr. Neron stated that as a Board they were able to make important strides in 2017 including important policy revisions to special education and graduation requirements, introduced renewable energy resolutions and started an anti-litter campaign, helped ease overcrowding due to increased enrollment, negotiated new contracts with collective bargaining units, and completed important renovation projects including the opening of a new School No. 22. Mr. Neron stated that when he addressed the graduating class of 2017 last June he shared with them the unique stories and talents that they had and that changed the lives of the Elizabeth Public Schools community. Mr. Neron encouraged them that if there is one thing they can change in this world they should do it and they should stand up for what they believe and claim their destiny. Mr. Neron stated that together we are clear that what affects one impacts all. Mr. Neron stated that the first thing he learned as a Board member is that he cannot operate alone and that he can only take action and work as a Board. Mr. Neron stated that the foundation has been set and now we must build toward a bright future making sure that transparency continues, accountability is established, and that we hold true that equal opportunities are given throughout all of our school district. Mr. Neron stated that let us not forget that we have a responsibility as citizens of this country to make sure our civil

rights and liberties are protected because we are living in times where people are looking to make wrong right and right wrong. Mr. Neron stated that he knows one thing for sure that love trumps hate every time and as a community we must stand united and we must stand strong. Mr. Neron stated that throughout the year we reminded our students that you are who you hang with and to take inventory over your life, assess your environment, be the change you want to see, and surround yourself with greatness. Mr. Neron stated that there is a proverb that says iron sharpens iron and we make each other better. Mr. Neron stated that as a Board they did that, they listened, agreed to disagree, and most importantly they came together. Mr. Neron stated that it is with that foundation that they will continue to address all the issues that plague the education system throughout the country. Mr. Neron stated that there is a problem that arises each and every day and they can't solve it all. Mr. Neron congratulated and welcomed the next Board President to this experience and stated that you can't make everybody happy and you can just do the best that you can. Mr. Neron stated that he looks forward to continuing his work on this Board and thanked everyone for the opportunity to be President and guide this organization. Mr. Neron stated that it has been a rewarding experience that he will never forget. Mr. Neron stated that it is one of the many milestones that he has been able to accomplish in his life and the next milestone is that he will be welcoming his new son very soon. Mr. Neron stated that this experience being a father figure for 28,000 students has been rewarding and has prepared him to be an even better father for his son. Mr. Neron thanked everyone and congratulated the new Board members who are going to be sworn in this evening.

Board member elect Maria Carvalho took the oath of office administered by State Assemblywoman Annette Quijano.

Mr. Neron introduced Senator Raymond Lesniak.

Senator Lesniak welcomed everyone and stated that he is leaving the Senate in five days after 40 years of service in the New Jersey State Legislature. Mr. Lesniak stated five of his most proud achievements as a Senator. Senator Lesniak stated that the first was, as Democratic State Chair, helping Mayor Bollwage get elected as Mayor of the City of Elizabeth 24 years ago. Senator Lesniak stated that the second was co-sponsoring legislation with then Senate President Donald DiFrancesco converting an abandoned toxic garbage dump into what is now The Jersey Gardens Mall employing thousands of people and generating millions of dollars for the City of Elizabeth and the State of New Jersey. Senator Lesniak stated that the third was sponsoring the School Construction Bond Act which provided 100% state funds with no local property taxes to build 13 new schools here in Elizabeth. Senator Lesniak stated that the fourth was replacing the prior regime here in the Elizabeth Public Schools and thanked the Board for the confidence they have shown in Superintendent Hugelmeyer who has done a great job for so many years for our City. Senator Lesniak stated that the fifth is that many years ago Mayor Bollwage and he worked together with the President Clinton Administration to use Hope VI Grant Funds to transfer Migliore Manor and Pioneer Homes from crime-infested mid-rise projects into home-owned safe units for the tenants and people of the City of Elizabeth. Senator Lesniak stated that it has transformed the entire Elizabeth Port at that time and the continued work by Councilmen Manny Grova and Carlos Torres has made Elizabeth Port one of the greatest areas of the City of Elizabeth.

Senator Lesniak stated that he grew up on Franklin Street and his dad quit school in eighth grade to work on the docks and his mom was a committee woman who got him involved in politics. Senator Lesniak stated that he has lived in Elizabeth his entire life and will continue to live here. Senator Lesniak spoke about the Oakwood Plaza project and stated that eight years ago two guys were standing over his bed at 2:30 in the morning and the first words he heard were, "Shoot him." Senator Lesniak stated that one of them said, "Stay cool, we're not going to hurt you. We're good people but we are just in a bad place right now." Senator Lesniak stated that what he said spurred him into action that they are good people just in a bad place. Senator Lesniak stated that they took his money and left. Senator Lesniak stated that they were captured a few days later and he went to testify on their behalf to get them treatment

instead of them having to go to prison. Senator Lesniak stated that because of it they had an opportunity to live a good life and that he is most proud of that.

Board member elect Jerry Jacobs took the oath of office administered by Senator Raymond Lesniak.

Senator Lesniak recognized Patricia Perkins-Auguste who will be confirmed tomorrow to be a member of the New Jersey Civil Rights Commission.

Board member elect Rosa Moreno-Ortega took the oath of office administered by City of Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollwage.

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr. presented a Certificate of Election to newly sworn in Board members Maria Carvalho, Jerry Jacobs, and Rosa Moreno-Ortega.

The members of the Board of Education met for the purpose of reorganization on Wednesday, January 3, 2018, at Juan Pablo Duarte-José Julián Martí School No. 28, 25 First Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr. presented the following statement at 7:30 p.m.

"Ladies and Gentlemen, good evening. This is the annual reorganization meeting of the Board of Education. Pursuant to New Jersey Statutes and the rules adopted by the Board of Education, notice of this meeting was sent to The Star Ledger and Cablevision of Elizabeth on December 21, 2017. In addition, this notice is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Mitchell Building, 500 North Broad Street, and pursuant to this act, a copy has been filed with the City Clerk of Elizabeth.

There will be a public portion for citizens to address the Board. Participants for the public portion must sign in prior to the commencement of public participation so that they may have the opportunity to speak. The sign-in sheet states the name, address, telephone number and reason that the person wants to comment, whether it is an agenda item or a general education comment."

Present: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Mrs. Carvalho, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez – 9

Absent: None

Superintendent of Schools Olga Hugelmeyer, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr., Assistant Superintendent for Schools Rafael Cortes, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer Cedeno, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Francisco Cuesta, Acting Assistant Superintendent for Schools Judy Finch-Johnson, Comptroller Rajeev Malhotra, and members of the public were in attendance.

Mr. Kennedy stated that tonight the Board is meeting for the purpose of reorganization. Mr. Kennedy stated that the Education Act requires that at the organization meeting the Board shall elect from its members a President and a Vice President who shall serve for terms of one year. Nominations will be made from among the membership of the Board present. Elections shall be by the majority of the vote present and voting which means this is the majority of the quorum. When nominations are made they do not require a second, however, in order to close nominations there must be a motion to second and then a vote to close nominations for the office of President or Vice President.

Mr. Kennedy called for nominations for Board President.

Miss Goncalves nominated Mrs. Carvalho for President.

A motion was made by Mr. Rodriguez, seconded by Mrs. Barbosa, that nominations be closed.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Mrs. Carvalho, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs.

Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez – 9

Negative: None

The following vote was taken on the election of President.

Mrs. Carvalho: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Mrs. Carvalho, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez – 9

Mrs. Carvalho having received the required number of votes was declared President.

Mrs. Carvalho welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for their support. Mrs. Carvalho acknowledged her family and friends that have become family for their support and said she couldn't do it without them. Mrs. Carvalho stated that she looks back on how far our school system has come, the great amount of progress we have accomplished, and how we will continue to move forward as one. Mrs. Carvalho stated that when she was first elected three years ago, her goal as the chairperson of the Properties Committee was to work closely with the Superintendent to find a way to do more than just day-to-day repairs. Mrs. Carvalho stated that she and her fellow Board members have continued to make sure things got done and set goals to repair the floors and walls as well as the roof and heating systems. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they installed new bleachers, auditoriums and looked for ways to get air conditioning into our schools. Mrs. Carvalho stated that their objective is to continue to work until all of our older schools have been fully renovated. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they balanced a budget for two straight years with no layoffs and no tax increases. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they will continue to ensure that the money is not misused and will be used for the children. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they worked with the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders to receive a grant for gardens in the schools and are working with the nonprofit organization Groundwork Elizabeth in creating a traveling farm. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they we will bring new workforce programs so that our students can gain the necessary experience they will need in the future. Mrs. Carvalho stated that this year should be the Year of the Children. Mrs. Carvalho stated that she wants our young men and women to put their phones down and be present to what is around them and life has so much more to offer than that one book in front of them. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they should step outside their comfort zone and not just speak to the ones you know or have the same routine as you. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they should go out with an open mind and meet new people and find others who share the same common interests and help better our community. Mrs. Carvalho stated that being themselves is easier than trying to be someone else. Mrs. Carvalho quoted Oprah Winfrey, "to fulfill the highest most truthful expression of yourself as a human being – max out your humanity by using your energy to lift yourself and people around you." Mrs. Carvalho stated that she wants to work closer with our children to expand our arts, music, and sports program and we need to celebrate and value their hard work, dedication, and teamwork. Mrs. Carvalho stated that she plans to have more face-to-face conversations with students and help them have the courage to look people in the eye and listen to the different views of the world. Mrs. Carvalho stated that we need our school district to provide a nurturing environment for our children and staff. Mrs. Carvalho stated that they believe all kids are created equal and that is why they are working together with government agencies to allocate more resources to improve special needs, both in and out of the classroom. Mrs. Carvalho stated that the City of Elizabeth is upgrading Carteret Park which is next to School No. 14 and the County of Union is funding another inclusive playground and garden to include there. Mrs. Carvalho stated that special education is important to us and this inclusive playground will welcome kids and families of all abilities to learn, play, and grow together. Mrs. Carvalho thanked the directors, teachers, custodians, security, and all of our staff for their hard work and dedication to our

students. Mrs. Carvalho asked that they open their hearts and continue to work with her and the team in the upcoming year. Mrs. Carvalho stated that the children of today are the future of tomorrow. Mrs. Carvalho quoted Maya Angelou, "If you get, give. If you learn, teach." Mrs. Carvalho stated that is what she plans to follow for the rest of her life.

Mrs. Carvalho called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Neron nominated Mr. Rodriguez for Vice President.

A motion was made by Ms. Bathelus, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that nominations be closed.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

The following vote was taken on the election of Vice President.

Mr. Rodriguez: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Mr. Rodriguez having received the required number of votes was declared Vice President.

Mrs. Carvalho congratulated the newly sworn in Board members and asked if they would like to speak.

Mrs. Moreno-Ortega thanked God for giving her the opportunity to be a member of the Board of Education and thanked her family and everyone for their support. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that after graduating from the university in Colombia she came to visit and because of the internal political climate in Colombia she was forced to change her visit for a new beginning at the age of 24. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she took jobs working in factories and cleaning offices. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she went on an interview and almost failed because of her English but her math skills were good. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that after two years she was accepted at Kean University and graduated with a degree in Marketing and Spanish. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that for the last fifteen years she has been a teacher in Jersey City Public Schools supporting students, parents, and community members and was selected to be Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that her experience as a mother of two will help her understand the needs of the students not only academically but physically and emotionally. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that her promise is to work for the continued improvements for our schools and that education is the key to a better future. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she looks forward to working with everyone in the next three years with the confidence that they have elected her as their voice.

Mr. Jerry Jacobs stated that he is ecstatic for this opportunity to serve our community, especially our children. Mr. Jacobs stated that it has always been his passion to instill a sense of pride and self-esteem in all of our youth, especially our youth from our economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Mr. Jacobs stated that the chance to play a larger role giving back to his community is priceless and he is deeply humbled and grateful to be elected to this position. Mr. Jacobs thanked everyone for the amazing opportunity and stated that he will be a strong advocate for our children and parents on meaningful issues that affect our community and school district. Mr. Jacobs stated that education is the key to unlocking the unlimited potential in our children. Mr. Jacobs stated that God puts a seed in every person to grow and blossom into unlimited potential and purpose for their life. Mr. Jacobs stated that education is the key ingredient into unleashing the potential in our children and we must strive to ensure that they are provided every opportunity to nurture their seed and achieve their dreams. Mr. Jacobs stated that one of his goals that he is most passionate about is providing our lowest performing schools with resources they may need

to improve the quality of education in their environment. Mr. Jacobs stated that we must all work together, parents, educators and community, to instill a sense of pride back into these schools that is so evidently displayed in our Blue Ribbon Schools. Mr. Jacobs stated that he looks forward to working with the district in identifying issues, reviewing past practices, and implementing innovative methods. Mr. Jacobs stated that we must also work on parent participation in all schools in order to effect this change. Mr. Jacobs stated that the saying that it takes a village to raise a child must be communicated to everyone in the community. Mr. Jacobs stated that in simpler words we have to work from the bottom to the top to make everything good. Mr. Jacobs stated that another issue is continuing the efforts to reduce the dropout rate at the high school. Mr. Jacobs stated that we have made great strides in this area but there is much more work to do. Mr. Jacobs stated that it is important that we keep these children in school and graduating because we are all aware of the many pitfalls misguided youths face in life. Mr. Jacobs stated that it is our responsibility as adults that no child be left behind in our community. Mr. Jacobs stated that another goal of his is to facilitate change so that all of our schools are racially balanced from top to the bottom. Mr. Jacobs stated that it is important for children to see people who look like them working in our school district. Mr. Jacobs stated that this is daily proof and a reminder to them that they can achieve their dreams and goals. Mr. Jacobs stated that while these goals may seem lofty for a brand new board member he knows his passion is deeply matched by his fellow board members who serve our community unselfishly to make every school great and our community better as a whole. Mr. Jacobs stated that we are living in dangerous times with the recent changes in Washington on our tax codes and our principle responsibility to maintain and improve the quality of our educational system with the possibility of less resources. Mr. Jacobs stated that he encourages every parent to be an advocate for their child and no one can be a stronger voice than you. Mr. Jacobs stated that as parents we want what is best for our child and that if they have issues that they cannot resolve with their school principal first, to attend and speak at Board meetings so that we as Board members may hear your concerns and also give the Superintendent an opportunity to address the issue as well. Mr. Jacobs stated that the challenge and opportunity before us are new and exciting and he looks forward to pushing our school district to new heights. Mr. Jacobs thanked his family and everyone who supported him in is passion to give back to his community.

Mr. Rodriguez thanked all the elected officials, directors, principals, teachers, and staff members. Mr. Rodriguez congratulated newly elected Board members Rosa Moreno-Ortega and Jerry Jacobs and stated that it has been a long road and it is not easy. Mr. Rodriguez stated that, speaking on behalf of all of his colleagues, they look forward to working with them in the upcoming years. Mr. Rodriguez thanked the two Board members who are not here anymore, Mrs. Amin and Mr. Perreira, for their service over the years. Mr. Rodriguez stated that they were opponents but never enemies and thanked them for their service to the district and countless hours to push this district forward. Mr. Rodriguez thanked his colleagues for their vote of confidence in electing him Vice President. Mr. Rodriguez stated that he looks forward to working with Board President Carvalho and everyone here. Mr. Rodriguez gave a special thanks to his family, James Carey, and Mayor Bollwage who believed in him. Mr. Rodriguez stated that Charlene Bathelus, Stanley Neron, and he started about seven years ago in a little room near School No. 14. Mr. Rodriguez stated that they started a campaign to try and change things here in the City and no one really believed in us. Mr. Rodriguez thanked Mayor Bollwage and Stanley Neron for believing that they could do it. Mr. Rodriguez stated that they were not successful the first time but obviously look at where we are now. Mr. Rodriguez stated that they ran up against the machine and it was 9-0 one way and today we stand here and are able to change things. Mr. Rodriguez stated that he only says this because the public voting matters, caring matters, and you can change things. Mr. Rodriguez stated that while national politics seem like something that you cannot change, locally you can do a lot. Mr. Rodriguez stated that your votes are here and this is what you vote for, for change, and for bettering a system. Mr. Rodriguez stated that it has been a long road and thanked everyone and their shoulders we stood on, the ones who came before us, everyone who helped us along the way, everyone who pushed us back and made it worthwhile to be here. Mr. Rodriguez stated that today is not a peak and it is not the end of a journey. Mr. Rodriguez stated that it is only a plateau and we have much more to do. Mr. Rodriguez

stated that one of his favorite quotes is, "Do not trip on what is behind you and always keep moving forward." Mr. Rodriguez stated that we have to keep our eyes on the prize and that is our students and let nothing put us in a position where we can't do that. Mr. Rodriguez thanked everyone and stated that he looks forward to working with everyone.

Mrs. Carvalho thanked them for their comments.

Resolution – Appointment of Co-General Counsel

A motion was made by Ms. Bathelus, seconded by Mr. Nina, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

Resolution – Introduction of Rules of Governance for First Reading

A motion was made by Mr. Neron, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

Board President Carvalho presented the following public participation statement.

"At this time, the microphones are open for public comment to those who have signed in. I shall call individuals to the microphones based on the order of the sign-in. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes in duration. The total time of public comment shall be limited to sixty minutes. No individual is able to yield their time to another individual. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually. The following rules for public participants shall apply: time limits will be strictly enforced, no personal attacks on individuals, no vulgar or indecent language, a person may address the Board no more than once during a single meeting, speakers should refrain from naming individuals, and comments or questions posed during public participation will not be debated. As a reminder, this is a meeting of the Board in public, not a meeting of the public."

Since there were no citizens signed in to address the Board, Mrs. Carvalho declared this portion of the public meeting closed.

Mrs. Carvalho stated that she is deferring the appointment of the standing committees and designation of representatives until a later date except for the Union County Educational Services Commission Representative.

Union County Educational Services Commission Representative

A motion was made by Ms. Bathelus, seconded by Mr. Nina, that Mr. Neron represent the Board on the Union County Educational Services Commission.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

#### Resolution – Official Results of the School Board Election

A motion was made by Miss Goncalves, seconded by Mr. Nina, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

#### Resolution – Designation of Official Media Services

A motion was made by Mr. Neron, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that the resolution be adopted. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 8

Abstain: Mr. Nina –1 Negative: None

## Resolution – Designation of Depositories for School Funds

A motion was made by Mr. Neron, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

## Resolution – Appointment of Insurance/Health Benefit Consultant

A motion was made by Mr. Neron, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

#### Resolution – Appointment of Auditors

A motion was made by Ms. Bathelus, seconded by Mr. Nina, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

## Resolution – Appointment of Chief Medical Inspector

A motion was made by Mr. Rodriguez, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

#### Resolution – Appointment of Medical Inspectors

A motion was made by Miss Goncalves, seconded by Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

Resolution – Appointment of Treasurer of School Moneys

A motion was made by Mr. Rodriguez, seconded by Miss Goncalves, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 8

Abstain: Mr. Neron – 1 Negative: None

## Resolution – Schedule of Board Meetings

A motion was made by Miss Goncalves, seconded by Ms. Bathelus, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

Mrs. Carvalho asked if there was any new business.

#### Resolution – Appointment of Superintendent of Schools

A motion was made by Ms. Bathelus, seconded by Mrs. Barbosa, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega – 5

Abstain: Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 4

Negative: None

Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that it is an honor and privilege to serve as Superintendent. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that this being her hometown certainly means a great deal to her to come to work each and every day to improve the opportunities for our children. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that she is humbled to be provided this opportunity to continue on this journey. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that she works with amazing people each and every day and we have the most incredibly talented children in our district. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that it is a pleasure to come in each and every day and to know that we are creating great programs for our children. Mrs. Hugelmeyer thanked the Board for their support and stated that we would not be able to do what we do each and every day without their support. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that they encourage us and help us to continue to strive for what is best for all of our children. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that she is truly grateful for the opportunity to work with them. Mrs. Hugelmeyer thanked the Board and congratulated the newly elected Board members, Rosa Moreno-Ortega and Jerry Jacobs.

## Resolution – Appointment of Chief of Operations

A motion was made by Miss Goncalves, seconded by Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega – 5

Abstain: Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 4

Negative: None

On a motion by Miss Goncalves, seconded by Mr. Rodriguez, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Barbosa, Ms. Bathelus, Miss Goncalves, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega,

Messrs. Neron, Nina, Rodriguez, Mrs. Carvalho – 9

Negative: None

Harold E. Kennedy, Jr. School Business Administrator/Board Secretary