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The regular agenda meeting of the Board of Education was called to order on April 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., in the MultiPurpose Room, Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education, 544 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Board President Stephanie Goncalves presented the following statement at 6:16 p.m.

“Ladies and Gentlemen, good evening. This is a regular agenda 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 April 2, 2019. In addition, this notice is posted in the lobby of 500 North Broad Street, and pursuant to this act, a copy has been filed with the City Clerk of Elizabeth, New Jersey.”

“We want to welcome everyone present and our television viewers to this April 8, 2019 meeting of the Board of Education. We are here to govern, provide management oversight, and make policy for the district. The Superintendent manages the district. This is a meeting of the Board in public, not a meeting of the public.”

“This meeting is being recorded and will become part of the Elizabeth Board of Education permanent record. In order that the recording will adequately reflect the proceedings, please refrain from talking while others are speaking. We also ask that you silence the sound on your electronic devices. Since it is legally mandated that these proceedings be accurately recorded, we may have to ask for order periodically should noise begin to interfere with our recording capabilities. We are pleased that you have taken time this evening to join us here for our Board of Education meeting. Thank you for your interest in the Elizabeth Public Schools.”

“There will be a public portion for citizens to address the Board. Participants for the public portion may sign in up to the start of the meeting 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: Mmes. Barbosa, Carvalho, Chevres, Hernandez (arr. 8:00 p.m.), Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega (arr. 6:30 p.m.), Mr. Neron (arr. 7:30 p.m.), Miss Goncalves – 8

Absent: Ms. Bathelus – 1

Superintendent of Schools Olga Hugelmeyer, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr., Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer Cedenio, Assistant Superintendent for Schools Rafael Cortes, Assistant Superintendent for Schools Judy Finch Johnson, Chief of Operations Francisco Cuesta, Comptroller Rajeev Malhotra, Co-General Counsel Jonathan Williams, Esq. of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP and members of the public were in attendance.

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 Justice Rivera, senior, at Thomas Jefferson Arts Academy.

National Anthem

The Pledge of Ethics was led by Elisabeth Point Du Jour, junior, and Adamary Perez, senior, at Alexander Hamilton Preparatory Academy.

Miss Goncalves introduced a video presentation of the President's Tour.

Miss Goncalves recognized students who shared their fundraising experiences and raising awareness for different charitable causes and organizations as well as learning about the related global issues that affect our society. Miss Goncalves stated that these students have demonstrated compassion, empathy, selflessness, and generosity in making significant contributions to help others in need.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from Alexander Hamilton Preparatory Academy WE Have Character Club who spoke about their fundraising efforts for WE Walk for Water for Haiti and Ecuador and presented a PowerPoint slide about the water conditions and the need for clean water. Miss Goncalves thanked them for the wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from John E. Dwyer Technology Academy Haitian Club who spoke about their fundraising efforts for the Music School in Haiti. Miss Goncalves thanked them for the wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from J. Christian Bollwage Finance Academy WE Community Service Club who spoke about their fundraising efforts for WE Walk for Water. Miss Goncalves thanked them for the wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from Elizabeth High School Frank J. Cicarell Academy National Honor Society and Top Team Cancer Crushers who spoke about their fundraising efforts for the American Cancer Society. Miss Goncalves thanked them for the wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from Elizabeth High School Frank J. Cicarell Academy Computer Club who spoke about the US First Grant for Robotics and gave a demonstration of the robot they built for competition. Miss Goncalves thanked them for the wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from Thomas Jefferson Arts Academy Relay for Life Team who spoke about their fundraising efforts for Relay for Life. Miss Goncalves thanked them for a wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from Thomas Jefferson Arts Academy Freshman Class Officers who spoke about their fundraising efforts for The Valerie Fund. Miss Goncalves thanked them for a wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from Thomas Jefferson Arts Academy Liberty Dancers who spoke about their fundraising efforts for the ASH Dance. Miss Goncalves thanked them for a wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves introduced students from the Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr. Health & Public Safety Academy Marine Corps Junior R.O.T.C. program who spoke about the UC STEP program, Link Up for Life Campaign, and Caring Contact to raise money and awareness to prevent suicide. Miss Goncalves thanked them for the wonderful presentation.

Miss Goncalves thanked all of our high school students who came this evening and shared with us how they are making a positive difference in the lives of others. Miss Goncalves invited the high school students, teachers, and administrators involved with the tremendous

fundraising efforts to come forward. Miss Goncalves and Board members congratulated them and presented them with certificates of commemoration.

Miss Goncalves stated that April is Autism Awareness Month and she is proud of the members of our school communities for the activities, lessons, and events that they have scheduled during this month to help raise awareness and understanding of the autism spectrum disorder. Miss Goncalves introduced a video presentation of the activities related to autism awareness that have already taken place and will take place this month in our schools.

Mrs. Barbosa gave a few words prior to the video presentation along with Special Education Committee members Iliana Chevres and Rosa Moreno-Ortega. Mrs. Barbosa stated that April is Autism Awareness Month and it is an appropriate time, place, and month to go over some highlights that we are doing in our Special Ed world. Mrs. Barbosa stated that it is our Year of Awareness and presented a PowerPoint slide of the autism awareness calendar. Mrs. Barbosa stated that the calendar is posted every month and has in-district events and out-of-district community events that our team, parents, and children can participate in. Mrs. Barbosa stated that our special education website has been updated with a lot of pertinent information and resources and encouraged our parents and our students to learn and read and be informed. Mrs. Barbosa stated that the ESEPAC has been doing their monthly workshops and our district started parent workshops which can be found on the calendar. Mrs. Barbosa stated that the parent workshops have been very successful and the last was with the Union County members that explained the events that we can enroll our children in during the summer. Mrs. Barbosa stated that we have an upcoming resource fair on May 4th. Mrs. Barbosa stated that this week we have had parades, walks, and lots of bubbles throughout our district. Mrs. Barbosa thanked Mr. Couto and his team that have developed a new life skills room that was opened this month for our high school students. Mrs. Barbosa stated that this couldn't have been done without team effort and thanked the Superintendent, Director of Special Services Diana Pinto-Gomez, supervisors, CST team, teachers, and staff. Mrs. Barbosa stated that it is a whole team effort and thanked the IT department for capturing the beauty of what happened this week. Mrs. Barbosa thanked her fellow board members who support everything that happens in our Special Ed department. Mrs. Barbosa stated that she believes God gave us an ability to help our children. Mrs. Barbosa stated that one of the most important jobs that we, as board members, have is to help our children get services, help our children learn, and help them to be their happiest. Mrs. Barbosa introduced a video presentation of the activities that have already taken place this week in our schools.

Mrs. Barbosa recognized the Special Services Department for their roles in raising awareness about the autism spectrum disorder and making sure that every child has the opportunity to achieve excellence in our schools including Director of Special Services Diana Pinto-Gomez and Supervisors Scott Cohen, Valerie Dunn, Ali Abdul Malik, Justine McConkey, and Andrew Morris. Mrs. Barbosa and Board members congratulated them and presented each with a certificate of commemoration.

Mrs. Barbosa recognized Councilwoman Patricia Perkins and the members of ESEPAC who were in attendance.

Miss Goncalves stated that she has designated office hours every Monday night from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. during which Elizabeth families may make an appointment to meet with her and discuss any issues or concerns pertaining to the Elizabeth Public Schools. Miss Goncalves thanked the members of the schools that she recently visited for being so welcoming and stated that she enjoyed the wonderful educational experiences that were taking place. Miss Goncalves stated that she is looking forward to visiting more schools in the weeks ahead.

Miss Goncalves stated that this week is National Assistant Principals Week and thanked all of our vice principals for the great work they are doing at our schools to ensure we provide a high quality education to our students. Miss Goncalves stated that in May we will be celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week and National School Nurse Day. Miss Goncalves thanked all of our

teachers and nurses for all you do to help our kids stay healthy, develop strong minds and bodies, and excel and achieve their dreams. Miss Goncalves wished our learning community, as well as those celebrating Easter and Passover, a happy, healthy, and safe spring recess.

Miss Goncalves congratulated, on behalf of the Elizabeth Board of Education, Dr. Antonia Pantoja School No. 27 teacher John Griffin for being elected the new President of Elizabeth Education Association. Miss Goncalves stated that Mr. Griffin has already been serving the EEA as its 1st Vice President and has been involved with the current contract negotiations with the EEA. Miss Goncalves stated that they are looking forward to working with Mr. Griffin in his new capacity as President to continue negotiations while continuing to strengthen the relationship between the Board and the EEA.

Miss Goncalves acknowledged outgoing EEA President Joe Cortico who has served the EEA admirably for many years and has been a steadying presence as we have had to reach agreements for various complex issues and circumstances. Miss Goncalves stated that we appreciate his dedication to the members of the EEA and Elizabeth Public Schools community, as well as his willingness to work with the Board to balance the needs of the students of the Elizabeth Public Schools with those of the EEA membership.

Miss Goncalves stated that as a Board, we are optimistic that we will continue to work together with Mr. Griffin, the rest of the elected officers of the EEA, and its membership in that spirit to both make progress as a school district and to provide an environment that is rewarding for all members of the Elizabeth Public Schools community, including those who serve it. Miss Goncalves stated that we have regular scheduled meetings for negotiations and hope to settle an agreement to everyone's satisfaction by the end of the school year.

Board President Goncalves 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."

Miss Goncalves called upon the first public participant, Elizabeth Bayne, to address the board.

Elizabeth Bayne, 200 South Street, New Providence, stated that she works for a counseling firm and spoke about the services offered.

Miss Goncalves thanked her for her comments. Since there were no other public participants signed in to address the board, Miss Goncalves closed this portion of the meeting.

Board President Stephanie Goncalves stated that this is an agenda setting meeting. Miss Goncalves stated that we will go tab by tab and each board member may ask questions. Present for the meeting were Director of Security Matthew Glackin, Director of Food and Nutrition Services Jamie Leavitt, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Aaron Goldblatt, Director of Staff Development and Innovative Programs Kathleen Badalis, Director of Plant, Property and Equipment Luis Couto, Director of Athletics Bartolomeo Candelino, Director of Special Services Diana Pinto-Gomez, Director of Bilingual and ESL Education Sandra Nunes, Director of Research, Evaluation, and Assessment Amy Gil, Director of Special Projects Dorothy Hannigan-McMullen, Chief Information Officer-Technology Alberto Marsal, Director of Transportation Mike Rijo, and Purchasing Agent Mario Rodrigues. The board reviewed the agenda.

Minutes of the Meetings of March 7 and 19, 2019
Secretary/Treasurer's Report for the Month of February 2019
Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Personnel Report

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Chief of Operations Francisco Cuesta gave a summary of the Personnel Report.

Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she would like the community to know that she represents at the state level and is always looking for highly qualified African Americans. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that the librarian being hired represents the African Americans and this is to respond to the African American community. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she is referring the librarian as highly qualified and is happy that the district is hiring her. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she wants to respond to our African American community and she is looking for every highly qualified candidate that she finds to refer to the human resources department for an interview.

Tuition Report

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Miss Goncalves added the Minutes of the Meetings, Secretary/Treasurer's Report, Personnel Report, and Tuition Report to the agenda.

Superintendent's Report – Considerations

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Mrs. Barbosa asked if we have a list of the places that get exempt. Mrs. Barbosa asked Mr. Couto if he goes over the requests.

Mr. Kennedy explained.

Supplemental Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Superintendent's Report – Field Trips

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer asked Assistant Superintendent for Schools Rafael Cortes to provide a summary of the field trips.

Assistant Superintendent for Schools Rafael Cortes gave a synopsis of the report.

Mrs. Barbosa asked about the cost of school buses for some trips.

Mr. Cortes explained the different trips.

Mrs. Barbosa asked about the field trips for Autism Day at Great Adventure.

Director of Special Services Diana Pinto-Gomez stated that more schools are going this year.

Superintendent's Report – Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Investigative Results

Authorizations Report

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Bilingual and ESL Education Sandra Nunes speak about the Jazz House Kids.

Director of Bilingual and ESL Education Sandra Nunes stated that this is a partnership with Jazz House Kids. Mrs. Nunes stated that Jazz House Kids donors provided instruments for ensembles at School Nos. 3, 7, 26, and EHS Jazz Band and a culminating performance will be held by our students.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that there is an authorization to participate in a district-wide Trauma Transformation Initiative in partnership with Prevent Child Abuse to bring awareness of the impact that trauma plays on student achievement and health. Mrs. Hugelmeyer stated that Prevent Child Abuse is applying for the Impact 100 Garden State Grant and has requested to partner with the Elizabeth Public Schools to use the funds to implement this initiative in grades PreK through twelve.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Special Projects Dorothy Hannigan-McMullen speak about Prevention Links.

Director of Special Projects Dorothy Hannigan-McMullen stated that the agreement with Prevention Links is for all eighth and tenth grade students to participate in a substance abuse prevention program to prevent the onset and reduce the progression of substance abuse.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer Cedeno speak about the Sister School Cooperation Program.

Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer Cedeno stated that the Sister School Cooperation Program is between schools in Zhejiang Province, China, Kean University, and the Elizabeth Public Schools. Mrs. Cedeno stated that School No. 29 will be the EPS sister school and that the purpose of the program is to strengthen friendly exchanges and cooperation between elementary, middle, and high schools in Zhejiang, China and New Jersey.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Curriculum and Instruction Aaron Goldblatt speak about the Law Day celebration.

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Aaron Goldblatt stated that the annual Law Day celebration will be held on May 3rd at the Union County Courthouse. Mr. Goldblatt stated that this provides an opportunity for our 7th and 8th grade students to reflect on the contributions and importance of the law, the courts, and the legal process.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer Cedeno speak about Character.org.

Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer Cedeno stated that School Nos. 5, 7, 9, 14, 29, 30, and Dwyer Technology Academy are applying for Character.org Promising Practice. Mrs. Cedeno stated that this program helps discover exciting character education initiatives happening around the world and is part of becoming a School of Character.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Chief Information Officer-Technology Alberto Marsal speak about the HP Showcase School.

Chief Information Officer-Technology Alberto Marsal stated that William F. Halloran School No. 22 is one of two schools in the nation to be selected to be an HP Showcase School. Mr. Marsal stated that this is part of Reinvent the Classroom initiative and a collaboration with Digital Promise Global, HP, and Microsoft. Mr. Marsal stated that HP Showcase Schools are characterized by their innovative, meaningful, and replicable application of technology for learning. Mr. Marsal stated that Digital Promise will commit to supporting School No. 22 by providing customized coaching, 40 hours of customized professional learning, providing \$25,000. worth of cutting edge hardware and software for teachers and students use, hosting community events and school tours, and will feature School No. 22 in a public profile about their journey to engage students in powerful learning experiences. Mr. Marsal stated that School No. 22 will provide demonstrations of students engaged in powerful learning experiences, host a launch event for their school community, host visitors, and provide student led tours with advance request and permission, maintain a published profile of their school journey, develop and publish a 360 video (VR) school tour, receive and pilot new technologies, and participate in coaching and professional learning with Digital Promise staff.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Assistant Superintendent for Schools Judy Finch Johnson speak about the fundraising requests.

Assistant Superintendent for Schools Judy Finch Johnson stated that there are 127 requests for fundraisers including plant sales for Mother's Day, student pictures, dances, movies, and fashion shows. Mrs. Finch Johnson stated that some of the fundraising efforts are for donations to charities including the American Heart Association, Autism Awareness, Pennies for Patients, Stephen Stiller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, and Leukemia/Lymphoma Society.

Finance and Accounting Report – Authorization to Pay Vouchers, etc.

Supplemental Finance and Accounting Report – Transfer of Funds

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Award of Contracts Report

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Staff Development and Innovative Programs Kathleen Badalis speak about the contracts for professional development and parent workshops.

Director of Staff Development and Innovative Programs Kathleen Badalis stated that the contract with Learning Sciences International is to provide professional development to principals and vice principals on its web-based performance management system which contain the *Charlotte Danielson* and *Robert Marzano* evaluation frameworks. Mrs. Badalis stated that the contract with Brahn Career Educational Consulting Services, LLC is to present ESSA Title I parental involvement workshops at School Nos. 7 and 29.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Plant, Property and Equipment Luis Couto speak about the contracts related to plant and property.

Director of Plant, Property and Equipment Luis Couto stated that there is a contract for professional services to provide for additional environmental services to include roof testing related to the HVAC upgrades project at School Nos. 2, 15, and 16. Mr. Couto stated that there is a contract to provide environmental services related to installing a netting around the softball field at School No. 28. Mr. Couto stated that there is a contract to conduct a survey of steam traps to identify non-working traps as part of the Elizabethtown Gas American Plan Maintenance Program. Mr. Couto stated that there is a recommendation to reject all the bids received for the auditorium renovation at Alexander Hamilton Preparatory Academy because they exceeded the district's available budget estimate. Mr. Couto stated that there is a contract to provide for architectural/engineering services for design services related to the DOE submission for a kiln

room. Mr. Couto stated that there is a contract for replacement of an additional boiler at School No. 13.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Curriculum and Instruction Aaron Goldblatt speak about the contract with Prevention Links.

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Aaron Goldblatt stated that the contract with Prevention Links is to conduct a presentation on Smartphone and social media overuse. Mr. Goldblatt stated that this will be offered to all parents whose children attend the Elizabeth Public Schools.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Special Projects Dorothy Hannigan-McMullen speak about the Institute for Multi-Sensory Education.

Director of Special Projects Dorothy Hannigan-McMullen stated that the contract with the Institute for Multi-Sensory Education is to provide for 30 hours of the Orton Gillingham Training.

Mrs. Hugelmeyer requested Director of Security Matthew Glackin speak about the contract for uniforms.

Director of Security Matthew Glackin stated that the security guards will be getting new uniforms and presented a sample of the new shirt and pants. Mr. Glackin stated that the security guards will be measured during the week of April 23-25 during the training sessions.

Miss Goncalves asked about the contracts for Seashore Fruit and Produce and American Wear, Inc.

Purchasing Agent Mario Rodrigues stated that they were the lowest bidders.

Director of Food and Nutrition Services Jamie Leavitt stated that last year the contract was with US Foods.

Miscellaneous Communication - None
Claims List

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions.

Miss Goncalves added the Superintendent's Report – Considerations, Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities, Supplemental Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities, Superintendent's Report – Field Trips, Superintendent's Report - Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Investigative Results, Authorizations Report, Finance and Accounting Report – Authorization to Pay Vouchers, etc., Supplemental Finance and Accounting Report – Transfer of Funds, Award of Contracts, Miscellaneous Communication, and Claims List to the agenda.

Resolution – Kindness Awareness Month
Resolution – National School Nurse Day
Resolution – Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month
Resolution – National Teacher Appreciation Week
Resolution – Special Education Week
Resolution – Holocaust Remembrance Day
Resolution – Better Speech and Hearing Month
Resolution – Bilingual Multicultural Education Month
Resolution – Payment for Medical Health Insurance Waiver
Resolution – Union County Educational Services Commission 2019-2020 Coordinated Transportation Services

Resolution – Acceptance of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Approval of Corrective Action Plan

Mr. Kennedy stated that it is a requirement that the Corrective Action Plan be read into the minutes of a public meeting. Mr. Kennedy introduced Comptroller Rajeev Malhotra who presented the findings and recommendations in the Auditors Management Report and the Corrective Action Plan. Mr. Malhotra read the audit recommendations, comments, actions to be implemented, persons responsible, and completion dates which were considered and discussed.

Resolution – Gloucester County Special Services 2019-2020 Cooperative Transportation Agreement

Resolution – Maximum Travel Expenditures 2019-2020

Resolution – Residency Investigative Results

Resolution – Contract for Professional Services – Education Law Center

Resolution – Equity Policy File Code No. 2225

Resolution – Transfer of Capital Reserve Funds

Resolution – Payment of Unused Sick Days

Resolution – Payment for Unused Vacation Days

Resolution – Authorizing Execution of New Deed Notice – Edison Academy

Resolution – Educational Services Commission of NJ 2019-2020 Coordinated Transportation Services

Resolution – Appointing Nardone Brothers Bakery and Approving Form of Contract

Resolution – Appointing Seashore Fruit and Produce Co., Inc.

Resolution – Appointing Institute for Multi-Sensory Education for Orton-Gillingham

Resolution – Approving Acquisition of Three Vehicles and Authorizing Entry into a Five Year Lease/Purchase Agreement with US Bankcorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc.

Miss Goncalves asked if there were any questions on the above resolutions.

Miss Goncalves added the resolutions to the agenda.

Mrs. Moreno-Ortega thanked Mrs. Hugelmeyer for representing the district at the annual Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities meeting in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Moreno-Ortega wished Board President Stephanie Goncalves joy and happiness on her upcoming wedding day. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that she and her fellow Board members are very happy for Miss Goncalves and wish her a lifetime of happiness, joy, and love. Mrs. Moreno-Ortega stated that next meeting she will be Mrs. Pestana.

Miss Goncalves thanked Mrs. Moreno-Ortega for the kind words. Miss Goncalves thanked the directors for attending tonight.

Board President Stephanie Goncalves requested a motion to go into Private Session to consider matters exempt under the Open Public Meetings Act, specifically for discussion of personnel, specifically, interviews, labor negotiations, litigation; legal, specifically, technology security, residency investigations, consulting services 403(b) advisory services, authorization to apply for Perkins Grant, authorization to submit application for Long Range Facilities Plan; and considerations, specifically, use of facilities. The board will reconvene in public and may add to the agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mrs. Carvalho, to go into private session at 8:35 p.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mmes. Barbosa, Carvalho, Chevres, Hernandez, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Mr. Neron, Miss Goncalves – 8

Negative: None

Mrs. Chevres excused herself from the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

A motion was made by Mrs. Carvalho, seconded by Mrs. Barbosa, to reconvene in public session at 12:00 a.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mmes. Barbosa, Carvalho, Hernandez, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Mr. Neron, Miss Goncalves – 7

Negative: None

Miss Goncalves added the following to the agenda:

Resolution – Appointment of Supervisor of Special Services

Resolution – Appointment of Supervisor of Career and Technical Education

Resolution – Gladstone Wealth Advisory Services for Employee 403(b) subject to attorney review

Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities – Request from Elizabeth Education Association

Authorization Report – Authorization to Submit Application for Long Range Facilities Plan

On a motion by Mrs. Hernandez, seconded by Mrs. Barbosa, the agenda meeting was adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mmes. Barbosa, Carvalho, Hernandez, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Moreno-Ortega, Mr. Neron, Miss Goncalves – 7

Negative: None

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