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BOARD OF EDUCATION
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Elizabeth, New Jersey

Prior to the scheduled reorganization and regular meeting of the Elizabeth Board of Education at 7:30 p.m. held in the Multi Purpose Room, Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education, 544 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey, Assistant Board Secretary Donald Gonçalves welcomed all to the meeting.

Colors were presented during the Flag Ceremony by members of the Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr. Leadership Academy Marine Corps Junior R.O.T.C., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Jordy Hernandez, eighth grade student at William F. Halloran School No. 22 @ 31. The *Star-Spangled Banner* by Francis Scott Key was performed by Naomi Chavanne, senior at Thomas Jefferson Arts Academy.

Dr. William Greene gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Ethics was led by Jordy Hernandez, eighth grade student at William F. Halloran School No. 22 @ 31.

Assistant Board Secretary Donald Gonçalves introduced a video presentation of the Core Beliefs and Commitments.

Board members elect Francisco González, Fernando Nazco, and Paul Perreira took the oath of office administered by Harold E. Kennedy, Jr., School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Mr. Gonçalves introduced Board President Carlos Trujillo to present the re-elected Board members with a plaque of commemoration.

Mr. Trujillo thanked everyone for coming tonight to celebrate the re-election of three Board members who have proven that they serve the Elizabeth community and most importantly they serve the children of the City of Elizabeth who are our future and are achieving at such high levels under the direction of Superintendent Pablo Muñoz and this administration. Mr. Trujillo thanked the Board members for the opportunity to serve as President and commented that it has been a privilege and an honor to serve. Mr. Trujillo stated that this year a lot got done and here we are to celebrate again and to continue our progress.

Mr. Trujillo congratulated Board members Francisco González, Fernando Nazco, and Paul Perreira and presented each with a plaque of commemoration. Each newly sworn in Board member thanked all for support given during the School Board Election.

Mr. Gonçalves introduced students from Elizabeth High School String Orchestra who performed *Stringin' the Blues* by Martin Norgaard and *The Barber of Seville* by Gioachino Antonio Rossini. Mr. Gonçalves thanked the students for the wonderful performance.

Mr. Gonçalves recognized the Columbian community as a very special community here in Elizabeth and stated that our City is a tapestry of nations from all around the world. Mr. Gonçalves stated that Columbia is one of the countries that has contributed so much to this City and we are so proud of the contributions they make on a daily basis to make Elizabeth great. Mr. Gonçalves stated that we have the distinct pleasure of having Supreme Court Judge Alphonso Triana from Columbia with us to celebrate the swearing in of Francisco González.

The members of the Board of Education met for the purpose of reorganization and a regular meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2011 held in the Multi Purpose Room, Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education, 544 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr. presented the following statement at 8:20 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 Monday, May 9, 2011. 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 one hour prior to the advertised 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: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva (arr. 9:11 p.m.), Donoso (arr. 9:20 p.m.), González, Mrs. Munn, Messrs. Nazco, Perreira, Trujillo – 9

Absent: None

Superintendent of Schools Pablo Muñoz, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr., Board Attorney Kirk Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Schools Jennifer Barrett, Assistant Superintendent for Family and Community Outreach Jerome Dunn, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Aida Garcia, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Olga Hugelmeyer, Executive Director of Human Resources/Labor Attorney Karen Murray, Assistant Board Secretary Donald Gonçalves, Comptroller William Greene, and members of the public were in attendance.

Kirk Nelson, Board Attorney, stated that tonight the Board is meeting for the purpose of reorganization and a regular meeting. Mr. Nelson 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. To conduct the election for President and Vice President, there will be the election of a President Pro Tem, and the same rules will apply for the voting process in that regard and the election of the President Pro Tem will be conducted by the Board Secretary. President Pro Tem is elected solely for conducting the election of a President.

Mr. Kennedy called the first order of business for nominations for President Pro Tem.
Pastor Burgos nominated Mr. González for President Pro Tem.

A motion was made by Mrs. Munn, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that nominations be closed.
The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Mrs. Munn, Messrs. Nazco, Perreira,
Trujillo – 6
Abstain: Mr. González – 1
Negative: None

The following vote was taken on the election of Mr. González for President Pro Tem.
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Mrs. Munn, Messrs. Nazco, Perreira,

Trujillo – 6
Abstain: Mr. González – 1
Negative: None

Mr. González having received the required number of votes was declared President Pro Tem.
Mr. González thanked the Board for the vote of confidence in electing him President Pro Tem
and commended Mr. Trujillo for his leadership and contributions during his tenure as President.

President Pro Tem González called for nominations for Board President.
Mrs. Castillo-Ospina nominated Mrs. Munn for President.
A motion was made by Mr. Perreira, seconded by Mr. Trujillo, that nominations be closed.
The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. González, Nazco, Perreira,
Trujillo – 6
Abstain: Mrs. Munn – 1
Negative: None

The following vote was taken on the election of Mrs. Munn for President.
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. González, Nazco, Perreira,

Trujillo – 6
Abstain: Mrs. Munn – 1
Negative: None

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

Mrs. Munn stated that it is with great pleasure that she takes this opportunity to thank all the Board members and that she looks forward to serving as President this year. Mrs. Munn thanked Mr. Trujillo for his service as President last year and commented that following behind him will be tough but she knows that he will be right there by her side and thanked him for his help and support during the last year.

Pastor Burgos congratulated Mrs. Munn and commented that we can celebrate this historic night. Pastor Burgos thanked Mr. Trujillo for his service as President last year and for his passion for the education of the children of the City of Elizabeth. Pastor Burgos stated that he looks forward to continue serving this Board.

Mr. González congratulated Mrs. Munn and stated that he appreciates her dedication and courage, that she had an accident on Election Day and had the courage while she was in a lot of pain to have her husband drive her to the poll in order to vote for us. Mr. González thanked her for voting and commented that he knows that she appreciates one vote because she won by one vote a few years ago. Mr. González stated that she will do a fantastic job as President this year with the support of the Board members.

Mrs. Munn called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Trujillo nominated Mr. Nazco for Vice President.

A motion was made by Mr. Trujillo, seconded by Pastor Burgos, that nominations be closed.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. González, Perreira, Trujillo,

Mrs. Munn – 6

Abstain: Mr. Nazco – 1

Negative: None

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

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. González, Perreira, Trujillo,

Mrs. Munn – 6

Abstain: Mr. Nazco – 1

Negative: None

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

Mr. Nazco thanked the Board for the vote of confidence in electing him Vice President and commented that there is a lot of work left to do to make us the best school system in the State and the country. Mr. Nazco stated that he is honored to serve his fellow Board members and the administration in this capacity. Mr. Nazco thanked Mr. Trujillo for his service last year and stated that it was a challenging year, that Rafael Fajardo, a long standing Board member and mentor to many of us, stepped down, and the Board had to take on a lot of new endeavors and had some opportunities on which Mr. Trujillo capitalized and that he can hold his head up high. Mr. Nazco thanked him for his leadership in the tough times and for his passion for the children of the City of Elizabeth.

Mrs. Munn recognized Erin Devaney, fourth grade teacher at Dr. Orlando Edreira Academy School No. 26, as a Star of Excellence for being selected as the Union County Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Munn and Board members congratulated Erin Devaney and presented her with a plaque of commemoration.

A motion was made by Mr. Trujillo, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the Board recess at 8:40 p.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. González, Nazco, Perreira, Trujillo,

Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Mr. Trujillo excused himself from the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Gonzalez, Nazco, Perreira, and Mrs. Munn reconvened at 9:11 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Perreira, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the rules, which governed the Board during the year ending April 2011, be adopted as the Rules of Governance of the Board.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that Mrs. Castillo-Ospina represent the Board on the Union County Educational Services Commission.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 6

Abstain: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina – 1

Negative: None

Mrs. Munn stated that she would be appointing Board members to represent the Board at the New Jersey School Boards Association, Urban School Boards Association, Union County School Boards Association and Board committees.

Resolution – Official Results of School Board Election

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Mr. DaSilva commented that there were more votes this year than last year and thanked the parents and residents of the City of Elizabeth for coming out to vote.

Resolution – Official Media Services

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Designating Depositories for School Funds

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. González, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Appointment of Special Counsels

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. González, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Appointment of Insurance Consultant

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Appointment of Auditor

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Appointment of Chief Medical Inspector

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Appointment of Medical Inspectors

A motion was made by Mr. Perreira, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Treasurer of School Monies

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Schedule of Meetings

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Resolution – 2011-2012 School Calendars

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Mrs. Munn introduced Robert D'Uva, Mendonca & Suarez, LLC, who presented the independent audit report for the district. Mr. D'Uva read, reviewed and discussed the findings, comments and recommendations of the audit report for the 2009-2010 school year. Mr. D'Uva reported that the District received an unqualified report and is excellent condition for an organization of this size.

Mrs. Munn thanked Mr. D'Uva for the report.

Mr. Nazco congratulated the staff for their hard work and commented that the district has achieved sound fiscal responsibility and we try to provide the citizens of Elizabeth the best for their money.

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the Audit Report for the 2009-2010 school year be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

A motion was made by Mr. Perreira, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the minutes of the meeting of April 14, 2011 be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Secretary and Treasurer's Report for the Month of March 2011

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Personnel Report – Leaves of Absence, etc.

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Tuition Report

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Superintendent's Report – Considerations

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities

Mr. DaSilva requested the report be held for private session.

Superintendent's Report – Use of Facilities with Fees

Mr. DaSilva requested the report be held for private session.

Superintendent's Report – Field Trips

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Supplemental Superintendent's Report – Field Trips

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Superintendent's Report – Excellence News

Superintendent Pablo Muñoz stated that he is presenting all the excellent educational experiences and services that have been provided by the Elizabeth Board of Education since the last Board meeting celebrating excellence in the Elizabeth Public Schools. Superintendent Muñoz highlighted the excellent news around the district including the Fourth Annual Teen Health Expo held at the Dunn Sports Center on May 10, 2011, students at Charles J. Hudson School No. 25 studied life cycles, the Italian Honor Society placed 2nd out of nineteen schools participating in the Italian Language and Culture Day 2011 “La Canzone Italiana” at Montclair University, students from Nicholas S. LaCorte-Peterstown School No. 3 showcased student art work at the Union County Teen Arts Festival, students from Terence C. Reilly School No. 7 visited the BODIES Exhibit, Math Message Madness Day at Elmora School No. 12, three future teachers from Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr. Leadership Academy visited a kindergarten class at Joseph Battin School No. 4, Week of the Young Child Celebration at Dr. Antonia Pantoja School No. 27, Someone Special Day at Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education School No. 51, Students of the Month Celebration at Joseph Battin School No. 4, Seven Habits of Highly Effective People workshops at Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr. Leadership Academy, Week of the Young Child Celebration at Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education School No. 51, Spring Rabbit number stories at Ronald Reagan Academy School No. 30, students from Elizabeth High School raised over \$1,600. for Japanese earthquake and tsunami victims, Ice Cream Experiment at Madison-Monroe School No. 16, second grade students from William F. Halloran School No. 22 @ 31 wrote to President Obama and he responded with a letter and pictures of his family, dog and himself, Autism Awareness Month celebrated at Elmora School No. 12, students from William F. Halloran School No. 22 @ 31 created their own Spanish newspaper, Movie Night at Robert Morris School No. 18, Grandparents Luncheon at Dr. Orlando Edreira Academy School No. 26, eighth grade students at Robert Morris School No. 18 used a “Thinking

Palette” which identifies the six learning domains in the revised Bloom’s taxonomy, Pennies for Patients at Joseph Battin School No. 4, Roller Coaster Physics at Terence C. Reilly School No. 7, students Perla Montas, Rockyvens Pierre Louis, and Calinsky Celian from Winfield Scott School No. 2 were among the winners in the Union County Poster Contest, Recycling Project at Robert Morris School No. 18, Earth Day Art Masterpieces at George Washington School No. 1, Going Green at Madison-Monroe School No. 16, Movie Night at Dr. Orlando Edreira Academy School No. 26, the middle school choir from Ronald Reagan Academy School No. 30 performed at Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education School No. 51, study of genocide by the eighth grade LEADS class at Dr. Orlando Edreira Academy School No. 26, and the production of Willy Wonka Jr. by the After School Performing Arts students at Terence C. Reilly School No. 7. Mr. Muñoz stated that if you would like to learn more about the Elizabeth Public Schools, our wonderful team members and students you can visit us at our website www.epsnj.org and that you can find us on Facebook, watch videos of our organization on YouTube and follow us on EPStv.

Mrs. Munn thanked Superintendent Muñoz for his report.

Authorizations Report – Authorization to Enter into Agreement, etc.

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Finance and Accounting Report – Authorization to Pay Vouchers

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Supplemental Finance and Accounting Report – Transfer of Funds

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Award of Contracts Report – Award of Contracts, etc.

A motion was made by Mr. Perreira, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Supplemental Award of Contracts Report – Award of Contracts, etc.

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Mr. DaSilva asked about the contract for uniforms.
Mr. Kennedy explained the uniform contract and performance bond.

Miscellaneous Communication

None.

Claims List

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, that the report be accepted.
The motion was carried by the following vote:
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco
(abstain- O.F.), Perreira (abstain- Candelario Trujillo), Mrs. Munn – 8
Negative: None

Resolution – Portugal Day

Mr. DaSilva read the resolution.
A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. González, that the resolution be adopted.
The motion was carried by the following vote:
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco,
Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8
Negative: None

Resolution – Haitian Heritage Month

Mr. González read the resolution.
A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the resolution be adopted.
The motion was carried by the following vote:
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco,
Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8
Negative: None

Resolution – National Teacher Appreciation Week

Mr. Perreira read the resolution.
A motion was made by Mr. Perreira, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the resolution be adopted.
The motion was carried by the following vote:
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco,
Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8
Negative: None

Resolution – Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month

Pastor Burgos read the resolution.
A motion was made by Pastor Burgos, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the resolution be adopted.
The motion was carried by the following vote:
Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco,
Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8
Negative: None

Resolution – Cuban American Day

Mr. Nazco read the resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. González, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Resolution – Special Education Week

Mrs. Castillo-Ospina read the resolution.

A motion was made by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Resolution – Union County Educational Services Commission 2011-2012 Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement.

A motion was made by Mr. González, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Resolution – Union County Educational Services Commission Coordinated Transportation Services for the 2011-2012 School Year

A motion was made by Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Resolution – Union County Educational Services Commission Environmental Safety Program 2011-2012

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Perreira, that the resolution be adopted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Mrs. Munn presented the following public participation statement.

“At this time, the microphones are open for public comment to those who have signed in prior to this session. 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. Munn declared this portion of the public meeting closed.

The President requests a motion to go into Private Session to consider matters exempt under the Open Public Meetings Act, specifically for discussion of personnel, specifically N.J.S.A. 18A:27-10 and 28-9 actions; indemnification matters; and workers’ compensation claims, specifically, A.A., R.C., J.B., D.M., and P.T. The Board will reconvene in public to take formal action.

A motion was made by Mr. Donoso, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, to go into private session at 10:09 p.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Pastor Burgos, Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 8

Negative: None

Pastor Burgos excused himself from the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened in public at 11:00 p.m. to continue with the meeting and take formal action.

Superintendent’s Report – Use of Facilities

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Donoso, that the requests be approved with a waiver of fees.

The amended motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Superintendent’s Report – Use of Facilities with Fees

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the requests be approved as recommended.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina (abstain- New Jersey Youth Soccer), Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs. Munn – 7

Negative: None

Supplemental Personnel Report – Resignation, etc.

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs.

Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Settlement of Workers’ Compensation Claim File Code No. 2010-2324 – D.M.

A motion was made by Mr. Nazco, seconded by Mr. DaSilva, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs.

Munn – 7

Negative: None

Resolution – Settlement of Workers’ Compensation Claim File Code No. 2010-1785 – J.B.

A motion was made by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Nazco, that the report be accepted.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs.

Munn – 7

Negative: None

Mrs. Munn congratulated the re-elected Board members Francisco González, Fernando Nazco and Paul Perreira.

Mr. DaSilva congratulated the re-elected and newly elected Board members and commented that we have a great team and we are moving in the right direction, and with your victory it allows us to continue the good work we do here in Elizabeth. Mr. DaSilva explained that he works late on some Thursdays and apologized for missing the swearing in ceremonies. Mr. DaSilva congratulated the new Board President Mrs. Munn and Vice President Mr. Nazco and commented that we will continue the work that has been started.

On a motion by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Nazco, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 p.m.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative: Mrs. Castillo-Ospina, Messrs. DaSilva, Donoso, González, Nazco, Perreira, Mrs.

Munn – 7

Negative: None

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