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October 4, 2011

BRIDGETON BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA SESSION MEETING

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The agenda session meeting of the Bridgeton Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Board President, Ms. Angelia Edwards. Board Members present were Mrs. Brenda Dellaquilla, Ms. Angelia Edwards, Mrs. Marie Bernstein, Ms. Barbara Taylor-Holmes, Mrs. Mary Peterson (arrived at 6:12pm), Mr. Albert Morgan, Mr. Kenny Smith Bey Jr. and Mr. James Williamson. Mr. Curtis Edward was absent. Also in attendance were, Dr. Thomasina Jones, Superintendent, Mr. Nedd Johnson, Assistant Superintendent, A. Paul Kienzle, Jr. Esq., Board Solicitor (arrived at 6:15pm), Mrs. Nicole M. Schoener, School Business Administrator. Prayer was offered by Mr. Smith-Bey.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. Bridgeton Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Bank Street Administration Building and mailed to the City Clerk of Bridgeton, The Evening News, Bridgeton, and Radio Station WSNJ, Bridgeton on May 11, 2011.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

PRESENTATION

Mrs. Schoener informed the Board of the requirements to offer a flexible spending account to employees through the new pension and benefit law. Mrs. Schoener introduced MaryAnn Meyers from AFLAC to provide more information. (See attached)

Mrs. Schoener explained the exposure to the board and informed them they need to select the dollar maximum, what to do with unexpended balances and whether or not to offer dependent care. Ms. Edwards asked for the information be written to the board so they may decide by the action meeting.

Dr. Jones shared the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report with the Board. Dr. Jones explained the requirements of the HIB law and policy. She further explained what actions must be taken by staff and the requirements of the Superintendent. The HIB cases were then presented to the Board members. Each Board meeting will contain a summary of HIB complaints.

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The Board reviewed the agenda.

Mrs. Dellaquilla requested information on Trunk or Treat.

- Executive Session – 6:46pm

Motion by Mrs. Bernstein, second by Mrs. Peterson approving the following executive session resolution:

WHEREAS, section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 341 PL1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bridgeton Board of Education of the City of Bridgeton, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The nature of the subject matters to be discussed is:
 - *Personnel matters related to the recommendation of termination of certificated staff member.
 - *Suspension and termination of a bus aide.
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matters will be made public when appropriate.
4. This resolution will take effect immediately.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

RETURN TO THE PUBLIC

Motion by Mrs. Bernstein, second by Mrs. Peterson, approving the return to the public portion of the meeting at 7:20pm

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Item 10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Bernstein, second by Mrs. Peterson approving to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole M. Schoener
School Business Administrator

Executive Session Minutes
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Executive Session began- 6:46pm

The Board discussed the recommendation of termination for certificated nursing staff. Issues related to the employees status were discussed by the Human Resources director and available in his office.

Mr. Everett provided details surrounding the termination of a non-certificated staff member. The Suspension and termination of a bus aide was discussed.

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