

September 21, 2012

**BRIDGETON BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL PUBLIC ACTION MEETING
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The special public action meeting of the Bridgeton Board of Education was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by the Board President, Angelia Edwards. Board Members present were Ms. Angelia Edwards, Mrs. Marie Bernstein, Ms. Barbara Taylor-Holmes, Mrs. Brenda Dellaquilla, Mrs. Mary Peterson and Mr. Kenny Smith-Bey Jr. Mr. Albert Morgan, Mr. Curtis Edwards and Mr. James Williamson were absent. Also in attendance was Dr. Thomasina Jones, Superintendent, Mrs. Nicole M. Schoener, School Business Administrator, Mr. Nedd Johnson, Assistant Superintendent and Mr. Terrell Everett, Human Resources Director. Prayer was offered by Ms. Edwards.

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, Radio Station WSNJ, Bridgeton on September 19, 2012.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

The Board completed team building activities. Dr. Jones discussed the mission vision and goals. They discussed what they believe in for people and society. Discussion ensued over the relationship between the board's values and those of the district as a whole. The Board began working on leadership philosophy. The meeting ended at 9:55 pm

No action was taken.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole M. Schoener
School Business Administrator

September 22, 2012

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None

The retreat began with a board activity to discuss the various data of the composition of students and staff. Discussion occurred over ethnic breakdown, special education, free & reduced, and the distribution of staff.

Dr. Jones presented a power point on dealing with negative people and keeping yourself from becoming negative.

Characteristics of negative people and how they affect an organization.

The conversation continued on how to work with and help negative people

Next the superintendent lead the board through a presentation on good governance. Dr. Jones explained the stages of team growth and characteristics of an effective board.

The Board discussed a mentoring process for new members.

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Types of data were reviewed

- Demographic
- Student achievement
- Curriculum & Instruction
- Perception

Characteristics of each were discussed.

The test data of all of the schools for the 2011-2012 year was reviewed.

Bob Stevens presented information on plans to address attendance, security issues and HIB.

Security at the administration offices was discussed. Mr. Stevens is often through out the district and discussed additional staff need for the administration building and floaters. The administration will look further into the situation.

Mr. Johnson explained the regional achievement centers (RACS)

Next he reviewed partnership for assessment of readiness for college & career.

The common core utilized across the county and how they reach the classroom were discussed.

The Board viewed a slide show of work completed at the facilities over the summer.

Reviewed possible Cherry Street improvements and determined they would not like the playground in front.

Discussed the Rutgers court case on executive session.

Vacancies

Tenure law was reviewed.

No action was taken.

Meeting concluded at 3:45 pm

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Nicole M. Schoener
School Business Administrator

September 23, 2012

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

The activities of the retreat were summarized and the goal of student achievement was stressed. The Board worked on writing leadership philosophies. After some individual time to prepare their statements; the board shared their philosophies with each other.

No action was taken.

Meeting concluded at 10:30 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole M. Schoener
School Business Administrator