

BOARD OF EDUCATION
OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Ossining, NY

Special Meeting
Roosevelt School Cafeteria

March 5, 2013
Special Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Mr. Bill Kress, *President*; Ms. Dana Levenberg, *Vice President*; Dr. Kimberly Case, Mr. Graig Galef, Mr. Frank Schneckner, Mr. Steve Wardwell, Ms. Cindy Winter

Others

Present: Mr. Raymond Sanchez, *Superintendent of Schools*; Dr. Angela White, *Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education and Administrative Services*, Ms. Alita Zuber, *Assistant Superintendent for Business*

I. Call to Order -- President

Board President Bill Kress called the March 5, 2013 Special Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:35 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Dana Levenberg led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Kress announced that the purpose of tonight's Special Meeting is to announce the next Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Kress reviewed the interview process. Putnam-Northern Westchester BOCES conducted the search which resulted in the receipt of thirty (30) applicants from ten (10) states. Putnam-Northern Westchester BOCES then narrowed the candidates to seven (7). The Board interviewed five (5) candidates and selected three (3) candidates to meet with the Superintendent's Search Committee on three separate nights. The committee included members from throughout the community. The Committee had the opportunity to meet with and interview each candidate. The Board met with each candidate after they met with the Committee.

The Committee provided feedback to Dr. James Langlois and Mr. John McCarthy of Putnam-Northern Westchester BOCES. Community feedback was taken into account. The process was inclusive and after a long and thorough search and interview process, the Board of Education is ready to announce and appoint the next Superintendent of Schools.

III. Motion to Adopt the Resolution to Appoint the Next Superintendent of Schools

Frank Schneckner moved and Cindy Winter seconded the motion to move resolution A-1.

A-1 Resolution Regarding the Appointment of Mr. Raymond Sanchez as the Next Superintendent of Schools

WHEREAS, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Dr. Phyllis Glassman as the Superintendent of Schools on July 3, 2012 for the purpose of retirement effective January 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education approved a resolution on December 12, 2012 appointing Mr. Raymond Sanchez as the Interim Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the District sought input and feedback from the community at various meetings and a Superintendent Search Committee was formed; and

WHEREAS, after a thorough search, the Board of Education selected Mr. Raymond Sanchez as the District's next Superintendent of Schools; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education by Roll Call Vote authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute such contract between the Ossining Union Free School District and Mr. Raymond Sanchez, dated March 5, 2013 and thereby appoint Mr. Raymond Sanchez as the next Superintendent of Schools effective March 6, 2013.

Motion carried: 7-0

IV. Roll Call Vote

The District Clerk, Ms. Ileana Ortiz, conducted a roll call vote.

Kimberly Case – Aye
Graig Galef – Aye
Frank Schnecker – Aye
Steve Wardwell – Aye
Cindy Winter – Aye
Dana Levenberg – Aye
Bill Kress – Aye

Each member of the Board of Education expressed their best wishes and congratulations to Mr. Sanchez.

V. Ceremonial Signing of Contract

Mr. Bill Kress announced that the ceremonial signing of the Superintendent's Contract would take place. Mr. Kress and Mr. Sanchez signed three (3) copies of the contract.

VI. Administration of the Oath of Office

The District Clerk, Ms. Ileana Ortiz, administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Raymond Sanchez, the newly appointed Superintendent of Schools.

VII. Remarks From the Superintendent-Elect

Mr. Sanchez thanked each member of the Board, the members of the Superintendent's Search Committee, administrators, Cabinet members, teachers, support staff, members of CSEA, and the District confidential employees.

Mr. Sanchez expressed his appreciation for the confidence and trust the Board, the District and the community have in him. Mr. Sanchez understands the dynamics of the District having been a teacher, administrator and resident. Mr. Sanchez has a passion for the community he serves and that the business of educating students and preparing them for the future is a collaborative effort. Mr. Sanchez will be an approachable and dedicated leader and will work to move the Ossining School District from "great" to "greater."

The following audience members were recognized:

Gabriela Sanchez
Lisa Murray
Beth Sniffen
Elisabeth Gilbert
Regina Cellio
Bob Rosenbaum
Ann Dealy
Felix Flores
Alice Joselow

VIII. Adjournment

At 8:27 p.m. Dana Levenberg moved and Kimberly Case seconded the motion to adjourn the March 5, 2013 Board of Education meeting.

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Ileana Ortiz
District Clerk