FORT LEE BOARD OF EDUCATION FORT LEE, NEW JERSEY

MINUTES

SPECIAL PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING
December 20, 2021
Lewis F. Cole Intermediate School Cafetorium
and Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Ms. Colbath.

FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Han Silver.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ms. Elisa Cho, Mrs. Kim Curry, Mrs. Esther Han Silver, Mrs. Holly Morell,

Mrs. Kristen Richter, Mrs. Candace Romba, Mr. Michael Rubino,

Ms. Julene Stassou. Ms. Paula K. Colbath

Also Present: Mr. Robert Kravitz, Ms. Hagquisha Q. Taylor, Mrs. Diane Collazo-Baker, Matthew

Giacobbe, Board Attorney

PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

The purpose of tonight's Special Public Meeting was to convene in open session and then immediately proceed into closed, Executive Session to discuss personnel and deliberate and determine whether to certify tenure charges. Action might be taken in closed, executive session or in public session. The Board will return to Public Session at approximately 6:30 p.m. to hear public comments from the community and adjourn.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mrs. Han Silver, seconded by Mrs. Morell, at 6:08 p.m., to move into Executive Session.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 9-0.

The Board reconvened into the Public Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC WORK SESSION

None.

HEARING OF CITIZENS- QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

MOTION by Mrs. Richter, seconded by Mrs. Romba, to open the floor to the public, 6:34 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 9-0.

MOTION by Mrs. Han Silver, seconded by Mrs. Morell, to close the floor to the public, 6:36 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 9-0.

RESOLUTION

1B Walk In	THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fort Lee Board of Education, hereby approves the Separation and Release Agreement by and between the Fort Lee Board of Education and Employee #5291 for the confidential terms and conditions specified therein and authorizes the Board President to execute same on behalf of the Fort Lee Board of Education.
	MOTION by Mrs. Morell, seconded by Mrs. Richter, to approve item #1B.
	MOTION carried upon voice vote, 8-0-1 – Mr. Rubino abstained.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Han Silver thanked the board, Zoom participants and community for their "thank yous" and well wishes.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Colbath spoke about legislation re: health care costs that is moving quickly through the NJ Legislature and recommended the Board send a letter to local legislative members opposing it. Board was in agreement to do so.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Rubino, seconded by Mrs. Curry, to adjourn, 6:41 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 9-0.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Haqquisha Q. Taylor

HAQQUISHA Q. TAYLOR

SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

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