

**ROSELLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROSELLE, NEW JERSEY**

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018**

FLAG SALUTE

OPENING STATEMENT

I, hereby, announce pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act: that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as follows:

On [February 5, 2018](#) a notice was electronically delivered to the Star Ledger, Union County Local Source, electronically – delivered to all Board Members and the Custodian of School Monies; electronically – delivered to the Board Attorneys and posted on the Bulletin Board in the Board of Education Administration Building stating the date, time, place, and Agenda, to the extent known for this meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Ms. Fabrizio
Ms. Eleazer
Mr. Davis
Ms. Jones
Mr. Antoine
Ms. Pollard
Mr. Villeda
Ms. Alvey-Wimbush

Also Present: Dr. Corbett
Dr. Miller-Harrington
Mr. DiPisa, Esq.

Roll Call:

6:06pm

Present: P. Fabrizio, D. Eleazer, J. Davis, K. Jones, A. Antoine, S. Pollard, R. Villeda, A. Alvey-Wimbush, R. Corbett, S. Miller-Harrington, M. DiPisa (Board Attorney).

Public Comment

6:27pm

Cynthia Johnson:

A. Esposito: Concerns with the Audit report from 2017 and whether the board voted on it.

Concerns with attorneys fees and whether the special meeting agenda was advertised. Has.

B. Bernier: Concerns that the board attorney did not know who can deliver the oath of office.

M. Jenkins: Concerns that the schools are in horrible shape.

G. Smith: Concerns about overspending of money and missing money from the budget.

S. Turnage: Concerns regarding the practices of this board and the board attorneys and the J. Holley team. Concerns about auditing firm used to complete audit and the media articles regarding the Superintendent.

D. Wilkinson: Concerns about parents of students being threated about the lunch bill and their struggle with high taxes. Concerns about back office decisions.

S. Johnson: Concerns about no one listening to the public and their concerns about issues effecting the district and Board attorney and Jamel Holley both knew Dr. Corbett, who is responsible for these issues.

J. Ward: Concerned about the children in the school district and the board needs to do a better job ensuring that they are successful.

R. Brooks-Brody: Past board member who is concerned about financial issues that are occurring.

K. Steward: Concerns about Roselle district focusing on moving district forward. The board must come together and work together.

Unknown Citizen: Concerns about the challenges of the district and the board accepting policy. Concerns about the board being aware of NJAC 6A: 23A-6.2 and does the district have a policy to comply with that regulation.

B. Clark: Concerns about the board and a list of vendors whose contributions have still not been paid to their accounts. Concerns about the shape of buildings in the district.

M. Hagner: Concerns about school system and pay for teachers.

R. Smith: Concerns about board taking responsibility for financial issues.

A. Sutherland: Concerned as the second VP of the Union, about teachers working without a contract.

S. Oconte: Concerns about misappropriation of funds and making progress in the school district.

J. Zell: Concerns about curriculum changes effecting students.

E. Grimsley: Concerns about reorganization items coming after public comment. Concerns about nepotism in the district.

Board questions to Superintendent:

1. *Board Member Antoine: 2017 Audit report. The audit was done by Suplee and Clooney. Dr. Corbett met with them in December. The audit will be completed on February 26 to be presented to the board.*
2. *Question regarding urine on the walls; this is unacceptable and must be addressed.*
3. *Teacher reimbursement. Dr. Corbett stated that while the K is being renegotiated, we do not provide reimbursement. This has been our practice while we are in the middle of negotiations. Dr. Corbett said that any staff using vehicles are not permitted to use them for personal use.*
4. *Any issues regarding custodians working hours is currently the subject of a grievance and can not be discussed.*
5. *We are receiving a lot of OPRA request and we are working on responses as quickly as possible.*
6. *Regarding the issue on lunch bills, Dr. Corbett stated that it is the principal's responsibility to send letter to parents notifying them if their account has a balance.*
7. *Dr. Corbett was not aware that there was mold in the kitchen or the chef's room and will look into it with Mr. White. He will conduct an investigation with regard to use of school vehicles by staff.*

Motion to Adjourn

Moved by Fabrizio

Seconded by Villeda

Voice Vote

Motion Passes (8-0)

8:50pm

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018**

An Executive Session Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Roselle, New Jersey, was held at Abraham Clark High School located at 122 East Sixth Avenue, Roselle, New Jersey on February 8th, 2018.

I move, that in compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Law”, the Roselle Board of Education meet in closed Executive Session to discuss personnel items, contract negotiations, and attorney/client privilege matters. This discussion will be disclosed to the public at such time as it becomes public information.

Motion to Move to Executive Session

Moved by Fabrizio

Seconded by Eleazer

Voice Vote

Motion Passes (8-0)

8:54pm

ROLL CALL:

Ms. Fabrizio

Ms. Eleazer

Mr. Davis

Ms. Jones

Mr. Antoine

Ms. Pollard

Mr. Villeda

Ms. Alvey-Wimbush

Also Present: Dr. Corbett
Dr. Miller-Harrington
Mr. DiPisa, Esq.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- *Brief update on Esposito litigation with Union county.*
- *Superintendent giving statements to the media*

- Audit investigation.

Motion to Return to Executive Session

Moved by Fabrizio

Seconded by Alvey-Wimbush

Voice Vote

Motion Passes (8-0)

10:30pm

Ended