ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 10, 2012

A regular meeting of the Enfield Board of Education was held at Town Hall in Council Chambers, located at 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT on January 10, 2012.

- **1. CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Neville.
- 2. INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE Joyce P. Hall
- **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Joyce P. Hall
- **4. FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT** Chairman Neville announced the fire evacuation announcement.
- 5. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT Vin Grady, Joyce Hall, Charles Johnson, Tina LeBlanc,

Jennifer Rancourt, Donna Szewczak, Kevin Fealy and

Timothy Neville

MEMBERS ABSENT Peter Jonaitis

ALSO PRESENT Dr. John Gallacher, Superintendent of Schools and Mr.

Anthony Torre, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the December 13, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as amended with the correction on page 10. Motion passed unanimously by a **show of hands 8-0-0**.

Mr. Fealy moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the December 15, 2011 Special Meeting Minutes be approved. Motion passed unanimously by a **show of hands 7-0-1** with Ms. Hall abstaining

7. **BOARD GUESTS** - None

8. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Neville stated that we have the need to add an item to the Executive Session – Item 16b. - Document(s) Protected by Attorney Client Privilege – Simcovitz Estate.

Mr. Fealy moved, seconded by Ms. Hall that the Enfield Board of Education adds Document(s) Protected by Attorney client Privilege to the Executive Session.

A vote by **roll call 8-0-0** passed unanimously.

Chairman Neville reviewed the rules for audience participation and Board member responses to questions raised by audience members.

9. AUDIENCES

<u>Leena Mack, North Maple Street</u> – Mrs. Mack stated she is here regarding Policy #6172 Education Instruction Under Parental Direction. She would like the Board to reconsider the proposed changes and leave the policy as is. The current policy is open for the benefit of all students, not just high school students. Mrs. Mack thanked Board members.

<u>Lisa Rogers</u>, <u>Winter Way</u> – Mrs. Rogers publicly thanked the school system for supporting the Parent Leadership Academy (PLA). She is here as a coordinator for PLA and as a graduate from the first class. Mrs. Rogers reviewed the program and benefits. This program has been in existence for six years and is being funded through a grant from the State. She distributed informational flyers and enrollment forms to all Board members. Mrs. Rogers thanked the Board.

<u>Tom Kienzler</u>, <u>Washington Road</u> – Councilman Kienzler thanked the Board for their service to the community. He recently visited the newly re-purposed Alcorn School. There are a large supply of desks and chairs and he would like to know if the students could hold a tag sale on the items. They would be able to generate a bit of revenue for their schools or teams. Councilman Kienzler thanked the Board for this consideration.

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

EHS Student Representative Patience Bearse stated Enfield High has held some cultural events over the past few weeks and the students are getting ready for mid terms.

Ms. Hall congratulated the Enrico Fermi and Enfield High Consolidated Hockey Team for their win against Daniel Hand and wished them continued success against Conard High School.

Ms. Hall stated Governor Malloy held an educational conference recently. One of the items presented was that some of the States are jealous of Connecticut because of the many manufacturing companies that are in our State. There is concern about the preparation of the students for jobs in manufacturing. They expect students to have a significant level of creativity and innovation. So when they are working for a manufacturing company, they can come up with ideas. Since our students are potential graduates for these jobs, it is important that STEAM is an important part of our curriculum. The basics for STEAM are the common core for literacy, numeracy and science. More Science is needed in the elementary schools.

Mr. Fealy thanked Mrs. Rogers for what the PLA is doing and getting involved. He would like all parents to get involved in their children's education and in your children's school. He thanked the parents that are involved.

FHS Student Representative Amanda Stroiney stated that the Enrico Fermi Program of Studies Night will be held on February 2nd at 6:30 PM.

Mrs. LeBlanc stated that she is the KITE Liaison and they met last week. We have started a grant application and a community planning grant. She also attended the JFK PTO meeting and they have started their safe school planning event. The Hazardville Congregation Church will hold a "Dress for Less" event where students can purchase prom dresses for \$25 on February 25th. You will also receive a coupon for dry cleaning and a coupon for the Growth Company.

Mr. Johnson thanked Councilman Kienzler for getting involved. It is nice to hear from our Town Council members. Mr. Johnson stated that the Board has a policy regarding the disposal of unused materials. He will send Councilman Kienzler the policy and see if there is something we can come up with regarding disposal of any unnecessary equipment.

Mr. Grady attended the Enfield High Boys Basketball game against Coventry and it was quite exciting. The Enfield High team won and they look really good. He looks forward to seeing them in the State Championship. He attended the Parkman PTO Meeting and they have a presentation on January 17th from 6:30 PM thru 8:30 PM "Eight Tips for Creating Positive

Kids" with Bill Corbett. The cost is one non-perishable can good or \$1 and the proceeds will go to the Enfield Food Shelf.

Chairman Neville thanked Councilman Kienzler for being here and for the topic you brought up. He will refer this item to Dr. Gallacher to address under Item #11 Superintendent's Report. Chairman Neville agrees with Mr. Fealy's comments and had the privilege of working with the PLA members who have gone through the training program. The training is quite extensive.

Chairman Neville attended the JFK Band Concert along with Dr. Gallacher. There was standing room only. Mr. Power does a great job with the students. There are a lot of positive things going on in our schools and encourages you to visit them. We have great kids and parents in Enfield.

Chairman Neville stated that Amy Morales holds a grandparents group and meets around four times a year. We have a lot of grandparents that are raising children in our schools. Ms. Morales is looking for a liaison to this group. Ms. Hall has volunteered to be the liaison from the Board for this group.

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gallacher stated that we had some problems with our e-mail servers and they have been down for around 2 days. He knows some of the e-mails may have been lost, so if you haven't heard from us, please resend your e-mail. Some of the administrators are still having difficulties with their e-mail accounts.

Dr. Gallacher stated that Mr. Torre is not present tonight. He is a bit under the weather and will not be here.

- a. Budget Workshops as presented
- b. Cancel Regular Meeting of January 24th as presented
- c. Calendar Items as presented

Dr. Gallacher addressed Councilman Kienzler's request for the unused desks and chairs at Alcorn by stating we have been using the school gym and cafeteria for storage from the consolidation process. We have had each K-12 principal take any items for their school to use. We also opened this up for the Town and the parochial schools to take any items they might use.

Dr. Gallacher stated that our Business Manager, Chris Chemerka contacted the auction house in East Windsor to see if they might be interested. They didn't have any interest in the equipment. Dr. Gallacher then contacted Mark Gahr from Buildings and Grounds and he has had some interest in the equipment. A person wanted to disassemble the equipment and take the metal to a scrap yard and leave the rest for us to dispose of. Dr. Gallacher believes the public works staff could also do that.

Dr. Gallacher stated that we received a generous donation from Lego that is sectioned off. The board policy empowers the superintendent to dispose of any equipment that is obsolete. We usually just notify the Town and they will take care of it for us. If there is a student group that would like to do something with the equipment, we can certainly pull the materials for them to sell. There are quite a few older desks and cabinets.

Chairman Neville asked what is in the gym. Dr. Gallacher stated that we are trying to clear the gym for the ETLA students, Mr. Malley's students and the other programs. Park and Recreation are always looking for gym space. Mr. Torre was there the other day and one half of the gym is clear. We do have two classrooms setup for record storage for the Town and the

school and we are grateful for the space. The IT department has been relocated to the top floor of the building.

Chairman Neville asked about the library at Alcorn. Dr. Gallacher stated that the library is still at Alcorn. The Stowe library books were placed at Alcorn and are being distributed to the seven elementary by our part time elementary library clerk Jean Pike.

Dr. Gallacher further stated that the Adult Education classes are also being held at Alcorn. He has been told that there has been an increase in participation. There is a lot of walking traffic to the program. We also have our ESL program at Alcorn and there is a citizenship program that is being offered. Amy Morales also has the Family Resource Program at the Alcorn School as well as at Enfield Street School.

Dr. Gallacher added that we have set up three conference rooms for professional development and staff in-service use.

12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Hall reported that the Curriculum Committee met and there are some items on the agenda for Board action. In addition we discussed engineering as part of our STEAM high school courses and will add a new engineering course in September. The engineering program and curriculum is supported by an organization named "Project Lead the Way" (PLTW), a provider of rigorous and innovative Engineering curricular programs used in middle and high schools across the U.S. To participate we must meet certain rigorous criteria requirements. The first course will be an "Introduction to Engineering Design" for grade 9 followed by "Principals of Engineering" for grade 10; then specialization courses that focus on specific topics for grade 11 and ending with a "Capstone Project" for grade 12 students. We have staff in place for this but will need a signed agreement to move forward. A signature is needed by March so that training will be assured for next September. Ms. Hall stated the training is an intense two week process being done through "Project Lead the Way" and will be done during the summer

Chairman Neville asked about any anticipated cost and was assured that there is no additional cost to the Board for this program.

Ms. Hall reported that the Curriculum Committee received an update on TAG. The TAG program will start in September 2013 at JFK. Students will be identified in grades 5, 6 and 7 for this program. We are still developing the criteria with Dr. Sally Reis from UCONN. The plan is for a pullout enrichment program for 24 students (8 from each grade) with a single teacher. We are making progress.

Chairman Neville asked if we will have a presentation in the near future. Ms. Hall stated that is correct.

- 13. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS AND PAYROLL** None
- 14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS None
- 15. NEW BUSINESS
- a. Policy Revisions First Readings for #5131 Student Discipline; #5131.9 Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy (Including the District's Safe School climate Plan & the Administrative Regulation) and #6172 Education Instruction Under Parental Direction

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Fealy that the Enfield Board of Education approves the policy revisions for #5131 Student Discipline; #5131.9 Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy and #6172 Education Instruction Under Parental Direction as a First Reading.

Discussion:

Mr. Johnson reviewed the proposed policy changes.

Ms. Hall asked about the changes to the Discipline Policy and if they are a result of the changes to be incorporated in the Anti Bullying Policy. Mr. Johnson stated it includes that but also incorporates a synthetic substance that is being used by students and wanted to include this in this policy also. This dangerous substance was being discussed on the news today.

Ms. Hall asked about the home schooling policy that was mentioned by an audience member and if her request was taken into consideration?

Dr. Gallacher stated that the original policy does not mention that it is only for high school students. When the policy was originally proposed, elementary classes are not done on a period type schedule. This has never been used in the elementary grades. It also mentions auditing classes. We do not audit classes at the middle school. This policy was always intended for high school students. Dr. Gallacher also spoke with our Nursing Supervisor about students coming into the school and if any student is going to audit a class, they must be current on all State mandated immunizations. Some of the classes may also have prerequisites that are needed in order to take a class. The policy needed clarification.

Ms. Hall stated a home schooled student would be able to audit a high school class under this policy. Dr. Gallacher stated that is correct and no grade would be given for auditing a class. Dr. Gallacher further stated that the CIAC dictates that student athletes must take a certain number of credits in order to participate in a sport.

Mr. Fealy stated that some parents choose to home school their children. Dr. Gallacher stated our Pupil Services Department keeps track of the home-schoolers. Dr. Gallacher believes we have around 40 who have registered and has asked for an update on this. The CIAC looks for accredited programs for participation. They are also looking for certified State accredited teachers.

Mr. Fealy asked why we would want to allow home schooled students to audit classes. Dr. Gallacher stated back in 1999 when we drafted the policy it was in hope that when a home school student audited the class they would want to come back to school full time.

Mr. Johnson stated the policies have been placed on our website for public viewing.

Dr. Gallacher stated on behalf of Mr. Torre who has been working with the Policy Committee on the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy and on the District Safe School Climate Plan and the administration regulation, that we have satisfied the State requirements. We have mailed our plan to the State with a letter that we are in the process of adopting this. This is also located on the Board website.

Mr. Johnson stated that our current bullying policy is very close to what the State is mandating. Ms. Hall added that the school climate is part of this regulation.

A vote by **roll call 8-0-0** passed unanimously.

b. Curriculum Revisions and new PE Units – Biology #211, 212, 213, AP Physics B, UCONN Physics; #454 Film Studies: The History of Film, #455 Philosophy; #526 Personal Finance; #993 Flag Football, Floor Hockey, Lacrosse

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Enfield Board of Education approves Biology #211, #212, #213 AP Physics B as presented.

Discussion:

Ms. Hall reviewed the proposed changes to the Science Curriculum and stated the course number on the AP Physics course #238 is incorrect. It should be listed as #298.

Mr. Fealy stated after reviewing the Biology Curriculum #211 within the Ecology/Biodiversity sections, he has concerns with the terminology and phraseology with negative outcomes. He does not believe it provides for balanced discussions on the issues by the students.

Ms. Hall stated the outcomes were not intended to make the discussions one sided. The students are asked to examine, describe, research and explain a topic.

Mr. Fealy further stated that he cannot accept this proposed curriculum. He tasks the teachers on educating our students, how to learn and how to think.

Mr. Fealy is disagreeing with the wording/phraseology and the negative annotations. Clarity is needed. Chairman Neville understands what Mr. Fealy is saying and can see both sides.

Chairman Neville asked about the new section to the curriculum. Ms. Hall stated the Ecology/Biodiversity is the new section. This was added to meet what the State requires.

Mr. Johnson can also see where Mr. Fealy is coming from. The curriculum needs to show balance. Can this motion be separated into biology and physics? Ms. Hall added that a motion has already been made. Chairman Neville added that you can amend the motion. Mr. Johnson would like to amend the motion to vote on each curriculum item separately.

Mrs. Rancourt stated this was added to the Biology #211 curriculum for critical thinking portion because it is an honors class.

Chairman Neville's stated it is the phraseology and intent that is a concern.

Ms. Hall would like to know what the Board anticipates doing. Chairman Neville would like to bring this back to the Curriculum Committee to discuss the phraseology and intent. Ms. Hall stated that Biology #212 has similar phraseology and the Biology #213 curriculum does not.

Mr. Fealy would like the Curriculum Committee to discuss this and come back with a balanced approach.

Chairman Neville stated that both #211 and #212 have similar phraseology. Both Ms. Hall and Mrs. Rancourt agreed.

Ms. Hall withdrew her original motion, seconded by Mr. Grady for the adoption of Biology #211, #212, #213 AP Physics B curriculum revisions as presented.

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Enfield Board of Education adopt the Biology #213 and the AP Physics B curriculum revisions.

A vote by **roll call 8-0-0** passed unanimously.

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Enfield Board of Education adopt the curriculum revisions for #454 Film Studies: The History of Film and #455 Philosophy as presented.

Discussion:

Ms. Hall reviewed the curriculum. Mrs. Rancourt stated this is for grade 12 students.

Mr. Fealy asked that these curriculum items be broken down into two motions, one for the Film Studies and one for the Philosophy. The Philosophy curriculum needs further discussion and clarity.

Chairman Neville asked Mr. Fealy what his concerns are with the Philosophy curriculum. Mr. Fealy would like a complete list of philosophers listed.

Ms. Hall stated the suggested books are listed on the last page and we would not be able to list all of the authors.

Chairman Neville believes he knows where Mr. Fealy is going with this. Mr. Fealy stated he is just looking for clarity with the philosophers and is not trying to be difficult. He is looking at this for his children and all children concerning philosophy debates.

Chairman Neville understands Mr. Fealy's position with the lack of clarity. The curriculum will allow for an open discussion and not to judge anyone. We are teaching our students critical thinking and to have an open discussion. He hears your concerns but does not want censorship to come into play.

Mrs. Szewczak stated when she considered the philosophy curriculum, she noted that it is a grade 12 Level I class that is not open to the general student population. The student must be recommended by a teacher for this class and the students are 17 and 18 years old. These are the kind of classes that she loved when she was in school.

Mr. Fealy stated that he would like clarity with the language to assess the logic of reasons given for political, economic or social actions such as reasons for invading other countries and philosophies of governing states. He also enjoys this kind of a debate but would like more clarity with this lesson.

Ms. Hall stated that lesson is to recognize and explain logical fallacies.

Mr. Johnson also understands where Mr. Fealy is coming from. He would not want to limit the philosophers to the students. There are a lot of philosophers out there that people do not consider to be philosophers. Some of them make you sit back and really think about what they are saying. If we put too many limits on this it would be shameful.

Mr. Fealy stated he is looking for clarity not to change what is in the course.

Chairman Neville stated that we can get the clarity for him by talking with the teachers. These are older students that are taught to have critical thinking and to have that insightful discussion. He agrees with Mr. Johnson and is hesitant to limit that discussion.

A vote by **roll call 7-1-0** passed with Mr. Fealy in dissent.

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mrs. Szewczak that the Enfield Board of Education approves #526 Personal Finance Curriculum revision as presented.

Discussion:

Ms. Hall reviewed the curriculum revisions and stated this will fit into the high school reform under life skills and should be required for all students

Chairman Neville asked what grades this curriculum is for. Ms. Hall stated grades 9-12. Mrs. Rancourt added that it is a half credit course and in some towns it is a required class for all students.

A vote by **roll call 8-0-0** passed unanimously.

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mrs. Rancourt that the Enfield Board of Education approves #993 Flag Football, Floor Hock and Lacrosse Curriculum as presented.

Discussion:

Ms. Hall reviewed the new curriculum unit courses.

Chairman Neville stated that we currently do not have Lacrosse. Will there be any additional costs associated with this. Ms. Hall stated there will be no additional costs. Mrs. Rancourt added that we have already purchased the unisex sticks.

A vote by roll call 8-0-0 passed unanimously.

c. Selecting a Building for a Single High School, Discussion and Action(s), if any

Dr. Gallacher stated the Strategic Plan Committee (SPC) is now in the process of phase II of the consolidation. We will use one of the two high schools and modernize it into a 21st century building for approximately 1,700 students. The SPC has directed both Matt Coppler and Dr. Gallacher come up with a timeline for the high school consolidation.

Dr. Gallacher stated that the high school department chairs and administration presented their recommendations to the SPC. The previous Board endorsed the concept of consolidating to one high school and referred it back to the SPC. The Board will need to make a decision on which high school they would prefer to use in order for the Town Council to consider the request to move forward. We will also need to discuss what will be done with the unused building.

Dr. Gallacher distributed information from the State regarding the amortization for Enrico Fermi and Enfield High school. We currently do not owe any money to the State for Enrico Fermi but owe approximately \$2,737,132.00 for Enfield High. The Board will need to discuss full day Kindergarten or universal pre-school and where would we house them. There are also sanctions requiring remediation due to handicapped accessibility compliance issue at Enrico Fermi that will need to be discussed. We also need to think of some of the other needs of the community like the central library.

Dr. Gallacher would like the Board to start this discussion tonight and we have the option to continue this discussion on January 18th at a special meeting if needed. The SPC would like the Board to come up with a building by the end of January for the Town Council to consider.

Chairman Neville stated we have this on the agenda to start the discussion process tonight. The SPC is looking for our decision sooner rather than later in order to start planning for the referendum.

Ms. Hall asked about the reference to a special meeting on January 18th. Chairman Neville stated that we have reserved January 18th for a special meeting to discuss this further if needed.

Chairman Neville stated that he was having difficulties with his computer accessing the website with the information on it. Chairman Neville further stated that we need to do our due diligence by having an open discussion on what building we will use based on the facts.

Mr. Johnson stated he has been on the committee since its inception. The previous Board decided to move forward with Enfield High because if we break the Fermi soil remediation cap, we would need to remove the contaminated soil again for around \$40-50 million dollars plus the cost of renovating the building for approximately another \$40 million dollars for around \$100 million dollars to use Fermi. Enfield High is a bit smaller. We can use Fermi as an inbetween site until Enfield High is ready.

Ms. Hall stated the previous plan proposed moving students out of Enfield High and moving the grade 9 students to the vacant Stowe building. The Public Safety Academy is currently using Stowe and should have a new building by then. Grades 10, 11 and 12 would be at Fermi. The grade 9 students would be the first class that would be at Enfield High until all four years have been consolidated into Enfield High. Ms. Hall would also like to name the new science wing at Enfield High the Enrico Fermi Science Wing.

Chairman Neville clarified by stating that Ms. Hall is referring to a report that the high school principals presented to the SPC as a proposal. This can be tweaked. We are speculating on the cost and it is hard to get definitive answers because the laws have changed. We would need to give back \$2.7 million to the State if we chose to use Fermi. A lot of people have asked why we are doing this and would like us to map this out. The public is involved in this decision. A functional reason is a financial reason.

Mrs. Rancourt stated the public needs to know this. If we move forward with the two schools, we would need to pay for the remediation for the disabilities act and our labs are not adequate for the high school reform in both schools. If we refinished both schools we would not necessarily be reimbursed but if we did one we could be reimbursed by the State.

Dr. Gallacher stated the State is calling it a refurbish to new. If you are doing an addition to the building that would be reimbursable if the State approved it. If you refurbishing to new, that is also something that would be reimbursed by the State if approved. If you are only redoing a section of the building, that is something the State would not consider as reimbursable. They would consider that as maintenance. For the referendum it is important to look at the report from GM2, there are two different prices and you can see the payback process to the State. This will need to be explained to the community.

Chairman Neville stated that is a good point. There are costs for both schools and there are costs if we do nothing. Dr. Gallacher stated there is also the handicap compliance issue at Fermi.

Mr. Johnson asked if we only touched the "D" wing at Enfield High, would that be reimbursable by the State. Dr. Gallacher believes it would be if it was a total gutting. If you were just upgrading, it would be considered as basic maintenance. Mr. Johnson stated the heat in the building is also a big concern. Some rooms are cold and some are hot. Dr. Gallacher stated that is a concern at most of the buildings.

Mrs. LeBlanc stated that forming a research committee to receive input for school colors will need to be considered in the future. She likes Ms. Hall's idea of naming the science wing after Enrico Fermi. Dr. Gallacher stated the name of the building, the school colors and the school mascot are big areas of concerns.

Mr. Grady stated this is an opportunity to be proactive for education and give our kids something for the future. We have a golden opportunity even if it is being mandated by the State. We need to expand and it is a plus for us.

Chairman Neville stated that both high schools have their deficiencies in electrical wiring. Rebuilding or refurbishing as new is an opportunity. Every 50 to 60 years we get a chance to do something. We are going to fix the problems.

Mr. Fealy asked about traffic studies. Dr. Gallacher stated that was part of GM2 presentation and it also including parking needs.

Ms. Hall stated that traffic for commuters has been an issue at Fermi for years. Trying to get by the school is the issue.

Chairman Neville asked Board members what data is needed for them to be able to make a decision.

Both Ms. Hall and Mrs. Szewczak stated that they are ready to make a decision now. Mr. Johnson asked the new Board members what they need to make an informed decision.

Mrs. Rancourt stated that she has done her research and any questions she had have been answered by Dr. Gallacher. She is also ready to make a decision.

Mrs. LeBlanc stated that she has also done research and based on that information she is ready to make a decision. She has questions on the timeline for moving the students, but is ready to make an informed decision.

Dr. Gallacher stated the timeline presented by the high school principals was a proposal to use Stowe school. CREC has 400 students with mobiles. This was just an idea.

Mr. Fealy stated based on the nature of some of the e-mails, he would like a timeline to give the public time to voice their opinions about what has been discussed here. This is an emotionally charged issue.

Chairman Neville would also like to get the information out to the public. He would like the public to know where to go on the website to get this information. Dr. Gallacher stated the communication can always be better. We have put information on the website as we have received it for the public to view. Mrs. Zalucki stated you can go to the Enfieldschools.org website, go under the BOE heading and click on the TC/BOE Strategic Plan Committee to view all the agendas, minutes and attachments. They are listed in chronological order. Chairman Neville stated that is exactly what he wanted the public to hear.

Chairman Neville would also like to have all Board members present for this decision. We can meet on January 18th to continue this discussion. Mr. Fealy asked if we could do this at a regular meeting for public viewing. Chairman Neville stated the SPC would like this decision by the end of January.

Mrs. Szewczak asked if we can add audience participation to a special meeting agenda? Dr. Gallacher stated you can as long as it is placed on the agenda at the time of posting it. You can not add anything to a special agenda after it has been posted. He can ask Mr. Dutcher to pull the meetings from the SPC when GM2 made their presentation and rerun it on E-TV for the public.

Chairman Neville asked where the special meetings will be held. Dr. Gallacher stated that has not been decided yet but he thought we could hold them at Henry Barnard. The only topic he has for the SPC agenda for January 19th is the timeline.

Mr. Johnson stated as long as we can tape the meeting the location doesn't matter. Dr. Gallacher stated that we can also hold it in the JFK or Barnard café.

Ms. Hall asked if we can add it to the January 24th workshop agenda. Mrs. Szewczak stated that the SPC will meet on January 19th. Mrs. Rancourt stated they will be looking at the timeline and do not need to know the building for that meeting.

Mr. Johnson stated that he knows Mr. Jonaitis is not present and asked Board members if it is worth taking the vote tonight. Both Mr. Fealy and Mrs. Rancourt will not be present for the January 18th meeting.

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Enfield Board of Education moves forward with Enfield High School for the proposed site for the single high school.

Discussion:

Ms. Hall would like to include the naming of the Science Wing in the motion. Mrs. Szewczak agreed with Ms. Hall about using Enrico Fermi's name at Enfield High.

Mr. Fealy expressed concerns with the site and if anything comes up similar to asbestos removal that would affect the project financially. He would like any additional issues that arise to come before the Board. Chairman Neville understands Mr. Fealy's concerns with any additional financial costs.

A vote by **roll call 8-0-0** passed unanimously.

d. Seating Arrangement, Discussion and Action(s), if any - None

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Grady moved, seconded by Ms. Hall that the Enfield Board of Education enters into Executive Session for Matter(s) Related to Collective Bargaining – Tentative Agreement and Document(s) Protected by Attorney Client Privilege – Simcovitz Estate. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Dr. Gallacher and Mr. Drezek were invited to join the Board in Executive Session at 9:40 PM.

No Board actions occurred while the Board was in Executive Session.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Grady moved, seconded by Mrs. Szewczak to adjourn the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2011. All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Donna Szewczak Secretary Enfield Board of Education Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary