

**ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 7, 2009**

A special meeting of the Enfield Board of Education was held at Henry Barnard Elementary School in the Board Conference Room, located at 27 Shaker Road, Enfield, CT on Tuesday, April 7, 2009.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Greco.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Chairman Greco

3. **FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT** Chairman Greco announced the fire evacuation announcement.

4. **ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Greg Stokes, Charles Johnson, Joyce Hall, Judy Apruzzese-Desroches and Andre Greco

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Patrick Droney, Susan Lavelli-Hozempa, Vincent Grady, Tom Arnone

**ALSO PRESENT** Dr. John Gallacher, Superintendent of Schools; Anthony Torre, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Craig Cooke, Human Resources Director

5. **EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR MATTER(S) RELATED TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches to enter into Executive Session to discuss Matter(s) Related to Collective Bargaining - Paraprofessionals' Contract and Administrators' Contract. A vote by **show of hands 5-0-0**, motion passes unanimously.

Dr. Gallacher, Mr. Torre and Dr. Cooke joined the Board in Executive Session at 7:02 PM.

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Stokes to end the Executive Session and return to Public Session at 7:16 PM. Motion passed unanimously by a **show of hands 5-0-0**. No other actions were taken while in Executive Session.

6. **DISCUSSION ON MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR SELF-INSURANCE AND ACTION(S), IF ANY**

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches that the Enfield Board of Education accepts the current Memorandum of Understanding with the provision that it may not be put into effect until 2010 depending on our current insurance provider.

Ms. Hall further stated that there is a potential that our current insurance provider will come back with a zero percent increase. Our current budget would remain status quo. Instead of rushing into self insurance now, we can postpone the self insurance for another year. We will have another year to prepare for this.

Mr. Stokes added that we were looking to save \$800K with the self insurance funding will remain the same. Chairman Greco stated it is the same savings.

A vote by **roll call 5-0-0**, motion passed unanimously.

**7. ACTION, IF ANY, ON SEIU/CSEA PARAPROFESSIONALS' CONTRACT**

Mr. Stokes moved, seconded by Ms. Hall that the Enfield Board of Education accepts the Memorandum Agreement with the CSEA/SEIU Local 2001 Paraprofessional Union as presented.

Mr. Stokes further stated that Board members are extremely grateful for the concessions the paraprofessionals made. They will save the district around \$100K by doing this.

Chairman Greco echoed Mr. Stokes sentiments. Chairman Greco sincerely appreciates the concessions they made.

A vote by **roll call 5-0-0**, motion passed unanimously.

**8. ACTION IF ANY, ON ENFIELD SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS' CONTRACT**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

**9. SET FIRM GRADUATION DATES**

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Ms. Hall that the Enfield Board of Education set the graduation date for Enrico Fermi for June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM and Enfield High on June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM with both graduations taking place at First Cathedral.

A vote by **roll call 4-1-0**, motion passed with Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches in dissent.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches to adjourn the Special Meeting of April 7, 2009. All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Joyce P. Hall  
Secretary  
Enfield Board of Education

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary