

**ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 19, 2010**

The Enfield Board of Education held a Special Board meeting on Monday, April 19, 2010 at Henry Barnard Elementary School in the Board Conference Room located at 27 Shaker Road, Enfield, CT.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The special meeting was called together by Chairman Stokes at 7:00 PM.

2. **FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT** Chairman Stokes announced the fire evacuation announcement.

3. **ROLL CALL**

 Present: Judy Apruzzese-Desroches; Joyce Hall; Stacy Thurston; Tom Sirard; Donna Szewczak; Chuck Johnson and Greg Stokes.

 Absent: Vincent Grady and Peter Jonaitis

 Also Present: John Gallacher, Superintendent and Tony Torre, Assistant Superintendent

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION REGARDING STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO PENDING CLAIMS & LITIGATION**

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Ms. Hall seconded that the Enfield Board of Education enters into Executive Session for:

- a. Discussion Regarding Strategy with Respect to Pending Claims & Litigation

Motion passed unanimously by a **show of hands 7-0-0.**

Superintendent Gallacher, Assistant Superintendent Torre, Board Attorney Gary Brochu and American Center for Law & Justice (ACLJ) Attorney Vincent McCarthy joined the Board in Executive Session.

ACLJ Attorney McCarthy was excused from Executive Session at 8:30 PM.

No Board actions occurred while in Executive Session.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Ms. Hall moved, seconded by Mr. Sirard to end the Executive Session and return to Public Session.

Motion passed unanimously by a **show of hands 7-0-0.**

ACLJ Attorney McCarthy joined the Board at 8:45 PM.

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Sirard that the Enfield Board of Education retain the ACLJ to represent the Board in any litigation brought against the Board regarding the decision to hold graduations at the First Cathedral and to authorize the Board Chair to sign an agreement with the ACLJ.

A vote by **roll call 6-1-0** passed with Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches in dissent.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches moved, seconded by Mr. Sirard that the Enfield Board of Education adjourns the Special Meeting at 8:55 PM. All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Joyce P. Hall
Secretary
Enfield Board of Education

Respectfully Submitted

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary