# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE READING SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Special Meeting November 17, 2009

Minutes of the Reading School District Board of Directors Meeting held on Tuesday, November 17, 2009, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 800 Washington Street, Reading, PA.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Santoro, president.

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Board Present:**

Mr. BretonMr. CinficiMr. CooperMrs. McCreeMr. StammMr. StorchMs. StromanMs. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

#### **Administrators Present:**

Dr. Thomas R. Chapman, Jr., Superintendent of Schools

Frank Vecchio, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Tony Georeno, Director of Human Resources

Linda A. Greth, Director of Community Relations/Secretary of the Board

Dr. Rose Merrell-James, Director of Student Services

John Steffy, Director of Business Affairs

Barry Suski, Director of Construction

Eric Turman, Director of Elementary Education

Julie Vincente, Director of Secondary Education

#### **Discussion 1 - Audit Committee**

Ms. Wertz handed out to the board audit committee information from the Broward County School District in Florida, and the Tucson, Arizona School Distric. Mr. Santoro shared that it is important to identify areas of concern. Mr. Coooper asked what Herbein does. Do they look at internal controls? Mr. Steffy answered yes, but materially. A separate group must perform the internal control review. Mr. Cinfici said that the Audit Committee should be a standing committee. Forensic audit areas that are important to him would be Inventory, Bidding,

P.O.'s, Manual Checks, Phones, Vending Machines, Reconciliations, Procedures, the Athletic and Food Service Departments.

Vending Machines - the vending machine money was discussed. Mr. Stamm thought that the money should be earmarked for the students. The board will be reviewing options for use of the vending machine money.

Herbein Audit Update - The auditors will be here at the end of the month to report to the board.

The board went into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.

#### Finance and Legal

The Finance and Legal Committee presented resolution 3 for consideration. The motion was made by Mr. Cooper, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

**Res. 3** Approves the RSAA salaries for the 2009-10 school year, as attached.

A-Res. 3

### VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION 3: 4 YEAS; 5 NAYS (THE MOTION FAILED.)

YEAS: Mr. Breton Mr. Cooper

Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

NAYS: Mr. Cinfici Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Ms. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

# FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION 3 WAS NOT APPROVED.

The Finance and Legal Committee presented resolution 4 for consideration. The motion was made by Mr. Storch, and this was seconded by Mr. Cooper.

**Res. 4** Approves the salaries for Superintendent's Cabinet for the 2009-10 school year, as attached. **A-Res. 4** 

# VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION 4:

# 3 YEAS; 5 NAYS; 1 ABSTENTION (THE MOTION FAILED.)

YEAS: Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

Mr. Breton

NAYS: Mr. Cinfici Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Ms. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

ABSTAIN: Mr. Cooper

## FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION 4 WAS NOT APPROVED.

At this time, Mr. Storch made a motion to reconsider the resolution from the June 2009 meeting regarding the RSSA 2009-10 salaries, and this was seconded by Mr. Cooper. The motion to reconsider was approved by a vote of 6 yeas; 3 nays. The nay votes were Mrs. McCree, Mr. Stamm and Ms. Wertz.

The Finance and Legal Committee then presented resolution 1. The motion was made by Mr. Storch, and this was seconded by Mr. Cooper.

**Res. 1** Approves the RSSSA salaries for the 2009-10 school year, as attached.

A-Res. 1

### VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION 1: 5 YEAS; 3 NAYS; 1 ABSTENTION

YEAS: Mr. Cooper Mrs. McCree

Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

Mr. Breton

NAYS: Mr. Cinfici Mr. Stamm

Ms. Wertz

ABSTAIN: Mr. Santoro, President

FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION 1 WAS APPROVED.

At this time, Mr. Cinfici made a motion to reconsider resolutions 3 and 4 from this meeting, and this was seconded by Mr. Cooper. The motion to reconsider was approved by a vote of 6 yeas; 3 nays. The nay votes were Mrs. McCree, Mr. Stamm, and Ms. Wertz.

Mr. Storch made a motion to consider resolutions 3 and 4, and this was seconded by Mr. Cooper.

**Res. 3** Approves the RSAA salaries for the 2009-10 school year, as attached.

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Res. 4 Approves the salaries for Superintendent's Cabinet for the 2009-10 school year, as attached.

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### VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS 3 AND 4: 6 YEAS; 3 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Breton Mr. Cinfici

Mr. Cooper Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Ms. Wertz

# FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS 3 AND 4 WERE APPROVED.

Mr. Cinfici made a motion to adjourn, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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