Minutes of the Reading School District Board of Directors Special Meeting held on Thursday, July 26, 2007, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 800 Washington Street, Reading, PA.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mr. Stamm, board president.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Mr. Cinfici  Mr. Cooper
Mrs. McCree  Mr. Santoro
Mr. Steffy  Mr. Storch
Ms. Stroman  Ms. Wertz
Mr. Stamm, President

Administrators Present:

Dr. Thomas R. Chapman, Jr., Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Anthony Georeno, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Linda Greth, Director of Community Relations/Assistant Secretary of the Board

An executive session was requested by the superintendent at 7:01 p.m. The session ended at 8:54 p.m.

Human Resources

There were a total of 15 resolutions considered. The resolutions voted on together were 1-5, 7, 8, and 10-14. The motion was made by Mrs. McCree, and this was seconded by Ms. Wertz.

Res. 1  Chastity L. Cooper, (REA) Professional Employee, Elementary Teacher, at Northwest Area Elementary School, promoted to (RSAA) Vice Principal at Northeast Middle School, 12-month (260 days), effective July 27, 2007, at an annual salary of $65,099.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

(NEMS – A. Brown promotion)

Res. 2  Sorangel Fontanez-Rucker, (REA) Professional Employee, ELA Teacher at Reading High School, promoted to (RSAA) Vice Principal at Reading High School, 12-month (260 days), effective July 27, 2007, at an annual salary of $65,099.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.
Res. 3  Chad N. Gresh, (REA) Professional Employee, Elementary Teacher at Riverside Elementary School, promoted to (RSAA) Instructional Supervisor at Amanda E. Stout Elementary School, 10-month (206 days), effective August 8, 2007, at an annual salary of $59,879.00 for the 2007-08 school year.

(AES – S. Higginson promotion)

Res. 4  Rodney I. Hill, (REA) Guidance at Reading High School, promoted to (RSAA) Vice Principal at Reading High School, 12-month (260 days), effective July 27, 2007, at an annual salary of $65,099.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

(RHS – Newly Created – Board approved 6/20/07)

Res. 5  Deborah A. Kopetsky, (RSAA) Director of Elementary Education, Curriculum, change of status to (RSAA) Principal at 13th and Green Elementary School, effective July 27, 2007, at an annual salary of $76,909.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

(13/G – T. Ocasio resignation)

Res. 6  This resolution was voted on separately.

Res. 7  Kevin D. Schaeffer, change of status from ISS Teacher at Reading High School to Temporary Vice Principal at Reading High School, effective July 27, 2007, at an annual salary of $65,099.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

(RHS – Replaces J. Guscot – Disability Leave)

Res. 8  Susan M. Shultz, (REA) Special Education Department Head at Northeast Middle School, promoted to (RSAA) Middle School Special Education Supervisor, District Wide, effective August 6, 2007, at an annual salary of $78,000.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

(DW – K. Cornelius-Pace resignation)

Res. 9  This resolution was voted on separately.

Res. 10  Michelle R. Wiley, (RSAA) Director of Elementary Education, Curriculum, effective date pending paperwork, at an annual salary of $84,000.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

(SWMS - Y. Williams resignation)

Res. 11  Amend Resolution 3 of the June 20, 2007 HR Board Agenda from Mark G. McIntyre, Temporary Professional Employee, School Psychologist, Administration Building (REA), promoted to Director of Special Education, Administration Building (RSAA) effective June 21, 2007, at an annual salary of $95,000.00 to Mark G. McIntyre, Temporary Professional Employee, School Psychologist, Administration Building (REA), promoted to Director of Special Education, Administration Building (RSAA) effective July 1, 2007, at an annual salary of $95,000.00.
Res. 12 Amends Resolution 94 of the June 20, 2007 HR Board Agenda from: Tracy L. Ocasio, Principal, 13th & Green Elementary School, resignation with regrets effective at the end of the day August 20, 2007. This includes being held up to 60 days to: Tracy L. Ocasio, Principal, 13th & Green Elementary School, resignation with regrets effective at the end of the day July 27, 2007.

Res. 13 Amends Resolution 35 of the June 20, 2007 HR Board Agenda from Yolanda A. Williams, Principal, Southwest Middle School, resignation with regrets effective at the end of the day August 3, 2007 to Yolanda A. Williams, Principal, Southwest Middle School, resignation with regrets effective at the end of the day July 13, 2007.

Salary Approval

Res. 14 Superintendent’s Salary Approval – Approval of the Superintendent’s salary for the 2007-2008 school year - $139,256.00.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTIONS
1-5, 7, 8, AND 10-14:
9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Cinfici
Mrs. McCree
Mr. Santoro
Mr. Santoro
Ms. Stroman
Mr. Stamm, President

Human Resources resolution 6 was considered. The motion was made by Mr. Cinfici, and this was seconded by Ms. Wertz.

Res. 6 Robin R. Laysears-Smith, RSAA, Director of Secondary Education, Curriculum, effective date pending paperwork, at an annual salary of $103,000.00, prorated, for the 2007-08 school year.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES
RESOLUTION 6:
9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Cooper
Mr. Santoro
Mr. Storch
Ms. Wertz
Mr. Stamm, President

Human Resources Resolution 6 was approved.
Res. 9  Eric Turman, RSAA, Director of Elementary Education, Curriculum, effective
date pending paperwork, at an annual salary of $103,000.00, prorated, for the
2007-08 school year.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES
RESOLUTION 9:
5 YEAS; 4 NAYS

YEAS:  Mr. Santoro  Mr. Steffy
Ms. Stroman  Ms. Wertz
Mr. Cooper

NAYS:  Mrs. McCree  Mr. Storch
Mr. Cinfici  Mr. Stamm, President

Human Resources Resolution 9 was approved.

Human Resources resolution 15 was considered.  Mr. Cinfici made a motion to amend the
resolution to remove the word “assistant.”  This was seconded by Mr. Storch.  The motion did
not pass, by a vote of 8 nays, 1 yea, with Mr. Cinfici casting the one yea vote.  Mr. Storch then
made a motion to table resolution 15, and this was seconded by Mr. Cinfici.  This motion did
not pass, by a vote of 3 yeas, 6 nays.  The board members casting the yea votes were Mr. Cinfici,
Mr. Steffy, and Mr. Storch.

At this time, the board considered Human Resources resolution 15.  The motion was made by
Mr. Cooper, and this was seconded by Mrs. McCree.

Res. 15  Patrick L. Slater, REA, Driver Education teacher at Reading High School,
promoted to RSAA Assistant Athletic Director, districtwide, 12-month (260
days), effective July 27, 2007, at an annual salary of $57,000.00, prorated, for the
2007-08 school year.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES
RESOLUTION 15:
8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS:  Mr. Storch  Ms. Stroman
Ms. Wertz  Mr. Cinfici
Mr. Cooper  Mrs. McCree
Mr. Santoro  Mr. Steffy

NAYS:  Mr. Stamm, President

Human Resources resolution 15 was approved.

Community Relations and Policy
Community Relations and Policy resolution 1 was considered. The motion was made by Mr. Storch, and this was seconded by Ms. Wertz.

Res. 1  Approves the professional visitation to the CUBE 40th Annual Conference to be held in Atlanta, GA, from September 27-30, 2007. Cost of conference $375.00 for each board member, plus travel, lodging and meals:

Pierre V. Cooper          Karen McCree

VOTE ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND POLICY
RESOLUTION 1:
9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS:  Ms. Stroman         Ms. Wertz
       Mr. Cinfici          Mr. Cooper
       Mrs. McCree         Mr. Santoro
       Mr. Steffy          Mr. Storch
       Mr. Stamm, President

Community Relations and Policy resolution 1 was approved.

Mr. Santoro made a motion to adjourn, and this was seconded by Mr. Steffy. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

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