

**Reading School District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Special Board Meeting
March 28, 2011**

Minutes of the Reading School District Board of Directors Special Meeting held on March 28, 2011, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 800 Washington Street, Reading, PA

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ms. Stroman, president

Board Members Present:

Mr. Breton	Mrs. McCree
Mr. Santoro	Mr. Stamm
Mr. Storch	Mrs. Torres-Figueroa
Mr. Washington	Ms. Stroman, President

Administrators Present:

Frank Vecchio, Superintendent
Joel Brigel, Director of Human Resources
Linda A. Greth, Secretary of the Board
John Steffy, Director of Business Affairs

General Resolutions

Ms. Stroman presented Resolution GEN-23 for consideration. The motion was made by Mr. Storch, and this was seconded by Mr. Stamm.

GEN-23 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the retirement incentive for employees according to the following stipulations:

REA, RSAA and RSSSA staff will receive a retirement incentive of \$20,000.00 according to the following criteria:

- Twenty years of Reading School District service
- Must be 55 years of age by June 30, 2011
- Must retire into the Pennsylvania Employees Retirement System

AFSCME, Teamsters, SPFPA, RESPA, and SEIU staff will receive a retirement incentive of \$10,000.00 according to the following criteria:

- Twenty years of Reading School District service
- Must be 55 years of age by June 30, 2011
- Must retire into the Pennsylvania Employees Retirement System

Letters of intent to retire into PSERS must be received by April 15, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. This resolution is contingent upon receipt of 46 positive responses from the professional and administrative staff.

VOTE ON GEN-23:

8 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS:

Mr. Breton

Mr. Santoro

Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Storch

Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm

Mr. Washington

Ms. Stroman, President

RESOLUTION GEN-23 WAS APPROVED.

The board and administration discussed a resolution, GEN-24, which stated that effective July 1, 2011, the Reading School District would no longer accept Emergency Certificates. A motion to consider the resolution was made by Mr. Santoro, and this was seconded by Mr. Washington. The motion failed, by a vote of 3 yeas, 5 nays, with Mr. Breton, Mr. Storch, Mrs. Torres-Figueroa, Mr. Washington and Ms. Stroman casting the dissenting votes.

Extracurricular Activities:

The Extracurricular Activities Committee presented Resolution EX-16 for consideration. The motion was made by Mr. Storch, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

EX-16 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District hereby authorizes the use of Reading School District facilities for the purpose of conducting an alumni basketball game entitled "Battle of the Decades" at the Geigle Center on April 2, 2011, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the organizers of this basketball game, which is being held for the benefit of the ARK Foundation shall present evidence prior to the beginning of the game that they have secured a single event liability policy to cover injuries to any game participants. A certificate of insurance showing the issuance of this policy shall be conditioned precedent to the use of Reading School District facilities for this benefit project.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all participants in this alumni basketball game shall sign a Release from Liability and Covenant Not to Sue drafted by the Reading School District solicitors and that their execution of this Release from Liability and Covenant Not to Sue shall also be a conditioned precedent to participation in this alumni basketball game.

**VOTE ON EX-16:
8 YEAS; 0 NAYS**

YEAS:	Mr. Breton	Mrs. McCree
	Mr. Santoro	Mr. Stamm
	Mr. Storch	Mrs. Torres-Figueroa
	Mr. Washington	Ms. Stroman, President

**RESOLUTION EX-16
WAS APPROVED.**

At this time, the board reviewed items for the 2011-12 budget. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Stamm, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

These are the Official Proceedings of the Reading School District Board of Directors Special Meeting held on March 28, 2011.

Linda A. Greth
Secretary of the Board

Date