

**Reading School District
Board of Directors**

**Special Meeting
May 12, 2011**

Minutes of the Reading School District Board of Directors Special Meeting held on Thursday, May 12, 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. Leonti
Mrs. McCree	Mr. Santoro
Mr. Stamm	Mr. Storch
Mrs. Torres-Figueroa	Mr. Washington
Ms. Stroman	

Administrators Present:

Frank J. Vecchio, Acting Superintendent
Linda A. Greth, Secretary of the Board
Joel Brigel, Director of Human Resources
Rose Merrell-James, Director of Student Services
John L. Steffy, Director of Business Affairs

Student Services:

The Student Services Committee asked the board to reconsider two resolutions that were tabled at the May 4, 2011 meeting. They were SS-54 and 55. A motion to reconsider was made by Mr. Breton, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The motion to reconsider resolutions SS-54 and 55 was approved unanimously.

A motion to consider resolutions SS-54 and 55 was made by Mr. Santoro, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The resolutions read as follows:

SS-54 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors eliminates the Lighthouse Program effective June 30, 2011.

SS-55 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors eliminates the GAP Program effective June 30, 2011.

**VOTE ON SS-54 AND 55:
9 YEAS; 0 NAYS**

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

**STUDENT SERVICES RESOLUTIONS
SS-54 AND 55 WERE APPROVED.**

Curriculum and Technology:

The Curriculum and Technology Committee presented Resolution CUR-63 for reconsideration. The motion to reconsider was made by Mr. Storch, and this was seconded by Mrs. Leonti. The motion to reconsider was approved unanimously. A motion on the resolution was made by Mr. Breton, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch.

CUR-63 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors eliminates the Virtual High School Program effective June 30, 2011.

**VOTE ON CUR-63:
9 YEAS; 0 NAYS**

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

**CURRICULUM RESOLUTION
CUR-63 WAS APPROVED.**

Finance and Legal:

The Finance and Legal Committee asked the board to reconsider Resolution FIN-120, which was originally presented and table on May 4, 2011. The motion to reconsider was made by Mr. Breton, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The board approved the motion to reconsider Resolution FIN-120 unanimously. A motion to consider resolution FIN-120 was made by Mrs. McCree, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

FIN-120 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the Retiree Insurance Rate adjustment plan to be implemented over a six-year period, according to the following schedule:

FISCAL YEAR	RETIREE RATES AS A % OF COBRA RATES
July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012	50%
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013	60%
July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014	70%
July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015	80%
July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016	90%
July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017	100%

**VOTE ON RESOLUTION FIN-120:
0 YEAS; 9 NAYS**

NAYS:	<p>Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree Mr. Storch Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Ms. Stroman, President</p>	<p>Mrs. Leonti Mr. Stamm Mr. Santoro Mr. Washington</p>
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**RESOLUTION FIN-120
WAS APPROVED.**

Mr. Breton left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

General Resolutions:

Ms. Stroman presented Resolution GEN-25 for consideration. The resolution was to enter into an Agreement with Delaware Valley High School to provide Alternative Education services. After discussion, Mrs. McCree made a motion to table the resolution, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The resolution was tabled by a vote of 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Ms. Stroman presented Resolution GEN-26. The motion to consider was made by Mr. Washington, and this was seconded by Mrs. Torres-Figueroa.

GEN-26 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors authorizes a stipend in the amount of \$50.00 per day, retroactive to January 1, 2011, **through June 30, 2011**, to be paid to Eric Turman for additional duties as the Acting Director of Secondary Education.

**VOTE ON RESOLUTION GEN-26:
7 YEAS; 1 NAY**

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

NAYS: Mr. Storch

**RESOLUTION GEN-26
WAS APPROVED.**

Curriculum and Technology:

The Curriculum and Technology Committee presented two resolutions for consideration. Each was voted on separately. Mr. Stamm made a motion to consider Resolution CUR-64, and this was seconded by Mrs. Torres-Figueroa.

CUR-64 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors eliminates the Driver Education Program effective June 30, 2011.

**VOTE ON RESOLUTION CUR-64:
7 YEAS; 1 NAY**

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

NAYS: Mr. Storch

**RESOLUTION CUR-64
WAS APPROVED.**

Mr. Stamm made a motion to consider Resolution CUR-65, and this was seconded by Mr. Washington.

CUR-65 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors eliminates the district-run Alternative Education Program effective June 30, 2011.

**VOTE ON RESOLUTION CUR-65:
7 YEAS; 1 NAY**

YEAS:	Mr. Stamm	Mr. Storch
	Mr. Washington	Mrs. Leonti
	Mrs. McCree	Mr. Santoro
	Ms. Stroman, President	

NAYS: **Mrs. Torres-Figueroa**

**RESOLUTION CUR-65
WAS APPROVED.**

Mr. Storch made a motion to adjourn, and this was seconded by Mr. Santoro. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

These are the Official Proceedings of the Reading School District Board of Directors Special Meeting held on May 12, 2011.

Linda A. Greth
Secretary of the Board

Date