

MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
of the  
SUSSEX COUNTY CHARTER SCHOOL FOR TECHNOLOGY  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
February 28, 2014

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Sussex County Charter School for Technology was held on February 28, 2014 in room 112 of the Sussex County Charter School for Technology, 385 North Church Road, Sparta, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Ed Selby, Board President, at 4:20 p.m. Dr. Selby advised that the meeting had been called in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and requested that it be set forth in the minutes.

**II. DECLARATION OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

“Adequate notice of this public meeting has been made in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, in the New Jersey Herald, the County Superintendent’s Office, and the County Administrator.”

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All persons present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. ROLL CALL**

The following roll call was taken:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mrs. Wendie Blanchard	
Mr. Michael Nelms	
Dr. Mary Rapuano	
Dr. Ed Selby	
Mr. Charles Teufert	

Also in attendance were; Jill Eckel, Administrative Principal; Estrella Molinet, Business Administrator/Board Secretary ; Jim Baldini, Vice Principal; Barbara Zappile, Supervisor of Curriculum; Charles Culver, Asst Technology Coord; Callie Teufert, Alumni, and Mr. Rick Pressler from the New Jersey Charter Schools Association.

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

**VII. COMMENTS**

- A. President's Comments-
- B. Committee Reports
  - Building and Grounds –
  - Personnel & Negotiations –
  - Curriculum & Policy –
  - Finance –
  - Public Relations –
- C. Board Member Comments
- D. Faculty Comments

**VIII. PRINCIPAL'S INFORMATION**

**IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S INFORMATION**

**X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Miss Callie Teufert spoke to the Board regarding her workshop to be scheduled for May 8, 2014.

A motion was made by Mr. Teufert to turn the meeting over to Mr. Pressler.

Mrs. Blanchard seconded the motion and the Board of Trustees approved the motion with a voice vote.

Mr. Pressler spoke to the Board of Trustees as to what the NJCSA and himself can offer the Board in a strategic planning program.

Mr. Teufert wants other stakeholders involved, parents, teachers, students, alumni, community members. He wants the school to be a player in the County not to be viewed as competition.

The Board decided to go into executive session to discuss whether they wanted to conduct the strategic planning program. Mr. Pressler left at 4:45.

**XI. CLOSED SESSION I**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees adjourn to executive session at \_\_4:45\_\_p.m. to discuss whether to go forward with a Strategic Planning Session. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening. Resulting action may or may not be taken following re-entry into regular session.

Mr. Teufert made the motion to adjourn into closed session.

Dr. Rapuano seconded the motion and the Board of Trustees went into closed session on a unanimous voice call vote.

**XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION I**

Mr. Teufert made a motion at 5:00 pm to return to open session.

Dr. Rapuano seconded the motion and the Board of Trustees returned to open session by a unanimous voice call vote.

## **BUSINESS**

Dr. Selby made a motion for the following resolution to be approved.

1. RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees agreed to move ahead with the Strategic Planning Program provided by the NJ Charter School Association at a cost of \$2,700. The Board asked Mrs. Eckel to contact Mr. Pressler to set up a series of dates.

Dr. Rapuano seconded the motion and the resolution was approved by a roll call vote. Mrs. Blanchard, yes; Dr. Rapuano, yes; Dr. Selby, yes; Mr. Nelms, yes; and Mr. Teufert, yes.

## **XIII. BOARD ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

### **BUSINESS RECOMMENDATIONS**

Mr. Teufert made a motion for resolutions 2 and 3 to be approved.

2. RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approve High Focus Centers of Parsippany, NJ to do home –bound instruction for the Sussex County Charter School for Technology’s rate of \$30.00/hr for 10 hours per week for student #0722 until termination of his day program.
3. RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approve Carolyn Sior to provide 5 hours/week (\$30/hour) of home instruction (Math) and Jeanne Sevean to provide 5 hours/week (\$30/hour) of home instruction ( Humanities/LAL) for student #0669.

Dr. Rapuano seconded the motion and resolutions 1 and 2 were approved by a roll call vote. Mrs. Blanchard, yes; Dr. Rapuano, yes; Dr. Selby, yes; Mr. Nelms, yes; and Mr. Teufert, yes.

### **EDUCATION** **PERSONNEL** **POLICY**

## **XIV. CLOSED SESSION II**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, section N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or portion of a meeting of this public body in certain circumstances and

WHEREAS, the Board must consider, which is/are exempt from public discussion pursuant to the Act;

- \_\_\_ 1. Matter which by express provision of law is rendered confidential
- \_\_\_ 2. Release of information which would impair receipt of federal funds

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Individual Privacy/Student Matters
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Negotiations
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Real estate matters
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Disclosure could impair public safety
- X 7. Pending/Anticipated Litigation
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Terms and conditions of employment
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Deliberations involving imposition of specific civil penalty

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees adjourn to executive session at 5:12 p.m. to discuss the above mentioned matters to the exclusion of all others. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening. Resulting action may or may not be taken following re-entry into regular session.

Mr. Teufert made the motion to adjourn into closed session.

Mrs. Blanchard seconded the motion and the Board of Trustees went into closed session on a unanimous voice call vote.

**XV. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION II**

Dr. Selby made a motion at 5:20 pm to return to open session.

Mr. Nelms seconded the motion and the Board of Trustees returned to open session by a unanimous voice call vote.

**BUSINESS**

Mr. Nelms made a motion for the following resolution to be approved.

- 4. RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorize our Board attorney to approach Daggett, Kraemer & Gjelsvik on the matter regarding employee # 00193 to settle for the current attorney's fees.

Mr. Teufert seconded the motion and the resolution was approved by a roll call vote. Mrs. Blanchard, yes; Dr. Rapuano, yes; Dr. Selby, yes; Mr. Nelms, yes; and Mr. Teufert, yes.

**XVI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**XVII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Nelms and seconded by Mr. Teufert to adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Estrella M. Molinet  
Board Secretary