



RIDGEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2024

Minutes of the Special Public Meeting of the Ridgewood Board of Education held on February 6, 2024 at 5:00 pm, at the Education Center.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

At 5:05 P.m. Ms. Brogan called the meeting to order with a roll call.

Present:

Ms. Sheila Brogan, President
Mr. Muhammad Mahmoud, Vice President
Mr. Saurabh Dani
Ms. HyunJu Kwak

Absent:

Ms. Mary Micale

Also Present:

Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Jaime Murphy, Director of Human Resources

Absent:

Mr. Richard Freedman, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
Ms. Julie Kot, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Brogan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. OPENING STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Ms. Brogan announced that pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA), advance notice of this meeting had been given to The Star Ledger, The Record, and the Clerk of the Village of Ridgewood. In addition, notices were posted in the office of the Board Secretary and in all school buildings.

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Laurie Weber, on November 27 Ms. Weber requested to receive the August 28, 2024 personnel committee meeting minutes and some other documents. She received a response to the request on December 6, but meeting minutes were not included. She has not received a response from her email dated January 24, 2024 which asked for confirmation that meeting minutes were recorded. She requested a reply tonight.
- Dr. Schwarz apologized to Ms. Weber about not responding and noted that he was not present at the August 28 Personnel Committee Meeting. His research confirms that minutes were not recorded at that meeting.

V. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Whereas the Ridgewood Board of Education seeks to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 to discuss matters pertaining to negotiations. The minutes of this closed session will be released when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

MOTION by: Ms. Brogan **SECOND** by: Ms. Kwak

VOICE VOTE:

Ms. Brogan, Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Mr. Mahmoud - *ALL AYES*

- *The Board adjourned into Executive Session at ~5:10 p.m.*

VI. ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING

- *Ms. Brogan announced that the meeting would be adjourned in Executive Session and the Board would not be returning to a Public Meeting.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Jaime Cangialosi-Murphy
Director of Human Resources