

**GARFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION - Reorganization Meeting - April 29, 2010**

Minutes of the proceedings of the **Reorganization Meeting** of the Garfield Board of Education held on April 29, 2010, at Garfield Middle School. *The meeting was convened by Dr. Frohnapfel at 6:00pm.*

**A G E N D A**

**A. Sunshine Statement/Call To Order/Flag Salute**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Record.

**B. Distribution/Discussion of the Code of Ethics for School Board Members pursuant to the School Ethics Act (c.178, P. L. 2001)**

*Dr. Frohnapfel distributed the Code of Ethics to all Board Members. Following discussion Board Members acknowledged receipt of the Code of Ethics.*

**C. Administer the Oath of Office to newly elected Board Members**

*Dr. Frohnapfel administered the required oath of office for School Board Members to: 1) Edward Puzio; and 2) Nikolce Milevski. At the request of Tony Lio, Judge Anthony Scuito administered the required oath of office to Mr. Lio.*

**D. Roll Call**

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Dr. Koch (Donna)	X	
Mrs. Aloia (Rosemarie)	X	
Mr. Milevski (Nikolce)	X	
Mr. Benanti (Salvatore)	X	
Mr. Barckett (Anthony)	X	
Mr. Lio (Tony)	X	
Mr. Puzio (Edward)	X	
Mr. Damato (Anthony)	X	
Dr. Conte (Kenneth)	X	

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### E. Nominations/Election of Board President

The Board Secretary entertained nominations for the Office of President of the Garfield Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year.

*Mr. Benanti* nominated *Anthony Barckett* to serve as President of the Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year. Said nomination was seconded by *Mr. Damato*.

In the absence of further nominations, the Board Secretary closed nominations and called the role for the election of *Anthony Barckett* to serve as President of the Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year. *Mr. Benanti, Mr. Barckett, Mr. Lio, Mr. Damato, and Dr. Conte* voting YES; *Dr. Koch, Mrs. Aloia, Mr. Milevski and Mr. Puzio* voting NO.

### F. Nominations/Election of Board Vice President

The Board Secretary entertained nominations for the Office of Vice President of the Garfield Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year.

*Mr. Benanti* nominated *Dr. Kenneth Conte* to serve as Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year. Said nomination was seconded by *Mr. Damato*.

In the absence of further nominations, the Board Secretary closed nominations and called the role for the election of *Dr. Kenneth Conte* to serve as Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year. *Mr. Benanti, Mr. Barckett, Mr. Lio, Mr. Damato, and Dr. Conte* voting YES; *Dr. Koch, Mrs. Aloia, Mr. Milevski and Mr. Puzio* voting NO.

Dr. Frohnapfel congratulated *Mr. Barckett* and *Dr. Conte* on their election and turned the conduct of the meeting over to the newly elected Board President.

### G. Resolutions (Consent Agenda)

- 04-001-10 Certification of 2010 Election Results
- 04-002-10 Approve 2010/11 school year Calendar of Board Meetings
- 04-003-10 Approve 2010/11 school year Work Session/Regular Meeting Agenda Formats
- 04-004-10 Approve 2010/11 school year Standing Committees
- 04-005-10 Approve 2010/11 school year appointments
- 04-006-10 Designate 2010/11 school year Official Newspapers
- 04-007-10 Designate 2010/11 school year Bank Depositories
- 04-008-10 Designate 2010/11 school year Authorized Signatories for District Accounts
- 04-009-10 Authorize Use of President's Facsimile Signature
- 04-010-10 Approve 2010/11 school year Policies, Bylaws, Curriculum, Textbooks
- 04-011-10 Approve Tax Shelter Annuity Companies
- 04-012-10 Authorize Use of State Contracts, Establish Bid Threshold/Quote Threshold
- 04-013-10 Authorize SBA to pay bills between Board Meetings
- 04-014-10 Approve 2010/11 school year maximum travel expenses
- 04-015-10 Approve 2010/11 school year maximum for public relations expenditures

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**RESOLUTIONS**

**04-001-10** Be It Resolved, that the Garfield Board of Education certifies the results of the Annual School Board Election held on April 20, 2010, for membership to the Board of Education for a Three-Year Term (results provided by County Clerk):

<b>Tony Lio</b>	-	<b>933</b>
Gerald J. Wich	-	715
Charles A. Nucifora	-	824
Richard Derrig	-	263
<b>Nikolce Milevski</b>	-	<b>983</b>
Maryann Bocak	-	207
Jeffrey Stewart	-	748
<b>Edward Puzio</b>	-	<b>1068</b>
James L. Miller	-	846
<b>Budget Question</b>	<b>YES</b> -	<b>858</b>
	<b>NO</b> -	<b>1133</b>

**04-002-09** Be It Resolved, that the Garfield Board of Education designates the following meeting dates for the Work Sessions and Regular Meetings, to be held at Garfield Middle School, Work Sessions at 6:00pm and Regular Meetings at 7:00pm, all meetings shall be held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" and formal action may be taken at any meeting:

May 24, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
June 28, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
August 23, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
September 27, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
October 25, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
November 22, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
December 20, 2010	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday
January 24, 2011	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
February 28, 2011	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday
March 28, 2011	-	Work Session/Regular Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday

**04-003-10** Be It Resolved, that the Garfield Board of Education establishes the following Agenda Format to be observed and the order of business conducted at the Work Session and Regular Meetings of the Board of Education; and  
**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Board President has sole discretion to change the Agenda Format and order of business in the best interest of the Board of Education.

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**WORK SESSION AGENDA**

- I. Sunshine Statement/Call To Order/Flag Salute/Roll Call
- II. Previous Board Minutes
- III. Resolutions (discussion)
- IV. Executive Session (as required)
- V. Adjournment

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

- I. Sunshine Statement/Call To Order/Flag Salute/Roll Call
- II. Approval of Board Minutes
- III. Superintendent's Report
- IV. Urban School Board Report
- V. Resolutions (Consent Agenda)
  - A. Personnel
  - B. Education
  - C. Finance
  - D. Buildings and Grounds
  - E. Athletics
  - F. Policy
  - G. Addendums
  - H. Labor Relations
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Adjournment

04-004-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education approves the following committees for the 2010/11 school year:

1. Personnel
2. Education
3. Finance
4. Buildings and Grounds
5. Athletics and Recreation
6. Policy
7. Negotiations
8. Security
9. Technology

04-005-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education approves the following appointments for the 2010/11 school year; and **Be It Further Resolved**, that the compensation for these appointments remain the same as the 2009/10 school year:

1. School Auditor
2. School Medical Inspector
3. School Board Attorney

Lerch Vinci & Higgins  
Dr. Daniel P. Conte  
Curt J. Geisler, Esq.

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04-006-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education designates the Record, Shopper, and Star Ledger as official newspapers for the Garfield Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year.

04-007-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education designates the following Banks as depositories for Garfield Board of Education funds; and  
**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized to invest the Board's funds consistent with statutes and regulations.

1. PNC Bank
2. Spencer Savings Bank
3. Beneficial Bank
4. Town Center Bank

04-008-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education authorizes the following individuals to sign for and on behalf of the Board of Education, any and all checks, drafts, or other orders with respect to any funds at any time to the credit of this Board with the depositories and/or against any accounts of this Board maintained at any time with the depositories, inclusive of any such checks, drafts or other orders drawn to cash or bearer or in favor of any of the below designated officers and/or other persons, firms or corporations, and that said depositories be and hereby are authorized without further inquiry to; and  
**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to execute the required forms to maintain said accounts:

- A. Pay the same to the debit of any accounts of this Board then maintained with them;
- B. Receive, as the act of this Board, reconcilements of accounts when signed by any one or more of the below designated officers and/or individuals; and
- C. Receive for deposit to the credit of this Board and/or for collection for the account of this Board, any and all checks, drafts, notes or other instruments for the payment of money, whether or not endorsed by the Board, which may be received for it such deposit and/or collection, it being understood that each item shall be deemed to have been unqualifiedly endorsed by this Board; and
  1. Board President
  2. Board Vice President
  3. Business Administrator/Board Secretary
  4. Treasurer of School Monies

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- 04-009-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education authorizes the use of the President's Facsimile Signature on warrants, with the exception of Social Security payments, for the 2010/11 school year.
- 04-010-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education approves the policies, bylaws, rules and regulations, curriculum and textbooks currently in existence, effective for the 2010/11 school year.
- 04-011-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education approves the following Tax Shelter Annuity Companies for the 2010/11 school year:
1. AXA Equitable
  2. VALIC
  3. Oppenheimer Fund
- 04-012-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to use *State Contracts*, where applicable, for the purchase of goods and services, for the 2010/11 school year; and **Be It Further Resolved**, that the Board of Education establishes the Bid Threshold at \$29,000 (QPA) and Quotation Threshold at \$4,360.
- 04-013-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills and claims, as needed, between Board Meetings.
- 04-014-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), establishes maximum travel expenditures for the 2010/11 school year of \$31,000 for all staff and Board of Education Members.
- 04-015-10 **Be It Resolved**, that the Garfield Board of Education, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.3(c)14, establishes a maximum dollar limit for public relations expenditures of \$32,100 for the 2010/11 school year.

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Consent Agenda: resolutions 001 thru 015				
MOTION: Mr. Benanti		SECOND: Dr. Koch		
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dr. Koch (Donna)	X			
Mrs. Aloia (Rosemarie)	X			
Mr. Milevski (Nikolce)	X			
Mr. Benanti (Salvatore)	X			
Mr. Barckett (Anthony)	X			
Mr. Lio (Tony)	X			
Mr. Puzio (Edward)	X			
Mr. Damato (Anthony)	X			
Dr. Conte (Kenneth)	X		005-#2	

H. Public Comment

I. Adjournment

*Mr. Damato motioned to adjourn at 6:35pm. Said motion was seconded by Dr. Conte and carried by unanimous vote.*

Respectfully submitted by,

Dennis R. Frohnapfel, Ed.D.  
Board Secretary