

Sterling Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
November 17, 2021
Community Room - 6:00 pm
“EXCELLENCE WITH KINDNESS”

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by S. Rourke, Interim Superintendent

Present were: C. Langlois; M. Rouillard, V. Robinson-Lewis, L. Shippee,
Jennifer Mossner

Also in attendance were: H. Nickerson, L. Smith, C. Chandler, C. Brannon

II. Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by M. Rouillard to move

New Business item A. Election of Officers to the agenda right before Public Comment.

Vote: All in favor

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by C. Langlois to add under New
Business a new article to vote on - D. Use of Electronic Signatures.

New Business

A. Election of Officers

A motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by L. Shippee to nominate
M. Rouillard as Board Chair.

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by C. Langlois to nominate
V. Robinson Lewis as Board Chair. Written ballots were taken and the voting results
were: M. Rouillard - 3 (Chair) - V. Robinson-Lewis - 2

A motion was made by M. Rouillard and seconded by C. Langlois to nominate
L. Shippee for Vice Chair. Written ballots were taken. Vote: All in favor

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by M. Rouillard to nominate D.
Capobianco as Treasurer/Secretary. Written ballots were taken: Vote: All in favor

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by M. Rouillard to nominate V.
Robinson-Lewis as Vice Treasurer. Written ballots were taken: Vote: All in favor

S. Rourke turned the meeting over to M. Rouillard.

III. Public Comment

C. SanSouci asked the Board if they would be voting on the Governor's Guidelines for Covid and Quarantine for schools the Governor's "Screen and Stay" guidelines soon; she was aware of other school districts voting on it. She also requested that the Board add the Spanish teaching position into the vacancy postings.

IV. Reports and Communications

A. Correspondence

None

B. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 20, 2021
2. Superintendent Report
3. Special Education Director's Report
4. Principal's Report
5. Clinical Supervisor's Report
6. Monthly Check Register

C. Langlois stated that she would've liked to attend the most recent Professional Development. S. Rourke stated that it was very good.

A motion was made by L. Shippee and was seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote: All in favor

C. Budget and Expense Report

C. Brannon presented and explained the budget and expense report to the Board in a new format.

D. Plainfield Board of Education Liaison

No one from the Board was able to attend Plainfield's November meeting. Because of elections, Plainfield was holding their meeting on November 17, 2021. This date conflicted with Sterling's BOE meeting. We will be obtaining information pertaining to Sterling to present at our next meeting.

V. Unfinished Business

A. 2022 Board of Education Meeting Calendar

C. Langlois made a motion and was seconded by J. Mossner to approve the 2022 Board of Education Meeting Calendar. Vote: All in favor

VI. New Business

B. Committee Appointments

The following committee appointments were made:

Policy Committee: D. Capobianco, J. Mossner

Budget Committee: M. Rouillard, L. Shippee, C. Langlois

Negotiations Committee: C. Langlois, L. Shippee, V. Robinson-Lewis

C. Resignation

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to accept the resignation of Frank Cornachione. Vote: All in favor

S. Rourke stated that she will be sending notification of acceptance of the resignation from the Board.

D. Vote on the use of Electronic Signatures

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by C. Langlois that electronic signatures be allowed until either the Treasurer or Vice Treasurer are able to sign and the Superintendent can authorize in the event of an emergency. Vote: All in favor

VII. Recommendations, Questions and/or Comments

None

VIII. Public Comment

None

IX. Executive Session - Confidential Documents

A motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to enter into Executive Session to discuss confidential documents and to invite the following people:

S. Rourke, C. Brannon, B. Schena, and C. Slater-Cooney.

Entered into Executive Session at 6:35pm

Exited Executive Session at 7:19pm

A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by C. Langlois to proceed with arrangements for repayment as appropriate. Vote: All in favor

X. Adjournment

- A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by C. Langlois to adjourn the meeting at 7:24pm