

MORRIS COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

**November 20, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Morris County Vocational School District held on November 20, 2017 at the Morris County School of Technology, 400 East Main Street, Denville, New Jersey was called to order by President Barbara Dawson at 7:30 a.m. with a salute to the flag.

Presiding Officer President Barbara Dawson read the following statement:

"I hereby announce that adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris County Vocational School District was given as required by the "Open Public Meetings Act" as follows:

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act adequate written notice was given to the official newspapers the Star Ledger and Daily Record/Morristown Newspapers, Inc. by email on November 8, 2017 and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Morris County School of Technology, Denville, New Jersey by the Secretary of this Board and a copy of the notice was likewise filed in the Secretary's Office and a copy sent to the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Morris County and the Clerk of the Township of Denville at the same time. Copies of this notice were mailed, by certified mail to all persons who have requested it, and the Secretary of this Board shall incorporate into the minutes of this meeting a copy of the notice as above set forth."

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board Members were present at roll call: Mrs. Barbara Dawson, Mr. Lawrence Colasurdo and Mr. John Hyland.

Also present were: Superintendent Scott Moffitt, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Susan Young, Board Attorney John Mills and Labor Relations, Construction and Special Education Counsel Stephen Bacigalupo.

**SUNSHINE RESOLUTION**

The following motion made by Mr. Colasurdo, seconded by Mr. Hyland, was approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, this meeting is duly and properly called for a regular session meeting of this Body and adequate notice has been given as provided by the "Open Public Meetings Act" and,

WHEREAS, it is now necessary that the Board of Education of the Morris County Vocational School District consider the following matter:

- Student Disciplinary Issue

which falls within the exceptions as set forth in the "Open Public Meetings Act" and therefore is a matter which this Body determines should be discussed at a closed meeting. It is anticipated that this closed session will last approximately **30 minutes**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Education of the Morris County Vocational School District as follows:

That this Body shall at this time recess this meeting and conduct a closed meeting concerning the above referenced matter, which involves exceptions this Body hereby determines are of such a nature that they cannot be discussed at an open meeting and this Body is at this time unable to determine when the matter under discussion can be disclosed to the public. However, this Body will make such a disclosure when circumstances permit.

The meeting was recessed at 7:31 a.m. and reconvened at 8:39 a.m. with the following Board Members present: Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Dougherty and Mr. Hyland. Also present were: Superintendent Scott Moffitt, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Susan Young, Board Attorney John Mills and Labor Relations, Construction and Special Education Counsel Stephen Bacigalupo.

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

The following motion made by Mr. Hyland, seconded by Mr. Colasurdo, was approved as submitted.

**WHEREAS**, on November 20, 2017, a student disciplinary hearing was held before the Morris County Vocational School District Board of Education ("Board"); and

**WHEREAS**, on that date, the parent(s) of said student, the student, and legal counsel, did attend the hearing and had the opportunity to listen to the testimony presented on behalf of the Morris County Vocational School District; cross-examine Morris County Vocational School District witness(es); and present testimony on their behalf during the same; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board hereby adopts the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, the Board, after having heard and considered all of the proofs and testimony presented, determined that the discipline initially imposed (i.e., Student #210614's return to his resident school district) is confirmed, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Student #210614 shall remain in his resident school district and shall not be permitted to return to and attend the Morris County Vocational School District; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent is directed to forward a written statement of this decision to the student's parent(s) within five (5) school days.

Roll Call Vote – Yes: 3 Mrs. Dawson, Mr. Colasurdo and Mr. Hyland.  
No: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Motion Carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Hyland, seconded by Mr. Colasurdo, to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 a.m.

All present voted yes – Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Young, Business Administrator/Board Secretary