# New Jersey State Board of Education Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Education October 23, 2020

**Presiding:** Kathy Goldenberg, President

**Secretary:** Kevin Dehmer, Interim Commissioner

### **Present Constituting A Quorum**

Mrs. Elaine Bobrove

Mrs. Fatimah Burnam-Watkins

Dr. Ernest Lepore

Mr. Jack Fornaro

Dr. Nedd J. Johnson

Mr. Andrew Mulvihill

#### **Absent**

Mr. Arcelio Aponte

Mrs. Mary Beth Berry

Dr. Ronald Butcher

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Gazi

Dr. Joseph Ricca

Mrs. Sylvia Sylvia-Cioffi

## Convening

State Board of Education President Kathy Goldenberg convened the public meeting at 12:35 p.m. with the reading of the statement pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

The Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the State Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Department of Education, Secretary of State's Office and notice also having been given to the State House Press Corps, the Governor's Office and the State Board agenda subscribers.

And seeing there was a quorum, the meeting of October 23, 2020, was called to order.

### **Adjourn To Executive Session**

President Goldenberg then read the resolution pertaining to the executive session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Whereas, in order to protect the personal privacy and to avoid situations wherein the public interest might be disserved, the Open Public Meetings Act permits public bodies to

exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which certain matters are discussed, now therefore be it

**Resolved,** that consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b, the State Board Education will now adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues. The State Board immediately adjourned to executive session on October 23, 2020.

### Reconvening

President Kathy Goldenberg reconvened the open meeting at 1:50 p.m. with the reading of the resolution pertaining to the resumption of the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Whereas,** consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b, the State Board will now adjourn from executive session to resume the open session of this meeting.

# Pledge of Allegiance

#### **Items for Consideration:**

\*Items scheduled for a vote are marked with an asterisk.

## \*A. Appointment(s)

• Approved the following appointment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:4-32-35 and N.J.A.C. 6A:2-1.1 et seq.:

### **Appointment**

Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan, Assistant Commissioner, Division, Field Services.

Interim Commissioner Dehmer stated that he was appointing Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan Acting Commissioner effective with his resignation as Interim Commissioner.

### Adjournment

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Education adjourned its October 23, 2020, public meeting at 2:07 p.m.

Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan, Acting Commissioner Acting Secretary, N.J. State Board of Education