



PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 24, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Academy Park

PRESENT: Dan Egan, President
Rose Brandon, Vice President
Alexandra Streznewski, Secretary
Sue Adler
Ginnie Farrell
Felicia Green
Edith Leet
Dr. Raymond Colucciello
Linda Jackson-Chalmers

ABSENT/EXCUSED: NONE

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROUTINE CONSENT

Mr. Egan presented the following routine consent items for approval, Appointments (Administrative Appointment, Miscellaneous, Summer 2012, Creation of Position); Authorization to Enter Into Contracts and Resolution to Authorize Certification as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City School District of Albany ("Board") has been engaged in a lengthy and thorough national search for a new Superintendent of Schools; which led to the selection of three finalists; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the Board have determined that all three finalists and determined that Dr. Vanden Wyngaard is exceptionally qualified to be the next Superintendent of Schools of the Albany School District and to lead the School District in its mission of educating all of the students in Albany, including the District's important goal of closing the achievement gap; and,

WHEREAS, the final determination of the Board also involved receiving and considering input from various constituencies of the constituents of the community to assist the Board in evaluating the three finalists for the position of Superintendent of Schools; and,

WHEREAS, from a field of many fine candidates, the clear and overwhelming sense of community input provided to the Board is that Dr. Marguerite Alecia Vanden Wyngaard ("Dr. Vanden Wyngaard") is the person suited to lead the Albany School District forward as its new Superintendent of Schools; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Vanden Wyngaard requires certification from the New York State Education Department in order for the Board to appoint her as Superintendent of Schools and both she and the Board wish to take all reasonable and necessary steps to secure such certification so that she may be so appointed.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. The Board of Education of the City School District of Albany hereby authorizes and approves that a request be made to the New York State Commissioner of Education seeking certification for Dr. Vanden Wyngaard as a School District Leader pursuant to 8 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 80-3.10 and any other applicable statutes and regulations.

2. The President of the Board and Board Counsel are hereby directed and authorized to expeditiously seek, prepare, and execute any and all papers necessary to submit such request to the Commissioner of Education.

3. The Commissioner of Education is respectfully requested to expeditiously review and act upon such request so that the children of Albany may commence the new school year with a new Superintendent of Schools in place to lead the District forward.

Ms. Farrell asked that the Resolution to Authorize Certification be set aside. Ms. Farrell made a motion to approve routine consent items absent the item set aside. Ms. Streznewski seconded the motion.

The Board voted unanimously (7-0) to approve the motion.
Motion passed.

Ms. Adler made a motion to approve Resolution to Authorize Certification. Ms. Streznewski seconded the motion.

The Board voted 6 ayes, 0 nays and 1 abstention. Ms. Farrell abstained.
Motion passed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Ms. Adler made a motion to adjourn the meeting and convene into Executive Session for discussion of particular personnel. Ms. Farrell seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.