

Special Public Meeting

March 18, 2020

		
<p>President Arthur G. Soto</p>	<p>Vice President Christina Schratz</p>	<p>Board Member Maryann Capursi</p>
		
<p>Board Member Horacio Ray Carrera</p>	<p>Board Member Kenia Flores</p>	<p>Board Member Craig B. Miller</p>
		
<p>Board Member L. Daniel Rodriguez</p>	<p>Board Member Judith Sanchez</p>	<p>Board Member Ronald Van Rensalier</p>

SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING - MARCH 18, 2020**ORDER OF BUSINESS****1. Call to Order**

This meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act", Chapter 231, Laws of 1975. The notice of this meeting was mailed to The Herald News and The Record, and to the presidents of the five employee groups. A copy of the meeting notice was delivered to the Office of Municipal Clerk and posted on the bulletin board at City Hall. A copy was also posted at the Board of Education Administration Building. Annual notice was filed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(d). Adequate notice has been provided in accordance with the law.

2. Invocation

God, guide us in the decisions to be deliberated this evening and help us to work together in the best interest of the children and the parents of the City of Passaic.

3. Pledge of Allegiance**4. Roll Call****5. Public Participation**

At this portion of the meeting, members of the public will be able to question and comment on any item on the published agenda or on items/topics not on the agenda. Members of the public are requested to sign the register with their names and addresses. Please wait to be recognized by the President of the Board. Approach the microphone and give your name and address for the record.

Please be advised that the Board of Education will not entertain any comments from persons who communicate obscene material, make statements which are considered bias intimidation in which a person intends to intimidate any individual or group because of race, color, religion, gender, handicap, sexual orientation or ethnicity or makes comments intending to harass or speak any offensive language. The person who makes these statements will relinquish his/her allotted five (5) minutes for public participation.

The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Please bear in mind that students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments.

All comments and questions are to be directed through the President.

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Special Public Meeting Minutes
Passaic Board of Education
Passaic, NJ 07055

March 18, 2020
12:08 p.m.
Board Room

AGENDA:

1. Calling the Meeting to Order

Ms. Arellano called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. She said that the meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act". The meeting notice was mailed to The Herald News, The Record and the Presidents of the five employee groups and was posted at City Hall and the Passaic Board of Education Administration Building.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Members Present: Ms. Kenia Flores, Mr. L. Daniel Rodriguez, Ms. Judith Sanchez, Mr. Ronald VanRensalier, and President Arthur G. Soto

Remote (via telephone): Ms. Maryann Capursi, Mr. Horacio Ray Carrera, Mr. Craig Miller, and Ms. Christina Schratz

Remote (via telephone): Mr. Pablo Muñoz, Superintendent of Schools

Also Present: Ms. Erlinda R. Arellano, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Donald Goncalves, Chief of Operations

Yaacov Brisman, Board Attorney

4. Public Participation:

None

Motion to close Public Session: Ms. Sanchez

Seconded: Ms. Flores

Voice Vote: 9 Yes

Public participation closed at 12:13 p.m.

President Soto said that there was one item on the agenda for this meeting, to approve the revised 2019-2020 School Calendar.

March 18, 2020

AGENDA ITEM

REVISION of the Academic School Calendar for the 2019-2020 School Year

Recommends that the Passaic Board of Education adopts the following revised school calendar for the 2019-2020 school year.

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6/22/20	Last Day of School (181st School Day)
6/23-24/20	Inclement Weather Days






3/16-17/20	Social Distancing Days - District Closed
3/18/20	Remote Professional Development Day for Staff - Schools Closed for Students
3/19/20	Home Based Instruction Starts for Students
6/24/20	Last Day of School (180 th School Day)

Passaic Public Schools 2019-2020 School Calendar

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7/4/19	Independence Day - District Closed
8/29-8/30/19	New Teacher Orientation Schools Closed for Students
9/2/19	Labor Day - District Closed
9/3/19	All Staff Reports Schools Closed for Students
9/4/19	Professional Development Day for Staff Schools Closed for Students
9/5/19	Schools Open for Students
9/30-10/1/19	Rosh Hashanah - District Closed
10/9/19	Yom Kippur - District Closed
10/28/19	Professional Development Day for Staff Schools Closed for Students
11/7-8/19	N.J.E.A. Convention - District Closed
11/11/19	Veterans Day - District Closed
11/27/19	One Session Day - District
11/28-29/19	Thanksgiving Recess - District Closed
12/20/19	One Session Day - District
12/23-31/19	Holiday Recess - District Closed
1/1/20	New Year's Day - District Closed
1/20/20	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance - District Closed
2/17/20	Presidents' Day - District Closed
3/2/20	Professional Development Day for Staff Schools Closed for Students
3/16-17/20	Social Distancing Days - District Closed
3/18/20	Remote Professional Development Day for Staff - Schools Closed for Students
3/19/20	Home Based Instruction Starts for Students
4/9/20	One Session Day - District
4/10-17/2020	Spring Recess - District Closed
5/25/20	Memorial Day - District Closed
6/24/20	Last Day of School (180 th School Day)

January, 2020 [21/21]						
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	Schools & District Closed
	Schools Closed for Students
	Schools Closed – Teachers and Students
[/]	Teachers/Students Total Days Per Month
	One Session Day
	Home Based Instruction - Schools & District Closed

In the event schools are closed due to inclement weather or other unforeseen events, the number of school days may be increased or decreased by school board action. The last three (3) days of the school year are one session days.

Approved: May 13, 2019
Revised: June 11, 2019
Revised: March 18, 2020

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Motion to Approve: Mr. VanRensalier
Seconded: Ms. Flores

Vice President Schratz	Yes
Ms. Capursi	Yes
Mr. Carrera	Yes
Ms. Flores	Yes
Mr. Miller	Yes

Mr. Rodriguez	Yes
Ms. Sanchez	Yes
Mr. VanRensalier	Yes
President Soto	Yes

The Superintendent provided the following comments via telephone:

Mr. Muñoz thanked the entire board for their leadership, sharing that the board has worked tirelessly to create a calendar that works for school district, parents, and for the staff. Upon completion of this meeting, all relevant communication and information, that will guide them in the present days, will be distributed via Facebook, Twitter, district website and regular mail. The Governor shut down schools indefinitely and the district is preparing to have all instructional information uploaded to the district website. Mr. Muñoz said that the teachers and principals are having a remote professional development day so instruction can begin tomorrow, March 19th.

President Soto stated that in light of the developing situation, the next meeting is still being discussed as it may be a virtual meeting and the public will be informed. He thanked the board for working together to get this new calendar ratified and thanked the public for their patience during the process.

President Soto announced that the next Regular Public Meeting of the Passaic Board of Education and the Public Hearing on the Budget/Adoption of Budget will be held on Monday, March 30, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room, 663 Main Avenue, 6th Floor, Passaic, NJ 07055.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. VanRensalier
 Seconded: Ms. Flores

Voice Vote: 9 Yes

Meeting ended at 12:19 p.m.

Recorded by:

Erlinda R. Arellano

Ms. Erlinda R. Arellano
School Business Administrator
Board Secretary