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SPECIAL MEETING  
PLYMOUTH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2013

MINUTES

*Present: Mr. Perugino, Mr. Engle, Mr. Berube, Mr. Orsini, Mrs. Kulesa, Mr. Bourbonniere, Mr. Wetzel, Mr. Santorso, and Mr. Gentile*

*Others Present: Attorney Richard Mills, Ms. Eleanor Cruz, Attorney John Gesmonde*

Call to order

*Mr. Perugino called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. The group joined in the Pledge to the Flag.*

*The following motion was made to enter into Executive Session:*

*MOTION: To enter into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. for the purpose of discussing an investigation concerning the Superintendent's conduct and for the purpose of discussing possible interim measures pending investigation of the Superintendent's conduct. Motion Mr. Berube, seconded Mr. Gentile motion passed unanimously.*

*The following individuals were invited into executive session. All Board of Education Members, Attorney Mills, Ms. Cruz, and Attorney Gesmonde.*

*MOTION: To reconvene into Regular Session at 11:12 p.m. Motion Gerard Bourbonniere, seconded Martin Wetzel, motion passed unanimously.*

*MOTION: That the Board retain an independent forensic accountant for the purpose of conducting a review of the Plymouth Public Schools' expenditures for the period December 17, 2012 through the present, in the interest of ensuring compliance with all applicable Board policies, rules and regulations, and all applicable accounting standards and procedures. Motion Mr. Berube, seconded Gerard Bourbonniere, motion passed unanimously following a roll call vote.*

Statement: *Mr. Perugino made the following statement on behalf of the Board:*

*The Board stresses that the forensic accounting review is not based on any indication that there has been any wrongdoing in Plymouth. Rather, the Board believes that in the interest of due diligence and transparency, it is important that the Board engage an independent forensic accountant to ensure that this school*

*District's expenditures are in compliance with all applicable Board policies, rules and regulations, and all applicable accounting standards and procedures.*

*In the interest of permitting the forensic accounting review to proceed most effectively, and in order to permit the district to move forward effectively while the review is being conducted, Eleanor Cruz, Superintendent of Schools, has agreed with the Board that she will take personal leave during the period of the forensic accounting review, which the Board expects to be completed within approximately two weeks.*

*Adjournment*

*MOTION: To adjourn at 11:23 p.m. Motion Raymond Engle, seconded Daniel Gentile motion passed unanimously.*

*Respectfully submitted*

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*Mr. Bourbonniere  
Secretary  
Plymouth Board of Education*