# ANSONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

# **MINUTES**

PLACE: Ansonia High School, Media Center DATE: JUNE 05, 2018 TIME: 7:00 P.M.

Special meeting called to order by: Fran DiGiorgi, vice president

- I. OPENING
- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE
MS. TRACEY DELIBERO	X		,
MS. FRAN DIGIORGI	X		
MR. JOHN IZZO	X		
MR. JOE JEANETTE	X		
MR. WILLIAM NIMONS, president			X (7:20pm)
MR. CHRISTOPHER PHIPPS	X		
MR. VINCENT SCARLATA			X (7:20pm)
TOTAL	5	0	2

## II. Action items, consideration of approving

A. Discussion and possible action upon necessity of closing schools early prior to the completion of the 2018 regular school year.

### Discussion:

Mr. Nimons thanked everyone for being at the meeting. He turned the meeting over to attorney Fred Dorsey. Attorney Dorsey began by reading a statement from the Ct State Board of Ed regarding the pending situation between the city of Ansonia and Ansonia Board of Education. He also explained. He stated, prior to today, the Board of Ed had not gotten any response to the litigation that has been filed against the city. Attorney Dorsey also told the Board, the city did not have representing council on file. Attorney Dorsey said there is a question due to the fact that there are two payrolls left that will occur, June 18th and June 25th. He stated these payrolls are based upon the city's opinion to reduce the funding by \$600,000. Attorney Dorsey also added there was a response received from The Connecticut Department of Education, director of legal affairs of education.

Attorney Dorsey said the Board of Ed is faced with a couple of difficult decisions. He stated the Board of Education has asked the city to provide and release funding that is needed to complete the remainder of the school year. Attorney Dorsey also stated that running schools with no money will mean bounced paychecks. He said the schools cannot close because of the number of required days students have to attend. Mr. Dorsey said action at this time should be delayed until after the meeting next week, Tuesday, June 12, 2018. His recommendation is to keep the schools open until after the hearing and decide what if any action will be taken.

MOTION: To accept the recommendation made by Attorney Dorsey, and keep the schools open until after the hearing on Tuesday, June 12, 2018.

	MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
MS. TRACEY DELIBERO		X		
MS. FRAN DIGIORGI		Х		
MR. JOHN IZZO	2	X		_

MR. JOE JEANETTE		X		
MR. WILLIAM NIMONS, president				
MR. CHRISTOPHER PHIPPS	1	X		
MR. VINCENT SCARLATA				
TOTAL		5	0	0

At this time the Board invited Attorney Dorsey, Superintendent Merlone and Dr. Joe DiBacco into Executive Session

MOTION: To enter into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussion and possible action upon strategy and Negotiations with respect to pending Litigation and further invite Superintendent Merlone, Assistant Superintendent Joe Dibacco and Attorney Fred Dorsey into Executive Session.

	MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
MRS. TRACEY DELIBERO		X	·-·	
MS. FRAN DIGIORGI		Х		
MR. JOHN IZZO		Χ		
MR. JOE JEANETTE	2	Х		
MR. WILLIAM NIMONS, president		·		
MR. CHRISTOPHER PHIPPS	1	Х		
MR. VINCENT SCARLATA				
TOTAL		5	0	0

To return to regular meeting.

Action as needed. As a result of Executive Session.

MOTION: To accept Attorney Fred Dorsey's recommendation to hold off on any action until court hearing, Tuesday, June 11, 2018.

	MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
MRS. TRACEY DELIBERO		X		
MS. FRAN DIGIORGI		X		
MR. JOHN IZZO		Х		
MR. JOE JEANETTE		Χ		
MR. WILLIAM NIMONS, president		Х		
MR. CHRISTOPHER PHIPPS	1	Х		
MR. VINCENT SCARLATA	2	Χ		
TOTAL		7	0	

# VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

	MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
MRS. TRACEY DELIBERO		X		

MS. FRAN DIGIORGI	1	X		
MR. JOHN IZZO		X		
MR. JOE JEANETTE	2	X		
MR. WILLIAM NIMONS, president		X		
MR. CHRISTOPHER PHIPPS		X		
MR. VINCENT SCARLATA		Х		
TOTAL		7	0	

Respectfully submitted,

Cassie Venson Recording Secretary Date 06/08/2018