

**NEW MILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

**BOARD RETREAT
AUGUST 5, 2009**

**9:00 A.M.
HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

New Milford School District Mission Statement

The mission of the New Milford School District is to provide effective instruction in all curricula areas, to develop the learning potential of all students, to build skills for a lifetime of learning, and to develop a feeling of self-worth and confidence that will allow students to become productive members of a democratic society. The New Milford School District team joins the parents and community in assisting students to develop skills to enable them to become independent and self sufficient adults who will succeed and contribute responsibly in the global community.

The meeting was called to order by President Conner at 9:00 a.m. Present at roll call were President Conner, Vice President Barton, Mr. Drake, Mr. Foo, Mrs. Lacey, Mrs. McSweeney, Mrs. Mechler, Mrs. Saslow and Mr. Steele. Also present were Mr. Picardo, Mr. Sawicz, Ms. Wilkins, Ms. Aufiero, Mr. Davies, Ms. Perro, Mr. Sheninger, Mr. Manuppelli, Mr. Petrocelli, Mr. Dorso, Mr. Perrone, and NJ School Boards Representative Maryann Friedman.

After the flag salute, the Board President read the required New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law Statement. The Board announced that under its long-standing policy, it will not discuss in public any comments made by members of the public concerning individual staff members.

Open to the Public

There were no members of the public were present.

Self evaluation forms were distributed by Ms. Friedman. Board Members and District Administrators participated in goal setting and review which included the following:

- Review of 2008-2009 building goals and attainment
- New building goals for 2009-2010
- District goals for 2009-2010
- Board of Education goals for 2009-2010
- Correlation of building/Board/district goals

The District Administrators left the meeting at 11:00 a.m. The Board Members and Central Office Administrators resumed the Board Retreat at 11:15 a.m.

Ms. Friedman reviewed Board of Education meeting etiquette, cohesiveness as a Board, and NJQSAC.

On motion by Mrs. Mechler, seconded by Mr. Foo, carried by consent of the Board, the Board went into closed session at 12:35 p.m. On motion by Mrs. McSweeney, seconded by Mr. Foo, carried by consent of the Board, the Board resumed open session at 1:14 p.m. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Sawicz
Board Secretary

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