

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT
IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY
and
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF MERCER COUNTY
TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE
COUNTY OF MERECECER, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2021 – Special Joint Emergency Meeting

The Board members of the Mercer County Special Services School District and the Mercer County Technical School District convened at 12:02 pm via Zoom in order to vote to open a public Special Joint Emergency Meeting.

Albert Pitman, President of the MCTS Board of Education read the following statement:

The Open Public Meetings Act permits the Boards to hold a meeting on short notice upon the affirmative vote of three quarters of the members present provided (a) the matter to be addressed is of such urgency and importance that a delay for the purpose of providing the regular notice would be likely to result in substantial harm to the public interest, (b) the meeting is limited to discussion of and acting with respect to such matters, (c) the notice of such meeting is provided by the usual means as soon as possible following the calling of the meeting, and (d) the Boards could not reasonably have foreseen the need for such meeting at a time when the regular notice could have been provided.

Notice of this emergency meeting has today been posted on the main access doors and the websites of the respective districts as well as emailed to The Times and The Trentonian.

The sole purpose of holding this meeting is to take action upon an employment contract for the Interim Superintendent appointed jointly by the Boards on June 26, 2021, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Education with respect to continuation of his interim status and approval of an employment agreement by the two boards.

Taking immediate board action on the employment contract for the Interim Superintendent is believed to be a matter of urgency and importance for the health and safety of students and staff, permitting him to be in place when school re-opens. The Extended School Year program in Special Services begins tomorrow with the convening of staff. The students arrive the following Monday. The required approval by the Commissioner of Education arrived yesterday.

Public attendees are invited to comment on-line or by telephone during the time for public comment. All public comment shall be subject to a reasonable time limit and the standards and procedures of the Board announced at the beginning of the meeting. Public attendees of the meeting will be placed on mute at the onset of the meeting until recognized by the presiding official. Public attendees may also place themselves on mute.”

Roll call: Present Absent

MCTS Bd. of Ed.	Present	Absent
Albert Pitman	x	
Yolanda Stinger	x	
Michael Sabo	x	
Norman Glover, Jr.	x	
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno	x	
Tennille McCoy		x

Present Absent

MCSSSD Bd. of Ed.	Present	Absent
Stacy Morgan Santo	x	
Gerald Stockman	x	
Jan Lewis	x	
Lisa Vena	x	
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno	x	
Camille Rainiero		x

The respective Board Presidents called for a vote to permit the Boards to hold an emergency meeting on short notice.

MCTS Bd. of Ed.	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Albert Pitman			x			
Yolanda Stinger	x		x			
Michael Sabo		x	x			
Norman Glover, Jr.			x			
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno			x			
Tennille McCoy						x

MCSSSD Bd. of Ed.	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Stacy Morgan Santo			x			
Gerald Stockman	x		x			
Jan Lewis		x	x			
Lisa Vena			x			
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno			x			
Camille Rainiero						x

1. The Special Joint Session Emergency Meeting of Mercer County Technical School District and Mercer County Special Services School District was called to order by Albert Pitman, Board President of Mercer County Technical Schools at 12:07 pm.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Suspended

3. APPROVE CONTRACT FOR INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

Approve the contract of the Dr. James Fazzone, Interim Superintendent for the period July 9, 2021 through December 31, 2021 or until a permanent Superintendent is employed. Title of contract was read. (attached)

MCTS Bd. of Ed.	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Albert Pitman			x			
Yolanda Stinger	x		x			
Michael Sabo		x	x			
Norman Glover, Jr.			x			
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno			x			
Tennille McCoy						x

MCSSSD Bd. of Ed.	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Stacy Morgan Santo			x			
Gerald Stockman	x		x			
Jan Lewis		x	x			
Lisa Vena			x			
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno			x			
Camille Rainiero						x

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ADJOURNMENT

Roll call:

Time: 12:11 pm

MCTS Bd. of Ed.	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Albert Pitman			x			
Yolanda Stinger			x			
Michael Sabo	x		x			
Norman Glover, Jr.		x	x			
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno			x			
Tennille McCoy						x

MCSSSD Bd. of Ed.	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Stacy Morgan Santo			x			
Gerald Stockman		x	x			
Jan Lewis			x			
Lisa Vena	x		x			
Yasmin Hernandez-Manno			x			
Camille Rainiero						x

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Donnelly
Business Administrator/Board Secretary