

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING BETWEEN
THE NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL
AND
THE NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 24, 2015 AT 6:00 PM
AT NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE
57 TRINITY STREET, NEWTON, NJ 07860

Stella Dunn, President, Newton Board of Education, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Daniel Flynn, Deputy Mayor, read both the Town and Board of Education Open Public Meeting Act statement "This is a Special Joint Meeting of the Newton Board of Education and the Newton Town Council, held for the purpose of discussing issues of mutual interest. The notice of this meeting was sent to the New Jersey Herald and appropriately posted by both entities on February 10, 2015. The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied."

Roll Call: In lieu of a roll call, each person at the table introduced themselves. Present for the Town Council were Daniel Flynn, Sandra Diglio (6:12), Wayne Levante. Also present Tom Russo, Town Manager, Dawn Babcock, CFO and Lorraine Read. Present for the Board of Education: Stella Dunn, Jessica Egner, Rich Heckman, Ed Caffrey, John O'Gorman (Green), Ray Morris, Joan Faye (6:07), Nanette Thomas, Guilene Ham. Also present, Dr. G. Kennedy Greene, Superintendent, Donna Snyder, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Ms. Dunn led the Flag Salute.

Mr. Russo explained the purpose of the meeting, as both a municipal "best practice" and a method to provide enhanced communication between the two organizations. He then provided a detailed summary of projects occurring in the municipality.

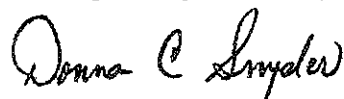
Dr. Greene briefly outlined some of the goals being addressed by the District. He also thanked the Town for their continued support and noted that an annual joint meeting of the Newton Town Council and the Newton Board of Education is a helpful tool with the continued dialogue among both boards.

Deputy Mayor Flynn opened the meeting to the public.

Brief discussions took place about the fact that Newton is the only school system in the county with a growing enrollment, and questions about the source of enrollment growth and how proposed construction might impact future enrollment.

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Levante made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Diglio at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna C. Snyder
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary