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Milford Board of Education

Meeting Minutes December 2, 2013

Board members present: Tracy Casey Michael DeGrego John DeRosa Suzanne DiBiase Laura Fucci Susan Glennon Heidi Gold-Dworkin Anthony Piselli Earl Whiskeyman Administration present: Dr. Elizabeth Feser

Board members absent: Christopher Saley

Others present: Floyd Dugas, Esq.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Milford Board of Education held a Board Workshop on Monday December 2, 2013, in the Learning Center in the Parsons Complex. Ms. Glennon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. BOARD LEGAL ORIENTATION

Attorney Dugas reviewed guidelines outlined in the Connecticut General Statutes 10-220, 10-235 and 10-221. After briefing the board on the statutes, he explained the role of the board vs. the superintendent. The superintendent is responsible for the day to day responsibilities of the district while the board is responsible for setting policies. The board also serves as representation at contract bargaining and the budget for the school system.

Attorney Dugas then explained the board's rights and the information protected by the Freedom of Information Act. He encouraged the members to be careful when communicating via email. It could be deemed a quorum of the board, therefore, making it an illegal meeting of the board.

Attorney Dugas reviewed the Policy Governance policies of the board. They are policies in which the board is governed. The Policy Governance has four sections: Ends, Board Staff Linkage, Executive Limitations and Governance Process. The Governance Process serves as the laws of the Board.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Fucci made a motion to adjourn. Mr. DeRosa seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Laura Fucci Corresponding Secretary