

**Mansfield Board of Education  
Special Meeting  
January 21, 2015  
Minutes**

<b>Attendees:</b>	Randy Walikonis, Chair, Jay Rueckl, Vice-Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary, Susannah Everett, John Fratiello, Sarah Lacombe, Katherine Paulhus, Carrie Silver-Bernstein, Kathy Ward
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The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mr. Walikonis.

Motion by Mr. Rueckl, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, to move into Executive Session with respect to personnel matter related to forensic audit and performance of Superintendent of Schools. Vote: Unanimous in favor. The Board invited Kevin Roy, Board Attorney and Joseph Centofanti, Partner Cohn Reznick to attend the session.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:51pm by Mr. Rueckl. Mr. Walikonis recused himself.

Attorney Roy reported that at its July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the Board designated Mr. Walikonis to head the investigation of the superintendent's mileage reimbursement and partitioned the rest of the Board from participation in the investigation in light of the contractual role of the Board in potential termination procedures involving the Superintendent.

Public Report of Audits: Mr. Joseph Centofanti, reported on the audit performed by Cohn Reznick of the Superintendent's Mileage Reimbursement Requests. The report found no sufficient business justification for certain reimbursements requested by and paid to the Superintendent of Schools.

Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, that the Board acknowledges the Superintendent's resignation effective January 23, 2015. Also move that the Board appoints and provides authority to the Board Chair, Randy Walikonis, to work with legal counsel to seek restitution for reimbursements received by the Superintendent consistent with the Cohn Reznick report of the Review of the Superintendent's Mileage Reimbursement Requests and associated costs. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion by Mr. Fratiello, seconded by Ms. Silver-Bernstein to adjourn at 9:02pm. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Celeste Griffin, Board Clerk