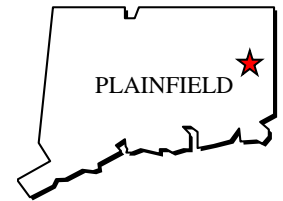




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## PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting  
August 28, 2019

7:00 PM  
PHS Library

### MINUTES

PRESENT: C. Haskell, C. Hull, M. Cartier, K. Barry, A. Lemieux, C. Arpin, M. Radant, P. Bourey, S. Boettcher, K. Di Pietro, Superintendent; R. Lussier, Business Manager

Ms. Haskell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting began by informing everyone that Earthlite has completed the installation of the solar panels at SHE and MES. The project was completed on time and prior to the start of the school year. At this time, there has been a delay with the projects that were scheduled for PCS/PMS and the high school. Forefront Power will be doing the installation of these panels. If the projects were to continue, it would cause construction and workers to be on property during the school day. There are many concerns with safety issues if this were to occur. The Board questioned their options at this point.

Mr. Di Pietro said that if the project were to continue, all of the installers would need to go through background checks and fingerprinting before working on school property. He said that the schools would also need to plan ahead by conducting fire drills with blocked areas so that students would know what to do should they need to leave the building in an emergency and an area is not accessible due to overhead construction.

Attorney Michaud stated that any repercussion and loss of revenue from the delay of the project until next summer would be on the part of Forefront Power and would not affect the Board of Education. Mr. Lussier indicated that we did not account for any projected savings at this point and to delay the project should not have an impact on the Board's budget.

MOTION: Ms. Lemieux moved to go into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. Mr. Lussier, Mr. Di Pietro and Ms. Tendrich were included in the session.

SECOND: Ms. Barry

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

VOTE: Ms. Lemieux moved to come out of Executive Session at 7:53 pm.

SECOND: Ms. Barry

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Radant moved to delay the installation of the solar panels on PCS/PMS and Plainfield High School until the summer of 2020.

SECOND: Ms. Lemieux

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

MOTION: Ms. Lemieux moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

SECOND: Ms. Bourey

VOTE: Passed unanimously.