MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Plymouth Public Schools is to challenge, inspire, and prepare all students for success in an ever-changing and complex world.

SPECIAL MEETING PLYMOUTH BOARD OF EDUCATION RETREAT TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2014

MINUTES

<u>Present:</u> Mr. Engle, Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Orsini, Mr. Gentile, Mrs. Kulesa, Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Melchionna

Absent: Dr. Wheeler and Mr. Perugino

Others Present: Ms. Cruz, Superintendent of Schools and Attorney Richard Mills

Call to Order

Mr. Engle called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: To adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Mr. Orsini, seconded Mr. Melchionna, motion passed unanimously.

3.-5. Communication (proposed protocol); Discussion Regarding Board Rights, Roles and Responsibilities; Board of Education Self Evaluation

Attorney Mills addressed the following topics: items were addressed: (1) Board Member Roles & Responsibilities, i.e. the board is the policy maker for the district; it's function is to set policy and the administration's responsibility is to implement and carry out policy; (2) Rights of Board Members, i.e. board members may only take action at board meetings or in a manner that has been authorized by the board; (3) Committees – the board grants the committees authority and operates on an advisory level and its decisions are not binding; (4) Duties of Board Members; (5) Confidentiality; (6) Indemnification; (7) Community Relations; (8) FOI (Freedom of Information) and (9) Board Self-Evaluation.

After discussions regarding the above, the Board would like Ms. Cruz to schedule a second retreat with Attorney Mills before the end of the school year.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, the following motion was made:

MOTION: To adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion Mrs. Johnson, seconded Mr. Gentile, motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Mr. Engle, Chair Plymouth Board of Education

