

MINUTES

HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY

December 11, 2014

The Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA) Board held a special meeting by conference call on December 11, 2014 at 1:30 PM at the HESAA offices in Hamilton.

PRESENT: Mr. James Allen; Fr. Michael Braden; Ms. Audrey Bennerson, Secretary of Higher Education Designee; Ms. Gabrielle Charette, Esq.; Mr. Anthony Falcone; Mr. George Garcia, Esq.; Dr. Harvey Kesselman; Dr. Jon Larson; Mr. Christopher McDonough, Treasurer's Designee; Mr. Bader Qarmout; Ms. Maria Torres and Ms. Christy Van Horn, Members.

ABSENT: Ms. Kathleen Flynn; Ms. Jean McDonald Rash; and Mr. Luis Padilla.

CALL TO ORDER

Anthony Falcone called the meeting to order at 1:32 PM. Mr. Falcone stated that the meeting had been noticed in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mr. Falcone welcomed the Board members.

Mr. Falcone welcomed Geoffrey Stark, Esq., DAG and Michael Collins, Esq., Governor's Authorities Unit.

Mr. Falcone advised that no members of the public registered to speak.

Mr. Falcone asked Roseann Sorrentino to call the roll.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS REAL PROPERTY – DISCUSSION ONLY.

Mr. Falcone announced the Board would be entering a closed session pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b.(5) and then re-entering Open Session. Mr. Falcone stated that the closed session would be to discuss matters involving the lease of real property with public funds, which according to the Open Public Meetings Act is permitted for closed session discussion. He advised that details of the closed session will be available to the public upon execution of a lease or the Board's decision not to move forward.

A motion to approve entering into closed session was made by Ms. Maria Torres and seconded by Mr. James Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered Closed Session at 1:35 and reentered Open Session at 1:48 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Falcone announced the next HESAA board meeting will be held on January 27, 2015. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. James Allen and seconded by Dr. Harvey Kesselman.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM.