

SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Minutes of December 16, 1968
Stamford, Connecticut

A Special Meeting of the 10th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, December 16, 1968, pursuant to a "CALL" from the President, John C. Fusaro, in the meeting room of the Board, 2nd floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

After a Caucus by the respective parties, the meeting was called to order by the President at 9:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG: The President led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 36 present and 4 absent. The absent members were:

Robert M. Wechsler (D) 11th District
 Otto J. Calder (D) 12th District
 Jack Palmer (R) 13th District
 Paul D. Plotnick (D) 16th District

"CALL" OF MEETING:

THE PRESIDENT read the following "CALL" of the Meeting:

BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
 Municipal Office Building
 429 Atlantic Street
 Stamford, Connecticut

December 12, 1968

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF 10TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

FROM: John C. Fusaro, President, Board of Representatives

SUBJECT: To consider and act upon MEA Collective Bargaining Contract and Election of Board of Education members and bonding.

I, JOHN C. FUSARO, President of the 10th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 202 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a SPECIAL MEETING of said Board of Representatives, for the following time and place:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1968

At the Municipal Office Building,
 Second Floor, Board Meeting Room,
 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Conn.

At 8:00 P.M.

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for the following purposes:

- (1) Action on the M.E.A. Collective Bargaining Contract covering period from July 1, 1968 through June 30, 1970.
- (2) Resolutions of intent regarding Board of Education on following:
 - (a) Election to Board of Education.
 - (b) Bonding of building programs.

JOHN C. FUSARO, President
10th Board of Representatives

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- (1) Concerning M.E.A. Collective Bargaining Contract covering period from July 1, 1968 through June 30, 1970.

MR. HEMINGWAY, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, said his Committee held a meeting and all members were present and recommend approval of the M.E.A. contract. He SO MOVED; seconded by Mr. Kelly, Mr. Boccuzzi, Mr. Durso, Mr. Connors, Mr. Alswanger.

MR. MORRIS said the Republican Party feels that this contract and other contracts negotiated by this Administration has been poorly managed and places a heavy burden on the taxpayers.

MR. RUSSBACH said he intends to vote against this contract for one reason and one reason only: Article II under Union Security states that all employees hired after July 1, 1968 shall become members not later than 60 days after their date of employment as a condition of their continued employment.

He said this means a "Closed Shop" and means you can't work if you don't join a Union. He said to him this is Unamerican, Undemocratic and a violation of the freedom of choice and he feels that our labor negotiator, in agreeing to this condition, arbitrarily sacrificed the rights of future City employees. He said if a man wants to work, he should not be compelled to join a Union.

THE PRESIDENT called for a VOTE on the motion to approve the M.E.A. contract. CARRIED with three "no" votes and one abstention (Mr. Kaplan).*

- (2) Resolutions of intent regarding Board of Education on the following:
 - (a) Election to Board of Education

MR. BROMLEY read the following resolution.

MR. HEINZER MOVED for adoption of the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Rich.

*MR. KAPLAN said, just for the record, his firm represents the M.E.A.

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MR. RICH said he wished to point out something that should be obvious to everyone - that this resolution is in general language so that this Board can take further and more considered action on the subject in January, or even in February, but at least we are on record with the General Assembly in Hartford that we want a Home Rule Act pertaining to this and we will supply the particulars later. He asked the President if he is correct in this.

THE PRESIDENT said this is correct. He called for a vote on the following resolution. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 594

REQUESTING THE 1969 SESSION OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY
TO ENACT SPECIAL LEGISLATION CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2-14 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, that the Connecticut General Assembly is hereby requested to enact special legislation to govern the election of members of the Board of Education of the City of Stamford.

(b) Bonding of Building Programs

MR. BROMLEY presented the following resolution.

MR. HEINZER MOVED for adoption of the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Rich.

MR. RYBNICK asked if this, likewise, will come back to the Board to supply particulars later.

THE PRESIDENT said it will. He called for a VOTE on the following resolution. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 595

REQUESTING THE 1969 SESSION OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL
ASSEMBLY TO ENACT SPECIAL LEGISLATION CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE
OF BONDS FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2-14 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, that the Connecticut General Assembly is hereby requested to enact special legislation to govern the appropriations and issuance of bonds for school construction projects of the City of Stamford.

ADJOURNMENT:

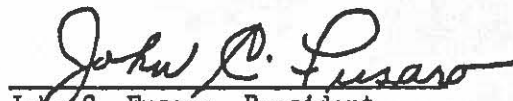
On motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.



Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

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APPROVED:


John C. Fusaro, President
10th Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was not broadcast.

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