

**CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford**

**Minutes of Special Meeting
August 9, 2011**

I. Call to Order

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m. Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of State and posted on the State Department of Education's Web site, the State Board of Education held a special meeting on August 9, 2011. The meeting was held in Room 307 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Present: Allan B. Taylor, Simon Brewer, Ellen Camhi,* Joshua Friedman, Theresa Hopkins-Staten, Charles Jaskiewicz, III, Terry H. Jones, Patricia Keavney-Maruca, Estela López, Patricia B. Luke,* Ferdinand L. Risco, Jr., Joseph J. Vrabely, Jr., Stephen P. Wright

Absent: Michael Meotti

On a motion by Mr. Jaskiewicz, seconded by Dr. López, the Board voted unanimously to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation concerning the Bridgeport Board of Education.

II. Executive Session

Present in executive session were Mr. Taylor, Mr. Brewer, Mrs. Camhi* (arrived at 1:10 p.m.), Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Hopkins-Staten, Mr. Jaskiewicz, Mr. Jones, Ms. Keavney-Maruca, Dr. López, Mrs. Luke* (arrived at 1:15p.m.), Mr. Risco, Mr. Vrabely, and Mr. Wright. Also present for all or part of executive session were George A. Coleman, Acting Commissioner of Education; Daniel P. Murphy, Director of Legal and Governmental Affairs, State Department of Education; Emily V. Melendez, Assistant Attorney General; and Attorney Mark Kohler, Special Litigation, Office of the Attorney General. The Board discussed pending litigation concerning the Bridgeport Board of Education.

[Mr. Wright left the meeting at 1:59 p.m.]

III. Adjourn

The Board reconvened in public session at 2:00 p.m. All members were present except Mr. Wright and Mr. Meotti.

On a motion by Mrs. Hopkins-Staten, seconded by Mr. Risco, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the special meeting at 2:02 p.m.

Prepared by: _____
George A. Coleman, Secretary

