

WEST PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEST PATERSON
NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF
WORKSHOP MEETING**

**In accordance with the
Open Public Meetings Act
P.L. 1975, c. 231, this is to
advise that the West Paterson
Board of Education will hold a
Workshop Meeting October 4, 2007
The meeting will be held in the
Memorial School Library,
Memorial Drive
West Paterson, NJ
At 7:00 PM**

No formal action will be taken.

**THOMAS DIFLURI
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WEST PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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WORKSHOP MEETING

October 4, 2007

**TUESDAY, 7:00 P.M. MEMORIAL SCHOOL LIBRARY
MEMORIAL DR.
WEST PATERSON, NJ 07424**

- Agenda:**
- 1. Opening of Meeting**
 - 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 3. Roll Call**
 - 4. Agenda Topics**
 - 5. Public Hearing**
 - 6. Adjournment**

WEST PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION

WORKSHOP MEETING

October 4, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT HAVE BEEN SATISFIED - The Board President states that this meeting of the West Paterson Board of Education is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was provided to the North Jersey Herald & News and has been posted on the door of the West Paterson Board of Education Administration Building.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Members Present - Steven Fazio, Marian Jordan, Ronald Pascrell, Robert Vargas, Helene Webb, Ida Renne, Lori Hinkle, Keith Tanski (7:05 pm)

Members Absent – Sam Yodice, Jr.

Also Present - Scott E. Rixford, Thomas DiFluri, Peter Tucci

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to law, the Board Members cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private, we welcome you to discuss it with the Superintendent or a Board Member after the meeting or later at a mutually convenient time.

Francie Joseph Keating, 80 Ridgewood Drive

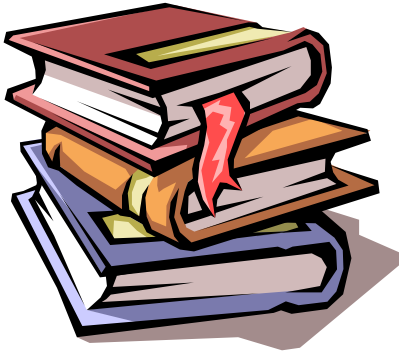
The operation at Charles Olbon School for pick up and drop off of students has improved. Departmentalization at third and fourth grade level is inappropriate teaching model.

Sanjay Desai, 186 Mt. Pleasant Avenue

Asked which school roof is on agenda for discussion. Recommend safety course for custodians.

Joanne Mitchell, 159 Jackson Avenue

Asked why her second grade student has two music periods.



SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 4, 2007

AGENDA TOPICS

- 1. Facility Repair/Replacement List from John Wittig, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds (priority Spinnler Hall roof replacement): Mr. Jack Wittig updated the Board on the district's needed facility improvements. Stressed need for roof replacements at Memorial and Charles Olbon Schools.**
- 2. QAAR 2006-2007 (due November 2007): Mr. Rixford said QAAR would be on October 18th for Board approval and he submitted to State on time.**
- 3. NJQSAC 2007-2008 (due November 15, 2008 but must be worked on during 2007-2008): Superintendent reviewed new requirements under NJQSAC. Binder containing information distributed to each Board member.**
- 4. Updates on Administrative Vacancies: Superintendent reviewed proposed advertisement and posting for two vacant administrative positions. Concerns raised that wording contained in the ad would attract high cost candidates. Superintendent will reword and advertise.**
- 5. Contract with E-Rate Consultant: Business Administrator discussed benefits of having E-Rate consultant process applications. Board expressed support. Contract to be placed on October 18th agenda.**
- 6. Proposal on Global Connect: Superintendent discussed benefits of having reverse 911 type system. Board in favor; contract to be on the October 18th agenda.**
- 7. Security and Communications System Update: Superintendent updated Board on security system. VOIP phone system to be rolled into grant.**
- 8. Preview of October 18, 2007 Superintendent's Report as of now.**

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Tina Davis, 12 Casson Lane

Computer curriculum needs improvement. Asked about status of gymnasium padding replacement at Charles Olbon School. Said Global Connect system would displace the human interaction the HSA provides.

Joanne Mitchell, Jackson Avenue

She is in favor of Global Connect system.

Francie Joseph Keating, 80 Ridgewood Drive

Asked why the Business Administrator never provided the Board with list of facility problems within the district.

Board discussion ensued. Obtain architect's cost estimate for roofs; Mr. Vargas in favor of addressing everything.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Open Public Meeting Act, authorizes a public body to meet in Executive or Private Session under limited circumstances and WHEREAS said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such Executive or Private Session. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST PATERSON THAT:

- 1) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session to discuss a personnel and/or litigation matter or contract matter.
- 2) The matter(s) discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.
- 3) Meeting will be resumed at conclusion of Executive Session.
- 4) The board does/does not expect to take action after Executive Session.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 9:45 p.m. by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion to return to Regular Session at _____ p.m. by _____, seconded by _____.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 10:55 p.m. by Tanski, Seconded by Vargas

Voice Vote - 7 YES

WEST PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE SESSION
October 4, 2007

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

1. Board discussed its goals for upcoming negotiations with WPEA.

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