

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 22, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

N.J. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act the Woodland Park Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on the door of the Woodland Park Board of Education Administration Building and was provided to the North Jersey Herald News

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Members Present – Jo-Anne Mitchell, Maryann Perro, Tom Bolen, Maria Flynn, Lisa Marshall, Dina Bargiel, Bob Kassai, Mark Salemi

Members Absent – Ron Pascrell

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Tom DiFluri, Jeff Merlino

Ms. Ament, advisor, and students from Memorial School’s Coding Club, did a presentation on computer coding. They presented basic coding, video games, music videos and robotics, which they created.

PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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Sanjay Desai – 186 Mt. Pleasant Ave.

Mr. Desai was concerned with the amount of staff resigning during the school year. He would like the contract to include something that would require them to stay until the end of the school year.

216-179 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by SALEMI Seconded by MITCHELL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2016 Reorg meeting, January 18, 2016 Workshop meeting and the January 25, 2016 regular meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the January 4, 2016 reorg meeting and the January 25, 2016 regular meeting.

Roll Call: 8 YES

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Pillari commended Ms. Ament and the students on the coding presentation. She reported on various events happening at all three schools. She also reported that QSAC is back in March and will report as it nears.

BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Mr. Merlino reported that the negotiations committee met with the WPEA and the next meeting will be on 3/9.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following items have been deemed to be non-controversial in a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion.

Motion by SALEMI Seconded by BARGIEL to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 216-180 through 216-188.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-180 -APPROVAL OF REGISTER REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the January 2016 Register Report.

216-181- SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, receives and accepts the attached reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of January 2016 “Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of January 31, 2016 the Board Secretary’s monthly financial reports (appropriations section) did not reflect any over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on this report and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year”

216-182- APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$231,949.72

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#67	\$185,005.18
L17	\$ 46,944.54

216-183 - TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of transfers for the months of January 2016.

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Acct. Description</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>New Balance</u>
11-000-213-600-30	Supplies & Materials	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 4,200.00
11-000-216-320-00	Students Speech Rel Serv	\$311,489.00	\$2,500.00	\$313,989.00
11-000-221-610-00	Instruction Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,330.00
11-000-223-320-00	Purch Prof Ed Services	\$ 50,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$ 52,000.00
11-000-251-592-00	Miscl Purch Services	\$ 12,091.00	\$ 674.00	\$ 12,765.00
11-000-252-600-00	Supplies & Materials	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 6,300.00
11-000-262-420-00	Clean Repair & Maint	\$ 11,800.00	\$ 51.00	\$ 11,851.00
11-000-270-511-00	Cont Svc Transport	\$105,006.00	\$ 400.00	\$105,406.00
11-000-291-241-00	Other Retirement Contrib	\$200,504.00	(\$6,855.00)	\$193,649.00
11-214-100-610-10	Autistic General Supplies	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 3,400.00
11-215-100-101-00	Salaries Preschool Disab	\$ 90,172.00	(\$20,000.00)	\$ 70,172.00
11-215-100-106-00	Other Sal Presch Disab	\$ 67,219.00	(\$20,000.00)	\$ 47,219.00
11-216-100-101-00	Sal Teach FT Pre Disab	\$ 0.00	\$20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
11-216-100-106-00	Oth Sal FT Pre Disab	\$ 0.00	\$20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00

216-184 - APPROVAL OF NEW SUBSTITUTES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the new substitute teacher list for February of the 2015-2016 school year, per the Passaic County Educational Services Commission.

216-185 - APPROVAL OF REVISED VISUAL ARTS CURRICULUM

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the revised Visual Arts Curriculum.

216-186 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – C. LaBarbera

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept the resignation of Caitlin LaBarbera, ABA teacher of students with disabilities, at BG, effective February 29, 2016.

216-187 -ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – H. Aliotta

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept the resignation of Hope Aliotta, part time aide at CO, effective February 29, 2016.

216-188- USE OF FACILITIES – MEMORIAL FIELD

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve use of Memorial Field, for the Families Behind the Badge Softball Tournament and Beer Garden, to be held on Saturday, May 21st, with a raindate of Sunday, May 22nd.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

The following items will be voted on by separate motion for each item.

Personnel:

216-189 - APPROVAL OF HIRE – SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN

Motion by BOLEN Seconded by BARGIEL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Fritzner Origene, as a substitute custodian, effective February 23, 2016-June 30, 2016, on an as needed basis, at a rate of \$20/hr., no benefits. (Employee has black seal license)

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-190 - CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT – Q. Carswell

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by BARGIEL.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a change in assignment for Quanisha Carswell, from lunch aide to part time classroom aide at CO, at a rate of \$14.92/hr., not to exceed 27.5 hrs. per week, no benefits, effective 2/23/16.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-191 - CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT – M. Davis

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by FLYNN.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a change in assignment for Marie Davis, from part time BSI teacher to full time BSI teacher at CO, Class II, Step I, \$60,770, effective 2/23/16.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-192 - APPOINTMENT OF LUNCH AIDE FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by FLYNN.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Lucia DeStefano, as a lunch aide at CO, for the 2015-2016 school year, at a rate of 14.92/hr., not to exceed 10hrs. per week, no benefits.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-193 - APPOINTMENT OF LUNCH AIDE FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by FLYNN.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Judith Findlay, as a lunch aide at CO, for the 2015-2016 school year, at a rate of 14.92/hr., not to exceed 10hrs. per week, no benefits.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-194 - APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – AUTISM TEACHER-BG- J.Tuscano

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by KASSAI

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Julianne Tuscano, as a Teacher of Autism at Beatrice Gilmore, Class II, Step 1, Salary \$60,770.00- pro-rated, effective 2/24/16.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-195 - CHANGE IN WORKING HOURS – L. CARSWELL

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by BARGIEL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve change in working hours for Latoya Carswell, lunch aide at CO, from 2 hours per day to 3 ¼ hours per day.

Roll Call: 8 YES

Finance:

216-196 - ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by MITCHELL, seconded by KASSAI

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Woodland Park Board of Education, County of Passaic, that the preliminary 2016-2017 School District Budget be approved as follows:

	BUDGET	LOCAL TAX LEVY
Total General Fund	\$16,425,425.00	\$15,175,650.00
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 567,759.00	NA
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 541,770.00	\$ 541,769.00
TOTALS	\$17,534,954.00	\$15,717,419.00

FURTHER RESOLVED: General fund budget to include a \$121,221 tax levy adjustment for increase in health care costs.

Roll Call: 8 YES

Buildings & Grounds:

216-197 - AWARD OF CONTRACT – COMMERCIAL INTERIORS

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by PERRO.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with Commercial Interiors Direct, to replace carpeting and provide install VCT tile in the Beatrice Gilmore school library, under Middlesex Regional ESL cooperative purchasing contract #14/15-792 & # 19/15-64. Total cost \$17,163.

Roll Call: 8 YES

216-198 - LEASE RENEWAL-WEST PATERSON SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE - TABLED

Motion by BOLEN, Seconded by BARGIEL.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve renewal of the lease agreement between the Woodland Park Board of Education and West Paterson School Age Child Care for the 2016-2017 school year. Agreement includes a 3% increase.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bolen made a motion to table 216-198. Ms. Flynn seconded it. All were in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel: Dr. Salemi reported that the committee met with WPEA for negotiations and will meet again on 3/9.

Education: Mrs. Bargiel reported the committee discussed ELA curriculum. Mrs. Triglia will meet with our Readers-Writers consultant for input.

Finance: Mrs. Mitchell said the committee met several times to discuss the 2016-2017 budget. After county approval, the budget will be voted on at the May 2, 2016 budget hearing meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. DiFluri informed the board that the intercom system at CO needs to be replaced. He has met with one contractor who quoted approximately \$30,000. He is meeting with another company this week for another quote.

Dr. Salemi suggested that the March meetings be switched as to have a committee meeting on 3/7, workshop on 3/14 and regular on 3/21. He also suggested that in May, the committee meeting be held on 5/9, workshop on 5/16 and regular on 5/23.

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Sanjay Desai – 186 Mt. Pleasant Ave.

Mr. Desai, again, stated the fact that we have too many staff members leaving during the school year. He said that since he moved here in 2002, he has never seen so many resignations. He thinks the board should adopt a better screening policy when hiring new employees.

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 WOODLAND PARK 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 7:50 p.m. by SALEMI, seconded by MITCHELL
Voice Vote: 8 YES

Motion to return to Regular Session at 8:05 p.m. by FLYNN, seconded by PERRO
Voice Vote: 8 YES

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. by FLYNN, Seconded by PERRO

Voice Vote: 8 YES

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EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- Dr. Pillari discussed HIB case #2016-09