

WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 3, 2014

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 –Joanne Mitchell, Francie Keating, Mark Salemi, Maria Flynn, Ron Pascrell, Tanya DaSilva, Dina Bargiel, Bob Kassai, Tom Bolen

Also Present - Elaine Baldwin, Tom DiFluri, Jeff Merlino

PUBLIC HEARING- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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No one wished to be heard.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

FINANCE: Mrs. Mitchell will report on matters of finance.

214-159 - ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by MITCHELL, seconded by KEATING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Woodland Park Board of Education, County of Passaic, that the preliminary 2014-2015 School District Budget be approved as follows:

	BUDGET	LOCAL TAX LEVY
Total General Fund	\$16,020,266.00	\$14,392,280.00
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 489,184.00	NA
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 519,792.00	\$ 519,792.00
TOTALS	\$17,029,242.00	\$14,912,072.00

FURTHER RESOLVED: Included in the general fund budget is \$250,000 for excess costs to be withdrawn from the Board of Education's approved Capital Reserve Account to supplement the approved September 29, 2009 referendum of \$6,102,758 local share of referendum for approved NJDOE Projects # 2, as needed; The district intends to complete said purpose by June 2015.

Roll Call: 9 YES

Ms. Baldwin introduced the following action from the floor;

214-21A- BOARD MEETING CHANGE OF DATE

Motion by BARGIEL, seconded by MITCHELL

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Woodland Park Board of Education, to approve changing the March 17, 2014 regular meeting to March 24, 2014, to be held in Memorial School.

Roll Call: 9 YES

Mr. DiFluri introduced the following action from the floor;

214-22A – COMERRO – COPPA ARCHITECTS

Motion by BOLEN, seconded by KASSAI

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Woodland Park Board of Education, to authorize the Business Administrator to contract with Commero Coppa Architects to provide architectural services for renovations at Beatrice Gilmore School. Scope of work to include removal of asbestos flooring, replace with VCT or use existing hardwood flooring in classrooms, repair and repaint interior, renovate classroom bathrooms, repair and replace various classroom ceilings and lighting as needed.

Roll Call: 9 YES

Mr. Bolen reported, as liaison to the library, that the library will be sponsoring Dr. Suess Day, being held in the municipal chambers, on March 6th, at 6:00pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dr. Salemi said he, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Kassai, Chief Galietti and Mayor Kazmark met regarding police presence at the schools during drop off and pick up. The Chief said the police department will be shorthanded and has suggested the Board hire a Security Resource Officer. A discussion ensued over the details of doing such and the Board will look into this matter further, in more detail.

The Board discussed different options to streamline the lunch program. Ms. Baldwin and Mr. DiFluri were not aware of any problems and asked the Board to send them details and they will look into it.

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Sanjay Desai – 186 Mt. Pleasant Ave.

Mr. Desai had questions regarding a new security officer and adding more busing.

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 pm by KEATING, seconded by DASILVA
Voice Vote: 9 YES

Mrs. Bargiel left the meeting at 9:15pm

Motion to return to Regular Session at 9:30 pm by BOLEN, seconded by PASCHELL
Voice Vote: 8 YES

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. by BOLEN, Seconded by PASCHELL
Voice Vote: 8 YES

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ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- Board discussed litigation matter with vendor
- Board discussed candidate for Superintendent
- Superintendent discussed a student matter