

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 19, 2020

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 Record & Herald News

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Members Present – Joe Giammarella, Christine Tiseo, Jairo Rodriguez, David Amanullah, Chris Mania, Laura Vargas

Members Absent – Lisa Marshall, MaryAnn Perro, Adam Chaabane(arrived at 7:13pm)

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Paul Murphy, Adam Weiss

PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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No one wished to be heard.

221-95 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by GIAMMARELLA Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2020 workshop and the September 21, 2020 regular meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the September 14, 2020 workshop meeting.

Roll Call: 6 YES

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Irizarry has started to complete the Annual Preschool Operational Plan Update for the 2020-2021 school year. Teachers at School 1 are in the process of reviewing the collection of authentic assessment data and participated in the Early Literacy Writing training. The state required Early Screening Inventory assessment for our preschool students has begun with both in-person and virtual students. The Pumpkin Patch at School 1 will take place on Friday, October 23rd. Picture Day at School 1 is scheduled for October 29th for both in-person and virtual students. The Week of Respect was a great success at CO School with a HSA sponsored event featuring OMEGA MAN to close the week. Teachers at CO School have been receiving PD on a consistent basis by our Math and ELA supervisors during faculty and PLC meeting times. Topics included I-ready data and resources and Reading A-Z and Raz Kids. The Pumpkin Patch Pick up for virtual students at CO School will be held on October 22nd. All students, virtual and in person will participate in a Pumpkin Craft on Friday, October 23rd. CO Picture Day will be held on Tuesday, October 27 for both virtual and in-person students. BG Picture Day was on October 15th . Retakes, makeups, Spring Pictures and Class photos will be able to take place in the spring. BG HSA is hosting a pumpkin painting/carving competition. Don’t forget to send in photo entries!

Please check out the Mathematics Department website. It is updated regularly with WP philosophy of teaching for mathematics, K-5 math standards rubric, math program shortcut links, and community presentations. BG and Memorial Schools received additional iREADY training facilitated by grade 5 teacher, Mrs. Voinov. Thank you! We are excited to announce that Memorial School's first house event was on the Friday, Oct. 9th to end the week of respect. All staff and students wore their new house t-shirts. Picture Day for Memorial School is Thursday, Oct. 22nd with a rain date of Friday, Oct. 23rd. Pictures will be taken outside. The new floor in the Memorial Gym is in the process of being replaced. The bleachers have been removed in preparation of the installation of the new bleachers. Progress reports for Memorial School were sent out Wednesday, Oct. 14th. Our student groups for our National Junior Honor Society, Student Council, Yearbook, Newspaper, and Animal Club are meeting and underway.

In the area of ELA: Baseline testing with DIBELS 8th Edition subtests, Dyslexia screener, and Linkit have been administered. Our work with the NJTSS-ER Grant continues. We are in our third year of this grant and working on curriculum compacting to mitigate learning loss. Mrs. Castrovinci and the grade 6 team is working on updating ELA curriculum units. Literacy Links Google Classrooms have been created to support our K-8 teachers. Shared resources are stored here for vertical and horizontal communication. Professional development in the area of word study has been conducted across the district as follows: Teachers of students in grades K-3 have received training in the implementation of Foundations. Teachers of students in grades 4-5 have received training in Words Their Way and teachers of students in grades 6-8 have received training on Effective Vocabulary Instruction. We have started our work and introduction into the CAR (Connected Action Roadmap) Grant for Grades 5-6 ELA teachers. National Day of Writing is Tuesday, Oct. 20th. We look forward to sharing some of the ways students will celebrate! Mrs. Triglia and Mrs. Castrovinci are facilitating a virtual parent night for BSI and ELL parents on Oct. 22nd at 6:30pm. Topics will include an overview of our BSI and ELL program as well as an overview of our intervention program MaxScholar. Curriculum revisions continue for special areas. Our Guidance Counselors and our CST Members are working together to develop virtual lessons that teachers can access at any time. Topics include, but are not limited to, Good Habits, which discuss healthy habits for success in school, such as bedtime/sleep, study area or work area for virtual students, etc. Thank you to our guidance counselors and all staff members who were instrumental in creating activities and videos for the Week of Respect which was Oct. 5th-9th and for School Violence Awareness week which is Oct. 19th-23rd. BG School is running a start with a smile program. The hallways are filled with student photos and all students, both virtual and in person, participated. Our School Nurses continue to be instrumental in our contract tracing documentation and monitoring processes. We are so grateful for our amazing nurses! We cannot thank them enough for keeping up to date with the current information being disseminated to the schools relative to COVID and helping to keep all of us safe while we are in the school buildings. Please continue to check the Special Services Department webpage. It is updated regularly with important information relative to the department. Drills of the Month are being held and followed with fidelity across the district according to the guidance set forth by the NJDOE Office of School Preparedness and Emergency Planning Reminder: all students will be learning remotely from home on Tuesday, November 3rd as the school buildings will be closed due to Election Day.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Murphy stated the gym floors at Memorial are halfway finished. The old bleachers have been removed and the new bleachers will be installed once the floor is completed.

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 TISEO Seconded by GIAMMARELLA to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 221-96 through 221-103.

Roll Call: 6 YES

221-96 - APPROVAL OF REGISTER REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the September 2020 Register Report.

221-97 - SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORTS- REMOVED FROM AGENDA

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 XXX “Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of XXX 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”

221-98 - TRANSFERS

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

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Acct. Description</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>New Balance</u>

221-99- 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 \$642,551.62, approved by finance committee chairperson, Jairo Rodriguez.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#64	\$595,038.52
#L49	\$ 47,513.10

221-100 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – T. BLAU

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Travis Blau, ELA teacher at Memorial School, effective 10/15/2020.

221-101 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – M. RIOS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Margarita Rios, lunch aide at BG, effective 9/22/2020.

221-102 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – A. AGNES

BE IT RESOLVED THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept the resignation of Al Agnes, part time custodian, effective 10/16/2020.

221-103 - APPROVAL TO AMEND FY2020 ESEA GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to amend FY 2020 ESEA grant to reflect a \$13.00 increase in Title III Immigrant:

Title I	\$289,611
Title I – SIA	\$ 21,600
Title II-A	\$ 45,863
Title III	\$ 11,192
Title III-Immigrant	\$ 3,636
Title IV	\$ 12,500

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

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

PERSONNEL:

221-104 - APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – ELA TEACHER – A. MANGINE

Motion by TISEO, seconded by GIAMMARELLA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Woodland Park Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Alyxx Mangine, as an ELA teacher at Memorial, BA, Step 1, \$57,080, pro-rated, as per current WPEA agreement. Effective pending receipt of proper paperwork.

Roll Call: 6 YES

221- 105 - APPROVAL FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE – R. BROWN

Motion by TISEO, seconded by MANIA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Woodland Park Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve extended leave of absence for Raine Brown, effective December 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020, without pay or benefits.

Roll Call: 6 YES

EDUCATION:

221-106 - WORKSHOP/TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attendance of and costs of attendance including registration fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures for the following listed district employees for the 2020-2021 school year.

Roll Call: 6 YES

Name	Activity	Date	Fee	Travel	Expenses
Jaimie Partridge	Autism NJ Annual Conference (Virtual)	10/15 & 10/16 2020	\$450	NA	NA
Sara Nunez Desi Mayol Anna Szorc	NJTESOL - Virtual	May 25-27,2020	\$299/ea	NA	NA

221-107 - APPROVAL OF 2020-2021 DISTRICT & BOARD GOALS

Motion by TISEO Seconded by VARGAS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the District and Board Goals for the 2020-2021 school year, as attached.

Roll Call: 6 YES

FINANCE:

221-108 - NRESC –TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT – 2020-2021

Motion by GIAMMARELLA Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the transportation contract with NRESC for the following 2020-2021 bus routes:

Route#	School (s)	Contractor	# of Students	Estimated Cost per Route (+ surcharge)	Starting Date
800	Beatrice Gilmore	D&M Tours	4	66,960.00+2,678.40	9/8/20-June 2021
801	Memorial School	D&M Tours	2	56,340.00+2,253.60	9/8/20-June 2021
802	Windsor Learning Center	Joshua Tours	1	66,960.00+2,678.40	9/8/20-June 2021
875	School #1 Woodland Park	Sami Peadia, Inc	3	51,660.00+2,066.40	9/8/20-June 2021
880	Charles Olbon	Joshua Tours	5	66,960.00+2,678.40	9/8/20-June 2021
881	Charles Olbon	Joshua Tours	3	66,960.00+2,678.40	9/8/20-June 2021
916	ECLC	Trans-Ed Inc.	1	54,112.00+2,164.48	9/8/20-June 2021

Roll Call: 5 YES, 1 ABSTENTION-VARGAS

221-109 - AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF HP PROBOOKS & LICENSING

Motion by MANIA Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to authorize purchase of 27 HP ProBooks, at a cost of \$18,515.52 and 180 Google Chrome licenses, at a cost of \$4,590.00, from CDW, under Co-op contract #ESCNJ18/19-03. Total Cost: \$23,105.52, to be paid with Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant.
Roll Call: 6 YES

221-110 - AUTHORIZE PURCHASE – AIR PURIFIERS

Motion by TISEO Seconded by VARGAS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to authorize purchase of 110 room air purifiers and 114 replacement filters, from Medify Air, LLC, at a total cost of \$23,547.70, to be paid with Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant.
Roll Call: 6 YES

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

221-111 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

Motion by GIAMMARELLA, Seconded by TISEO.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept donation of gym equipment (exercise machines) from the Little Falls Board of Education.
Roll Call: 6 YES

221-112 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

Motion by MANIA, Seconded by TISEO.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept donation of 100 face shields from 1800-Shields.com.
Roll Call: 6 YES

221-113 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

Motion by RODRIGUEZ, Seconded by MANIA.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept donation of new school supplies from Staples store in Park Ridge, General Manager and Woodland Park resident, Mecca Mastropalo.
Roll Call: 6 YES

POLICY:

221-114 - APPROVAL OF EXISTING POLICIES & REGULATIONS REVISIONS

Motion by TISEO Seconded by GIAMMARELLA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve revisions of the following existing policies & regulations:

POLICY/REGULATION #	POLICY/REGULATION	MANDATED/RECOMMENDED
1620	Administrative Employment Contracts	Mandated
2464	Gifted and Talented Students	Mandated
6440	Cooperative Purchasing	Mandated
7440 & R7440	School District Security	Mandated
7450	Property Inventory	Mandated
7510 & R7510	Use of School Facilities	Mandated
8420	Emergency & Crisis Situations	Mandated
8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs	Mandated

Roll Call: 6 YES

221-115 - APPROVAL OF NEW POLICIES & REGULATIONS – FIRST READING

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the first reading of the following new policies & regulations:

POLICY/REGULATION #	POLICY/REGULATION	MANDATED/RECOMMENDED
5330.05 & R5330.05	Seizure Action Plan	Mandated
6470.01 & R6470.01	Electronic Funds Transfer & Claimant Certification	Mandated
R7510	Use of School Facilities	Mandated
1648.02	Remote Learning Options for Families	Mandated
1648.03	Restart & Recovery Plan – Full Time Remote Instruction	Mandated

Roll Call: 7 YES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Mania stated the Community Relations committee met prior to the meeting. It was discussed to have the same emblem that is on the new field at Zaccaria Park put on the new gym floor at Memorial, as part of phase 2 of the branding. He also said the COHSA will be donating a bench at CO, in memory of former student, Christopher DiMartino.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rodriguez asked if we were able to look into solar panels. Mr. Murphy said he has not received the proposal as of yet and will report once he does. The Board also asked about landscaping. Mr. Murphy is still looking through the proposals and will report once he has all the information. Mrs. Vargas stated she spoke with Dr. Pillari about getting an additional SRO for School 1. Dr. Pillari and Mr. Murphy will look at the budget to see if funds are available.

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No one wished to be heard.

Mr. Mania wanted to thank Mecca Mastropalo, manager at Staples in ParkRidge and Woodland Park resident, who donated all the school supplies on behalf of Staples.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. by TISEO, Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

Voice Vote: 7 YES