

**THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 21, 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**

*Mr. Weiss stated that since the Board does not have a policy on board member electronic attendance of meetings, he asked the Board to take a vote to allow it for this meeting. All were in favor.*

**ROLL CALL**

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

Members Present Virtually – Lisa Marshall, MaryAnn Perro

Members Absent –Adam Chaabane

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Paul Murphy, Adam Weiss

**PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

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No one wished to be heard.

**221-87 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by GIAMMARELLA Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2020 special, August 10, 2020 workshop, August 24, 2020 regular and August 27, 2020 special meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the August 3, 2020 special and the August 24, 2020 regular meetings.

Roll Call: 8 YES

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

All schools had a fantastic opening. Thank you to all of our families for continuing to remember the daily health screening forms. All teachers utilizing Google Suite and Google Classroom which is new at CO School. The First Faculty Meeting was held today at CO School. Mrs. Castrovinci and Jennifer Bender presented DIEBELS Assessments. Back to School Night for CO School is scheduled for Sept. 22. All staff created Google Slide Show for parents to preview. Teachers will conduct live sessions from 7:00pm-8:00pm and Special Area Teachers will be available from 8:00pm-9:00pm. We had a meeting with our Fire Chief/Fire Officials as well as key stakeholders on the guidance which has been provided to the schools regarding fire drills. BG School Back-To-School Night will be held virtually on Thursday, September 24, 2020. Welcome will begin at 6:00 pm. Fifth grade students have taken a leadership role in announcing daily morning announcements and are doing a fabulous job! First HSA meeting was held virtually. Please join and support our Krispy Kreme fundraiser which

is coming up. Memorial School's Virtual Back to School Night is on Wednesday at 7pm. Memorial HSA is beginning to start fundraising. October they are selling David's cookies. School 1 held its Virtual Back to School Night and it was a huge success. All presentations were posted in the morning for parents to see. In the evening, teachers held virtual meetings with the parents to introduce themselves, discuss the curriculum and assessment system, and daily routines and procedures. Teachers at School 1 have begun participating in individual weekly reflection meetings with Ms. Leary, our Master Teacher, to discuss the implementation of the curriculum and assessment. Monthly Lunch and Learn parent workshops will begin in October. They will cover topics such as preschool readiness skills, building foundational social emotional skills, Building a Math Rich Environment, Literacy Matters, and Families as Leaders...to name a few. Virtual Preschool Parent Resource Center has been created. Resources for parents such as the County Council I for Young Children, Central Intake, Office of Early Childhood Services, Help Me Grow, and Strengthening Families have been posted to assist families with getting needed resources. HSA continues their Preschool Fundraising stand at the town farmers market every Saturday from 9-1. iREADY Math Diagnostic Assessment kicked off last Wednesday. To support all remote parents, Mrs. Triglia and Ms. Calderon conducted four parent presentations to help with assessing students at home. Our Math Dept. website is currently being updated to support remote learning. Ms. Calderon made a virtual bitmoji for parents to view helpful links to the site.

### **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Murphy stated that he is meeting with landscapers this week, as requested by the Board. He also stated that the Board will be voting on items tonight for the gym floor and bleachers at Memorial School.

### **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 MANIA to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 221-88 through 221-90.

Roll Call: 8 YES

### **221-88 - 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 \$494,280.59, approved by finance committee chairperson, Jairo Rodriguez.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#63	\$477,809.18
#L48	\$ 16,471.41

### **221-89 - APPROVAL OF NEW SUBSTITUTES**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the substitute teacher list for September of the 2020-2021 school year, as per the Northern Regional Educational Services Commission.

### **221-90 – APPROVAL OF MEDICAL LEAVE – L. ALTOMARE**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve medical leave, under the Federal Family Leave Act, for Lorraine Altomare, teacher at BG, from October 1, 2020- January 3, 2021, utilizing accumulated sick days. Expected return to work, January 4, 2021.

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

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

**PERSONNEL:**

**221-91-APPROVAL TO EXTEND CONTRACT INTERIM SUPERVISOR OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-J. WITTIG**

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve extension of contract for the position of Interim Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, John Wittig, effective October 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, at 25 hours per week, at an hourly rate of \$46.00 per hour, no benefits. The Board President is hereby authorized and directed to execute the employment contract that is substantially in the form as the one attached.

Roll Call: 8 YES

**221-92 - APPROVAL OF STAFF STIPENDS**

Motion by RODRIGUEZ , Seconded by TISEO .

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve stipend payments for the 2020-2021 school year in accordance with current WPEA contract, as listed:

Roll Call: 8 YES

ACTIVITY	SCHOOL	STAFF MEMBER	AMOUNT
Morning Supervision Duty	BG	Donna Farraye	\$1,550.00

**221-14A- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – N. LOGUE**

Motion by VARGAS , Seconded by TISEO .

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve to appointment of Norah Logue, as a leave replacement at BG, at \$150 per diem, effective October 1, 2020-January 5, 2020.

Roll Call: 8 YES

**EDUCATION:**

**221-93 -WORKSHOP/TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT**

Motion by MANIA 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: 8 YES

Name	Activity	Date	Fee	Travel	Expenses
Kim Leary	PIRT Seminar (Virtual)	Starting 9/24/20	\$225	NA	NA

**FINANCE:**

**221-94 – APPROVAL OF GYM FLOOR REPAIR**

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED by the Woodland Park Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, to award the contract to conduct emergency repair of Memorial Gym Floor, due to water damage, to Mathusek Incorporated, under NJ State Contract, EDS Bid #8556, upon recommendation of NJSIG appointed insurance adjuster and Coppa Montalbano Architects. Estimated cost of repairs total \$59,999.

Roll Call: 8 YES

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:**

**221-13A- APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – NICKERSON CORP. – BLEACHERS**

Motion by RODRIGUEZ Seconded by GIAMMARELLA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Woodland Park Board of Education, to approve contract with Nickerson Corporation, for the cost and installation of new bleachers in Memorial gym, under Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS, Bid #MRESC 17/18-51, at a total cost of \$40,334.00.

Roll Call: 8 YES

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mrs. Marshall stated she heard there were some problems with the special education busing. Dr. Pillari stated she is aware and has already contacted the commission with all concerns to have them remedied as soon as possible.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Rodriguez asked if we could look into getting solar panels.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. by VARGAS, Seconded by TISEO

Voice Vote: 8 YES