

**THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**APRIL 19, 2021**

**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 – Glen Grimes, Joe Giammarella, Christine Tiseo, Jairo Rodriguez, MaryAnn Perro, Adam Chaabane, Chris Mania, Laura Vargas

Members Absent – David Amanullah(arrived at 7:07pm)

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Paul Murphy, Adam Weiss

**PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

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No one wished to be heard.

**221-219 - 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 March 8, 2021 workshop and the March 15, 2021 regular meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the March 15, 2021 regular meeting.

Roll Call: 8 YES

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Preschool teachers celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Week of the Young Child with their students and families. Specific activities were completed each day in honor of preschool educators, the children and their families with hands-on activities that encouraged movement and healthy lifestyles through the use of music, food, and art. Our Preschool teachers are continuing with monthly training on the Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale in order to ensure the implementation of early childhood best practices in all aspects of the program. The Early Childhood Advisory Council will be planning recruitment efforts for the upcoming school year as well as continuing to assist with the toiletry drive. Toiletry kits are available for pick up during the same hours of school lunch pick up every day at each of the school buildings. Our CO HSA sponsored a Science assembly for the students entitled "Spin, Pop, Boom!" on Thurs. April 15<sup>th</sup>. CO School Physical Education Teacher, Mr. Volpe, raised \$3,300 for The Kids Heart Challenge! During a live stream on April 1st, Mr. Vople was pied and slimed for all of CO school to watch. Our ELA Connected Action Roadmap Grant workshops are underway for teachers in Memorial and BG Schools beginning this week. The math department has received professional development on common assessments and the review of the unit 1 template. Summer ELA and Mathematic assignments are in the process of being

developed and refined. ELA Middle School report card is in the process of being examined and potentially revised in order to reflect the curricular and standards expectations of the students in Memorial School. This will include a blended report card of traditional/standards based. The teachers at CO School are scheduled to attend workshops this week on GEODES. This is a new resource, which will be used to support our emerging readers with high interest, decodable texts. The Science Department at Memorial School met with Ms. Calderon to begin the review and revision process of the science curriculum. Both middle school math and science teachers received PD on the Edulastic program for test prep analysis to assist with classroom lesson planning and instructional practice. Ms. Calderon is currently reviewing and creating middle school math standards to place on the upcoming 2021-2022 school year report card. Rubrics will be generated to support report card interpretations for parents. BG students and staff are working with our professionals from the Young Audiences Grant this month. Singer, songwriter, and musician, Bobby Beetcut, will be working with our students to highlight SEL needs and strategies as well as working with each class to compose a unique song. Students will be using their poetry skills to create these songs. Mrs. Farraye, Ms. Dizzia and Ms. Indri have been working together to create a phenomenal program districtwide this month for Autism Awareness and Diversity Month. Weekly themes include: We all learn differently; We all look different; We all Belong. BG School is celebrating "I Can Be Me at BG" this Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. All are encouraged to wear the color BLUE. A record number of students submitted essays, videos and skits to the American Legion Auxiliary WP unit #238 American Spirit Contest. The students are now working on submissions for the Alfred Baumann Poetry Contest! Mr. Schaefer will debut the next BG Concert featuring the 3rd-5th grade Choir on Tuesday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. The link will be posted on the BG website and shared with all. The staff and student members of the Memorial School Culture and Climate Committee along with the Student Council members have created videos for each day to be shown during homeroom in order to educate and celebrate Autism Awareness and Diversity Month. Planning for Youth Month activities is underway at Memorial School. Third marking period report cards will be issued on Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> for Memorial School students. Planning for our districtwide Field Day planning on May 7<sup>th</sup> is underway. With the support of our administrative team, our certified and noncertified staff continue to do a fabulous job engaging all students in rigorous lessons daily. We look forward to the return of our in-person classes on April 26th. Health screening forms will be available on each school's website and outside the Main Entrances beginning Wednesday, 4/21/21.

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

Mr. Murphy stated the Budget Hearing will be held virtually on 4/26/21.

### **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 GRIMES to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 221-220 through 221-227.

Roll Call: 9 YES

### **221-220 - APPROVAL OF REGISTER REPORT**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the March 2021 Register Report.

### **221-221 - 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 February 2021 "Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of February 28, 2021 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"

**221-222 - 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 \$384,473.37, approved by finance committee chairperson, Jairo Rodriguez.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#71	\$328,838.09
#L54	\$ 55,635.28

**221-223 - TRANSFERS**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of transfers for the months of February 2021.

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Acct. Description</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>New Balance</u>
11-000-213-300-00	Purch Pro & Tech Svc	\$ 9,820.00	(\$300.00)	\$ 9,520.00
11-000-213-600-20-00-065	Supplies & Materials	\$ 4,100.00	\$300.00	\$ 4,400.00
11-000-262-300-00	Purch Prof & Tech Svc	\$ 67,923.00	\$100.00	\$ 68,023.00
11-000-262-420-00	Clean, Repair & Maint	\$ 9,150.00	(\$100.00)	\$ 9,050.00
11-000-263-420-00	Ground Repair Services	\$ 32,830.00	(\$500.00)	\$ 32,330.00
11-000-263-610-00	Grounds Supplies	\$ 10,100.00	\$500.00	\$ 10,600.00
11-120-100-101-00-00-065	Grades 1-5 Salaries of	\$1,220,520.00	(\$12,000.00)	\$1,208,520.00
11-204-100-106-00-00-070	Other Salaries for Instr	\$ 134,814.00	\$6,000.00	\$ 140,814.00
11-214-100-106-00-00-070	Other Salaries for Instr	\$ 28,226.00	(\$6,000.00)	\$ 22,226.00
11-230-100-101-00-00-070	Salaries Basic Skills	\$ 141,055.00	\$12,000.00	\$ 153,055.00
20-218-100-106-00-00-000	Sal Aides PreK Education	\$ 302,437.00	(\$60,000.00)	\$ 242,437.00
20-218-200-110-00-00	PEA Other Salaries	\$ 78,255.00	\$60,000.00	\$ 138,255.00

**221-224 - HIB DECISION**

BE IT RESOLVED THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigations #2021-03 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the student's parents.

**221-225 - 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 March of the 2020-2021 school year, as per the Northern Regional Educational Services Commission.

**221-226 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – L. SCHWARTZ**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Laura Schwartz, pt aide at CO, effective April 23, 2021.

**221-227 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – R. GIARDINA**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept the resignation for retirement purposes, of Robin Giardina, district aide of 25 years, effective June 30, 2021.

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

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

**PERSONNEL:****221-228 - WORKSHOP/TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT**

Motion by TISEO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

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: 9 YES

Name	Activity	Date	Fee	Travel	Expenses
Donna Farrell	Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM 2020-2021 Virtual Online courses	Ongoing	\$199	NA	NA

## **EDUCATION:**

### **221-229 - APPROVAL OF 2021 SUMMER ACADEMIC REMEDIAL PROGRAM**

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the 2021 Summer Remedial Program, July 6<sup>th</sup>-July 29<sup>th</sup>. Programs are Monday-Thursday 8:45am-12:00pm.

(Personnel and costs to be voted on at a later date)

Roll Call: 9 YES

### **221-25A - APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – SUPREME CONSULTANTS**

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with Supreme Consultants, to provide temporary Child Study Team staffing services, for home instruction, 10 hours per week, at a rate of \$47/hr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to approve additional Child Study Team services, as attached, on an as needed basis.

Roll Call: 9 YES

## **FINANCE:**

### **221-230 - NRESC –TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT**

Motion by VARGAS 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 route:

Route#	School (s)	Contractor	# of Students	Estimated Cost per Route (+ surcharge)	Starting Date
Q1053	South Bergen Jointure Comm	Omar Transport.	1	15,810.00+632.40	2/9/21-June 2021
Q1077	Beatrice Gilmore	Omar Transport	2	10,935.00+437.40	2/22/21-June 2021

Roll Call: 9 YES

### **221-231 -FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT RENEWAL 2021-2022 – POMPTONIAN INC.**

Motion by PERRO, seconded by VARGAS

Be it resolved that the Woodland Park Board of Education “SFA” approves the renewal of the Food Service Management contract with The Pomptonian, Inc. “FSMC” for the food service operation for 2021-2022. The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, an administrative/management fee of \$0.1814 per reimbursable meal and meal equivalent to compensate the FSMC for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be billed monthly as a cost of operation. The SFA guarantees the payment of such costs and fee to the FSMC. Total meals are calculated by adding reimbursable meal pattern meals served and meal equivalents. The number of reimbursable meals served to the children shall be determined by actual count. Cash receipts, other than from sales of reimbursable program meals served to the children, shall be divided by \$3.50 to arrive at an equivalent meal count. The per meal administrative/management fee of \$0.1814 will be multiplied by total meals. As a result of the uncertainties during the public health emergency there is no guaranteed operating result for 2021-2022 school year.

Roll Call: 9 YES

### **221-232 - SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM PRICE LIST- 2021-2022**

Motion by VARGAS, seconded by GRIMES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Woodland Park Board of Education, to approve attached price list for the 2021-2022 school food service program.

Roll Call: 9 YES

## **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

### **221-233 - APPROVAL OF SCHOOL 1 STAIR REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

Motion by GIAMMARELLA Seconded by VARGAS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to authorize Coppa Montalbano Architects to prepare and submit facilities project application to the NJ Department of Education, Office of Facilities, for the replacement of existing staircases at School 1. Estimated cost of the project \$370,000, to be funded with the district's capital reserve fund.

Roll Call: 9 YES

## **POLICY:**

### **221-234 -APPROVAL OF NEW POLICIES & REGULATIONS – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING & ADOPTION**

Motion by GIAMMARELLA Seconded by VARGAS

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

POLICY/REGULATION #	POLICY/REGULATION	MANDATED/RECOMMENDED
1643	Family Leave	New
R7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools	New

Roll Call: 9 YES

### **221-235 -APPROVAL OF NEW POLICIES & REGULATIONS – 2<sup>nd</sup> READING & ADOPTION**

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by GIAMMARELLA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the second reading and adoption of the following new policies & regulations regarding Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) ((Formerly NCLB))

POLICY/REGULATION #	POLICY/REGULATION	MANDATED/RECOMMENDED
2415.20, R2415.20	Every Student Succeeds Act	New
9713	Recruitment by Special Interest Groups	New

Roll Call: 9 YES

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Aida Halabi - Asked when the pre-k registration will be opening.

*Dr. Pillari replied there are a few matters that are still being worked out and once they are, the registration information will be posted on the website.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. by TISEO, Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

Voice Vote: 9 YES