

WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 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

Mayor Kazmark swore in newly elected trustee, David Amanullah.

ROLL CALL

Members Present – Lisa Marshall, Joe Giamarella, Christine Tiseo, Jairo Rodriguez, MaryAnn Perro, Adam Chaabane, David Amanullah, Chris Mania, Laura Vargas.

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Tom DiFluri

PUBLIC HEARING- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Please remember that this is a public meeting. Anything you say will be public record. As a result, pursuant to law, the Board Members cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private concerning personnel or students, please contact the Superintendent's office. In accordance with Bylaw 0167, statements will be limited to 3 minutes in duration.

No one wished to be heard.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

220-208 - APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – MATERNITY LEAVE REPLACEMENT – D. GRASSO

Motion by PERRO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Dianna Grasso, as a maternity leave replacement at CO, at \$150 per diem, effective February 6, 2020 – April 2, 2020, no benefits.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-209 – RESCIND APPOINTMENT - C. LOPEZ

Motion by VARGAS Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind the appointment of Christine Lopez, as district LDTC, previously approved at the 11/6/19 meeting.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220- 210 – REVISION OF 2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Motion by PERRO Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the revision of the 2019-2020 school calendar to reflect a one-session day on 2/14/2020.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-211 - APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE JOB COACH

Motion by PERRO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodland Park Board of Education acknowledges the appointment of Facundo Rodriguez, of APL Associates, as Employment Specialist/job coach for District employee Id#4550, at no cost to the District.

Roll Call: 9 YES

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN - PREVIEW OF THE 2/10/20 MEETING

The Board discussed action to be taken at the regular meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Policy – Mr. Rodriguez stated the Policy committee discussed the head lice/no nit policy. The change in policy will reflect students with nits and/or lice will not be permitted in school and proof of treatment must be shown in order to return. They also discussed the school lunch charge policy. Some changes were made as to outstanding balances and it was ensured that no student would ever go without something to eat. They discussed the legalities of allowing students to bring home district owned laptops. It was agreed upon to discuss options with the Board attorney.

Pre-K – Mrs. Tiseo stated the Pre-K committee recapped progress so far. The Master Teacher has started and has begun training. Once we get the exact amount of grant on April 1st, we will advertise for enrollment, post positions and have the lottery. The procedure will be the same as last year. Parents will have one week after selection to provide the district with all necessary paperwork. The cost of the fiber optics that will be needed to connect School #1 to the rest of the district will cost approximately \$25,000, to be paid with grant money. Dr. Pillari will meet with the police department to work out the best route for drop off and pick up. No busing will be provided to School #1. It was agreed upon that administrative realignment will be kept within district.

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Scott Nayda – 7 Valley Dr.

Mr. Nayda asked if there would be an option to opt out of district use laptops and bring your own device. He also asked if the Board could bring Homework Helpers back to the schools as opposed to the Library.

Dr. Pillari said the committee did discuss the option of bring your own device and declining bringing home district laptops. She also stated that Homework Helpers needed to be incorporated into the building budget by the school principals. If it's their wish to have such programs they must provide her with a proposal or data that shows what they want is needed and/or works. She said she did not receive any information for this last year when the budget was submitted. She did say that it was discussed with the school principal this year while going over the budget for next year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. by RODRIGUEZ, Seconded by TISEO

Voice Vote: 9 YES