

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 1, 2023

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 – Shannon Marren, Laura Vargas, David Amanullah, Mark Salemi, Joe Giammarella

Members Absent – Jairo Rodriguez, Gina McQuin(arrived at 6:11), Glen Grimes (arrived at 6:17)

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Paul Murphy, Adam Weiss

Dr. Giammarella made the following statement:

“Before beginning this evening’s presentation, I would like to make a statement to explain the purpose and set the tone of the meeting. Governor Murphy signed Erin’s Law, which mandates all school districts to incorporate age-appropriate sexual abuse prevention and awareness education into Student Learning Standards in grades K-12. The bipartisan sponsors of the bill, Senators Bucco(R) of Morris County, Assemblyman Caputo(D) of Essex County and Assemblywoman Huttel(D) of Bergen County all stated that all children should understand how to recognize and report abuse, abuse is not okay and the trauma caused by abuse is deep and long lasting. The law passed both the State Senate and Assembly unanimously. Through the collaboration and hard work of Dr. Pillari, Mrs. Triglia and the Board’s Education Committee, I believe that we have met and clustered the standards for Grades 2, 5 & 8. It was a daunting task but we did not go any further than the standards required, while keeping every activity age and grade appropriate. We followed the requirements but if your child has any questions, please assist us by addressing them. Finally, because of the desire to provide your children with the best education possible, I am confident you will find the presentation acceptable. If you feel uncomfortable, you have the ability to opt out. Thank you.”

PRESENTATION OF THE NEW HEALTH STANDARDS CURRICULUM FOR GRADES 2, 5 & 8.

PUBLIC HEARING

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.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. by VARGAS, Seconded by MARREN

Voice Vote: 7 YES