

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 18, 2024

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 – Kim Galbraith, Shannon Marren, David Amanullah, Glen Grimes, Julissa Rodriguez, Gina McQuin, MaryAnn Perro, Mark Salemi, Joe Giammarella

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Paul Murphy, Adam Weiss

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Open Public Meeting Act, authorizes a public body to meet in Executive or Private Session under limited circumstances and WHEREAS said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such Executive or Private Session. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODLAND PARK THAT:

- 1) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session to discuss a personnel and/or litigation matter or contract matter.
- 2) The matter(s) discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.
- 3) Meeting will be resumed at conclusion of Executive Session.
- 4) The board does/does not expect to take action after Executive Session.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. by PERRO, seconded by MARREN
Voice Vote: 9 YES

Motion to return to Regular Session at 8:06 p.m. by GRIMES, seconded by AMANULLAH
Voice Vote: 9 YES

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.

224-291 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by PERRO Seconded by GRIMES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2024 regular meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the February 12, 2024 regular meeting.

Roll Call: 9 YES

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Preschool

Read Across America Week. We had so much fun celebrating Read Across America Week. Thank you for helping your child participate in the thematic dress days. A BIG thank you to our guest readers; Dr. Giammarella, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Irizarry, Mrs. Krasnomowitz, Ms. Marren, Ms. Rappa, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Leary and our wonderful parents. I would like to thank the entire school staff for working so hard and being an inspiration to our preschool puppies. Let's continue to raise awareness about the importance, value, and fun of reading! Thank you to the HSA for planning our Pirates/Mermaids event on March 15th. This proved to be an exciting event for the students. We had a successful open house on Saturday at School #1. Thank you to all who volunteered to support this event. We are truly looking forward to meeting all of our new PreK students in the Fall! All PK3 classes began their study on Clothes. They will be learning about what fabrics and textiles we can use and the students will compare/contrast this information to their own clothing. Students will also discuss what a fashion designer does vs. a seamstress. While learning about clothes, a discussion regarding how weather impacts clothing choices. Students will also have access to many hands-on materials to sort by different classifications while in centers playing. The PK4 classes began working on the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle study. We hosted a special guest from town to discuss what happens with recyclable objects once thrown away and why we should reduce, reuse and recycle.

CO

Read Across America week was a great success! Thank you to all of our guest readers! Rescheduled conferences took place on March 13th and were well attended. The second trimester ended on March 8th. Report cards will be available on the portal on March 22nd. First grade students have been practicing for their Spring concert which is on Thursday, March 21st - 9:30am - 11:00am. On Feb. 6th, our staff participated in SILAS training which is a program to support students' Social Emotional development. On Feb. 7th & 8th, staff worked together to update and align our curriculum in our new ATLAS platform.

BG

Thank you for a very Successful Read Across America Week! The Kids Heart Challenge began on Friday, March 8th. Our 5th grade STRIVE students competed in the Battle of the Books on March 15th in Hawthorne. Two of our student groups placed 3rd and 4th place out of 13 teams! Please join us in congratulating these students as well as all the students who participated in this very challenging competition. Report cards will be available on March 22nd.

Memorial

In honor of Read Across America, students are participating in Read with Boulders, a reading incentive program which is linked to our House System. Thank you to Mrs. Hoffman and Ms. Rappa for visiting our students during Read Across America Week. They took this opportunity to share the many resources the AB Public Library provides. The Addams Family Play was a huge success. Thank you to Ms. Y, Mrs. Dorney, Mr. Schaefer, cast and families. Bravo! Job well done! Teachers recently received after school training on Intervention Manager and also continue to make curriculum updates on Atlas during Professional Development time. Mustangs of the Month were recognized at a special ice cream/favor/board game social event planned by Mrs. Williams and Ms. Socha on Friday. Science Fair is March 20th 6:30pm. See you there! Youth Month festivities are underway! Please see schedule as noted below.

Youth Month

Friday, March 22 - 12:30pm - Mayor Assembly at Memorial School

Thursday, April 11 - 1:00pm - Election Day in Homeroom at Memorial School

Friday, April 19 - 8:55am - Tour of the Town/ Mayor Luncheon

Tuesday, May 7 - 1:00pm - Municipal Court at the Municipal Building

Monday, May 13 - 7:00pm - Board of Education Meeting at the Municipal Building

Wednesday, May 15 - 7:00pm Municipal Council Meeting at the Municipal Building

Monday, May 27 - (optional) 11:00am - Memorial Day Parade (line up starts at 10am)

Tuesday, May 28 - 7:00pm Youth Month Dinner at Francesco's (parents welcome)

Student Services

Eighth grade special education transition meetings to high school will take place in April. School counselors and social workers are working on a districtwide PBIS model that incorporates the Nurtured Heart Approach. All staff were trained on intervention manager and will begin utilizing the new system.

Curriculum

K-5 teachers have been revising new science and social studies materials. We continue to prepare for our QSAC visit. Continuing to examine and evaluate use of curricular resources for budget preparation and purchasing. Continue to prepare for NJSLA state testing.

Math

Students in Grades 2-8 completed their mid-year math benchmarks. We will use this data to drive our instruction and prepare for the NJSLA. We celebrated Pi Day on March 14th at Memorial. Students participated in a mini Pi House Event on March 13th where students worked together to solve various circle problems involving pi. On Monday, March 18th, we will host our Pi Teacher Competition. Students raised money through their house system to “Pie” a teacher.

ELA

The district just completed our MidYear Data Analysis Review of F&P Reading Benchmarks. We are spending time analyzing this data for future planning.

BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Mr. Weiss stated that he and the district have been continuously working on residency issues and will continue to do so as to ensuring all students are eligible to be receiving an education in Woodland Park.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. Murphy stated that the State’s election calendar came out and the dates to approve the budget are from 4/29-5/3. Our tentative date was scheduled for 4/22, so we have to change our meeting date. Mr. Murphy will email the Board with 2 dates and go with the majority.

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 MARREN Seconded by GALBRAITH to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 224-292 through 224-298.

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-292 – REVISED TREASURERS REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approved the revised Treasurer’s Reports for the months of June 2023, July 2023, August 2023, September 2023, October 2023 and November 2023.

224-293 - 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 December 2023 “Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of December 31, 2023 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”

224-294 - TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of transfers for the months of December 2023.

Acct#	Acct Desc	Pre-Trans	Trans Amt	Post-Trans
11-000-216-100-00-00-070	SALARIES	55,623.00	18,000.00	73,623.00

11-000-216-320-00-00-070	PURCHASED PROFESSIONAL -	168,582.00	-1,000.00	167,582.00
11-000-216-600-30-00-070	SPEECH/RELSERV/ SUPPLIES	750.00	1,000.00	1,750.00
11-000-218-104-00-00-070	SALARIES OF OTHER PROFES	83,524.00	-13,000.00	70,524.00
11-000-219-390-00-00-060	OTHER PURCH PROF & TECH	22,000.00	2,000.00	24,000.00
11-000-219-600-00- -	SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	7,300.00	2,000.00	9,300.00
11-000-221-176-00-00-060	SALARIES MATH&LITERACY C	14,095.00	-2,500.00	11,595.00
11-000-221-176-00-00-060	SALARIES MATH&LITERACY C	11,595.00	-1,000.00	10,595.00
			-3,500.00	
11-000-221-176-00-00-065	SALARIES MATH&LITERACY C	14,095.00	-2,500.00	11,595.00
11-000-221-176-00-00-065	SALARIES MATH&LITERACY C	11,595.00	-1,000.00	10,595.00
			-3,500.00	
11-000-222-500-00-00-060	OTHER PURCH SERVICES	348,900.00	-2,000.00	346,900.00
11-000-230-100-00-00-000	SALARIES ADMINISTRATION	251,005.00	14,000.00	265,005.00
11-000-240-103-00-00-060	SALARIES PRINCIPALS	131,097.00	-14,000.00	117,097.00
11-000-251-100-00-00-000	SALARIES	330,879.00	14,000.00	344,879.00
11-000-251-100-00-00-000	SALARIES	344,879.00	-14,000.00	330,879.00
			0.00	
11-000-251-340-00- -	PURCHASED TECH SERVICES	64,500.00	-1,000.00	63,500.00
11-000-251-592-00- -	MISCL PURCH SERVICES	17,625.00	1,000.00	18,625.00
11-000-261-100-00-00-000	SALARIES PLANT	360,720.00	-500.00	360,220.00
11-000-261-420-00- -	CLEAN REPAIR & MAINT SVC	209,700.00	10,000.00	219,700.00
11-000-261-420-00- -	CLEAN REPAIR & MAINT SVC	219,700.00	5,500.00	225,200.00
			15,500.00	
11-000-261-610-00- -	GENERAL SUPPLIES	37,000.00	-1,500.00	35,500.00
11-000-262-100-00-00-000	SALARIES CUST & PLAY AID	513,518.00	-1,000.00	512,518.00
11-000-262-300-00- -	PURCH PROF. & TECH SVC.	44,953.00	600.00	45,553.00
11-000-262-420-00- -	CLEAN, REPAIR & MAINT.	35,100.00	2,000.00	37,100.00
11-000-262-420-00- -	CLEAN, REPAIR & MAINT.	37,100.00	-1,300.00	35,800.00
			700.00	
11-000-262-490-00- -	OTHER PURCH PROP SVC	19,700.00	-500.00	19,200.00
11-000-262-610-00- -	GENERAL SUPPLIES	80,500.00	8,000.00	88,500.00
11-000-262-610-00- -	GENERAL SUPPLIES	88,500.00	-900.00	87,600.00
			7,100.00	
11-000-263-420-00- -	GROUND'S REPAIR SERVICES	134,450.00	2,000.00	136,450.00
11-000-263-420-00- -	GROUND'S REPAIR SERVICES	136,450.00	500.00	136,950.00
			2,500.00	
11-000-263-610-00- -	GROUND'S SUPPLIES	30,450.00	3,000.00	33,450.00
11-000-270-511-00- -	CONT. SVC. TRANSPORT	218,500.00	10,000.00	228,500.00
11-000-291-270-00- -	HEALTH BENEFITS	3,011,777.00	-35,000.00	2,976,777.00
11-000-291-270-00- -	HEALTH BENEFITS	2,976,777.00	-900.00	2,975,877.00
11-000-291-270-00- -	HEALTH BENEFITS	2,975,877.00	-90,000.00	2,885,877.00
			-125,900.00	
11-190-100-340-00- -	PURCH. TECHNICAL SVC.	113,240.00	-5,000.00	108,240.00

11-190-100-610-00- -	GENERAL SUPPLIES	150,000.00	5,000.00	155,000.00
11-204-100-106-00-00-070	OTHER SALARIES FOR INSTR	77,240.00	33,000.00	110,240.00
11-216-100-106-00-00-065	OTH SAL FT PRE DISABLED	110,688.00	-33,000.00	77,688.00
11-421-200-100-00-00-000	SUP EXTRA CURR ACT	58,750.00	25,000.00	83,750.00
12-000-230-730-00- -	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	162,831.00	65,000.00	227,831.00
20-218-200-110-00-00-	PEA OTHER SALARIES	281,118.00	-3,000.00	278,118.00
20-218-200-329- - -	PURCHASED PROFESSIONAL-E	5,000.00	3,000.00	8,000.00

224-295 - 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 \$1,092,612.68, approved by finance committee chairperson, MaryAnn Perro.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#69	\$994,456.74
#L69	\$ 98,155.94

224-296 - HIB DECISION

BE IT RESOLVED THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation #'s 2024-53 through 2024-58, for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the student's parents.

224-297 -APPROVAL OF 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the school calendar for the 2024-2025 school year, as attached.

224-298 - APPROVAL OF NEW SUBSTITUTE LIST

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the current active substitute and the new substitute teacher list for March of the 23-24 school year, as per the Northern Regional Educational Services.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

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

PERSONNEL:

The following personnel items have been deemed to be non-controversial in a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion. Any item deemed controversial can be removed and voted on as a separate agenda item.

Motion by MARREN Seconded by GALBRAITH to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following personnel agenda numbers 224-299 through 224-322 and 224-303A.

Roll Call: 9 YES

Resolution 224-303 was removed and replaced with resolution 224-303A

224-299 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – S. FARSAKH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Shafeeka Farsakh, speech therapist (currently on maternity leave), effective 4/23/2024.

224-300- ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – S. FRANCESE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Sabrina Francese, STEM teacher at Memorial & BG, effective 2/26/24.

224-301- ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – A. AFANEH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Areej Afaneh, PT aide, effective 4/3/2024.

224-302- TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the voluntary termination of employment of employee ID#4625, effective immediately.

224-303- TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT-REMOVED FROM AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the termination of employment of employee ID#4777, effective March 18, 2024.

224-303A- ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of employee ID#4777, effective March 18, 2024.

224-304- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – A. CABAY-WALSH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Ann Cabay-Walsh, BSI teacher at Memorial, BA, Step 1, \$59,385, pro-rated, for the 2023-2024 school year, as per current WPEA agreement. Effective pending receipt of proper paperwork.

224-305- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – B. MORGAN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Brittany Morgan, as a Physical Education teacher at Memorial, BA, Step 1, \$59,385, pro-rated, for the 2023-2024 school year, as per current WPEA agreement. Effective pending receipt of proper paperwork.

224-306- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – LEAVE REPLACEMENT – S. ROSENFELD

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Scott Rosenfeld, as a maternity leave replacement, at \$175 per diem, no benefits, effective pending receipt of paperwork – the end of the school year.

224-307- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – DAILY SUBSTITUTE – C. GRATTA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Carolyn Gratta, as a daily substitute at CO, at a rate of \$175 per diem, no benefits. Effective pending receipt of proper paperwork through the end of the school year.

224-308-APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – S. CUSUMANO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Steven Cusumano, as a part time custodian, at a rate of \$28.01/hr., not to exceed 27.5 hrs. per week, no benefits. Effective pending receipt of proper paperwork.

224-309 -APPOINTMENT OF HIRE- LUNCH AIDES AT BG

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following as a lunch aides at BG, for the 2023-2024 school year, \$18.68/hr., not to exceed 10 hrs. per week. Effective pending receipt of proper paperwork;
Joelle Autodore, Kelly Robinson, Catherine Fego

224-310- APPROVE TO RESCIND RESIGNATION – M. SAYEED

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind the resignation of Maha Sayeed, previously approved at the 2/12/24 meeting.

224-311- RATIFY APPROVAL OF MEDICAL LEAVE – E. CIESLAK

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of leave under the Federal Family Leave Act, for Eileen Cieslak, Growing Minds teacher, from February 14, 2024-April 30, 2024, using accumulated sick days. Extended leave is requested from May 1, 2024-the end of the school year, unpaid.

224-312-APPROVAL TO EXTEND MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE – L. DONATO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve extension to medical leave of absence, for Lynne Donato, to reflect an expected return to work date of May 6, 2024. (Originally approved for April 8, 2024)

224-313- APPROVAL OF FAMILY LEAVE – A. ROSADO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve leave under the NJ Family Leave Act, for Ana Maria Rosado, district Social Worker, from April 22, 2024-May 19, 2024. Expected return to work, May 20, 2024.

224-314 - APPROVAL OF MATERNITY/FAMILY LEAVE – K. REGAN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve leave under the Federal Family Leave Act, for Kimberly Regan, teacher at BG, from September 3, 2024-September 26, 2024, using accumulated sick days. Following FFL, leave will be taken under the NJ Family Leave Act, from September 26, 2024–December 20, 2024. Expected return to work, January 2, 2025.

224-315 - APPROVAL OF MATERNITY/FAMILY LEAVE – T. PEARCE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve leave under the Federal Family Leave Act, for Tara Pearce, School Nurse at School 1, from May 28, 2024-June 19, 2024, unpaid. Following FFL, leave will be taken under the NJ Family Leave Act, from September 3, 2024–November 26, 2024. Expected return to work, November 27, 2024.

224-316 -RATIFY APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE STAFF STIPEND – C. BATES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to ratify approval of stipend payments for Christopher Bates, as substitute morning duty position, at a rate of \$20/per day, from 1/2/2024-2/9/2024.

224-317 - APPROVE & RATIFY APPROVAL OF STAFF STIPENDS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve and ratify approval of stipend payments for the 2023-2024 school year in accordance with current WPEA contract, as listed:

ACTIVITY	SCHOOL	STAFF MEMBER	AMOUNT
Art Show	Memorial	Donna Farrell	\$500
Morning Duty	CO	Anay Castro (3/4/24-end of year) (To replace Poliandro)	\$700

224-318 - WORKSHOP/TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve/ratify the attendance of and costs of attendance including registration fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures for the following listed district employees for the 2023-2024 school year.

Name	Activity	Date	Fee	Travel/Hotel	Total
Lorraine Altomare	High Level Practices	3/18/24	\$160	\$15.62	\$175.62
Donna Farraye	Legal One HIB Law Update	4/25/24	\$150	NA	\$150
Christine Dizzia	Handle with Care Re-Certification	5/20/24	\$525/ea	NA	\$1050
Jaimie Partridge					
Kathryn Williams	NJ School Counselor Spring Conf.	4/19/24	\$35	NA	\$35

224-319- APPROVAL OF STAFF TRANSFER

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the transfer of Kelly Ficarra, from ECC to Charles Olbon.

224-320- RATIFY APPROVAL OF PRE-K LUNCH AIDES TO SERVE AS COVERING CLASSROOM AIDES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to ratify approval of the Sofia Huaco, Pre-K lunch aide to serve as a classroom aide in the absence of a substitute, at a rate of \$25.94 per hour, not to exceed 5.5 hours per day, retroactive to 2/7/24.

224-321-APPROVAL OF INTERNSHIP HOURS – T. BYRNES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve 300 internship hours, in school counseling, for Tara Byrnes. Supervision of hours will be provided by Donna Farraye, outside of contractual hours, during the 2024-2025 school year.

224-322- APPROVE REVISION TO RESOLUTION 224-38

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve revision to resolution 224-38 APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – J. BOTTIGLIERI, to show that salary will be paid through the general fund and not ESSR funds.

224-41A- APPROVE & RATIFY APPROVAL OF STAFF STIPENDS

Motion by MARREN Seconded by MCQUIN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve and ratify approval of stipend payments for the 2023-2024 school year in accordance with current WPEA contract, as listed:

ACTIVITY	SCHOOL	STAFF MEMBER	AMOUNT
Morning Duty	Memorial	Lori McCluskey(to replace Guerro) 3/12/24-end of the year	\$551.68

Roll Call: 9 YES

EDUCATION:**224-323 -APPROVAL OF 2024 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM**

Motion by MARREN Seconded by GRIMES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Extended School Year Program(ESY) (autistic preschool, child with disabilities and LLD) in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.3 (C). Preschool disabilities & LLD- July 8, 2024-August 1, 2024, Autism – July 8, 2024-August 15, 2024. Programs are Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm, to be held in Charles Olbon School. (Personnel and costs to be voted on at a later date)

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-324-APPROVAL OF 2023 SUMMER ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Motion by GRIMES Seconded by GALBRAITH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the 2024 Summer Academic Program, July 8, 2024-August 1, 2024. Programs are Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm. (Personnel and costs to be voted on at a later date)

Roll Call: 9 YES

FINANCE:**224-325 - ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR-REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

Motion by SALEMI Seconded by GALBRAITH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, County of Passaic, that the preliminary 2024-2025 School District Budget be approved as follows:

	BUDGET	LOCAL TAX LEVY
Total General Fund	\$22,730,734	\$18,706,673
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 4,130,363	NA
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 507,750	\$ 507,750
Totals	\$27,368,847	\$19,214,423

Roll Call:

224-44A - ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by SALEMI Seconded by GALBRAITH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, County of Passaic, that the preliminary 2024-2025 School District Budget be approved as follows:

	BUDGET	LOCAL TAX LEVY
Total General Fund	\$22,531,234	\$18,706,673
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 4,130,363	NA
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 507,750	\$ 507,750
Totals	\$27,169,347	\$19,214,423

Roll Call: 8 YES, 1 NO-AMANULLAH

224-326-TRAVEL EXPENDITURE

Motion by MARREN, seconded by GRIMES

WHEREAS, the Woodland Park Board of Education policy numbers 0147, 3440, and 0440, and NJAC 6A:23A-1.2 provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2023-24 school year.

WHEREAS, the Woodland Park Board of Education appropriated \$60,000 for travel during the 2023/24 school year and has spent \$55,554 as of January 31, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodland Park Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2024/2025 school year at the sum of \$60,000 and

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-327-REVISION AND UPDATE OF SIGNATORIES OF WOODLAND PARK ACCOUNTS AT PNC BANK

Motion by GALBRAITH Seconded by MCQUIN

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the submission to PNC Bank of documentation to authorize and update as signatories on account numbers ending in x1691, x1704, and x1683, for the school student activity accounts as follows:

Access on all accounts:

Paul Murphy, School Business Administrator

Dr. Michele Pillari, Superintendent

Access to school-specific accounts:

Jessica Mastropaolo, Principal, Beatrice Gilmore School

Stephen Scholtz, Principal, Charles Olbon School

Suzanne Socha, Principal, Memorial School

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-328-APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE NEW STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNT AT PNC BANK

Motion by GRIMES Seconded by MARREN

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the submission to PNC Bank of documentation to authorize new school student activity account as follows:

Access on all accounts:

Paul Murphy, School Business Administrator

Dr. Michele Pillari, Superintendent

Access to school-specific accounts:

Suzanne Socha, Principal, Memorial School

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-329-OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by GRIMES Seconded by MCQUIN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the following Special Education Out of District placement for the 2023-2024 school year, excluding transportation:

ID#	SCHOOL	9/7/2023-June 20, 2024	Aide	Related Services
34612	South Bergen Jointure Comm	\$59,970	NA	NA
33093	South Bergen Jointure Comm	\$61,840	NA	NA

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-330-ACCEPTANCE OF FY2024 FUNDING OF CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND EMERGENT PROJECT GRANT

Motion by MARREN Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept grant in the amount of \$29,837 from the NJSDA and NJDOE, as allocated for capital maintenance needs.

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-331-APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT – CABLEVISION LIGHTPATH

Motion by MARREN Seconded by GRIMES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve settlement agreement with Cablevision Lightpath, in the amount of \$86,933.60, for past billing discrepancies.

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-42A - APPROVAL OF BUDGET FOR 2024-2025 PRESCHOOL AID

Motion by MARREN Seconded by MCQUIN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the 2024-2025 Budget for Preschool Education Aid, as attached.

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-43A - APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL DOCTOR

Motion by GRIMES Seconded by MARREN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the appointment of Joseph Vitale, as School Doctor, effective March 19, 2024-the end of the school year, at a cost of \$3,500.

Roll Call: 9 YES

POLICY:**224-332 - APPROVAL OF NEW POLICIES & REGULATIONS – 1ST READING**

Motion by MARREN Seconded by GALBRAITH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the 1ST reading of the following new policies & regulations:

POLICY/REGULATION #	POLICY/REGULATION	MANDATED/RECOMMENDED
R2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint Procedures	Mandated
R5440	Honoring Student Achievement	Recommended
P5841	Secret Societies	Recommended
R7610	Vandalism	Recommended

Roll Call: 9 YES

224-333 -APPROVAL OF POLICY & REGULATION REVISIONS

Motion by GRIMES Seconded by MARREN

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

POLICY/REGULATION #	POLICY/REGULATION	MANDATED/RECOMMENDED
P1140	Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action	Mandated
P1523	Comprehensive Equity Plan	Mandated
P1530	Equal Employment Opportunities	Mandated
R1530	Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure	Mandated
P1550	Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices	Mandated
R2200	Curriculum Content	Mandated
P2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices	Mandated
P2411	Guidance Counseling	Mandated
P3211	Code of Ethics	Recommended
P5750	Equitable Educational Opportunity	Mandated
P5755	Equity in Educational Programs and Services	Abolished
P5842	Equal Access of Student Organizations	Recommended
P7610	Vandalism	Recommended
P9323	Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition	Recommended
P2423 & R2423	Bilingual Education	Mandated
P 2431.4 & R2431.4	Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries	Mandated

Roll Call: 9 YES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Marren stated the Community Relations Committee met prior to the meeting and discussed adding workshop meetings to be held in the schools. The committee would like to have student/club involvement at these meetings. They also suggested having the school resource officers highlighted on the website. They also talked about continuing “Token of Appreciation” to the staff and faculty to thank them for all they do.

Dr. Salemi asked if the Buildings & Grounds meeting was still on for that evening. Mr. Murphy stated it was rescheduled to the 25th in order for Mr. Bolen to be in attendance. Dr. Pillari added there will be an Education Committee on the 21st.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Salemi reminded everyone to come to the Health Fair, that is being held this Saturday at the B&G Club. Mrs. Perro announced that Dr. Pillari has been nominated for Passaic County Superintendent of the Year. Dr. Giammarella announced the Friends of Alfred Baumann Library has a “Save the Date Subway Series” fundraiser on June 26th and asked the Board if they would like to attend as a group. He will contact the Board with the particulars to see if anyone would like to attend. Dr. Giammarella also commended the library committee on a wonderful Beefsteak fundraiser that was held the prior weekend.

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.

Jennifer Barbieri – 40 Mary Ave.

Ms. Barbieri voiced her concerns over behavioral and disciplinary issues at Memorial. She stated her child does not feel safe in school due to these issues. She also stated she had concerns with the teacher/staff ratio to students when either the teacher or aide is not present in Charles Olbon. She noted that day, there were 24 students, both gen ed and special ed, in the class with just one teacher.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:41 p.m. by MARREN, Seconded by GRIMES
Voice Vote: 9 YES

WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- Attorney-Client privilege
- Superintendent discussed HIB cases #2024-59, 2024-63, 2024-64, 2024-65, 2024-66, 2024-67
- The Board discussed tentative dates for the Budget Hearing
- The Board discussed adding workshop meetings to be held in the schools.