

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2020

Mrs. Vargas, Board President, thanked Dr. Pillari and the entire staff for all of their hard work and efforts during these trying times. She also thanked the Pomptonian Food Service staff for their efforts to ensure students are getting healthy meals each day. She stated that all decisions made are in the best interest of the safety and wellbeing of the students and staff.

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 – Laura Vargas

Members Present via conference call: Lisa Marshall, Joe Giammarella, Christine Tiseo, Jairo Rodriguez, MaryAnn Perro, Adam Chaabane, David Amanullah, Chris Mania

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Tom DiFluri, Paul Murphy, (Adam Weiss via conference call)

PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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No one wished to be heard.

220-239 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by MARSHALL Seconded by GIAMMARELLA

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the February 10, 2020 regular meetings.

Roll Call: 9 YES

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Pillari's thanked the board and the staff for their continued support and patience at this time. She mentioned that schools are closed through spring break, following orders from the governor regarding indefinite school closures. She sent an email to all parents earlier in the day regarding this. She also informed of 3 locations for food service during school closures: main entrance at Memorial, main entrance at CO, and the overhang in the parking lot of Santagelo's on McBride Ave. This is to ensure all students have the opportunity to receive a healthy meal.

BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Weiss confirmed the legalities of holding the virtual meeting open to the public.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. DiFluri stated that the bid opening scheduled for 3/26, at 10:00am was still being held.

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 GIAMMARELLA to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 220-240 through 220-245.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-240 - APPROVAL OF REGISTER REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the February 2020 Register Report.

220-241 - 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 months of January 2020 and February 2020 “Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of January 31, 2020 and February 29, 2020, 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”

220-242 - 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 \$590,210.72, approved by finance committee chairperson, Jairo Rodriguez.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#69	\$315,249.76
#70	\$191,084.00
L44	\$ 83,876.96

220-243 - TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of transfers for the months of January 2020 and February 2020.

January

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Acct. Description</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>New Balance</u>
10-000-100-560-00	Transfer Funds to Charter	\$161,560.00	\$14,000.00	\$175,560.00
11-000-217-100-00-00-060	Salaries One to One Aides	\$20,295.00	\$9,900.00	\$30,195.00
11-000-221-600-20-00-065	Supplies & Materials	\$5,600.00	\$2,700.00	\$8,300.00
11-000-230-100-00-00-000	Salaries Administration	\$246,496.00	\$29,770.00	\$276,266.00
11-000-240-103-00-00-070	Salaries of Principals/Assit	\$271,341.00	\$45,000.00	\$316,341.00
11-000-240-600-30-00-070	Supplies & Materials	\$7,300.00	\$2,000.00	\$9,300.00
11-000-251-100-00-00-000	Salaries	\$334,145.00	\$38,000.00	\$372,145.00
11-000-251-340-00	Purchased Tech Services	\$62,000.00	(\$700.00)	\$61,300.00
11-000-251-592-00	Miscel Purch Services	\$14,925.00	\$500.00	\$15,425.00
11-000-251-600-00	Supplies & Materials	\$8,700.00	\$200.00	\$8,900.00
11-000-262-300-00	Purch Prof & Tech Svc	\$39,523.00	\$50,000.00	\$89,523.00
11-000-262-420-00	Clean Repair & Maint	\$24,596.00	\$1,900.00	\$26,496.00
11-000-270-503-00	Trans Aid in Lieu of Pay	\$100,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$105,000.00
11-000-291-270-00	Health Benefits	\$3,010,583.00	(\$76,600.00)	\$2,933,983.00

11-000-291-280-00	Tuition Reimbursement	\$17,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$18,000.00
11-130-100-101-00-00-070	Grades 6-8 Sal of Teach	\$2,185,177.00	(\$112,770.00)	\$2,072,407.00
11-204-100-106-00-00-065	Other Salaries for Instr	\$117,414.00	(\$21,100.00)	\$96,314.00
11-213-100-106-00-00-065	RR Sal of Aides	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
11-230-100-101-00-00-060	Salaries Basic Skills	\$16,328.00	\$8,200.00	\$24,528.00
11-240-100-101-00-00-060	Salaries Bilingual	\$40,118.00	\$500.00	\$40,618.00
20-218-100-600-00-00-000	PEA in Supplies & Materials	\$0.00	\$12,506.71	\$12,506.71
20-218-200-176-00-00-000	PEA SS Master Teacher	\$60,000.00	(\$12,506.71)	\$47,493.29

February

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Acct. Description</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>New Balance</u>
11-000-216-600-30-00-070	Speech/Rel Serv/Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
11-000-217-100-00-00-060	Salaries One to One Aides	\$ 30,195.00	\$62,514.50	\$ 92,709.50
11-000-217-100-00-00-065	Salaries	\$ 81,180.00	(\$19,000.00)	\$ 62,180.00
11-000-217-100-00-00-070	Salaries	\$ 134,840.00	(\$34,000.00)	\$ 100,840.00
11-000-219-390-00-00-060	Other Purch Prof & Tech	\$ 20,600.00	\$2,700.00	\$ 23,300.00
11-000-221-600-30-00-070	Supplies & Materials	\$ 455.00	\$200.00	\$ 655.00
11-000-230-590-00	Other Purch Services	\$ 120,380.00	\$2,600.00	\$ 122,980.00
11-000-230-610-00	General Supplies	\$ 8,950.00	\$4,700.00	\$ 13,650.00
11-000-251-592-00	Misc Purch Services	\$ 15,425.00	\$1,400.00	\$ 16,825.00
11-000-251-600-00	Supplies & Materials	\$ 8,900.00	\$700.00	\$ 9,600.00
11-000-262-300-00	Purch Prof & Tech Svc	\$ 89,523.00	\$3,400.00	\$ 92,923.00
11-000-291-270-00	Health Benefits	\$2,933,983.00	(\$16,950.00)	\$2,917,033.00
11-213-100-106-00-00-060	Resource Rm-Sal of Aides	\$ 20,295.00	(\$18,117.00)	\$ 2,178.00
11-213-100-106-00-00-065	RR Sal of Aides	\$ 2,500.00	\$30,330.00	\$ 32,830.00
11-213-100-106-00-00-070	RR Sal of Aides	\$ 81,675.00	(\$81,675.00)	\$ 0.00
11-230-100-101-00-00-060	Salaries Basic Skills	\$ 24,528.00	\$48,353.82	\$ 72,881.82
11-230-100-101-00-00-065	Salaries Basic Skills	\$ 87,565.00	(\$24,391.58)	\$ 63,173.42
11-230-100-101-00-00-070	Salaries Basic Skills	\$ 215,549.00	\$4,000.00	\$ 219,549.00
11-230-100-610-10-00-060	BSI General Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$50.00	\$ 1,050.00
11-230-100-610-20-00-065	BSI General Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$200.00	\$ 1,200.00
11-240-100-101-00-00-060	Salaries Bilingual	\$ 40,618.00	\$31,985.26	\$ 72,603.00
12-000-261-730-00	Maint Equipment	\$ 0.00	\$40,405.50	\$ 40,405.50
12-000-400-450-00	Construction Services	\$ 850,000.00	(\$40,405.50)	\$ 809,594.50
20-218-100-600-00-00-000	PEA in Suppls & Matrls	\$ 12,506.71	\$717.11	\$ 13,223.82
20-218-200-176-00-00-000	PEA SS Master Teachers	\$ 47,493.29	(\$717.11)	\$ 46,776.18

220-244 - APPROVAL OF NEW SUBSTITUTES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the new substitute teacher lists for February & March 2020, as per the Northern Regional Educational Services Commission.

220-245 - HIB DECISION

BE IT RESOLVED THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigations #2020-05 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the student's parents.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

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

PERSONNEL:

220-246 - ACCEPTANCE OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Motion by PERRO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept the settlement agreement, as attached.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-247 - APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – SPEECH THERAPY SERVICES – PRO CARE THERAPY

Motion by RODRIGUEZ Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with ProCare Therapy, to provide a maternity leave replacement speech therapist, effective April 6, 2020-June 25, 2020, at a rate of \$67/hr.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-248 - RATIFY APPROVAL OF MEDICAL LEAVE – V. MARSI

Motion by PERRO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of medical leave for Vincent Marsi, effective March 9, 2020 – June 30, 2020

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-249 - APPROVAL OF 2020 SUMMER ACADEMIC SUPPORT STAFFING

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 2020 Summer Academic Support personnel in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.3 © as listed:

Roll Call: 9 YES

4 Elementary Teachers

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

(Monday – Thursday)

Site: Memorial School

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1. *Nicole Webb*
2. *Krystal Capo*
3. *Nancy Munro*
4. *William Krakower*

3 ESL Teachers

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

(Monday – Thursday)

Site: Memorial School

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1. *Desi Mayol*
2. *Susan Mittler*
3. **TBD**

2 Middle School Math Teachers

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

(Monday – Thursday)

Site: Memorial School

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1. *Susan O'Donnell*
2. **TBD**

2 Middle School Language Arts Teachers

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

(Monday – Thursday)

Site: Memorial School

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily
Compensation: \$40.00/hour

1. Noel Segarra
2. TBD

1 School Nurse

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

(Monday – Thursday)

Site: Memorial School

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week - 3 ½ hours daily

1. Lynn Roehrich

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

220-250 - APPROVAL OF 2020 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM & PERSONNEL

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 2020 Extended School Year Program(ESY) (autistic preschool, child with disabilities and LLD) and personnel in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.3 © as listed:

Roll Call: 9 YES

1 Preschool Disabilities Program (ages 3-5) Teacher

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

1. TBD

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Session: 9:00a.m.12:00p.m.

2 Autistic Program Teachers

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – August 13, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

1. TBD

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

5 LLD Program Teachers

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

1. Dustin Walters

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wilson Teacher

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

1. Daniela Skibinski

3 hours per day

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

1 Speech-Language Specialist

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – August 13, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

1. TBD

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

Hours to be determined

1 School Nurse

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – August 13, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

1. Katie Beatty 7-6-20 to 8-06-20

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week - 3 ½ hours daily

2. Barbara Wells 8-10-20 to 8-13-20

Compensation: \$40.00/hour

2 Preschool Disabilities Program Aides

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$22.00/hour

1. Filiz Yildirim

2. Isabel Corsetto

5 Autistic Program Aides

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – August 13, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$22.00/hour

1. Dawn Velardi

2. Mary Rose Stevens

3. Danielle Bartolomeo

4. Geovana Curl

5. Patricia Ryan

13 LLD Program Aides

(Monday – Thursday)

July 6, 2020 – July 30, 2020

Site: Memorial School*

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: \$22.00/hour

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| 1. Franny Montesino | 8. Cynthia Davatellis |
| 2. Lawrence D'Astolfo | 9. Chelsea Petrecca |
| 3. Jeanine Patel | 10. Jeannie Manzi |
| 4. Sophie Nicholaides | 11. Laura Schwartz |
| 5. Dawn Dornado | 12. TBD |
| 6. Linda Perez | 13. TBD |
| 7. Julie Gencarelli | |

Child Study Team

School Social Worker - **TBD**

\$40.00/hour-10 hours per case

School Psychologist - **TBD**

\$40.00/hour-10 hours per case

LDTC - **TBD**

\$40.00/hour-10 hours per case

Speech - **TBD**

\$40.00/hour-10 hours per case

General Education Teacher/Special Education Teacher

\$40.00/hour-10 hours per case

For IEP Meetings

Hours are needed for IEP Meetings

Katherine Elman – Special Ed

Noel Segarra – Gen Ed

220-251 - APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – DELTA GROUP – LDTC SERVICES

Motion by PERRO Seconded by TISEO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with Delta Group, to provide LDTC services, at a rate of \$65/hr., up to 7 hrs. per day, effective March 24, 2020 – June 25, 2020, only days when school is in session.

Roll Call: 9 YES

PRE-K:

220-252 -FIBER OPTIC LINE – SCHOOL #1

Motion by PERRO Seconded by GIAMMARELLA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve NJ State Contract #A88740, with Millennium Communication Group, to install fiber optic line to extend district’s computer network system to School #1. Total Cost - \$22,052.84. Cost offset by pre-school expansion aid.

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-253-APPROVAL TO CANCEL/RESCIND FIELD TRIPS

Motion by GIAMMARELLA Seconded by PERRO

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodland Park Board of Education rescinds and cancels all previously approved field trips that were scheduled to occur during March, April, May and June 2020, as a result of health, safety and welfare concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Roll Call: 9 YES

FINANCE:

220-254 - AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER TO PURCHASE REFUNDING BONDS-WITHDRAWN

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to accept the details and bond form thereof for \$XXX school refunding bonds (Series 2020), dated April 15, 2020, authorizing the acceptance of an offer to purchase said bonds and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Roll Call:

220-255 - 2020-2021 TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT RENEWAL-DURHAM SCHOOL SERVICES

Motion by PERRO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve renewal of transportation contract with Durham School Services, for four bus routes, at state transportation CPI increase of 1.70% for the 2020-2021 school year as follows:

TIER#	ROUTE#	CONTRACTOR	PER DIEM
1	MBG-T1	DURHAM	\$136.43
1	CO-T1	DURHAM	\$136.43
1	MBG-T2	DURHAM	\$136.43
1	CO-T2	DURHAM	\$136.43

Roll Call: 9 YES

220-256 - APPROVAL TO CONTINUE SALARY PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES

Motion by TISEO Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED, that all Woodland Park Board of Education employees with regularly scheduled work, pursuant to a collectively bargained agreement with the Board, or other contract with the Board, shall continue to be paid their salary for the duration of time that the school is closed as a result of health, safety and welfare concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Roll Call: 9 YES

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The WPEA has the following questions for the board: *Answers are italicized.*

The Presidents of the WPEA realize that these are unchartered times and you have the enormous task of providing for the education of the students of our community and keeping the district running to the best of your capabilities. As President’s, we have the task of ensuring that all of our members are working safely, have what they need to do they jobs and that directives are clear and reasonable.

- In the event a student/employee contracts the virus, how will the district notify those that may have been in contact with the individual? *We are obligated to share with the entire home-school community that there is a student who has tested positive. Clearly, I cannot identify names. I am also obligated to tell the Health Department and they handle notifications on their end.*
- Is the district reaching out to families to report to the school if a student or member of the student’s immediate family has contracted the virus? *Our obligation is to report any information we have to the county health department.*
- Once the custodial staff has sanitized each school and the schools are sealed off, the custodians are would no longer considered “essential” employees. What is the district’s plan? *The custodial staff will be working in teams of four on a rotating basis for a half day with each head custodian leading a team. We still have individuals in the Memorial and CO as we are obligated to serve breakfast and lunch. Access to the building is*

limited to very few people. In addition, our tech department needs access to the laptops in order to prepare the laptops to go home. So any room/area which has people in the areas will need to be cleaned again.

- If you continue to have the custodians work, what “essential” work would they be doing?
 - Would they work abbreviated hours?
 - Would you rotate staff and work with a skeleton crew?
 - At what point would you deem them no longer essential?
- Although we hope all of our members stay healthy, it is likely that there will be members that will come down with the Covid 19 virus.
 - What is the districts plan if a member has the virus?
 - Will they be charged sick days? *At this point, I believe the directive from the Governor is that any employee who contracts Covid 19 is not to be charged with sick days. If that changes, I will advise.*
- What if the member does not have enough accrued sick time?
 - If it is a member of the teaching staff, how will their class(es) be covered and what will the responsibilities/expectations be? *This will be dealt with on an individual basis, i.e. coteacher, BSI, etc...*
- I know this may not seem the appropriate time to bring up this matter however, it was brought up at the last meeting and an answer was not given.
 - Compensation for expenses incurred by teaching staff to follow Dr. Pillari’s directive to become Middle School content certified or be moved to the elementary school. Again, according to their certificates and the State of New Jersey these teachers were and are qualified to teach content at the Middle School level. Dr. Pillair insisted that they have the paper that states they are middle school content certified. Since this was a directive from the Superintendent, The WPEA feels that teachers should be reimbursed for complying with Dr. Pllari’s directive. *I will ask again, however at this time they are not inclined to reimburse. Please be reminded that the individuals will still have a position in district, it just might not be in the school that they would like.*

Mr. Mania wanted to thank the parents during this whole process. He acknowledged it takes the whole community coming together to get through these trying times.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. by RODRIGUEZ, Seconded by TISEO
Voice Vote: 9 YES