

WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOODLAND PARK
NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF
REGULAR MEETING**

**In accordance with the
Open Public Meetings Act
P.L. 1975, c. 231, this is to
Advise that the Woodland Park
Board of Education will hold a
Regular Meeting
September 16, 2024
The meeting will be held in the
Municipal Building
5 Brophy Lane
Woodland Park, NJ
at 7:00 PM**

Formal action may be taken

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BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY
WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

MONDAY, 7:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING
5 BROPHY LANE
WOODLAND PARK, NJ 07424

- Agenda:**
- 1. Opening of Meeting**
 - 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 3. Roll Call**
 - 4. Public Hearing**
 - 5. Approval of Minutes**
 - 6. Superintendent's Report**
 - 7. Board Attorney's Report**
 - 8. Business Administrator's Report**
 - 9. Committee Reports**
 - 10. Old Business**
 - 11. New Business**
 - 12. Public Hearing**
 - 13. Executive Session**
 - 14. Adjournment**

Mission

The Mission of the Woodland Park School District is to provide a well-rounded educational experience which will prepare our students to develop high levels of academic achievement, engage in a lifelong desire to learn and develop a deep respect for life, individuality and diversity in the 21st century and our global society.

Vision

To work collaboratively in order to foster an environment that supports continuous learning and achievement for all stakeholders in our community.

In order to achieve this, we are committed to continuous job-embedded learning for all educators.

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SEPTEMBER 16, 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 -
Members Absent –
Also Present -

PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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225-86 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2024 regular and the August 26, 2024 special meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the August 5, 2024 regular and the August 26, 2024 special meetings.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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 _____ Seconded by _____ to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 225-87 through 225-89.

Roll Call:

225-87 - 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 July 2024 "Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of July 31, 2024 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"

225-88 - TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of transfers for the month of July 2024.

225-89 - 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 \$1,366,985.07, approved by finance committee chairperson, MaryAnn Perro.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#62	\$970,828.66
#L62	\$ 3,679.25
#Payroll-August	\$392,477.16

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 _____ Seconded by _____ to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following personnel agenda numbers 225-90 through 225-104.

Roll Call:

225-90 - APPROVAL TO RESCIND APPOINTMENT –MATERNITY LEAVE REPLACEMENT- D. KOTOB

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind the appointment of Dyana Kotob, previously approved at the 8/26/24 meeting.

225-91 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – C. FEGO

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Cathy Fego, lunch aide, effective 9/3/2024.

225-92 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – L. HORN

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Laurie Horn, lunch aide, effective 9/3/2024.

225-93 - ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – C. MONGELLI

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Catrina Mongelli, pt aide, effective 9/3/2024.

225-94 - APPROVAL OF UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE- A. AFANEH

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve unpaid leave of absence for Areej Afaneh, from September 1, 2024-October 1, 2024. Expected return to work, October 2, 2024.

225-95 - APPROVAL OF PATERNITY LEAVE – G. POMANTE

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve paternity leave for Gaetano Pomante, under the NJ Family Leave Act, effective January 20, 2025 – April 11, 2025. Expected return to work April 14, 2025.

225-96-APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – R. ROMERO

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Ricardo Romero, as an ELA teacher at Memorial, MA, Step 1, \$67,010, as per current WPEA agreement, pending receipt of proper paperwork.

225-97 - APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – PT AIDE – I. VARGAS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Ivette Vargas, as a part time aide, for the 2024-2025 school year, at a rate of \$26.85, not to exceed 28.5 hours per week, as per current WPEA agreement, pending receipt of proper paperwork.

225-98- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – LUNCH AIDE – W. PHILIPS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Wanda Philips, as a lunch aide, not to exceed 10 hrs. per week, at a rate of \$19.33/hr., effective 9/17/2024.

225-99- APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – LUNCH AIDE – M. BENJELLOUN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Majdouline Benjelloun, as a lunch aide, not to exceed 12.5 hrs. per week, at a rate of \$19.33/hr., effective 9/17/2024.

225-100 -APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – SUBSTITUTE TEACHER- L. JARRAD

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Lina Jarrad, as a substitute teacher at BG, at a rate of \$150 per diem, effective 9/17/2024.

225-101 - RATIFY APPROVAL OF STAFF CLASS CHANGE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to ratify approval of staff class change for Dounia Omran, from MA, Step 3, \$68,010 to MA+30, Step 3, \$72,560, retroactive to September 1, 2024.

225-102 -APPROVAL OF STAFF STIPENDS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve stipend payments for the 2024-2025 school year in accordance with current WPEA contract, as listed:

Title	School	Name	Amount
Art Show	CO	Sherry Toole	\$500
Breakfast Duty	BG	Yommna Mohamed	\$1,000

225-103 - APPROVAL OF STIPEND POSITION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve stipend position for one of the following nurses to accompany student ID#33289 on the bus to and from school, at a rate of \$47/hr., not to exceed 1 hour per day, retroactive to 9/5/24-the end of the school year; Terri Carbonelli, Barbara Wells, Linda Saundry, Sadie Link, Lynn Roerich or Tara Pearce.

225-104 - WORKSHOP/TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve/ratify approval the attendance of and costs of attendance including registration fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures for the following listed district employees for the 2024-2025 school year.

Name	Activity	Date	Fee	Travel/Hotel	Total
Dwayne Ortiz	OPRA/Negotiations/Arbitration/Fact Finding & Records Retention	9/12/2024	\$195	NA	\$195
Meghan McGinnis	Passaic County G&T Back to School Mtg.	9/20/2024 (½ day pm)	NA	NA	NA
Stephen Scholtz	Legal One: Hot Issues In School Law	10/18/2024	\$125	NA	\$125

EDUCATION:**225-105 - APPROVAL OF DISTRICT MENTORING PLAN – 2024-2025**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve submission to the NJDOE of the 2024-2025 District Mentoring Plan, as attached.

225-106 - APPROVAL OF DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – 2024-2025

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve submission to the NJDOE of the 2024-2025 District Professional Development Plan, as attached.

225-107- APPROVAL OF THE 2024-2025 DISTRICT ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

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

225-108 - APPROVAL OF 2024-2025 DISTRICT & BOARD GOALS

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

FINANCE:

225-109 - APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – PHOENIX CENTER

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with Phoenix Center, to provide related services for student ID#34711, at a rate of \$98.50/hr., not to exceed 3 hours per week, for the 2024-2025 school year.

POLICY:

225-110 - APPROVAL OF DISTRICT THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAM FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the following district personnel assigned to the District Threat Assessment Team for the 2024-2025 school year:

Thomas Bolen	Supervisor of Facilities & Security
Donna Farraye	District Guidance Counselor
Giovanna Irizarry	Director of Special Education and Student Services
Samantha Krasnomowitz	ELA Supervisor
Maria Lopata	District Social Worker
Jaimie Partridge	District Behaviorist
Titus Ridgway	District Social Worker
Lynn Roehrich	School Nurse
Aimee Soto	School Psychologist
Kathryn Williams	School Counselor

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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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 _____ p.m. by _____, seconded by _____
Voice Vote:

Motion to return to Regular Session at _____ p.m. by _____, seconded by _____
Voice Vote:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at ____ p.m. by _____, Seconded by _____
Voice Vote:

WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEMS DISCUSSED: