

WANAQUE BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING MARCH 16, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Wanaque Board of Education was held via a virtual platform on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

I. Call To Order/Sunshine Statement

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, P.L. 1975, c.231, s.1; amended 2006, c.70, s.2, the Wanaque Board of Education has provided adequate notice of this meeting by sending a notice of the time, date, location, and to the extent known, the agenda of this meeting to Suburban Trends on January 13, 2021, via email and the Herald News on January 13, 2021, via email. Copies of this notice have also been placed in the Borough Hall and in the Main Office of both Wanaque and Haskell Schools and filed with the Wanaque Borough Clerk on January 13, 2021.

ADDENDUM TO THE ADEQUATE NOTICE PUBLIC STATEMENT DUE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

In view of the COVID-19 public health emergency, the emergency orders and directives at the federal, State, and local levels, and consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., as amended by P.L.2020, c.11, ("OPMA") the Wanaque Board of Education is conducting this meeting, originally designated to take place at the Haskell Elementary School, remotely using video and/or telephone conferencing technology. The public has been advised of this venue and format change and instructions have been provided in order to access the meeting and to participate during the public comment section(s) of the meeting.

You will need to dial-in/login to the remote meeting platform(s) in order to attend the remote meeting. P.L. 2020, c.11, which permits remote conduct of meetings, was signed into law by Governor Murphy on Friday, March 20, 2020, effective immediately. The Board recognizes the importance of open transparency and public access and participation in its work. In view of the current crisis and the brave new world in which we live, the Board asks all citizens to bear with us as we work to meet the health, safety, welfare, and educational needs of our students, staff, and all members of the Wanaque community.

Flag Salute/Public Participation Statement/Roll Call

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X	
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X	
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X	
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X	
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X	
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X	
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X	
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X	
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X	

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Attendance

Mr. Robert P. Mooney, Interim Superintendent
Ms. Nancy Di Bartolo, Business Administrator
Ms. Samantha Nash, Curriculum Director
Mr. Patrick McQueeney, Incoming Superintendent
Mr. Adam Weiss, Board Attorney
Mr. Fernando Hache, IT Director
Ms. Molly Rieth, Confidential Secretary
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II. Statement to the Public

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. The members of the board work with the administration and Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

Ms. Demetriou welcomed everyone to the meeting. "This is a very exciting time for our district. Over the past two years we have conducted two searches for a new Superintendent which culminates with tonight's vote to appoint Mr. Patrick McQueeney as the new Superintendent of Wanaque Public Schools. Mr. McQueeney's resume is quite impressive and reflects the highest level of commitment to his students, faculty, and staff, and the greater community in which he serves. Mr. McQueeney has proven himself to be a tireless advocate for student achievement and educational excellence. He has a proven track record of excellence in educational leadership and it is without question that his appointment as our new Superintendent will be a tremendous benefit to all of our children and our community. At this time I would like to give the floor to Mr. Mooney, our Superintendent for his report."

III. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Mooney thanked Ms. Demetriou and introduced Samantha Nash who will be giving an update on Phase 2: Bringing the 2nd and 3rd Grade students back starting Monday, March 22. **Samantha Nash** – Update on Phase 2: Bringing back Grade Two & Three Students. Ms. Nash provided a power point presentation detailing the plans for bring back the Grade Two & Three Students 5 days a week.

Mr. Mooney -

- Enrollment numbers February 2021

Haskell School	389
Wanaque School	476
OOD	<u>15</u>
Total	880
- 2021/2022 calendar is in the process of being completed and will be on the agenda in April. It is a late Labor Day next year and in the calendar as of now school will start after Labor Day.
- Covid Update – As of last week the matrix was still high in this region. We were forced to close the Wanaque School because we had four cases. We are looking forward to opening the Wanaque School this Thursday for in school instruction based on the hybrid

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schedule. As Samantha just mentioned we will be bringing in our 2nd and 3rd Grades starting Monday for 5 day a week instruction. The District is systematically working on opening the doors. We have K-1 in and we are going to have 2-3 next week. We are also working with having some activities such as mural and band. The band was working in the Wanaque School in the evenings now we have moved them to the Haskell School. Opening up the schools is an interesting and sequenced activity for a lot of reasons. One of the most important reasons is that we have four relatively independent schedules. We have the 100% virtual, we have the hybrid, we have all the specials which are virtual and the reason we are doing that is the staff member would be exposed to all the children if we were doing them in-person which just doesn't make sense during a Pandemic. We do have some full-time classroom activities for our self contained Special Education students and ESL students. You will be hearing from Barry Hain about some of our commencement plans so I won't go over those except to say that we are really trying to be normal by commencement season but all of those plans are contingent on how we do with the virus and hopefully the arrow will be pointing in the right direction and with that we should be able to do all these activities.

- We are planning to open in a traditional setting in September. We may still have a need for virtual instruction. The government may mandate that, we just don't know at this point. It is not likely students will be vaccinated by September so we have to keep an eye on that. In closing for tonight, relative to covid I would like to thank everyone for all their efforts so far. Everybody has been very helpful and cooperative at every level. The Administrators, staff members, the association, the parents, students, board members have all been working in concert to do the best we can. Our #1 goal is to keep everyone safe. It has really been a team effort and we have had a significant success. We are all doing our best and worrying about each other.
Ms. Demetriou thanked Mr. Mooney for all he has done and said, "we are very lucky to have had you during this Pandemic."

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Curriculum/Instruction – Mr. Hain stated we have a series of graduation events that hopeful we will be able to pull off. The Spring Lake contract has been reviewed by Adam Weiss. Ken Doolittle will be meeting with representatives from Spring Lake Day Camp to discuss revisions to the contract.
- Dance – Regency Weddings and Conference Center, Pompton Plains – Traditionally the district has conducted the 8th Grade Dance at Il Palazzo's. Unfortunately, the hall at Il Palazzo's is too small for our group. Il Palazzo has offered the district the Regency Wedding and Conference Center in Pompton Plains which can hold up to 500 people. This move will allow us to comply with the 35% capacity guidelines from the State of New Jersey. All state guidelines will be met including social distancing and wearing of masks.
- Graduation – We are planning to conduct 8th grade graduation in-person outside in each school building.
- Next item is addressing the learning loss which Samantha Nash has presented to us. Summer Program K-8 Regular Education- The district will be using federal funds to conduct small group programs in the month of July free to families. Kindergarten – 2 students will have one hour of instruction in Language Arts, 15 minutes of recess and an hour of Mathematics in groups of 3-4 students. Grades 3-8 will have a 2.5-hour program with Math and Language Arts instruction as well as a 15-minute break. Class

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- size will be approximately 10-12 students/class. We are definitely going to have students in the building over the summer if all goes well.
- B. Finance/Budget – Mr. Barnhardt explained the committee met last week for a little over an hour. We went through the preliminary budget which will be presented tonight. Some of the highlights are unfortunately we have a \$314k reduction in state aid. With an anticipation of another \$295k for 22/23 school year. Some of the conversations were based on some of the losses that we are going to have to incur. Some of the losses will be offset with COVID Pandemic funds we have received. I would like to thank Ms. Di Bartolo and Mr. Mooney for the time spent. It just underlines the importance of the finance committee really understanding the totality of the budget and the time spent going through it was very good.
- C. Facilities/Transportation – Mr. Camisa stated outside of the high speed internet we are voting on tonight we have had a little slow down with the ESIP project. For the boilers we are waiting for the state to return some documents. For the Power Purchase Agreement for the Solar Farms, we are working with our law firm, the Busch Law Group to negotiate some final items.
- D. Personnel/Management – Mr. McFarlane said for the Director of Special Services position 9 candidates were invited to screening interviews with Marlene Yanuzzi and Bob Mooney. 6 candidates were forward to the selection committee for interviews. The selection committee included, Marlene Yanuzzi, Samantha Nash, Nancy Di Bartolo, Ken Doolittle, Heather Oguss, Bob Mooney, Lou Cordileone. Patrick McQueeney attended all the interviews. The next round will be in person on Wednesday, March 10, two candidates in person at Haskell School. Patrick will also be in attendance. The final activity will be an informal discussion with the two candidates by Patrick McQueeney. We are anticipating appointment at the April meeting.
- Additional Staffing – In order to bring the hybrid 2-3 graders in 5 days a week we will be hiring one additional staff member for the last three months of the school year. This hiring will allow us to keep our hybrid student rosters essentially unchanged for 2nd grade. We are planning to start the 5 day a week program for 2nd and 3rd graders on March 22.
- E. Policy – Mr. Velante gave a quick overview of the policies on the agenda this evening:
- P3160 – Physical Examination
Mr. Mooney spoke with the School Physician, Dept of Health Official, School Nurses on policy P3160 – Physical Examination. All three individuals recommend that the district use a standard pre-employment health examination format which includes blood pressure, pertinent medical history, allergies, and a certification from the physician indicating that the candidate is physically fit for employment.
- P0145 – Board Member Resignation and Removal
This policy is a minor clarification of the guidelines for the resignation and removal of a board member. A board member who fails to attend three consecutive board meetings without good cause may be removed from office.
- P0164.6 – Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency
The Board of Education carefully reviewed all of the requirements for conducting a remote board meeting during a declared emergency. All requisite guidelines, notification standards, minimal technological and procedural requirements have been established. All of our guidelines meet the specifications of this policy.

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R1642 – Earned Sick Leave Law

This is a revised regulation that does not require an update to the Policy 1642.

Essentially this regulation spans the use of earned sick leave for additional reasons including child care, family related health care, and quarantine requirements.

P1643 – Family Leave – Understanding and implementing the provisions of the federal and state law Family Leave is really complicated. The Family Leave Policy is 41 pages of detailed information regarding the interaction between these two leave acts - the State and the Federal Family Leave Acts. These details will be reviewed administratively along with legal counsel for Family Leave resolutions presented to the board.

P5330.01 and R5330.01 - Administration of Medical Cannabis (M) (Revised)

Currently, the Wanaque School District has a policy and regulation on this subject. The new policy and regulation are a simple revision dealing with the terminology from marijuana to cannabis. There are no significant changes to required procedures outlined. There are several minor revisions to both policy and regulation.

P7425 and R7425 – Lead Testing

The policy is revised and the procedure is new. Essentially the district will be required to perform certified laboratory testing of water used for drinking and cooking every third year beginning 2021/2022. This is a change from the original standard of testing every 6 years.

When Policies and Regulations are abolished it is typically because the information is redundant and addressed in other board approved Policies and Regulations.

We had an hour long committee meeting this month rather than our usual 30 minute meeting.

Ms. Demetriou thanked the policy committee for their time spent outside of the norm, as well as the budget committee. “I appreciate all you have given to the board and of course Ms. Di Bartolo and Mr. Mooney, I would like to mirror what Mr. Barnhardt said, you did an amazing job with this budget and the amount of time you have put on it. I know the Administrative staff was part of that as well so thank you for that.”

- F. Negotiations/Employee Relations – No Report
- G. Communications/Public Relations – No Report
- H. Tri-District – No Report

V. Business Administrator’s Report

Ms. Di Bartolo provided the preliminary budget presentation.

Mr. Mooney thanked Ms. Di Bartolo for her diligence and hard work for keeping everyone on track. “I really appreciate that. I also wanted to mention this is the submission of a preliminary budget. The board and administration will continue to work on it then we will bring it to the state. Then in April a more formalized budget will be addressed.”

Ms. Di Bartolo stated it is due to the state on the 20th which is a Saturday so we will get it there this week. Our public hearing for the final budget is April 27th.

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VI. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education approves the Minutes of the following meetings, as submitted:

February 23, 2021		Regular Meeting Minutes		
MOTION: Mr. Camisa		SECOND: Mr. Hain		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X			
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X			
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X			
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X			
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X			
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X			
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X			
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X			
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X			

VII. Correspondence

- a. School Digest – February 2021
- b. Letter from Stephen M. Sweeney, Senate President

VIII. Public Comment

Public Comment opened at 7:48 p.m.

No questions or comments.

Public Comment closed at 7:49 p.m.

IX. Resolutions

A. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approves the following curriculum/instruction resolutions:

- 1. Affirm HIB #H1

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Curriculum/Instruction #1

MOTION: Mr. Hain	SECOND: Mr. McFarlane		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

B. FINANCE/BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approves the following finance/budget resolutions:

1. **Financial Reports:**

Secretary's (A148) Report For February 2021	- Ms. Nancy DiBartolo Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Treasurer's (A149) Report For February 2021	- Mr. Robert P. Mooney Interim Superintendent of Schools

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, move that pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6:23A-16.10(c)4*, we certify that as of February 2021 after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate District officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of *N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b)* and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

3. **Approve revised bills and claims for February, 2021:**

10/11	General Current Expense	\$1,534,468.12
20	Special Revenues	\$ 9,887.40
30	Capital Project	\$
40	Debt Service	\$
Total		\$1,544,355.52

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4. **Approve the payment of the bills and claims for March, 2021:**

10/11	General Current Expense	\$1,074,894.58
20	Special Revenues	\$ 12,559.15
30	Capital Project	\$
40	Debt Service	\$ 206,250.00
	Total	\$1,293,703.73

5. Approve the necessary transfers for the month of February 2021 to achieve the thoroughness standards of the State of New Jersey and of the District for the current year.

6. Rescind October 27, 2021 Finance Resolution #11:
Approve the acceptance of the 2019-2020 Extraordinary Aid Award in the amount of \$174,605 having not been appropriated in the 2019-2020 school year, to be appropriated in the 2020-2021 school year for special education expenditures.

7. **Adoption of Tentative 2021-2022 Budget**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the tentative budget be approved for the 2021-2022 Year using the 2021-2022 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Anticipated Revenues</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$18,333,934	\$2,920,870	\$15,413,064
Special Revenue Fund	\$351,154	\$351,154	\$0
Debt Service Fund	\$1,177,875	\$400,478	\$777,397
Total Base Budget	\$19,862,963	\$3,672,502	\$16,190,461

And to advertise said tentative budget in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing, originally designated to be held in the Haskell School Gymnasium, will be held remotely (<http://wanaqueps.org/livemeeting>) on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 7:00pm for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2021-2022 School Year.

8. **Capital Reserve Account Withdrawal**

RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education requests the approval of a capital reserve withdrawal in the amount of \$293,000 which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the

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Commissioner as necessary to achieve the core curriculum content standards. The district intends to utilize these funds for the following projects:

5 th Boiler Installation at Haskell Elementary School	\$146,500
5 th Boiler Installation at Wanaque Elementary School	\$146,500

9. Appropriation of 2019/2020 Extraordinary Aid

RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education approves the appropriation of 2019-2020 Extraordinary Aid in the amount of **\$158,708**.

10. Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2021-2022

WHEREAS, the Wanaque Board of Education policy #6471 and NJAC 6A:23B-1.2(b) 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 2021-2022 school year.

WHEREAS, the Wanaque Board of Education appropriated \$25,000 for travel during the 2020-2021 school year and has spent \$4,877.00 as of March 16, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Wanaque Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2021-2022 school year at the sum of \$25,000 and

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

Finance/Budget #1-10

MOTION: Mr. Barnhardt		SECOND: Ms. Bruenjes	
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

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C. FACILITIES/TRANSPORTATION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the following facilities/transportation resolutions:

1. Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 The Wanaque Board of Education approves the renewal of the Shared Services Agreement with the County of Passaic for Hi-Speed Internet services for a period of five (5) years taking effect April 1, 2021 and expiring March 31, 2026, for a total yearly cost of \$6,000.

Facilities/Transportation #1

MOTION: Mr. Bruenjes	SECOND: Ms. Reid		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

D. PERSONNEL/MANAGEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following personnel/management resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education appoints **Patrick McQueeney** as the Superintendent of Schools for the Wanaque School District effective July 1, 2021, and ending on June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Employment Agreement has been submitted to and approved by the Interim Executive County Superintendent, according to the standards adopted by the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7-8(j).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and **Patrick McQueeney**.

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2. Rescind the February 23, 2021 Personnel resolution #5 that read: Approve **Nicole DeMatteo**, Nurse at Wanaque School, effective on/about April 26, 2021, through June 30, 2021, at BA step 9 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$71,250.00 pro-rated pending criminal history review.
3. Approve employee #4580 unpaid extended leave effective March 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021, with an anticipated return date of September 1, 2021.
4. Approve employee #4374 unpaid extended leave for the 2021/2022 school year with an anticipated return date of September 1, 2022.
5. Approve **Cheryl Lozosky**, Instructional Assistant, Haskell School effective on/about March 15, 2021, through June 30, 2021, at an annual salary of \$33,317 pro-rated pending criminal history review.
6. Approve the revised 2020/2021 Stipend List.
7. Approve **Hannacy Gurbisz**, 2nd Grade Teacher, Wanaque School, March 22, 2021, through June 30, 2021, BA step 1 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$58,295.00 pro-rated.

Personnel/Management #1-7

MOTION: Mr. Barnhardt		SECOND: Mr. Hain		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X			
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X			
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X			
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X			
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X			
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X			
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X			
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X			
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X			

Ms. Demetriou congratulated Mr. McQueeney who will be joining our district as of July 1, 2021.

Ms. Bruenjes welcomed Mr. McQueeney.

Mr. McQueeney thanked the Board for their support. He stated he is very honored to be joining the school community. "Everytime I met with this board I found them to be highly engaged and dedicated to the success of the students at Wanaque and it matched my philosophy to a T. I could not be more thrilled to begin working with Mr. Mooney. Thank you to Mr. Mooney for the job he has done during the Pandemic. As an interim I'm sure this is not exactly what he signed up for but he has done a great

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job and I look forward to working with him to transition all the great work that’s already been accomplished by the staff, students, and administration at Wanaque. Thank you again for all your support. I look forward to meeting many members of our community, parents and students alike. Thank you again.”

Mr. Mooney mentioned “during this process I had the honor of helping out a bit. The board is responsible for the entire interview process and they did a wonderful job of screening all the candidates and like I said my role was to just help out a little bit. Towards the end I was in row 2 which is where I should be. A couple of the board members asked me what I thought about their decision. I did mention I worked with Patrick McQueeney for 2 years in Hawthorne and I had personal experience. That had nothing to do with the decision of the board. I tried to keep that quiet during the process. I made a comment that I really think sums this up. The board of education in hiring Patrick McQueeney is hiring a noble man. When I say noble man I mean he is smart, he was a science educator, I saw him create the new block scheduling along with the principal which was very successful in Hawthorne. He is dedicated, a very strong communicator and on top of that he is a people person. So when I said to the board you hired an honorable man I meant that in all the facets that go into being an honorable person. Obviously, we have gotten along very well and know each other and the transition should be quite easy. We will go over everything from soup to nuts and he will have my number. Congratulations Patrick and like I said we have hired an honorable man.”

E. POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approves the following policy resolutions:

1. First Reading

P3160	Physical Examination
P0145	Board Member Resignation and Removal (M) (Revised)
P0164.6	Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency (M) (New)
P1643	Family Leave (M) (New)
P3431.1	Family Leave (M) (Abolished)
P4431.1	Family Leave (M) (Abolished)
P3431.3	New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program (Abolished)
P4431.3	New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program (Abolished)
P5330.01	Administration of Medical Cannabis (M) (Revised)
P7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (Revised)
P7430	School Safety (M) (Abolished)

Policy #1

MOTION: Mr. Camisa		SECOND: Mr. Velante	
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		

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Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

F. NEGOTIATIONS/EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

G. COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC RELATIONS

H. TRI-DISTRICT

I. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wanaque Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approves the following old/new business resolutions:

- The Wanaque Board of Education acknowledges the following donation from Staples:
 colored pencils, notecards, pencils, rulers, markers, folders, and glue

The Wanaque Board of Education accepts the above donation and wishes to express its gratitude and thanks for this donation.

Old/New Business #1

MOTION: Mr. Camisa	SECOND: Mr. McFarlane		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Reid (Erika)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

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X. Public Comment

Mr. Frick, Wanaque School Principal – “Good evening Mr. Mooney, teachers, parents and Mr. McQueeney. On behalf of the Wanaque School Administration I would like to officially welcome and congratulate Mr. McQueeney on the appointment of Superintendent to the Wanaque School System.

The Wanaque School Administrators are very excited for you to join our team and our school community. Our district has been able to take positive steps by working collaboratively with the teachers union and board of education and we know through your leadership that will be able to continue to make a positive impact on the lives of our students. I would also like to take a moment and thank Mr. Mooney for all he has done over the past 2 years as interim. Bob your experience has allowed each of us to grow as Administrators so thank you for that.”

Mr. McQueeney thanked Mr. Frick for his kind words.

Ms. Demetriou thanked Mr. Frick.

Ms. Oguss, Co-President of the Wanaque Borough Education Association – “On behalf of the WBEA we would like to congratulate and welcome Mr. Patrick McQueeney to our School District. In the past few years our leadership along with the Administration leadership has worked together to collaborate and enhance the education for the students of the Wanaque School District. The faculty and staff is looking forward to working and collaborating with you as you join our family. Welcome again.”

Mr. McQueeney thanked Heather and stated he has heard many great things about the staff in Wanaque and look forward to leading the charges. “Big things to come for Wanaque. I’m very excited.”

Mrs. Tully, Wanaque PTA President – “I wanted to welcome Mr. McQueeney and say we are very proud of the programs and events that we contribute to our schools. It is due to our close team work our Administrative team, our teachers, and our families that we are so successful. We have had a wonderful relationship with Mr. Mooney, our Administration, and staff. We look forward to working closely with you and continuing our success for the good of the students and the school. We have been extremely fortunate to have Mr. Mooney and I would like to thank him for his hard work and dedication. I would also like to commend our Board of Education, Administration, our teachers and staff. They have done a fantastic job the past year and a half with keeping our schools open and keeping everyone safe. Again welcome, you have our full support, please don’t hesitate to reach out to me if the PTA can assist or help in any way. Thank you.”

Mr. McQueeney thanked Mrs. Tully and said he will definitely reach out to both the Wanaque and Haskell PTA.

Mrs. Struble, Haskell PTA President – “I would like to take the opportunity on behalf of myself and the PTA to welcome you to our family. We look forward to working with you and we are here to support you in any way during your new endeavor.”

Mr. McQueeney thanked Mrs. Struble and stated he is very excited to work with both the PTA’s.

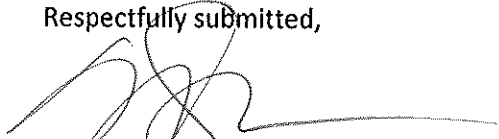
XI. Executive Session – The board did not retire into Executive Session this evening.

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XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made at 8:04 p.m. by Mr. Camisa and seconded by Mr. Barnhardt. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nancy Di Bartolo', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Nancy Di Bartolo
Board Secretary