

WANAQUE BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING February 28, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Wanaque Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at 7:00 pm, in the Wanaque School Media Center, First Street, Wanaque, NJ 07465.

Minutes

I. Call To Order/Sunshine Statement

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Suburban Trends. In addition, notices were posted at the schools and Borough Clerk's Office, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Flag Salute/Public Participation Statement/Roll Call

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X	
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X	
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X	
Ms. Imbasciani (Dana)	X	
Ms. Nitkinas (Jill)	X	
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X	
Mr. Strobel (Charles)	X	
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X	
Mr. Velante (Jason)		X (arrived at 8:07pm)

Attendance

Ms. Donna Cardiello, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Nancy Di Bartolo, Business Administrator
Ms. Lynda D'Angiolillo, Curriculum Director
Ms. Celia Morales, Principal Haskell School
Ms. Samantha Nash, Assistant Principal Wanaque School
Mr. Anthony Sciarillo, Board Attorney
Ms. Molly Rieth, Confidential Secretary to the Business Administrator
Press 1
Public 56

II. Superintendent's Report

- Student Presentations
Ms. Cardiello presented the Student of the Month Awards and gave a brief outline of each of the students and their accomplishments:
Troy Hernandez Haskell School (February)
Carson TenEyck Wanaque School (February)
- 2017-2018 School District Calendar is on the agenda for approval this evening and will be posted on our website tomorrow.

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- The date for the closing of this school year will be approved at the April meeting. March can be a tricky month weather wise so we will just have to wait and see how it plays out.
- New Jersey is in the process of developing its state plan entitled Every Student Succeeds Act, which replaces the No Child Left Behind Act. The Department of Education is accepting public comment through March 20th. Details can be found on the home page of our website under district announcements.
- As a reminder, we will be meeting as a full board to approve the preliminary budget on Tuesday, March 14th. We will then go in to committee meetings, which will be held in my office at the times indicated in my update.

IV. Business Administrator’s Report

Ms. Di Bartolo asked the board members to email her if they are interested in meeting to go over budget and how to read it. The Governor presented his budget address today. We do not know what to expect, but are anticipating a flat budget. The budget is due to the county on March 20, 2017. Also, personnel motion #5 is highlighted because it was left off the agenda that was sent to the board on Friday, but was discussed in the committee meeting.

Ms. Cardiello stated the insurance broker motion under finance has been removed until the March meeting.

V. Approval of Minutes

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

January 3, 2017
January 24, 2017

Reorganization Meeting
Regular Meeting

MOTION: Ms. Nitkinas	SECOND: Ms. Spadaccini		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Ms. Imbasciani (Dana)	X		
Ms. Nitkinas (Jill)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X		
Mr. Strobel (Charles)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	Absent for vote		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

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I. Correspondence

- A. January 2017 – School Digest
- B. January 15, 2017 – EdLaw Alert
- C. February 1, 2017 – EdLaw Alert
- D. February 15, 2017 – EdLaw Alert (2)

VII. Public Comment

No questions or comments

VIII. Resolutions

A. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION

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

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve reimbursement of expenses for the attached workshops, as they are directly related to and within the scope of the participants’ duties and are critical to the instructional needs of the district and/or further the efficient operation of the district.
2. Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Wanaque Board of Education approves the Tuition Contract for Student #715507 with North Jersey Elks Developmental Disabilities Agency for the 2016/2017 School Year commencing January 3, 2017 through June 30, 2017 (114 days) at a tuition cost of \$384.11 per diem (\$43,788.54) plus extraordinary services of \$142.75 per diem (\$16,273.50), total cost not to exceed \$60,052.04.
3. Affirm HIB H#001 and HIB H#002.
4. Approve the 2017/2018 School District Calendar.

Curriculum #1- 4

MOTION: Mr. Camisa	SECOND: Mr. Strobel		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Ms. Imbasciani (Dana)	X		
Ms. Nitkinas (Jill)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X		
Mr. Strobel (Charles)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		

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Mr. Velante (Jason)	Absent for vote		
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:

- Approve payment of bills and claims for the month of February 2017:

10/11/12	General Current Expense	\$1,273,503.36
20	Special Revenues	\$ 23,750.14
40	Debt Service	\$ 255,525.00
	Total	\$ 1,552,778.50
- Approve the additional expenditures for the district payroll for the January 30, 2017 pay period in the amount of \$493,517.30 and the February 15, 2017 pay period in the amount of \$517,697.46.
- Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Wanaque Board of Education approves the contract with Hals Engineering to complete a bussing study of the district for a total amount of \$4,700.00.

Finance/Budget #1-3

MOTION: Ms. Imbasciani	SECOND: Ms. Nitkinas		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Ms. Imbasciani (Dana)	X		
Ms. Nitkinas (Jill)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X		
Mr. Strobel (Charles)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	Absent for vote		
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 and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approves the following facilities/transportation resolutions:

- Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Wanaque Board of Education approves the Services Agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission for the following routes, at a total cost of \$57,249.13:

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Surcharge</u>	<u>Date</u>
710F	Chapel Hill Academy	\$16,112.00	\$644.48	1/3/17-6/2017
718F	Wanaque School	\$21,450.00	\$858.00	1/3/17-6/2017
731F	New Beginnings	\$17,655.00	\$529.65	1/3/17-6/2017

- Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Wanaque Board of Education approves the Services Agreement, on an emergent basis, with Northern Region Educational Services Commission for the following routes, at a total cost of \$17,152.59:

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Surcharge</u>	<u>Date</u>
NJDDW	NJEDDA	\$16,653.00	\$499.59	1/3/17-6/2017

Facilities/Transportation #1-2

MOTION: Mr. Camisa		SECOND: Mr. Barnhardt		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X			
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X			
Ms. Imbasciani (Dana)	X			
Ms. Nitkinas (Jill)	X			
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X			
Mr. Strobel (Charles)	X			
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X			
Mr. Velante (Jason)	Absent for vote			
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:

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Wanaque Board of Education approves Cheyenne Richardson as an unaffiliated long-term substitute for the RR/ICS Math

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E. POLICY

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

1. Suspension of Policy

a.	P8130	School Organization (M) - Suspend
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2. Second Reading

a.	P1510	Americans with Disabilities Act (M) - Revised
b.	P2415.30	Title I – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (M) – New
c.	P2418	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973-Students (M) - New
d.	P5116	Education of Homeless Children - Revised
e.	P5330.04	Administering an Opioid Antidote - New
f.	P8330	Student Records – (M) - Revised

3. Adoption of Regulation

a.	R1510	Americans with Disabilities Act (M) - Revised
b.	R2418	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973-Students (M) - New
d.	R5116	Education of Homeless Children - Revised
f.	R8330	Student Records – (M) - Revised

Policy #1-3

MOTION: Ms. Nitkinas	SECOND: Mr. Tully		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X (2 & 3)	#1	
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	X		
Ms. Imbasciani (Dana)	X		
Ms. Nitkinas (Jill)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X		
Mr. Strobel (Charles)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Mr. Velante (Jason)	Absent for vote		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

E. NEGOTIATIONS/EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – No Motions

G. COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC RELATIONS – No Motions

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H. TRI-DISTRICT – No Motions

I. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. Acknowledgement of Donation:

Ms. Joan Kirby donated 3 boxes of gently used children's books for the Haskell and Wanaque libraries,
The Wanaque Board of Education wishes to express its gratitude and thanks for this donation.

Board Comments

Ms. Demetriou thanked Ms. Kirby for the donation.

IX. Public Comment

Ms. Maiello – Wanaque – Asked for a copy of the workshops, a copy of the policies and questioned Finance Resolution #3. Ms. Cardiello explained that the workshops are attached to the back of the agenda, that we would get a copy of the policies to her and that the board has contracted with Hals Engineering to do a bussing study of the entire town.

Mr. Cohen – Wanaque – Questioned the cost of not reconfiguring and why we are not moving forward with a reconfiguration.

Ms. Demetriou thanked Mr. Cohen for his comments.

Mr. McFarlane – Haskell – Asked about board members questions with regards to a reconfiguration and the hesitancy to move forward.

Ms. Demetriou thanked Mr. McFarlane for his comments.

Mr. Hain – Wanaque – Questioned the difference in budgets and why we are not moving forward with the reconfiguration. He stated that the children deserve what is best and we owe it to the residents and the students to move forward. Ms. Cardiello explained that the reconfiguration is \$68,000 less and the board would have to vote to move forward. “

Ms. Oguss – Teacher at Wanaque School read a statement regarding the teachers' contract.

Mr. Sciarrillo – Attorney for the Board made a statement regarding the negotiations process and the fact finding report.

Ms. Demetriou – Explained that we want to come to an agreement as soon as possible.

Mr. McFarlane – Haskell – Asked when the last meeting is that a decision can be made to be able to reconfigure for the next school year? Ms. Cardiello responded that the budget is due to the department of education on March 20, 2017 so the decision would have to be made at the

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next meeting. There was further discussion with regards to questions with regards to reconfiguration.

Ms. Triolo – Haskell – asked if we have a resolution on the ethics decision. Ms. Cardiello responded that we have not heard anything to date.

Ms. Hovsepien – Haskell teacher – Made a statement regarding negotiations.

Ms. Maiello – Wanaque - Questioned the budget for a reconfiguration and non-reconfiguration.

Ms. Cardiello – Explained that at the last meeting we discussed the \$68,000 savings if we reconfigured.

Mr. Cohen – Wanaque – Requested the release of both budgets.

Mr. Paster – Wanaque – Asked whether the vote was to halt the reconfiguration. Ms. Cardiello explained that the vote was to delay until further action by the board.

Mr. Walters – Wanaque – Explained that he attended Wanaque School and LRHS, I'm currently going to school to be a Science teacher, teach stem labs and work at the after school program. He is in favor of reconfiguration and would like to see a cost benefit analysis.

Ms. Pasznik – Haskell – Questioned the cost to halt the toilet room project. Ms. Cardiello explained that we have been in consultation with the architect.

X. Executive Session

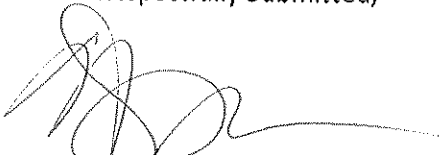
Motion to adjourn into Executive session made by Mr. Camisa and seconded by Mr. Strobel at 8:45 pm to discuss an attorney/client privilege, no action will be taken.

Motion to close Executive Session was made at 8:45pm by Mr. Tully and seconded by Ms. Spadiccini. All in favor.

XI. Adjournment

8:46 pm – A motion was made by Mr. Tully and seconded by Ms. Spadiccini.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nancy Di Bartolo
Board Secretary