

WANAQUE BOARD OF EDUCATION – SPECIAL MEETING JULY 17, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Wanaque Board of Education was held on Tuesday, July 17, 2019 at 8:00 pm, in the Wanaque School Media Center, First Street, Wanaque, NJ 07465.

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 July 10, 2019 via email and the Herald News on July 10, 2019 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 July 10, 2019.

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	
Ms. Henderson (Suzanne)	X	
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X	
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X	
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X	

Attendance

Mr. Mooney, Interim Superintendent of Schools
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 Interim Superintendent of Schools. The members of the board work with the administration and Interim 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.

III. Interim Superintendent's Report

Mr. Mooney stated he is currently working with Administration for the continued growth in the district. ESY and Safety Town are running smoothly at the Wanaque School.

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IV. Public Comment

No questions or comments

V. Resolutions

A. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION

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

1. 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.

MOTION: Ms. Spadaccini		SECOND: Ms. Bruenjes	
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	Absent		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Ms. Henderson (Suzanne)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

B. PERSONNEL/MANAGEMENT

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

1. Approve the Agreement for the following Nursing Services with **Bayada Home Health Care, Inc.**, of Little Falls, NJ effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

Private Duty Nursing	RN Services \$51/hr.	LPN Services \$41/hr.
Transportation Nurse	RN Services \$57/hr.	LPN Services \$57/hr.
Substitute Nurse	RN Services \$53/hr.	

2. Approve the 2019-2022 agreement between the Wanaque Board of Education and the **Wanaque Borough Administrators Association**.

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3. Approve the salaries as detailed below for the following administrators effective July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020:

Kenneth Doolittle	Principal	\$116,280.00
Charles Frick	Principal	\$119,320.00
Samantha Nash	Curriculum Director	\$122,400.00
4. Approve **Alyson Puzzo**, Assistant Principal, Wanaque School, effective July 22, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at an annual salary of \$98,000.00 (prorated) pending criminal history and background clearance.
5. Approve **Dawn Barreca**, Full-time Secretary, Wanaque School, effective August 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at step 1 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$41,080.00 (prorated) pending criminal history and background clearance.
6. Approve **Jennifer Griffith**, First Grade Teacher, Wanaque School, beginning September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at BA step 1 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$56,630.00 pending completion of criminal history and Chapter 5 background checks.
7. Approve **Tracy Nieradka**, 6-8 Grade Language Arts Teacher, Wanaque School, beginning September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at BA step 1 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$56,630.00 pending completion of criminal history and Chapter 5 background checks.
8. Approve **Ashley Rose Sherman**, Leave Replacement (unaffiliated) First Grade Teacher, Haskell School, beginning September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at MA step 1 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$63,130.00 pending completion of criminal history and Chapter 5 background checks.
9. Approve the following nurse/teacher/secretary substitute for the 2019/2020 school year pending criminal history and receipt of required documents:

Joan Konarski - Playground Aide/Secretary
10. Approve **Patricia Gordon**, Orton Gillingham Teacher, Wanaque School, 3.5 hours per day/5 days week beginning September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at MA step 2 of the WBEA guide for an annual salary of \$32,140.00 pending completion of criminal history and Chapter 5 background checks.
11. Approves the following staff for **Curriculum Writing** during the period of July 1, 2019 through August 30, 2019 for a total not to exceed 86 combined hours (cumulative):

Colleen Gaudreau
Sandra Somohano

Ms. Demetriou welcomed all new employees in attendance.

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MOTION: Mr. Hain		SECOND: Mr. Barnhardt	
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		
Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	Absent		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Ms. Henderson (Suzanne)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	X		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

V. Public Comment

Mr. Velante – Wanaque – Welcomed Mr. Mooney and new staff members. Asked when the results would be in for NJSLA, have all positions beef filled for the upcoming school year, what the plan is for the next strategic plan, and what the status of the superintendent is search. Mr. Mooney explained the testing results have been received and are being reviewed. The District has 60 days before results need to be released. We still have a few positions to be filled but we should have them on the agenda for the 30th. Ms. Demetriou stated the board has not yet started to discuss the strategic plan. The superintendent search has been put on hold until January.

VI. Executive Session

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION MEETING OF THE WANAQUE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DISCUSS:

WHEREAS, the Wanaque Board of Education is a public body that is subject to the requirements of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act requires that all meetings of public bodies be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act further provides that a public body may exclude the public from a portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses items that require confidentiality, which includes those items that are enumerated in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b); and

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WHEREAS, the Wanaque Board of Education has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to discuss certain matters in a closed session meeting, which is not open to the public, consistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Wanaque Board of Education shall convene a closed session meeting, from which the public shall be excluded, on July 17, 2019 at 8:12 PM;
2. The general nature of the matters to be discussed during the closed meeting includes: student residency
3. It is anticipated that the closed session meeting will last one hour;
4. Action will not be taken; and

The minutes of the closed session meeting shall be available for disclosure to the public when the items that are the subject of the closed session meeting are resolved and a reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

A motion was made to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:55pm by Ms. Henderson and seconded by Mr. Hain.

A motion was made at 8:56pm by Ms. Bruenjes and seconded by Mr. Barnhardt to close executive session and return to public session. All in favor.

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. McFarlane and seconded by Mr. Tully at 8:56pm. All in favor. Special Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert P. Mooney
Interim Superintendent