

WANAQUE BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING JULY 30, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Wanaque Board of Education was held on Tuesday, July 30, 2019 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 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 9, 2019 via email and the Herald News on January 9, 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 January 9, 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. Robert M. Mooney, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Nancy Di Bartolo, Business Administrator
Mr. Adam Weiss, Board Attorney
Ms. Samantha Nash, Curriculum Director
Mr. Charles Frick, Wanaque Principal
Mr. Kenneth Doolittle, Haskell Principal
Ms. Alyson Puzzo, Wanaque Assistant Principal
Ms. Molly Rieth, Confidential Secretary
Public 6

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

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presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

III. Interim Superintendent’s Report

- Staffing – one position left to fill
- Board Goals
- Professional Development
- Student Achievement
- QSAC 2020/2021
- Strategic Plan – last one was done in 2014

Ms. Samantha Nash – Director of Curriculum and Instruction

- Student Safety Data & Self-Assessment Report
- Presentation of Curriculum:
 - Core Plus More
 - Middle School Social Studies

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Curriculum/Instruction – Mr. Hain said the committee discussed all agenda items.
- B. Finance/Budget – Mr. Barnhardt stated the 2018/2019 budget status was reviewed and the committee has been having an ongoing discussion of how to be creative with the budget with all the state aid cuts.
- C. Facilities/Transportation – Mr. Mooney gave an estimated timeline of the following summer projects: mulch, new slide, roof at Haskell School, lighting.
- D. Personnel/Management – Ms. Demetriou said all agenda items were discussed.
- E. Policy – Mr. Barnhardt explained the first reading of policy P5111.1 is on the agenda with minor changes.
- F. Negotiations/Employee Relations – N/A
- G. Communications/Public Relations – N/A
- H. Tri-District – N/A

V. Business Administrator’s Report- Ms. Di Bartolo brought to the board’s attention the changes to Finance #3, Curriculum #4 and personnel #3. She explained that the auditor will be coming in to begin the audit on Thursday. The Slide at Haskell School was installed on the playground and the mulch was placed in both school playgrounds.

VI. Approval of Minutes

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

June 18, 2019		Regular & Executive Session	
MOTION: Mr. Barnhardt	SECOND: Mrs. Bruenjes		
BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Barnhardt (Robert)	X		

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Ms. Bruenjes (Carolyn)	X		
Mr. Camisa (Nicholas)	Absent		
Mr. Hain (Barry)	X		
Ms. Henderson (Suzanne)	X		
Mr. McFarlane (Richard)	X		
Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

VII. Correspondence

- A. June 2019 – School Digest
June 22, 2019 – Dixon Family

VIII. Public Comment

No questions or comments

IX. 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

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 30, 2019 at 7:45PM;
2. The general nature of the matters to be discussed during the closed meeting includes: *student residency, and attorney/client privilege.*

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3. It is anticipated that the closed session meeting will last 30 minutes;
4. Action may or may 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 7:45 PM by Ms. Bruenjes and seconded Mr. Hain.

A motion was made at 8:38 PM by Ms. Henderson and seconded by Mr. Tully to close executive session and return to public session.

X. 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.
2. Affirm HIB #W004, #W005, #W005A, #W006, #W007.
3. Approve the following curriculum:
 - A. Core Plus More
 - B. Middle School Social Studies
4. Approve the following staff for **Curriculum Writing** during the period of July 31, 2019 through August 30, 2019 for a total not to exceed 5 hours:
Terry Easse

Curriculum #1-4

MOTION: Mr. Barnhardt		SECOND: Mr. McFarlane	
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		

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Ms. Spadaccini (Jennifer)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

B. FINANCE/BUDGET

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

1. Financial Reports:

Secretary’s (A148) Report - Ms. Nancy DiBartolo
For June 2019 Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Treasurer’s (A149) Report - Mr. Robert Mooney
For June 2019 Interim Superintendent of Schools

2. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, move that pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6:23A-16.10(c)4*, we certify that as of June 2019 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 payment of revised bills and claims June 1-June 19, 2019:
- | | | |
|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 10/11 | General Current Expense | \$1,100,216.92 |
| 20 | Special Revenues | \$ 4,550.00 |
| 30 | Capital Project | \$ |
| | Total | \$1,104,766.92 |
4. Approve payment of additional bills and claims June 20-June 30, 2019:
- | | | |
|-------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 10/11 | General Current Expense | \$ 917,610.33 |
| 20 | Special Revenues | \$ 11,062.20 |
| 30 | Capital Project | \$ |
| | Total | \$ 928,672.53 |
5. Approve payment of bills and claims for the month of July 2019
- | | | |
|-------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 10/11 | General Current Expense | \$ 516,313.94 |
| 20 | Special Revenues | \$ 73,648.45 |
| 30 | Capital Project | \$ 11,664.79 |
| | Total | \$ 601,627.18 |
6. Approve the necessary transfers for the month of June 2019 to achieve the thoroughness standards of the State of New Jersey and of the District for the current year.

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Finance/Budget #1-6

MOTION: Ms. Henderson		SECOND: Mr. Hain	
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)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

C. FACILITIES/TRANSPORTATION

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

1. The Wanaque Board of Education retroactively authorizes Carner Brothers to provide labor, materials and equipment for the emergency repairs of the Wanaque Elementary School water main leak at a total cost of \$8,680.30 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18-7.

Facilities/Transportation #1

MOTION: Mr. Barnhardt		SECOND: Mr. McFarlane	
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)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		

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Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		
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D. 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. Approves the movement of employee # 4371 from Step 10 Teacher BA to Step 10 Teacher MA effective September 1, 2019.

2. Approves the following appointments for the 2019/2020 school year:

A) Haskell Elementary School Attendance Officer	Kenneth Doolittle
B) Wanaque Elementary School Attendance Officer	Charles Frick
C) Affirmative Action Officer	Alyson Puzzo
D) School Safety Specialist	Charles Frick
E) District 504 Compliance Officer	Alyson Puzzo
F) ADA Officer	Kenneth Doolittle
G) Bullying Coordinator for the District	Alyson Puzzo

3. Approve family leave for Employee #4573 using paid sick days beginning September 3, 2019 through December 1, 2019, with an anticipated return date of December 2, 2019.

Personnel/Management #1-3

MOTION: Ms. Bruenjes	SECOND: Mr. Hain		
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)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

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E. POLICY

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

Mr. Weiss read the changes to Policy P5111.1.

1. First Reading

a	P5111.1	Neighborhood School Residency Policy
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Policy #1

MOTION: Ms. Henderson		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)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	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 Interim Superintendent of Schools, approves the following Old/New Business resolutions:

- The Wanaque Board of Education acknowledges the donation of \$100 towards the Mary Dixon Award from the Dixon Family.
The Wanaque Board of Education accepts the above donation and wishes to express its gratitude and thanks to the Dixon Family.

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Old/New Business #1

MOTION: Mr. Hain		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)	Absent		
Mr. Tully (Richard)	X		
Ms. Demetriou (Angela)	X		

XI. Public Comment

Mr. Velante – Wanaque – made a comment regarding the upcoming elections in which he is a candidate.

Mr. TenEyck – Wanaque – made a comment in favor of Mr. Velante in the upcoming election.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

5. The Wanaque Board of Education shall convene a closed session meeting, from which the public shall be excluded, on July 30, 2019 at 8:55 PM;
6. The general nature of the matters to be discussed during the closed meeting includes: *contract matters and attorney/client privilege.*
7. It is anticipated that the closed session meeting will last 30-45 minutes;
8. Action may or may 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 8:55 PM by Ms. Henderson and seconded Ms. Bruenjes.

A motion was made at 9:13 PM by Mr. Tully and seconded by Mr. Barnhardt to close executive session and return to public session.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Henderson and seconded by Ms. Bruenjes at 9:15 pm. All in favor. Regular Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Di Bartolo
Board Secretary