

**Washington Borough Board of Education
January 8, 2018**

The Washington Borough Board of Education convened in regular session at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, January 8, 2018 at the Memorial School. The meeting was called to order by the President; Mrs. Moore in compliance with Chapter 231, laws of 1975, the notice of this meeting was advertised in the Express Times and the Star Ledger. Copies of the agenda of this meeting were appropriately posted and made available for the public, said notice posted in the Washington Borough Municipal Building. The meeting was held for the purpose of transacting appropriate Board business.

The following members were present:

- Mrs. Moore
- Mrs. Vitalos
- Mr. Howley
- Mrs. Eller
- Mrs. Wydner (Arrived at 7:38)
- Mr. Hartl
- Mrs. Del Salto
- Mr. Freda

The following members were absent:

- Mrs. Dufner

Also, Present:

- Mrs. Jackie Nassry, Superintendent
- Mrs. Sherry Koeppen, Principal
- Mr. Earl Jenkins
- Mr. Tim Mantz
- Mrs. Florence Dolobach

Public Present: Mrs. Kaspereen

FLAG SALUTE –Mr. Mantz (Start at 7:31 P.M.)

ROLL CALL – Mr. Mantz

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting – December 11, 2017

Motion made by Mrs. Eller and seconded by Mrs. Vitalos granting approval of the Regular Minutes on December 11, 2017.

Motion carried by voice vote all voting affirmative, with Mr. Howley abstaining.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Executive Session – December 11, 2017

Motion made by Mrs. Eller and seconded by Mrs. Vitalos granting approval of the Executive Session Minutes on December 11, 2017.

Motion carried by voice vote all voting affirmative, with Mr. Howley abstaining.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – President

A. BUILDING LEVEL – (Memorial, Taylor) Warren Tech donated WIFI equipment to our school.

B. CURRICULUM / TECHNOLOGY

C. CO-CURRICULAR / ACTIVITIES

Several new clubs will be starting up this month, such as: Healthy Cooking Club” and “Art and Crafts”

D. FINANCE / BUDGET

1a. Motion made by Mrs. Del Salto and seconded by Mrs. Eller to approve, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of December, 2017, and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education certifies that as of December 31, 2017, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. Discussion, as needed followed by a motion made by Mrs. Moore and seconded by Mrs. Eller of consent per items: food service and regular account bills; health office updates; compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-F.213; budgetary transfers; N.C.L.B. Regular and N.C.L.B. General Assurances; and any and all debt service transactions.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

E. LEGAL / LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

- Motion made by Mrs. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hartl to approve amending the 2016-2018 Memorandum of Agreement between the Washington Education Association and Washington Borough Board of Education Contract Article VI: D as per the enclosure.
Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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F. PERSONNEL

- Motion made by Mr. Freda and seconded by Mrs. Vitalos to continue a medical leave for Margaret Ferrara, December 15 through December 31, 2017.
Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

G. PLANT

H. SPECIAL EDUCATION / OTHER INFORMATION

- Motion made by Mr. Hardt and seconded by Mr. Howley to accept comprehensive (student and) staff attendance data (with all fire drill reports, *if applicable*) for the month of December, 2017.
Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

•**SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUCTION’S REPORT – Curriculum & Instruction** - Memorial School-Mr. Jenkins-Spelling Bee was reschedule from Friday to tomorrow, January 9th. PARCC testing-no afternoon testing. Testing will be Monday thru Thursday with Fridays being a makeup day. Schedule for PARCC test will be in the next board meeting packet.

•**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT** – Taylor Street School-Mrs. Koeppen going to Pilot a new building meeting/ Starting a focus group with teacher volunteers to look at different Language Arts and Reading models.

•**SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL’S REPORT** – District-Mrs. Nassry- 18 teachers are signed up for the CPR course on January 11th. Discover students will be participating in the Battle of the Books on January 23rd and Legos on the Loose on January 25th.

•**EXECUTIVE REPORT** (District-wide, discussion, as necessary)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:50P.M. a motion was introduced by Mrs. Vitalos and seconded by Mrs. Eller granting approval to pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS: Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, chapter 231, P.L. 1975 Permits the exclusion of the public from meeting in certain circumstances:

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren and State of New Jersey:

- (1) The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
- (2) The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows: (Personnel)
- (3) It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matter will be made public as soon as it is in the best interest of the public.
- (4) This resolution shall take effect immediately.
- (5) Action may be taken.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

At 7:53 P.M. motion was introduced by Mrs. Eller and seconded by Mrs. Vitalos granting approval to reconvene the meeting in regular session.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mrs. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hartl to approve changing the general school calendar and making February 16 a full day of school.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Adjournment

At 7:54 P.M motion was introduced by Mrs. Eller and seconded by Mrs. Freda granting approval to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mantz
Business Administrator