

WASHINGTON BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
February 12, 2024
Agenda

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- A. Call the meeting to order
- B. Flag Salute (All Star Band to perform The Star-Spangled Banner)
- C. Reading of the Notice of Public Meeting

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. The Board has fully complied with the notice requirements by advertising in the Express Times posting publicly and by notifying the Municipal Clerk of the date, time, and place of meeting

D. Roll Call

Angela Bridygham	_____	Ya’el Kresefsky	_____
Pattie Covell	_____	Holly Masenior	_____
Lisa Eller	_____	Kevin Noone	_____
Dawn Higgins	_____	Melissa Vitalos	_____
Joseph Kresefsky	_____		

II. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Jenkins: Supervisor of Instruction to report on Memorial School’s Student of the Month
Mrs. Koeppen: Principal/CST to report on Taylor Street School’s Student of the Month
Mr. Esposito: Superintendent

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. ACTION ITEMS: Superintendent’s Recommendations

CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Board of Education for reading and study are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion.

A. Consent Agenda Motion: BOARD AFFAIRS: SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following board affairs agenda item **1.1 through 1.4.**

- 1.1 To approve the minutes of the January 8, 2024 reorganization and regular meeting session.

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- 1.2 To approve the minutes of the January 8, 2024 executive meeting session.
- 1.3 To amend the August and September meeting dates on the 2024 annual meeting calendar as presented.
- 1.4 To approve the sidebar to Agreement Between the Board of Education of the Borough of Washington and The Washington Education Association for the remainder of the 2021- 2024 contract, Article IV (A.) Teacher Work Year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Bridygham	_____	Covell	_____	Eller	_____
Higgins	_____	Kresefsky, J.	_____	Kresefsky, Y.	_____
Masenor	_____	Noone	_____	Vitalos	_____

B. Consent Agenda Motion: BUSINESS AFFAIRS: SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following business affairs agenda item **2.1 through 2.13.**

- 2.1 To approve the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **December 2023** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c and NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c (3) the Board of Education and School Business Administrator certify that as of **December 31, 2023**, after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10a and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 2.2 To approve the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **January 2024** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c and NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c (3) the Board of Education and School Business Administrator certify that as of **January 31, 2024**, after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10a and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 2.3 To approve 2/12/24 current expense food service and regular account bill list.
- 2.4 To approve a joint transportation agreement with the Warren County Special Services School District for the 2024-2025 school year with an Administrative Fee of 4.5%.
- 2.5 To approve the proposal from Hunter Technologies, submitted under state contract number A80802, to install an Avaya IP Office Server Edition phone system at an initial installation cost of \$34,361.56 with a monthly activation and support cost of \$827.22/mo.

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- 2.6 To approve a tuition contract with the Elmwood Park School District where the Washington Boro School District will receive two students via the McKinney-Vento Act in which the Elmwood Park School District will pay \$14,283 per student, prorated for time in attendance, for the 2023-24 school year.
- 2.7 To enter into a joint transportation agreement with the Elmwood Park School District for the 2023-2024 school year, beginning on January 29, 2024, at a total annual cost to Elmwood Park of \$25,285.28.
- 2.8 To approve the participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) due to the fact that the district projects an enrollment of more than 40 Medicaid eligible students for the 2024-25 school year.
- 2.9 To approve Tri-County Behavioral Care to provide consultation services within the district at a flat rate of \$2,000 for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 2.10 To approve Oncourse Systems for Education Data Manager as an add on service in the amount of \$5,570 for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 2.11 To approve Parette Somjen Architects, L.L.C. for the construction of restrooms and associated improvements in the amount of no greater than \$466,410 to meet the Preschool requirements in classroom 6 and 7.
- 2.12 To approve the proposal from Steven J. Maxwell to provide website content and design consultation services at a price of \$1,200 for website content services and \$40/hr. for website design/consultation services with total services not to exceed \$3,000 for the 2023-24 school year.
- 2.13 To approve the Prekindergarten projected enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year.
(hand carry)

ROLL CALL VOTE

Bridygham	_____	Covell	_____	Eller	_____
Higgins	_____	Kresefsky, J.	_____	Kresefsky, Y.	_____
Masenor	_____	Noone	_____	Vitalos	_____

C. Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS: SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda item **3.1 through 3.6.**

- 3.1 To approve the comprehensive student and staff attendance data *(with all fire drill reports, if applicable)* for the Month of January, 2024.
- 3.2 To approve Mr. Jonathan Chioffe as our new full-time custodian effective 2/13/24 at a prorated salary of \$41,841 (Step 1 on the 2023-2024 W.E.A. salary guide) plus single benefits.

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- 3.3 To approve Ms. Vicki Stamets extension as leave replacement teacher to on or about June 10, 2024.
- 3.4 To extend the leave of absence of Mrs. Rachel Coates with a return date of April 23, 2024.
- 3.5 To approve Ms. Sandra Foss as a substitute teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 3.6 To approve Ms. Camerin Savacool as a substitute teacher for the 2023-2024 school year pending receipt of credentials.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Bridygham	_____	Covell	_____	Eller	_____
Higgins	_____	Kresefsky, J.	_____	Kresefsky, Y.	_____
Masenor	_____	Noone	_____	Vitalos	_____

D. Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS: SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following school affairs agenda item **4.1**.

4.1 To approve the use of our Memorial Butterfly Garden for the Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice Butterfly Release Celebration on Saturday, June 22, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Bridygham	_____	Covell	_____	Eller	_____
Higgins	_____	Kresefsky, J.	_____	Kresefsky, Y.	_____
Masenor	_____	Noone	_____	Vitalos	_____

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to enter into Executive Session at _____ p.m.

It is anticipated that the Executive Session will not exceed 60 minutes. The subject areas to be discussed are contracts, personnel matters, attorney-client privileged material.

It is anticipated that action after this Executive Session will not be taken.

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WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

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

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

1. The public will be excluded from discussion regarding contracts, personnel and attorney-client privileged material
2. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public upon resolution of all information discussed.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by _____ seconded by _____, to adjourn at
___p.m.