

WARREN TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

Board of Education Meeting * July 27, 2009 * 7:00 PM

Board of Education Administrative Building

- I. Call to Order and Statement of Presiding Officer Roberta Monahan, President
Re: Chapter 231 P.L. 1975: "The adequate notice of this regular meeting as required by the open public meetings act was provided by the posting, mailing/delivery, and filing of this notice on April 30, 2009. This notice was on that date posted on the bulletin board in the Township Office, mailed to the Courier News and the Echoes Sentinel, and filed with the Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, all in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act."
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
MS, SB, GP, DR, AS, PT, GV, KW, RM
- IV. Presentation
- V. Minutes
 - Approve the public and private session minutes of the June 29, 2009 board meeting.
- VI. Correspondence and Information
 - Fire Drills – Summer Fun
Mt. Horeb
July 14, 23
- VII. President's Remarks – Roberta Monahan
- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. Discussion
 - 2009-2010 Goals – Continuing Discussion
 - Summer Custodial/Maintenance Workers Hiring Process
 - Summer Fun Hiring Process
 - Background Checks – Who gets one?
- X. Public Commentary (including opportunity to speak about items for Board Consideration/Action)

Note on public input at BOE meetings: Board Policy #9322, adopted on April 14, 2008, provides for and encourages public participation in Board of Education meetings. Such participation is governed by the following rules:
 1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name and place of residence;
 2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration (limit may be adjusted at the discretion of the presiding officer as circumstances dictate);
 3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard; and
 4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer—no participant may address or question Board members individually.The portion of the meeting during which participation of the public is invited shall be limited to fifteen minutes (limit may be adjusted at the discretion of the presiding officer as circumstances dictate).
- XI. Items for Board Consideration/Action
 - A. Education
 - A.1. Out of District Placement
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the list of out of district placements for the 2009-2010 school year dated July 16, 2009.

B. Finance/Operations/Transportation

B.1. Payment of Bills

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the payment of bills for:

- a) June 30, 2009 in the amount of \$2,318,327.48
- b) July 31, 2009 in the amount of \$2,031,076.18

B.2. Central School – Family Donation

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves, with appreciation, the donation of \$3,400 from the Baratta/Kang family for the purchase of a Smart Board at Central School.

B.3. Acceptance of Grant – Department of Education School Facilities Project - Central School Hall Rehabilitation Floor Tile Replacement - Project # 5470-030-09-1005

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation has tentatively approved the Preliminary Eligible Cost Determination for the Central Elementary School Hall Rehabilitation Floor Tile Replacement in the amount of \$51,290.00 (40% of the project costs), now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Warren Township Board of Education:

- 1. Accepts the Preliminary Eligible Cost (PEC) Determination for the project
Authorizes the superintendent and business administrator to execute and submit the appropriate grant documents to the Department of Education, and
- 2. Delegates to the school business administrator authority for supervision of the school facilities project.

B.4. Joint Agreement Between Morris Union Jointure Commission and Warren Township Board of Education

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves a joint agreement dated June 10, 2009 between Morris Union Jointure Commission and the Warren Township Board of Education to enter into an inter local/shared services agreement for bus maintenance at \$67 per hour, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

B.5. No Child Left Behind Grant Application

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the submission of the 2009-2010 NCLB Application to the Department of Education with the following amounts:

- Title II-A \$ 28,856.00
- Title III \$ 8,219.00
- Title IV \$ 3,175.00

The Warren Township Schools will participate in a consortium as the host district for Title III funds with Branchburg (\$4,543.00) and Long Hill (\$6,703.00).

B.6. Transportation Contracts - Out of District Students for the Extended School Year

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the transportation contracts with the following districts for the receipt of funds for transporting Out of District Students for the 2009 extended school year as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Warren	WHRHS	DLC	\$6,888.00
Warren	Watchung	DLC	\$6,888.00
Warren	Watchung	Children's Institute	\$4,368.00
Warren	Berkeley Heights	DLC	\$6,386.00
Warren	Greenbrook	DLC	\$6,390.00

B.7. Central School – Lower Level and Toilet Renovation Project – Buckler Associates

RESOLVED, the Board of Education Approves the following change order to Buckler Associates for the Central School Lower Level and Toilet Renovation Project in the amount of \$6,800.00.

- C/O #14 Environmental monitoring, electrical and bonding costs \$6,800.00
Total of Change Orders \$6,800.00

The original bid for this project from Buckler Associates was \$696,846.00. Change orders #1-13 are for a total of \$75,673.50 and change order #14 is for a total of \$6,800.00 bringing the total amount due to Buckler Associates for the project to \$779,319.50.

- B.8. Proprietary Vendor
 WHEREAS, the Warren Township Board of Education requires the services of Front Row for Active Learning of Petaluma, California as a proprietary vendor for the supply of the Pro Digital Sound Systems to the school district,
 WHEREAS, Front Row is the only vendor that manufactures Pro Digital systems that are currently used in the district, and
 WHEREAS, Local authorized distributor of the Front Row equipment is Gramco of Bloomfield, New Jersey and now be it
 RESOLVED, the Board of Education Board of Education approves the purchase and installation of thirty two (32) Front Row PD-IR Pro Digital Systems with student microphones from Gramco for \$54,628.00. This purchase is funded by the ARRA Stimulus funds.
- B.9. IDEIA Application
 RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the submission of the 2009-2010 IDEIA Grant Application to the Department of Education with the following amount for special education programs:
- IDEIA Basic \$458,942.00
 - IDEIA Pre-School \$ 16,408.00
- B.10. Participation in the Educational Cooperative Pricing System
 WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements; and
 WHEREAS the Educational Services Commission of Morris County, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency", has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System known as the "Educational Cooperative Pricing System" for the purchase of work, materials and supplies; and
 WHEREAS, the Warren Township Schools within the County of Somerset New Jersey desires to participate in the Educational Cooperative Pricing System
 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren Township Board of Education approves the participation in the Educational Cooperative Pricing System for the period of July 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 at a cost of \$1,100 to be dated July 28, 2009.
- B.11. Purchase of Electric Generation Services
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the attached agreement, dated July 27, 2009, to purchase electric generation services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services ("ACES"), effective July 1, 2009 through May 31, 2014.
- B.12. Purchase of Natural Gas Services
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the attached agreement dated, July 27, 2009, to purchase natural gas services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services ("ACES"), effective July 1, 2009 through May 31, 2014.

C. Personnel/Student Services

- C.1. Employment for the 2009-2010 School Year
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the application for emergent hiring for the following positions for the 2009-2010 school year under the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:16-1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq., and N.J.S.A. 6-4.14 et seq., as listed below:
- a) Andrea Krenek, Grade 6 Math/Science Teacher, Middle School, BA, Step 1-2, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
 - b) Cathlin Sweeney, Grade 7/8 Science Teacher, Middle School, MA, Step 9-10, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
 - c) Gina Banks, Grade 6 Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher, Middle School, BA+15, Step 3-4, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
 - d) Zachary Liu, Classroom Paraprofessional, Middle School, 35 hours, Step 3-4, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- C.2. 2009 Summer Curriculum TAP Committee
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education retroactively approves William Tozier, Guidance Counselor, Middle School, to attend the TAP committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at the negotiated WTEA rate of \$40 per hour.

- C.3. Middle School Guidance Extended Work Schedule – Summer 2009
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves three days each of an extended work schedule for Midge Johnson, Barbara Tantillo, and William Tozier, Middle School Guidance Counselors, during August 28, 31 and September 1 for new student orientation and meeting parents at each individual's per diem rate.
- C.4. Resignation
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the resignation, with regret, of Steven Rizzoli as a grade 6 Social Studies/Language Arts teacher and energy manager effective July 31, 2009.
- C.5. Substitute Bus Monitor
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves Elyssa Raucci as a substitute bus monitor at an hourly rate of \$11.84, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- C.6. Bus Duty Supervisor and Teacher in Charge for the 2009-2010 School year
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following staff as bus duty supervisor and teacher in charge for the 2009-2010 school year at the WTEA stipend rate:
Angelo L. Tomaso School
Nancy Andrews, Bus Duty Supervisor and Sue Kline, Teacher in Charge.
Central School
Laura Rodaman, Bus Duty Supervisor and Paul Duncan, Teacher in Charge.
Mt. Horeb School
Debbie Brenn, Bus Duty Supervisor and, Carol Monica Teacher in Charge
Woodland School
Brian Kilroy, Bus Duty Supervisor and, Suzanne Wisher, Teacher in Charge.
Middle School
Debbie Granrath, Bus Duty Supervisor.
- C.7. Middle School Cafeteria Supervisors
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following staff as Middle School cafeteria supervisors for the 2009-2010 school year:
6th Grade
Lunch A – Barbara LaSaracina and Brenda Sasso
Lunch B – Debbie Granrath and John Seremula
7th Grade
Lunch A – Dave Arnold and Sean Convery
Lunch B – O'Brien Speckin and Sean Convery
8th Grade
Lunch A – Joel VanTine and Kurt Reck
Lunch B – Bob Hartshorn and Kurt Reck
- C.8. Child Care Leave Request
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves a child care leave request (unpaid with no benefits) for Susan Sage, Art Teacher, Mt. Horeb School, effective November 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 returning September 1, 2010.
- C.9. Creation of Part-Time Secretarial Position
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the creation of a new 0.5 FTE (no benefits) secretarial position at Warren Middle School, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- C.10. Increase in Work Hours
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the increase in work hours for Paula Williams, ELL Teacher, to 1.0 FTE, effective December 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- C.11. Creation of Two Full-Time Classroom Paraprofessional Positions
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the creation of two full-time one on one classroom paraprofessional positions at 32.5 hours per week, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

C.12. Classroom Paraprofessional Reassignment

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the reassignment of the following Classroom Paraprofessionals:

- a) Donna Perry from Central School to Mt. Horeb School, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- b) Michele Orofino from Mt. Horeb School to a one on one paraprofessional at an out of district placement, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

XII. Old Business

- 2009-2010 Enrollment Update

XIII. New Business

XIV. Public Commentary

XV. Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss: (select one or more)

- 1) a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law
- 2) a matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds
- 3) material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy
- 4) a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it
- 5) a matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds
- 6) protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law
- 7) pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege
- 8) specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session
- 9) deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss
and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

XVI. Adjourn