

WARREN TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

Board of Education Meeting * June 8, 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 May 26, 2009 board meeting.
- VI. Correspondence and Information
 - Fire Drills

<u>ALT</u> May 13, 21	<u>Central</u> May 8, 15	<u>Mt. Horeb</u> May 21, 26	<u>Woodland</u> May 8, 20	<u>Middle</u> May 11, 20
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- VII. President's Remarks – Roberta Monahan
- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. Discussion
 - Public Hearing – 2009-2010 Superintendent Employment Contract
- 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. Home Instruction

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves home instruction for the 2008-2009 school year for the following students:

- a) One student (ID#2001172) to receive 20 hours maximum of home instruction, five hours per week for four weeks, effective May 26, 2009 through June 19, 2009 at a total cost to the district not to exceed \$700.
- b) One student (ID#4001050) to receive 9 hours of home instruction, 3 hours per day for three days, effective February 11, 2009 through February 13, 2009 at a total cost to the district of \$440.

- c) One student (ID#0120828) to receive 10 hours per week of home instruction, for two weeks, effective June 8, 2009 through June 19, 2009 at a cost to the district of \$700.
- A.2. Out of Zone Request for the 2009-2010 School Year
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the out of zone request for the following student:
 - a) One third grade student (ID#2006235) to remain at Mt. Horeb School for the 2009-2010 school year.
- A.3. Field Trip Guidelines
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the list of district field trip guidelines dated June 8, 2009.

B. Finance/Operations/Transportation

- B.1. Payment of Bills
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the partial payment of bills for May 27, 2009 through June 8, 2009 in the amount of \$1,348,906.03
- B.2. CAP Program Application
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the application for CAP (New Jersey Child Assault Prevention) funding for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$1,598.
- B.3. NJSBAIG - ERIC North Subfund 2009 Safety Program Grant
RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Warren Township Schools accepts the grant award for the 2009 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group's ERIC North Subfund for the qualified purposes (exterior lighting) described in the application, in the amount of \$6,655.
- B.4. Membership in the Middlesex Regional Educational Cooperative Pricing System
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves membership in the Middlesex Regional Educational Cooperative Pricing System for the five year period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2014.
- B.5. Transportation of Student for 2008-2009 School Year
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the transportation of one additional Watchung Hills Regional High School student to be included in route W-138 going to Watchung Hills Regional High School and returning home at \$30 per day for a total cost to the \$840, effective May 18, 2009 through June 25, 2009.
- B.6. PEACE Grant from the United Way - Angelo L. Tomaso School
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves, with appreciation, a \$500 PEACE grant from the United Way for the Service-Learning/Composting Project awarded to Elaine Hoffman at the Angelo L. Tomaso School.

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) Kris Stankiewicz, School Social Worker, Central and Middle Schools, MA+45 plus an additional \$1,500 for his Doctorate, Step 1-2, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- C.2. Fairview Lake Chaperones - Middle School 7th Grade Overnight Trip
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education amends the list of staff to chaperone the Middle School 7th grade overnight trip to Fairview Lake June 4th and 5th from Bernadette Gibson and Mary Pat Forenza to Valerie Nelson and Michele Lepore.
- C.3. Gettysburg Chaperones - Middle School 8th Grade Overnight Trip
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education amends the list of staff to chaperone the Middle School 8th grade overnight trip to Gettysburg May 28-29, 2009 from Josephine Brasile to Barbara LaSaracina.

- C.4. Substitutes
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following substitutes for the 2008-2009 school year:
a) Nicolas Chin
b) Rebecca Crawford
c) Lauren Nelson, current Paraprofessional at Central School
- C.5. Rescind After School Activities Coordinator Stipend Contract
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education rescinds the 2009-2010 After School Activities Coordinator stipend contract for Sean Convery in the amount of \$4,000.
- C.6. Amendment on Salary Guide
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following amended placements on the teachers' negotiated salary guide:
a) Stacey Modugno, REACH Teacher, Woodland School, MA+15 to MA+30 (remaining at step 16 for 2008-2009 and step 17 for 2009-2010), effective May 1, 2009.
- C.7. 2009 Summer Employees
RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the list of 2009 Summer Employees dated June 1, 2009, at the listed hourly rates effective June 22, 2009 through September 4, 2009.
- C.8. Family Medical Leave Extension
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends the family medical leave for Lauren Nelson, Classroom Paraprofessional, Central School, (unpaid with benefits) from May 26, 2009 through June 5, 2009 with an anticipated return date of June 8, 2009.
- C.9. Amendment of Contract Hours for the 2009-2010 School Year
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the amendment of contract hours for the 2009-2010 school year for the following Child Study Team personnel:
a) Michele Stein, Psychologist, from .65 to .80, step 13.
b) Joan Darkenwald, LDTC, from .65 to .70, step 23-24.
- C.10. Per Diem Deduct Request
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following per diem deduct requests for:
a) Alexandra Esposito, Classroom Paraprofessional, Angelo L. Tomaso School, for one day, May 22, 2009.
- C.11. Family Leave Request
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the family leave request for the following:
a) Stacey Lederman, Special Education Teacher, Angelo L. Tomaso School, (unpaid, with benefits) from September 1, 2009 through December 3, 2009 returning December 4, 2009.
- C.12. Additional Student Personnel Services Employees 2009 Summer Work
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves additional work for summer 2009 for Jennifer Curran, Speech Therapist, Mt. Horeb School, 60 hours for evaluations.
- C.13. Dean of Students
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the hiring of Scott Cook as Dean of Students, Warren Middle School, for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as per the employment contract on file in the Board Office and in accordance with the terms and conditions of employment as set forth in the WTAA collective bargaining agreement.

- XII. Old Business
- Advance Course Grades Warren Middle School
 - Grade 6 Class Trip Options
 - Electronic Devices on Field Trips

- 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