

WEEHAWKEN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Agenda

June 18, 2019 - 7:00 pm
Weehawken Board of Education Office

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call - Salute to the Flag
- C. Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items
(Not to exceed beyond 7:30 pm)
- D. Executive Session
- E. Approval of Minutes of Meeting May 21, 2019
- F. Reports
 - 1. Superintendent of Schools
 - 2. Attorney's Report
- G. New Business
 - 1. **Finance**
Payment of Bills
Treasurer's Report
Report of the Board Secretary
 - 2. **Personnel**
 - 3. **Administration**
- H. Discussion Items
- I. Adjournment

G. New Business

1. Finance

- a. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the lists of supplies received and services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Weehawken, County of Hudson, be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid as per the attached Claim Sheets.
- b. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36, the Treasurer’s Report be accepted as submitted by the Treasurer of School Moneys for the month of May.
- c. **PURSUANT**, to NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, we certify that as of May 31, 2019 the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report, appropriations section, did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds and based on the appropriation balances reflected on this report and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- d. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9, the Board of Education accepts the Report of the Board Secretary for the month of May 2019 as submitted and certifies that the Board Secretary’s Report and Treasurer’s Report are in agreement.

Transfer to	Amount	Transfer From	Amount
11-000-216-600-7	200.00	11-000-230-530-9	200.00
11-000-216-320-7	5000.00	11-000-213-800-6	5000.00
11-000-216-320-7	2000.00	11-000-261-420-1	2000.00
11-000-216-320-7	2000.00	11-000-261-420-5	2000.00
11-000-216-320-7	2000.00	11-000-291-270-9	2000.00
11-000-230-332-9	1000.00	11-000-230-530-9	1000.00
11-000-216-320-7	100.00	11-000-221-580-6	100.00
11-000-216-320-7	500.00	11-000-213-300-1	500.00
11-000-216-320-7	500.00	11-000-213-800-6	500.00
11-150-100-101-7	1000.00	11-190-100-640-1	1000.00
11-000-211-100-9	600.00	11-000-213-800-6	600.00
11-110-100-101-6	1500.00	11-000-261-420-5	1500.00
11-110-100-101-6	1500.00	11-190-100-640-5	1500.00
11-000-270-420-9	2000.00	11-000-262-420-1	2000.00
11-000-270-420-9	5000.00	11-000-262-420-9	5000.00
11-000-270-420-9	3000.00	11-000-262-610-9	3000.00
11-000-100-562-7	110000.00	11-000-291-270-9	110000.00
11-000-217-320-7	3000.00	11-000-261-420-9	3000.00

11-000-217-320-7	4000.00	11-000-262-420-9	4000.00
11-000-217-320-7	3500.00	11-000-291-270-9	3500.00
11-000-270-504-9	1500.00	11-000-262-490-2	1500.00
11-000-230-332-9	1200.00	11-000-230-530-9	1200.00
11-000-262-610-1	500.00	11-000-262-610-9	500.00
11-000-262-300-9	1200.00	11-000-262-420-1	1200.00
11-000-270-515-9	500.00	11-000-213-800-6	500.00
11-000-270-515-9	2000.00	11-000-230-530-9	2000.00
11-000-270-515-9	1000.00	11-000-262-420-5	1000.00
11-000-270-515-9	2000.00	11-000-262-420-9	2000.00
11-000-270-515-9	2000.00	11-000-262-490-5	2000.00
11-000-270-515-9	2500.00	11-000-291-270-9	2500.00
11-000-223-320-1	850.00	11-000-222-800-1	850.00
11-190-100-800-1	2600.00	11-190-100-800-6	2600.00
11-190-100-610-1	350.00	11-190-100-610-6	350.00
11-000-262-621-1	1000.00	11-000-261-420-5	1000.00
11-000-262-621-1	2000.00	11-000-261-420-9	2000.00
11-000-262-621-1	2000.00	11-000-262-610-9	2000.00
11-000-262-621-5	1100.00	11-000-262-490-5	1100.00
11-000-262-621-5	2000.00	11-000-270-600-9	2000.00
11-000-262-621-5	2000.00	11-000-291-270-9	2000.00
11-000-262-622-5	700.00	11-000-262-800-9	700.00
11-000-223-320-1	1500.00	11-000-223-500-6	1500.00
11-000-216-320-7	8000.00	11-000-218-320-1	8000.00
11-000-216-320-7	2000.00	11-000-230-530-9	2000.00
11-000-216-320-7	1000.00	11-000-230-600-6	1000.00
11-000-216-320-7	2000.00	11-000-261-420-5	2000.00
11-000-216-320-7	2000.00	11-000-261-420-9	2000.00
11-190-100-800-1	1200.00	11-190-100-640-1	1200.00
10-000-100-569-9	2500.00	11-000-262-420-9	2500.00
11-000-100-566-7	20000.00	11-000-100-562-7	20000.00

New Business

2. Personnel

- a. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following as a substitute at the daily rate of \$85.00 pending submission of credentials, criminal background check and as per P.L. 2018, c. 5., approved April 11, 2018, and in effect June 1, 2018. The following will also be approved to work the extended care program for the extended care rate of pay.

Lauren Folsom	Eritrea Jean-Felix
Kasey Coll	Jayani Malachi

- b. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation upon retirement of Gail Juzdan effective June 30, 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extend to Mrs. Juzdan their appreciation and gratitude for her 21 years of service to the Weehawken Public Schools.

- c. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of the following teachers:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>School-Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Lauren Menduke	DWS-1st Grade Teacher	June 30, 2019

- d. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following support staff for the 2019-2020 school year:

Bus Driver - \$17.00

Celese Gonzalez	Carolina Guzman	Yolanda Placeres
Ivonne Caicedo	Victor Guzman	

- e. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following teacher as substitute for the Summer Enrichment and/or Brain Camp Programs at the substitute teacher rate.

Lisa Moriarty

- f. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following teachers for summer consultations during IEP meetings at the contracted hourly rate.

Itziti Pacheco

- g. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to compensate the following teachers \$40 per hour for attending the WHS Prom on May 24, 2019.

Rosmery Veras	Thomas Montalbano	William Campi
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New Business

2. Personnel

- h. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to compensate the following teachers \$40 per hour for chaperoning the 8th grade dance and Project Graduation.

8th Grade Dance: Maria Mattiace
Ariel Parkinson
Adam Parkinson

Project Graduation: Brian Fischer
Peter Flores
Melissa Gallant
Joseph Annese
Rosmery Veras

- i. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following list of personnel to the Extended Care Program for the 2018-2019 school year at the listed hourly rates.

Name	Teacher/Aide/Director/Substitute	Per hour rate	One Session Day- Special Rate per hour
Grace Denfeld	Substitute Teacher	\$26	\$36
Alyssa Denfeld	Substitute Teacher	\$26	\$36
Lisa Moriarty	Substitute Teacher	\$26	\$36

- j. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following teacher for the 2019-2020 school year at the contracted salary, pending submission of credentials, criminal background check and as per P.L. 2018, c. 5., approved April 11, 2018, and in effect June 1, 2018:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Degree/Step</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>School</u>
Adriana Tattoli	MS/Step 1	Elementary/Special Ed	DWS
David Ingersoll	BA/Step 2	Music	TRS
Claudia Mendoza	BA/Step 1	Math	TRS

New Business

2. Personnel

- k. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following personnel for the 2018-19 school year:

WHS Detention \$20 per half hour

Rebecca Andrews
Melissa Gallant
David Novis
Jack Montanile
Judith Matos

WHS Lunch Duty \$6.00 per hour

Thomas Montalbano
Kyle Searfoss
William Connors
William Campi

- l. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to approve the following 3.0% increase for non-affiliated FTE staff for the 2019-2020 school year:

Elaine Condello
Dave Curtis
Carmen Deida
Michelle Denfeld

Elba Feliciano
Marlene Hegarty
Guy Schwanse
Noelle Welz
Victoria Zamora

- m. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following teacher aides for the 2019-2020 school year at the contracted salary, pending submission of credentials, criminal background check and as per P.L. 2018, c. 5., approved April 11, 2018, and in effect June 1, 2018:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Sheila Navarro	Teacher Aide
Tiffany Baker	Teacher Aide
Dennis Amato	Teacher Aide

- n. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint Safa Abdou for home instruction of the following WHS Pathways Academy students (HS42 and HS45) for the contracted hourly rate effective June 1, 2019 until June 30, 2019.

- o. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following teacher as substitute for the Summer Enrichment and/or Brain Camp Programs at the hourly contracted rate of \$40 per hour.

Carmela Pasquale

- p. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to accept Kean University administrative intern Michelle Cruz as an intern from September 2019-May 2020, pending submission of credentials and criminal history review.

New Business

2. Personnel

- q. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following list of personnel to Sports/Activities/Clubs Program for the 2019-2020 school year at the contracted stipends.

Name	Position
William Campi	Head Football Coach
Stephen Rodriguez	Asst. Football Coach
Floyd Morris	Asst. Football Coach
Oliver Rached	Asst. Football Coach
Brian Fischer	Head Boys Soccer Coach
Ian Oates	Asst. Boys Soccer Coach
William Connors	Head Girls Soccer Coach
Maria Mattiace	Assistant Girls Soccer Coach
Raquel Roder	Head Girls Volleyball Coach
Jack Montanile	Asst. Volleyball Coach
Joseph Annese	Asst. Volleyball Coach
Safa Abdou	Volunteer Girls Volleyball Coach
Simon Finkelstein	Head Girls Tennis Coach
Kyle Searfoss	Asst. Girls Tennis Coach
Mercy Puma	Head Cross Country Coach
Jason Hernandez	Asst. Cross Country Coach
Dr. Yaser El-Gazzar	Team Doctor
John McNish	Equipment Manager
John McNish	Weight Room Supervisor - Fall
Barrett Isaza	Athletic Trainer
Ryan Gorman	Band Director - Fall
Lori Law	Color Guard

G. New Business

3. Administration

- a. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to approve the following field trip.

Date	Group	Destination
April 10-17, 2020	WHS Marching Band	Walt Disney World - Florida
June 19, 2019	WHS Graduating Seniors	DWS & TRS

- b. **WHEREAS**, according to New Jersey Law and Board Policy 5512, the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (“HIB”) Specialist conducted an investigation of an alleged incident of harassment, intimidation or bullying,

WHEREAS, as set forth below by school and incident, the HIB Specialist determined that the student(s) accused of exhibiting harassment either did commit (#2) or did not commit (#1) an action of HIB;

WHEREAS, the results of the investigation were reported to the Interim Superintendent and, thereafter, to the Board at its next meeting following completion of the investigation;

WHEREAS, information about the investigation was provided to the parents of both the targeted student(s) and the accused student(s) and the parents were advised of their right to request a hearing before the Board and did not request such a hearing;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board issues its written decision affirming the investigative finding that the student accused of exhibiting harassment, intimidation or bullying did commit (#2) or did not commit (#1) an action of HIB as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>Date of Incident</u>	<u>Finding</u>
TRS	5/31/2019	#2
TRS	5/31/2019	#2
TRS	5/31/2019	#2

- c. **WHEREAS**, according to the HIB code and Policy 5512, the Board of Education shall issue a decision in writing to affirm, modify or reject the Interim Superintendent's decision for HIB reports submitted; and

WHEREAS, there have been no requests for a Board hearing on any of these actions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Weehawken Board of Education accepts the HIB report of the Interim Superintendent for May 2019 indicating no pending items.

G. New Business

3. Administration

- d. **WHEREAS**, according to the HIB code and Policy 5512, the Board of Education shall issue a decision in writing to affirm, modify or reject the Interim Superintendent's decision for HIB reports submitted; and

WHEREAS, there have been no requests for a Board hearing on any of these actions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Weehawken Board of Education accepts the HIB report of the Interim Superintendent for April 2019 indicating no pending items.

- e. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education ratifies the action of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to place the following special education student out of district for the 2019-2020 school year.

Case No.: 1485
From: Non-Attending
To: North Hudson Academy
Start Date: September 1, 2019
Tuition: \$51,467.78 - Extended School Year 5,938.59
Transportation: Weehawken School Bus

- f. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the Hudson County Schools of Technology to supply an aide on each bus used for the Weehawken students' transportation during the 2019-2020 school year.

- g. **WHEREAS**, the Weehawken School District sends students to various non-profit approved private schools for students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS these schools do not charge any of their students for meals as per N.J.A.C.6A:23-4.5(a)20, amended,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Weehawken Board of Education does not require these schools to charge students for reduced and/or paid meals in accordance with the income eligibility criteria established by the Child Nutrition Program as administered by New Jersey Department of Agriculture; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Weehawken Board of Education understands and acknowledges that the foregoing actions do not increase the contracted tuition rate for these students with disabilities sent by the Weehawken District to these schools of students with disabilities.

- h. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the Joint Transportation Agreement with the Hudson County Schools of Technology for the 2019-2020 school year.

G. New Business

3. Administration

- i. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Weehawken Board of Education intends to renew, award, or permit to expire the attached listed contracts previously awarded by the Board of Education. These contracts are, have been, and will continue to be in full compliance with all State and Federal statutes and regulations; in particular, New Jersey Title 18A:18 et seq, NJAC Chapter 23, and Federal Uniform.
- j. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to approve Mr. Robert Ferullo as the District's Chief Equity/Affirmative Action Officer for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years at a yearly stipend of \$2,000.
- k. **WHEREAS**, the bid opening for the Weehawken High School Auditorium Electrical Upgrades Project took place at 10:00 a.m. on May 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made by the Board's architects and attorneys to award the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract for this project be awarded to:

CV Electrical Contractors
P.O. Box 1263
Linden, NJ 07036

in the amount of \$863,000 base bid plus allowance;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board's officers, agents and employees are authorized to take any and all actions necessary to effectuate this resolution.

- l. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to establish a web based portal where parents create their own account and will fill out the District's free and reduced applications online and can provide instant qualification.
- m. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contract with rSchool Today to provide an online platform that will store all student physicals and athletic registration information in a secure online portal at a cost of \$850 for the 2019-2020 school year.

G. New Business

3. Administration

n. **WHEREAS**, the Weehawken Board of Education provides for non-resident tuition students to attend school on a fee basis that has been established for the 2019-2020 school year:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that approval be given to the non-resident student listed below:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Amount</u>
S. Y.	1	\$6,180.00
A. P.	3	\$6,180.00
T. D.	10	\$7,520.00
D.J.W.	11	\$7,520.00