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BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
STAFF AND STUDENT RECOGNITIONS/SPECIAL ACTION
JUNE 20, 2017

Mr. James Foody, Board President, called to order the Staff and Student Recognitions/Special Action Meeting of the Board of Education at 7:05 p.m., on June 20, 2017, in the Westbrook School All Purpose Room. He led the flag salute, read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement, and asked for a moment of silence for the Rockaway student that was cyber bullied and took her own life. Mr. Foody also reminded everyone in attendance to silence or turn off their cell phones and note the location of the emergency exits.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, a public notice of this meeting has been sent to Board Members, all district schools, the Herald News, the Trends, the Record, the Messenger, West Milford Town Hall, the County Superintendent's Office, the Board Attorney, and posted in the Administration Building. Copies of the Board Meeting Calendar Resolution were provided to all local media, Town Hall, Township Library, and all district schools.

MS. BARBARA FRANCISCO, BOARD SECRETARY, CALLED THE ROLL:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Mr. Bailey	Absent	Mrs. Dwyer	Present	Mr. Huber	Present
Mr. Cytowicz	Present	Mr. Foody	Present	Mrs. O'Brien	Present
Mr. Drew	Absent	Mrs. Fritz	Absent	Mr. Robbins	Absent

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Dr. Alex Anemone	Superintendent of Schools	Present
Ms. Barbara Francisco	Board Secretary/Business Administrator	Present
Mr. Daniel Novak	Director of Education	Present
Dr. Elizabeth McQuaid	Director of Special Services	Present
Joseph Roselle, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney	Absent
Megan Hogan	Student Representative	Present

There were approximately 300 members of the public in attendance.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

Motion by Mr. Huber, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board go into Executive Session at the end of the meeting for approximately 60 minutes for the purpose of discussing HIB cases, personnel, and matters of attorney/client privilege.

The matters discussed in executive session shall be made public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Alex Anemone

- Dr. Anemone presented the 2016-2017 Staff and Student Recognitions.
- Megan Hogan, Student Representative, reported that June was an exciting month at the High School. Megan highlighted a number of accomplishments including the 1st place award with Special Merit given to the Highland Echo, student newspaper, by the American Scholastic Press Association. Megan also highlighted the athletic, band and choir recognitions, and spoke about the students attending Girls State at Georgian Court University and Boys State at Rider University.

At 8:36 p.m., Mr. Foody announced that there will be a ten minute recess for refreshments.

At 8:48 p.m., the Board returned to the public session.

VIII. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT - Ms. Barbara Francisco

Minutes from the May meetings will be available for consideration at the June 27th meeting.

IX. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mr. James Foody

Mr. Foody had no report.

X. PETITIONS & REQUESTS

Petitioners who have requested to speak prior to the meeting will be first with five (5) minutes for each petitioner, for a period of thirty (30) minutes; and then time permitting, other petitions and requests limited to five (5) minutes per petitioner will be allowed, until the thirty (30) minute period transpires. All speakers are asked to give their full name, spell their last name, and provide their address. Speakers may not use the names of students during Petitions and Requests.

Motion by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Cytowicz, to close Petitions and Requests.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

XI. MOTION BY MR. HUBER, SECONDED BY MRS. DWYER, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA, AS AMENDED.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

SPECIAL ACTION

XIV. BUDGET & FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION/OPERATIONS/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - Mr. Steven Drew, Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Huber, seconded by Mrs. Dwyer, to approve the following agenda item:

1. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve **TRAINING AND TRAVEL RELATED EXPENDITURES** for Trustee William Cytowicz to attend the New Jersey School Boards workshop entitled, "Fundamentals of School Law" at the mileage rate established by the Board. (Documentation provided electronically.)

DISCUSSION: The Board discussed the need to invoke the Doctrine of Necessity for this resolution.

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Bailey	Absent	Mrs. Fritz	Absent	Mr. Huber	Yes
Mr. Dwyer	Yes	Mr. Drew	Absent	Mr. Cytowicz	Yes
Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mr. Robbins	Absent	Mr. Foody	Yes

The MOTION PASSED.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Huber, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to go into Executive Session at 8:57 p.m., for approximately 60 minutes for the purpose of discussing HIB, personnel and matters of attorney/client privilege.

The matters discussed in executive session shall be made public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

At 8:58 p.m., the Board went into Executive Session.

At 11:20 p.m., the Board returned to the public session.

SPECIAL ACTION

XIII. EDUCATION - Mrs. Teresa Dwyer, Chairperson

Motion by Mrs. Dwyer, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda item:

1. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following Resolution:

XIII. EDUCATION - Mrs. Teresa Dwyer, Chairperson - Continued

1. (Continued)

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements set forth in P.L. 2010, Chapter 122, the West Milford Board of Education has received results of HIB investigative reports on **June 20, 2017**; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the West Milford Board of Education approves issuance of written decisions affirming the Superintendent's determination in the following HIB investigations:

<u>Incident Report Number</u>	<u>Board Determination</u>
2017/H-10	Substantiated
2017/H-11	Unsubstantiated
2017/H-12	Unsubstantiated
2017/H-13	Unsubstantiated
2017/E-24	Unsubstantiated
2017/E-25	Substantiated
2017/M-5	Substantiated
2017/M-6	Unsubstantiated

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Bailey	Absent	Mrs. Fritz	Absent	Mr. Huber	Yes
Mr. Dwyer	Yes	Mr. Drew	Absent	Mr. Cytowicz	Yes
Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mr. Robbins	Absent	Mr. Foody	Yes

The **MOTION PASSED** unanimously.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Cytowicz, seconded by Mr. Huber, to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Francisco
Board Secretary