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**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES  
WORKSHOP/REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 19, 2022**

Mrs. Lynda Van Dyk, Board President, called to order the Workshop/Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 7:00 p.m., in the Westbrook School Media Center. Mrs. Van Dyk asked for a moment of silence, led the flag salute, read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement, and reminded everyone in attendance to silence or turn off their cell phones and note the locations 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 Suburban Trends, the Record, the Messenger, West Milford Town Hall, the County Superintendent's Office, the Board Attorney, Cablevision of Warwick and West Milford TV77; 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:**

<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
Mrs. Romeo	Present	Mrs. Dwyer	Present	Mrs. Lockwood	Present
Mrs. Stephenson	Present	Mr. Guarino	Present	Mr. Stillman	Present
Mr. Conklin	Present	Mrs. O'Brien	Present	Mrs. Van Dyk	Present

<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
Dr. Alex Anemone	Superintendent of Schools	Present
Ms. Barbara Francisco	Board Secretary/Business Administrator	Present
Mr. Daniel Novak	Director of Education	Absent
Dr. Elizabeth McQuaid	Director of Special Services	Present
Andrew Brown, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney	Present

There were approximately 25 members of the public in attendance.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Alex Anemone

- Dr. Anemone introduced a new Eagle Scout candidate, Anthony DeFede. He asked Anthony to briefly explain his Eagle Scout project to the Board and how it will help our community. Anthony DeFede stated he is a Life Scout with Troop #244, and he would like to start his Eagle Scout project in the Fall. The project will be renovating the pavilion at the turf field, and adding on to the pavilion that a family friend of his built. He would like to install benches in the pavilion, and install gutters for drainage. The Board was provided with a pamphlet detailing his Eagle Scout project, with a 3D print of what he will be adding to the pavilion. Anthony spoke about how these project enhancements will benefit the community, explained what equipment is needed, and how he will fundraise for this project.
- Dr. Anemone spoke about students who participated in the Special Olympics USA Games, coached by Kristi Clave. Dr. McQuaid provided the Board and the community with a short presentation on the Special Olympics USA Games and what this event entails. She spoke about the Board and the Administration being very proud of these student athletes, and recognized Michael McCloskey, who received a Gold medal during the event for the 1500 Meter (Fastest Division), and West Milford High School Alumna, Destiny Gerety, who received a Bronze Medal for the 3000 Meter race.
- Dr. McQuaid highlighted, that in addition to competing in the USA Games, Destiny was also featured in a commercial about the Special Olympics USA Games, and that she was chosen to sing for the closing ceremonies. Dr. Anemone presented Destiny with a Certificate of Recognition.
- Dr. McQuaid also spoke about Michael McCloskey and she highlighted his accomplishment in the 1500M Fastest Division. Michael also competed at the USA Games in the turbo javelin and 4x400 relay, and he is the current WMSO Captain. Dr. McQuaid thanked Coach Arthur Joecks, who has coached Michael for West Milford High School. She also showed the community a video of his race. Dr. Anemone presented Michael with a Certificate of Recognition.
- Dr. McQuaid thanked Kristi Clave for her work and dedication to the students of this community, and how she continues to make a difference for the students that participate in the Special Olympics. She also recognized the many West Milford athletes that participate in the Special Olympics program, and thanked everyone for their support. Dr. Anemone also thanked everyone involved with this program.
- Dr. Anemone provided the Board with a brief update on legislative advocacy. He spoke about the meeting with Assemblyman Barranco attended by himself, Ms. Francisco, Mr. Scholts, Assistant Business Administrator, as well as Board members Mrs. Van Dyk, Mrs. Dwyer, and Mrs. O'Brien. Assemblyman Barranco is the newest assembly person from our legislative district and his office is located in Montville Township. Discussion included the current funding formula for Passaic County Tech and the current S2 funding formula for our District, and other issues of joint interest. He indicated we do not have a response or know the next steps, but we did make some progress. He spoke about a massive state surplus this year that is meant to be spent, and there are legislators that are interested in seeing that money be sent to school districts that had crippling state aid cuts by the new funding program.

VII. DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION'S REPORT - Mr. Daniel Novak

No Report

VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE - Ms. Barbara Francisco, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator

Motion by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Guarino, to approve the following Board of Education meeting minutes:

- June 16, 2022 Workshop/Regular Meeting
- June 16, 2022 Executive Session

VOICE VOTE:

All in Favor.

MOTION PASSED.

IX. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mrs. Lynda Van Dyk

Mrs. Van Dyk also spoke about the meeting with Assemblyman Barranco. She stated there was not much discussion regarding PCTI, but there was interest in the extra money from the ESSER funds and that they are trying to find a way to help school districts who lost a lot of money.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS (PLEASE SIGN IN)

This portion of the meeting is open to members of the public for the purpose of addressing resolutions on this agenda only. Members of the public who have requested to speak prior to the meeting will be recognized by the chair first. Each speaker will be given five (5) minutes, for a period of thirty (30) minutes; and then time permitting, other public comment limited to five (5) minutes per speaker will be allowed, until the thirty (30) minute period transpires. All members of the public speaking during this public comment period are asked to address topics listed in the agenda. All speakers are asked to sign the register provided and to give their full name, spell their last name, group affiliation, if appropriate, and provide their address. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate.

The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and respectful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged, and the Board and the Administration will not respond to them. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded to them by the laws of New Jersey. The Board is not responsible and is not liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments. Members of the public are reminded that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

Destiny Gerety, West Milford High School Alumna. She thanked the Board and the community, her family, and the West Milford Special Olympics, and spoke about her journey and accomplishments. She spoke about Coach Kristi Clave. She stated that Coach Clave is not only her coach, but was her teacher at Maple Road School, and is now her mentor. She stated that Coach Clave was tough on her, but brought out the best in her, and feels this is why she "makes things happen" today.

**X. PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS - Continued**

She thanked Coach Clave for always pushing her to be her best and feels that she literally changed her life. She feels it is the reason why she is the confident woman she is today. She also stated she is lucky to be part of a community that has so much kindness and inclusion, and she wants to continue to make West Milford proud.

Michael McCloskey, West Milford High School student. He thanked Dr. Anemone and Dr. McQuaid for the wonderful presentation this evening, and thanked Mr. Novak and all of the Board members for his recognition. He also thanked the teachers and coaches who have supported the Special Olympics athletes during this journey. He stated these medals are not only for the athletes, but for our community. Michael has been a part of the Special Olympics for nine (9) years, and they are years he would never change. Those years of hard work and dedication brought confidence in him to try sports at a level he never thought he could reach, such as Varsity Bowling and Varsity Skiing. He also spoke about High School Cross-Country and the best coaches and teammates he could ever ask for. He spoke about how nine (9) years of making lots of new friends all over the State of New Jersey gave him the adrenaline he needed to rise up to the top, and live his dream of capturing the Gold in the 1500 meter race. He thanked all of his coaches, but especially Coach Kristi Clave who pushed him more than anyone else during these years. He promised her he would bring home Gold, and here he is today as one of the new Team Captains of West Milford Special Olympics. He will be competing in Berlin, Germany and will be representing us in "red, white and blue."

Rebecca Benowitz, Mia Grezutti and Finola Gordon. Students spoke about and had questions regarding revisions to the Dress Code policy. They wanted to review what those revisions were. A copy of the policy with revisions was given to the students.

Motion by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Guarino, to close Public Comment.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

**XI. MOTION BY MRS. O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY MRS. DWYER, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND AMENDED, INCLUDING HAND CARRYS.**

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

**XII. EDUCATION - Mrs. Teresa Dwyer, Chairperson**

Motion by Mrs. Dwyer, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda items #1 through #6:

- 1. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept funds for the **ELEMENTARY and SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)** Consolidated Formula Subgrant Application **FY 2023**, for the following amounts:

Title I	\$444,809.00
Title IIA	\$ 87,460.00
Title III Immigrant	\$ 3,423.00
Title IV	\$ 12,633.00
	<u>\$548,325.00</u>

**XII. EDUCATION - Mrs. Dwyer, Chairperson - Continued**

2. The recommendation of the Superintendent to submit the application for the **INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA) GRANT** in the amount of \$866,029.00 (Basic Grant Award, ages 3-21), and \$41,055.00 (Preschool Grant Award, ages 3-5), for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve an **IN-SCHOOL NURSING SERVICES CONTRACT** for the 2022-2023 school year, with **BAYADA HOME HEALTH CARE, INC.**, for substitute services, at \$60.00 per hour for RN services, and \$50.00 per hour for LPN services, as needed, retroactive from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.
4. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **SCHOOL YEAR SPECIAL EDUCATION OUT-OF-DISTRICT DAY SCHOOL TUITION CONTRACTS for ESY with OTHER LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES**, retroactive from July 5, 2022, through August 12, 2022:

<u>Number of Students</u>	<u>Tuition</u>	<u>Placement</u>
1 1:1 Aide Student #: 72301	\$5,500.00 \$4,250.00	Union School for the Deaf (Bergen County Special Services) Hackensack, New Jersey
1 1:1 Aide Student #: 70547	\$5,500.00 \$4,250.00	Brownstone School (Bergen County Special Services) Saddle Brook, New Jersey
2 1:1 Aides (2) Student #'s: 63803, 67651	\$8,225.00 \$6,400.00	New Bridges (Bergen County Special Services) Paramus, New Jersey

5. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **SCHOOL YEAR SPECIAL EDUCATION OUT-OF-DISTRICT DAY SCHOOL TUITION CONTRACTS (includes ESY)**, retroactive from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023:

<u>Number of Students</u>	<u>Tuition</u>	<u>Placement</u>
1 Student #: 63797	\$89,582.72	New Beginnings Fairfield, New Jersey
1 1:1 Aide Student #: 70158	\$87,125.00 \$36,900.00	Academy 360-Lower School Verona, New Jersey
1 1:1 Aide Student #: 67385	\$86,715.00 \$36,900.00	Academy 360-Upper School Verona, New Jersey
1 1:1 Aide Student #: 71841	\$63,363.59 \$45,578.96	YCS Sawtelle Learning Center Montclair, New Jersey
1 1:1 Aide Student #: 72330	\$85,081.50 \$46,200.00	Pillar Care Continuum Pillar High School Livingston, New Jersey

**XII. EDUCATION - Mrs. Dwyer, Chairperson - Continued**

5. (Continued)

<u>Number of Students</u>	<u>Tuition</u>	<u>Placement</u>
1	\$69,097.20	Windsor Bergen Academy
1:1 Aide	\$33,432.48	Paramus, New Jersey
Student #: 73922*		

\*This student transferred into the District.

6. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SCHOOL CONTRACTS**, effective September 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, for the following students:

<u>Student #'s</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Level of Service</u>
72330	\$ 2,200.00	Education Level 1
73672	\$ 2,200.00	Education Level 1
67374	\$14,600.00	Education Level 3

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #6:**

<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>
Mrs. Dwyer	Yes	Mr. Stillman	Yes	Mr. Conklin	Yes
Mr. Guarino	Yes	Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes	Mrs. Romeo	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Yes

The **MOTION PASSED.**

**XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Raymond Guarino, Chairperson**

NOTE: All appointees recommended for employment will meet the New Jersey State law requirements for the criminal history review prior to their start date.

Motion by Mr. Guarino, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda items #1 through #28:

1. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept, with regret, the resignation of **COLEEN WEISS-MAGASIC**, Supervisor, effective September 1, 2022, for the purpose of retirement.
2. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **JOSEPH PETROSI**, Chemistry Teacher, High School, effective August 27, 2022.

NOTE: Employee will be released from 60 days' notice required per contract if a replacement is hired prior to August 27, 2022.

3. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **STEPHEN McNALLY**, Chemistry Teacher, High School, effective August 21, 2022.

NOTE: Employee will be released from 60 days' notice required per contract if a replacement is hired prior to August 21, 2022.

**XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Guarino, Chairperson - Continued**

4. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **AMY ANJUM**, Special Education Teacher, High School, effective August 14, 2022.  
  
NOTE: Employee will be released from 60 days' notice required per contract if a replacement is hired prior to August 14, 2022.
5. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **STEPHANIE AMATRUDA**, Special Education Teacher, Maple Road School, effective September 1, 2022.  
  
NOTE: Employee will be released from 60 days' notice required per contract if a replacement is hired prior to September 1, 2022.
6. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **SABRINA ARNOLD**, Grade 5 Teacher, Upper Greenwood Lake School, effective September 1, 2022.  
  
NOTE: Employee will be released from 60 days' notice required per contract if a replacement is hired prior to September 1, 2022.
7. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **KIMBERLY VOLZ**, Grade 4 Teacher, Paradise Knoll School, effective August 15, 2022.
8. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **MALCOLM IRELAND**, 0.5 Encore Teacher, Apshawa School, effective September 2, 2022.  
  
NOTE: Employee will be released from 60 days' notice required per contract if a replacement is hired prior to September 2, 2022.
9. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the appointment of **FRANYFE DiCATERINA**, Occupational Therapist, Districtwide (PC#90.98.36.BVN), at the annual salary of \$61,600.00 (MA/3), with health benefits, effective September 15, 2022, or upon release from present employer, through June 30, 2023, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement. (Replaces Teresco) Account: 11-000-216-104-10-10-367
10. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the appointment of **JESSICA BULLOCK**, Science Teacher, Macopin School (PC#90.08.29.AFP), at the annual salary of \$58,200.00 (BA/4), with health benefits, effective September 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement. (Replaces Efrus) Account: 11-130-100-101-10-10-000
11. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the appointment of **TAYLOR REED**, Social Worker, Macopin School (PC#90.08.41.CFI), at the annual salary of \$61,600.00 (MA/3), with health benefits, effective September 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement. (Replaces Meyer) Account: 11-000-219-104-10-10-142
12. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the appointment of **NOELLE STAUFENBERGER**, School Psychologist, Macopin School (PC#90.98.37.ATL), at the annual salary of \$67,600.00 (MA+30/5), with health benefits, effective September 6, 2022, or upon release from present employer, through June 30, 2023, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement. (Replaces Ginty) Account: 11-000-219-104-10-10-142

**XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Guarino, Chairperson - Continued**

- 13. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the appointment of **MEGAN HAYES**, Special Education Teacher, Maple Road School (PC#90.03.53.CDT), at the annual salary of \$60,100.00 (BA/7), with health benefits, effective September 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement. (Replaces Giordano) Account: 11-214-100-101-10-10-000
- 14. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the appointment of **KIMBERLY HEINER**, Replacement Grade 5 Teacher, Marshall Hill School (PC#99.04.00.CCP), at the annual salary of \$56,800.00 (BA/2), with health benefits, effective September 1, 2022, through December 23, 2022, per Board of Education Agreement. (Replaces Genardi-Fisher) Account: 11-120-100-101-10-10-103
- 15. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following additions to the certified personnel list of **SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS/COACHES/NURSES/SPECIAL PROJECTS** for the 2022-2023 school year, effective July 20, 2022, through June 30, 2023:

**PATRICK KEYZER** (Coach)  
**JESSICA RIBITZKI\*** (Teacher)

\*Pending fingerprint clearance.

- 16. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following additions to the non-certified personnel list of **SUBSTITUTE SECRETARIES/BUILDING AIDES/CAFETERIA AIDES/SPECIAL CLASS AIDES/SACC AIDES/OPERATIONS/SCHOOL BUS/VAN/SPECIAL USE VEHICLE DRIVERS & VEHICLE AIDES** for the 2022-2023 school year, effective July 20, 2022, through June 30, 2023:

**MEADOW BABCOCK** (Custodian)  
**JESSICA RIBITZKI\*** (Special Class Aide)

\*Pending fingerprint clearance.

- 17. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve an **ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT** for the following staff member, for **KINDERGARTEN SUMMER EXPERIENCE**, at the hourly rate of \$36.00, for two (2) hours during August 2022 - Account: 11-110-100-101-10-10-000:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>School</u>
<b>KRISTI CLAVE</b>	Maple Road

- 18. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following additions to **SPECIAL CLASS AIDES** for the **SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (ESY) PROGRAMS**, retroactive from July 5, 2022, through August 5, 2022, per contracted rates, per Board of Education/WMTAA Agreement - Various Payroll Accounts:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Payment</u>
<b>MELANIE BLOMSTRAND</b>	\$2,149.86
<b>MARIE FERRARA*</b>	\$ 938.12
<b>PEGGY PAULSON</b>	\$2,972.66
<b>ERNEST ROOSMA</b>	\$ 469.06

\*Replaces Sekelsky



XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Guarino, Chairperson - Continued

19. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve **an amendment to a previously approved resolution (June 2022)** for the following **THERAPIST** for the **SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (ESY) PROGRAM** for the months of July and August 2022, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement - Account: 11-000-219-104-10-10-700:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Therapy</u>	<u>Payment</u>
NICOLE HILL	Physical Therapist	\$6,437.14

20. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **APSHAWA ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY CLUBS, ADVISORS and HOURS** for the 2022-2023 school year, at the hourly rate of \$36.00, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement:

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Payment</u>
CHRISTINA RODEK	STEM (Fall)	10	\$360.00
SARAH WARREN	STEM (Fall)	10	\$360.00
CHRISTINA RODEK	STEM (Winter)	9	\$324.00
LINDSAY HEFFERON	STEM (Winter)	9	\$324.00
RACHAEL PHELPS	Garden Club	10	\$360.00
SARAH WARREN	Garden Club	10	\$360.00
PAMELA TAVARONE-BIESIADA	TREP\$	10	\$360.00
LINDSAY HEFFERON	TREP\$	10	\$360.00
LAURA SELTENRICH	Character Club	10	\$360.00
MARLO RAMBOWSKI	Character Club	10	\$360.00
JACLYN BECKER	Yoga (Fall)	14	\$504.00
MICHELLE DeVOID	Yoga (Fall)	14	\$504.00
JACLYN BECKER	Yoga (Spring)	14	\$504.00
MICHELLE DeVOID	Yoga (Spring)	14	\$504.00
BLAKE VISCONTI	Student Council	10	\$360.00
AMBER HARDEN	Student Council	10	\$360.00
CHRISTINA RODEK	Robotics	9	\$324.00
LINDSAY HEFFERON	Robotics	9	\$324.00
JESSICA ZIEGENBALG	Art Club	14	\$504.00

NOTE: Funded by the PTA.

21. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **MARSHALL HILL ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY CLUBS, ADVISORS and HOURS** for the 2022-2023 school year, at the hourly rate of \$36.00, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement:

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Payment</u>
JESSICA DiNETTA	Scooter Football	13	\$468.00
JONELLE PETROU	Scooter Football	13	\$468.00
MELISSA BERGH	Mindfulness	7	\$252.00
RACHEL LEHR	Running Club	6	\$216.00
CHRISTINE GENARDI-FISHER	Running Club	6	\$216.00
PAMELA KURZ	Running Club	6	\$216.00
COLLEEN BEGLEY	Running Club	6	\$216.00
ARIANNA McGUINNESS	Story Alive	6	\$216.00
MELISSA VARIAN	Story Alive	6	\$216.00
ARIANNA McGUINNESS	History Alive	6	\$216.00
MELISSA VARIAN	History Alive	6	\$216.00
SHAWN RHINESMITH	Green Team	18	\$648.00

**XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Guarino, Chairperson - Continued**

21. (Continued)

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Payment</u>
WENDY WITTMAN	Green Team	18	\$648.00
JANET SCALES	Green Team	18	\$648.00
CHRISTINE GENARDI-FISHER	Student Council	13	\$468.00
COLLEEN BEGLEY	Student Council	7	\$252.00
ALICE SUSKA	School Store	20	\$720.00
CYNTHIA RANIERI	TREP\$	15	\$540.00
TARA GUARINO	TREP\$	15	\$540.00
MAUREEN KELLY	TREP\$	15	\$540.00

NOTE: Funded by the PTA.

22. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **MACOPIN SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS, ADVISORS AND HOURS** for the 2022-2023 school year, at the hourly rate of \$36.00, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement - Account: \*11-401-100-110-10-10-000; 11-000-223-890-08-08-000:

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Payment</u>
GREGG VETTER	Ambassador	20	\$720.00
ANDREA JONES	Ambassador	20	\$720.00
JOSEPH ANDRIULLI	Make A Change	20	\$720.00
KRISTA PROVOST	Make A Change	20	\$720.00
MARY BOZENMAYER*	GSA Alliance	10	\$360.00

23. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **MACOPIN SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY ADVISORS AND STIPENDS**, for the 2022-2023 school year, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement - Account: 11-401-100-110-10-10-000:

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
KENNETH RYERSON	National Jr. Honor Society	\$1,206.00
ARTHUR JOECKS	Student Council	\$2,571.00
ASHLEY DISPENZIERS	Yearbook Co-Advisor	\$1,018.50
ALYSSA HAUSMANN	Yearbook Co-Advisor	\$1,018.50

24. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY ASSIGNMENTS and STIPENDS** for the **FALL 2022-2023** school year, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement - Account: 11-401-100-110-10-10-000:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
DAVID GEROLD	Student Council Advisor	\$2,776.00
NICOLE PETROSILLO	National Honor Society Co-Advisor	\$1,098.00
SYRENA LoRe	National Honor Society Co-Advisor	\$1,098.00
SAMANTHA BAIETTI	Yearbook Advisor	\$3,925.00
JENNIFER METCALF	Yearbook Assistant Advisor	\$2,480.00
KRISTI CLAVE	Special Olympics Advisor	\$1,524.00
SARAH GUENTER	9th Grade Co-Advisor	\$1,206.50
CHARLINE BUONGIORNO	9th Grade Co-Advisor	\$1,206.50

**XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Guarino, Chairperson - Continued**

24. (Continued)

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
LYDIA LABA	10th Grade Advisor	\$2,413.00
SUSAN NEBIKER	11th Grade Advisor	\$2,708.00
SARAH DeMICCO	12th Grade Advisor	\$2,708.00
CATHERINE SIGNORELLI	ERASE/GSA Advisor	\$1,229.00
MELISSA CSENGETO	PALS/Advisor	\$2,356.00
NICOLE KLOSZ	PALS/Assistant Advisor	\$1,570.00

25. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **HIGH SCHOOL CLUB STUDENT ACTIVITY ADVISORS and HOURS** for the 2022-2023 school year, at the hourly rate of \$36.00, per Board of Education/WMEA Agreement - Account: 11-401-100-110-10-10-000; \*\*Account: 11-000-223-890-09-34-000; \*\*\*Account: 11-000-223-890-09-35-000; \*\*\*\*Account: 11-000-221-890-09-31-000; \*\*\*\*\*Account: 20-487-100-101-10-50-103 - ARP ESSER III Grant:

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Hours</u>
ERIK NITKINAS****	English Honor Society	30
LEANNE GENNETT	Math Honor Society	10
STEPHANIE GARCIA	French Honor Society	10
VINCENZA CERTOSIMO	Italian Honor Society	10
LEONEL ANDRADE	Spanish Honor Society	10
JENNIFER MONEGO	National Art Honor Society	32
DEANA PEZZINO**	Science National Honor Society	35
ALISON SCULLY	Interact Co-Advisor	25
CHARLINE BUONGIORNO	Interact Co-Advisor	25
HEATHER BURNS	Stage/Audio Lighting	100
MATTHEW KEYZER	Varsity Club	25
MELISSA LIEBAU	Varsity Club	25
TARYN CLARK	Dance Team	120
KAREN FLAHERTY**	Robotics Club	60
CYNTHIA GALLAUGHER	Art Club	25
ERIK NITKINAS	Chess	15
STEPHEN MASLANEK	Weightlifting/Conditioning	60
MONICA BOHORQUEZ-ZEMSER	Green Team	40
DEANA PEZZINO	Science Olympiad	15
NICOLE PETROSILLO	WM Poetry Society	6
SYRENA LoRe	WM Poetry Society	6
NICOLE PETROSILLO	Model UN	50
JOHN HOLLAND***	Mock Trial	80
JOHN HOLLAND	Mini-Golf Club	20
CATHERINE BLOMGREN	Mini-Golf Club	20
HEATHER BURNS	Drama Club	30
IAN WHITE*****	Fishing Club	20

\*\*\*\*\*Funded through the ARP ESSER III Grant.

**XIII. PERSONNEL/STUDENT AFFAIRS - Mr. Guarino, Chairperson - Continued**

26. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **ATHLETIC TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS** for the 2022-2023 school year:

**KOMODO ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE TRAINING  
 KOMODO ATHLETIC CORE TRAINING  
 PARISI SPEED SCHOOL  
 WEST MILFORD EXTREME  
 HIGHLANDER BASEBALL CLUB  
 ROBERT CHRIS PASEK: SPORTS INSTRUCTOR**

NOTE: The above independent training companies carry their own insurance.

27. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **STUDENT/INTERN** for the 2022-2023 school year, at no cost to the District:

<u>Student Teacher</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Subject/Grade</u>
<b>TAYLOR QUINN</b>	Ramapo College	Elementary/Grade 4

- (28.) The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve an employment contract for **BARBARA FRANCISCO**, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, at the annual salary of \$188,713.00, with health benefits, for the 2022-2023 school year, retroactive from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, per the terms and conditions of the contract. Accounts: 11-000-230-104-10-10-110; 11-000-251-104-10-10-000

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #28:**

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Guarino	Yes*	Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mrs. Dwyer	Yes
Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mrs. Romeo	Yes***	Mr. Stillman	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes**	Mr. Conklin	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Yes

\*Mr. Guarino "Abstained" on item #21.  
 \*\*Mrs. Stephenson voted "No" to item #28.  
 \*\*\*Mrs. Romeo "Abstained" on item #21.

The **MOTION PASSED**.

**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Jaycen Stillman, Chairperson**

Motion by Mr. Stillman, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda items #1 through #13:

1. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve **an amendment to a previously approved resolution (June 2022)**, to accept a proposal from **DYNTEK**, Irvine, California, for the District Wireless Upgrade in the amount of **\$328,438.41**, less a disbursement through E-Rate Category II application funding of \$164,219.21. Total cost to the District is \$164,219.20. (Documentation provided electronically.)

**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Stillman, Chairperson - Continued**

2. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve an agreement with **E-RATE CONSULTING, INC.**, Montclair, New Jersey, for consulting and process management services in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Category I applications and 3% of funding disbursed or the minimum of \$3,250.00 for Category II applications, for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. The recommendation of the Superintendent to accept a proposal from **STONEGATE ASSOCIATES (SGA)**, Holmdel, New Jersey, to provide Emergency Management Planning and Security Consulting Services Districtwide, in the amount of \$4,875.00, for the 2022-2023 school year. (Documentation provided electronically.)
4. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve applications for **DUAL USE ROOMS**, for the 2022-2023 school year. (Documentation provided electronically.)
5. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a Renewal Application for **TEMPORARY INSTRUCTIONAL SPACE** for Highlander Academy, for the 2022-2023 school year. (Documentation provided electronically.)
6. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Toilet Room Facilities for Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms at the High School, for the 2022-2023 school year. (Documentation provided electronically.)
7. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **TRANSFER OF INTEREST** from the Payroll, Agency, Agency Medical, and Capital Projects accounts in the amount of \$4,550.10 for the 2021-2022 school year, to the General Fund account.
8. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the renewal of an agreement for a **COOPERATIVE ICE HOCKEY PROGRAM** with the **PEQUANNOCK BOARD OF EDUCATION**, for the 2022-2023 school year, made up of students from both school districts, subject to the approval of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA), and in accordance with the terms of the agreement mutually developed between the West Milford and Pequannock Boards of Education. West Milford will act as the lead district for all team activities. Upon approval by the Board and by the Pequannock Board of Education, the Board President is authorized to sign the agreement, a copy of which shall be on file in the offices of the Business Administrator and the Athletic Director.

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

**WHEREAS**, Youth Consultation Service, Inc. ("YCS") operates PSSDs at various locations in New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, District students placed at YCS PSSDs receive meals meeting the nutritional requirements of the Child Nutrition Program that is administered by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture; and

**WHEREAS**, the YCS meals provided are discounted and/or free to the District students attending YCS PSSDs; and

**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Stillman, Chairperson - Continued**

9. (Continued)

**WHEREAS**, the District does not require YCS to charge District students for the meals being provided.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as follows:

1. The District's Board of Education resolves that it does not require YCS PSSDs to charge students for reduced and/or paid meals; and
  2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately. All prior resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
10. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **DONATION** of old computer equipment, no longer of use to the District, to **UPCYCLE LLC**, Fairfield, New Jersey. Equipment will be picked up at no cost to the District. (Documentation provided electronically.)
  11. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **DONATION** of one (1) Clear Touch Panel for a 4<sup>th</sup> Grade classroom, valued at approximately \$4,418.55, from the Westbrook School PTA, for Westbrook School.
  12. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **DONATION** of \$1,000.00, from Adirond Acts, LLC, Los Angeles, California, for Upper Greenwood Lake School.
  13. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve payments to the following additional employees for participation in the **HEALTH BENEFITS INCENTIVE PROGRAM**, for the 2021-2022 school year - Account: 11-000-291-270-10-13-000:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Payment</u>
<b>PAMELA FENNING</b>	\$2,000.00
<b>ANDREW FOSTEK</b>	\$1,000.00
<b>DEBRA MASIELLO</b>	\$1,666.60
<b>MICHAEL MROZ</b>	\$1,000.00
<b>SUZANNE OESTERLE</b>	\$2,000.00
<b>WILLIAM SHAFFER</b>	\$2,000.00
<b>MICHAEL McINERNEY</b>	\$1,000.00

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #13:**

<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>
Mr. Stillman	Yes	Mrs. Dwyer	Yes	Mr. Conklin	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes	Mr. Guarino	Yes	Mrs. Romeo	Yes
Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Yes

The **MOTION PASSED**.

Motion by Mr. Stillman, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda item #14:

**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Stillman, Chairperson - Continued**

**DISCUSSION:** Mrs. Stephenson inquired about item #14. Ms. Francisco responded to her inquiry.

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

**RESOLVED**, to approve **TRAINING AND TRAVEL EXPENDITURES** at the mileage rate established by the Board, for attendance at the New Jersey School Boards Annual Conference, October 24, 2022, through October 26, 2022, for the following participants: (Documentation provided electronically.)

Administrators

Alex Anemone  
Barbara Francisco  
Daniel Novak  
Christopher Kelly  
William Scholts

Trustees

Michael Conklin  
Teresa Dwyer  
Raymond Guarino  
Claire Lockwood  
Debbie O'Brien

Kate Romeo  
Cortney Stephenson  
Jaycen Stillman  
Lynda Van Dyk

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEM #14:**

TRUSTEE	VOTE FOR SELF	VOTE FOR OTHERS
Mr. Conklin	Abstain	Yes
Mrs. Dwyer	Abstain	Yes
Mr. Guarino	Abstain	Yes*
Mrs. Lockwood	Abstain	Yes
Mrs. O'Brien	Abstain	Yes
Mrs. Romeo	Abstain	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Abstain	Yes**
Mr. Stillman	Abstain	Yes
Mrs. Van Dyk	Abstain	Yes

\*Mr. Guarino voted "No" for Mrs. Stephenson.

\*\*Mrs. Stephenson voted "No" for Mr. Guarino.

The **MOTION PASSED**.

Motion by Mr. Stillman, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda item #15:

15. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **PAYROLL** of June 30, 2022 and July 15, 2022, in the amount of \$2,530,300.08. (Documentation provided electronically.)

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEM #15:**

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Stillman	Yes	Mrs. Dwyer	Yes	Mr. Conklin	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes	Mr. Guarino	Abstain	Mrs. Romeo	Abstain
Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Abstain

The **MOTION PASSED**.

**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Stillman, Chairperson - Continued**

Motion by Mr. Stillman, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda items #16 through #21:

16. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **LIST OF BILLS/ VENDORS** for the period ending **June 30, 2022**, in the amount of \$2,410,083.22. (Documentation provided electronically.)

17. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **TRANSFER OF FUNDS RESOLUTION** for the period ending **June 30, 2022**:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Township of West Milford that the following transfers made on the financial records of the Board affecting the **2021-2022** budget be affirmed and approved. (See folder insert.)

Total transfers in the amount of \$369,571.56.

18. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the **LIST OF BILLS/ VENDORS** for the period ending **July 19, 2022**, in the amount of \$2,870,353.66. (Documentation provided electronically.)

19. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following **TRANSFER OF FUNDS RESOLUTION** for the period ending **July 19, 2022**:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Township of West Milford that the following transfers made on the financial records of the Board affecting the **2022-2023** budget be affirmed and approved. (See folder insert.)

Total transfers in the amount of \$38,229.29.

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

**WHEREAS**, the Agenda file of **July 19, 2022** Regular Meeting of the Board contains the A148 Report of the Secretary and the A149 Treasurer's Monthly Report; and

**WHEREAS**, both the A148 and A149 are in agreement with the cash balance in the Governmental Funds of:

\$12,779,445.90 as of May 31, 2022; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Report of the Secretary and the Treasurer's Monthly Report be accepted. (Documentation provided electronically.)

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

**RESOLVED**, that the Board certify as of May 31, 2022, after review of the Secretary's Monthly (A-148) Report and Treasurer's Monthly Report (A-149), and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3 and 6A:23A-16.10, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.



**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Stillman, Chairperson - Continued**

ROLL CALL FOR ITEMS #16 THROUGH #21:

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Stillman	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mrs. Romeo	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes	Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mr. Conklin	Yes
Mr. Guarino	Yes	Mrs. Dwyer	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Yes

The **MOTION PASSED.**

Motion by Mr. Guarino, seconded by Mrs. Dwyer, to **TABLE** item #22 to be voted on after Executive Session.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

**XV. POLICY - Mrs. Courtney Stephenson, Chairperson**

Motion by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda items #1 through #28:

**DISCUSSION:** Mrs. Stephenson spoke about our HIB policy. She requested that the HIB policy be included in the September orientation for all teachers, so that they are clear on this policy. She stated that the Board has worked very hard and would like to continue to hold that policy in high esteem.

Mrs. Romeo inquired about a first reading of these policies, and if a Board member voted "No" to one of them. She asked if it would become a first reading again in August. Dr. Anemone explained it would be brought back to the Committee. She spoke about item #17, and explained that she would like to see student input on this.

Mrs. Romeo also inquired about item #24. Dr. Anemone and Ms. Francisco responded to her inquiry.

1. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised BYLAW** entitled, "High School Student Representative to the Board of Education." (Code 0143.2) (Documentation provided electronically.)
2. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised BYLAW** entitled, "Quorum." (Code 0163) (Documentation provided electronically.)
3. The recommendation of the Superintendent to **ABOLISH** the **POLICY** entitled, "Safety Plan for Healthcare Settings in School Buildings - COVID 19." (Code 1648.14) (Documentation provided electronically.)
4. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **new POLICY** entitled, "Recordkeeping for Healthcare Settings in School Buildings - COVID-19." (Code 1648.15) (Documentation provided electronically.)

XV. POLICY - Mrs. Stephenson, Chairperson - Continued

5. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Every Student Succeeds Act." (Code 2415) (Documentation provided electronically.)
6. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Title I - District-Wide Parent and Family Engagement." (Code 2415.04) (Documentation provided electronically.)
7. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **new POLICY** entitled, "Postnatal Accommodations for Students." (Code 2416.01) (Documentation provided electronically.)
8. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Student Intervention and Referral Services." (Code 2417) (Documentation provided electronically.)
9. The recommendation of the Superintendent to **ABOLISH** the **POLICY** entitled, "School Sponsored Publications." (Code 2432) (Documentation provided electronically.)
10. The recommendation of the Superintendent to **ABOLISH** the **REGULATION** entitled, "School Sponsored Publications." (Code 2432) (Documentation provided electronically.)
11. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Examination for Cause" (Teaching Staff Members). (Code 3161) (Documentation provided electronically.)
12. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Dress and Grooming" (Teaching Staff Members). (Code 3216) (Documentation provided electronically.)
13. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Professional Responsibilities." (Code 3270) (Documentation provided electronically.)
14. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised REGULATION** entitled, "Lesson Plans and Plan Books." (Code 3270) (Documentation provided electronically.)
15. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Examination for Cause" (Support Staff Members). (Code 4161) (Documentation provided electronically.)
16. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Dress and Grooming" (Support Staff Members). (Code 4216) (Documentation provided electronically.)
17. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised REGULATION** entitled, "Dress Code." (Code 5511) (Documentation provided electronically.)
18. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying." (Code 5512) (Documentation provided electronically.)

**XV. POLICY - Mrs. Stephenson, Chairperson - Continued**

19. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Care of School Property." (Code 5513) (Documentation provided electronically.)
20. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised REGULATION** entitled, "Care of School Property." (Code 5513) (Documentation provided electronically.)
21. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "School District Issued Student Identification Cards." (Code 5517) (Documentation provided electronically.)
22. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised REGULATION** entitled, "Substance Abuse." (Code 5530) (Documentation provided electronically.)
23. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **new POLICY** entitled, "Student Journalism." (Code 5722) (Documentation provided electronically.)
24. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Maintenance and Repair." (Code 7410) (Documentation provided electronically.)
25. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised REGULATION** entitled, "Facilities Maintenance, Repair Scheduling, and Accounting." (Code 7410.01) (Documentation provided electronically.)
26. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Emergency and Crisis Situations." (Code 8420) (Documentation provided electronically.)
27. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised POLICY** entitled, "Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies." (Code 9320) (Documentation provided electronically.)
28. The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the first reading of a **revised REGULATION** entitled, "Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies." (Code 9320) (Documentation provided electronically.)

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #28:**

<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>	<b>VOTE</b>
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes	Mr. Conklin	Yes	Mrs. Dwyer	Yes*
Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mr. Stillman	Yes	Mr. Guarino	Yes
Mrs. Romeo	Yes	Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Yes

\*Mrs. Dwyer voted "No" to item #17.

The **MOTION PASSED.**

**XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS/LIAISONS**

Parks & Recreation - Mr. Conklin - No report.

Safety - Mrs. Van Dyk - No report.

Superintendent's Roundtable - Mrs. Lockwood/Mrs. Van Dyk - No report.

Passaic County School Boards Association - Mrs. Dwyer/Mrs. Van Dyk - No report.

New Jersey School Boards Association - Mrs. Dwyer/Mrs. Van Dyk - Mrs. Van Dyk stated that the information has been received for the NJSBA Workshop to be held in October in person.

Legislative - Mrs. O'Brien stated that the New Jersey legislature held voting sessions on June 29<sup>th</sup> that led the state financial year 2023 appropriations and various educational items to the Governor's desk. Governor Murphy signed the Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriations Act on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The budget year that began July 1<sup>st</sup> provides a total of \$18.60 billion to the New Jersey Department of Education, which is an increase over last year. She stated that \$30 million in stabilization aid designed to assist districts in implementing plans to adjust to their new funding levels under S2 was part of this, as well as \$420 million in extraordinary special education cost aid. Mrs. O'Brien also reported on other measures that the Governor signed into law with regard to Education.

Technology Oversight - Mr. Guarino - No report.

Township/Board of Education Joint Committee - Mrs. Dwyer/Mrs. Van Dyk/ Mr. Guarino - The meeting for July was cancelled, but will be rescheduled for August.

West Milford Municipal Alliance - Mrs. Stephenson/Mrs. Romeo - Mrs. Stephenson indicated there were no meetings for July and August, but the WMMA provided updates via email. She thanked the "United for Prevention in Passaic County." The Board of Education has received "Smoke Free" signs for our schools, our school property, and for the West Milford Parks & Recreation. Also, in collaboration with "United for Prevention in Passaic County" and Mr. Novak, the program "We Are Not Buying It" will be offered to our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students in the 2022-2023 school year, at no cost to the District or the WMMA. The second "National Night Out" will be held on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Bubbling Springs. This nationwide event is to bring together law enforcement and the community. The WMMA will have a table there and this event is free for all that attend.

Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) - Mrs. Lockwood - No report.

**XVII. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Guarino inquired about Kilgallen Field, and if work started on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Dr. Anemone indicated the infield is being worked on now, and explained what was ordered and needs to be done. He stated the infield will be worked on this year, and the outfield will be worked on next year. Mr. Guarino asked if the field can be used this Fall, as it would be beneficial for the four teams comprised of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders to be able to play on this field, instead of playing away. Dr. Anemone and Ms. Francisco responded to his inquiry and provided additional information.

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**XVII. OLD BUSINESS - Continued**

Mr. Guarino also announced that the West Milford Little League 12 year olds won the District 2 Championship, comprised of mostly Passaic County teams. The team will now play in Sparta in the Sectional Finals, and should they be successful, they will play in the State tournament to be held in Pequannock. Mr. Guarino stated it would be great to see Kilgallen Field become a premier baseball field again for all of these baseball athletes.

Dr. Anemone indicated that the gravel parking lot adjacent to Macopin School, just off of McCormack and Dygos Fields, is in the process of being paved.

Mr. Stillman inquired about the company paving the parking lot and how the contract was obtained. Ms. Francisco stated the vendor is Murray Paving and we are able to use a cooperative vendor rather than prepare a bid document.

Mr. Guarino stated that in the past the District used Haskell Paving, and asked if they were part of a cooperative. Ms. Francisco stated that Haskell Paving was a subcontractor for Murray Paving, who is on the cooperative. Murray Paving can use a subcontractor if they have a lot of work.

Mrs. Dwyer spoke about a concern regarding the walkway between the area of the High School and the Senior parking lot, which she feels is in need of repair. Ms. Francisco stated she will look into this and that it has been discussed in the past.

Mr. Stillman spoke about the maintenance of the schools, including the Marshall Hill fence, which was done when he was on the Parks and Recreation advisory committee. He asked why the rest of the fence was not finished, as it is jagged and rusted. He spoke about the rusted out backboards on the basketball hoops behind the High School with brand new nets installed on them, but he has seen Elementary schools with new backboards. He also referred to the Hillcrest building having inappropriate graffiti painted on the sides of the building. He feels these items need to be cleaned up and corrected, and that we should be taking pride in all of our buildings.

Mrs. Stephenson commented on the location of the cross walk from the Senior parking lot to Macopin School, and feels it is a safety issue and can be dangerous.

Motion by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mrs. Dwyer, to close Old Business.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

**XVIII. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Stillman spoke about the big field up behind the tennis courts and the track, which looks like dumping grounds. He asked if that area could be used for a parking lot for more parking for the track. Board members discussed this area. Ms. Francisco and Dr. Anemone responded to their inquiries.

Motion by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mrs. Dwyer, to close New Business.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

**XIX. PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS (PLEASE SIGN IN)**

This portion of the meeting is open to members of the public having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board for the purpose of addressing any subject matter pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the West Milford Public School District. Members of the public who have requested to speak prior to the meeting will be recognized by the chair first. Each speaker will be given five (5) minutes, for a period of thirty (30) minutes; and then time permitting, other public comment limited to five (5) minutes per speaker will be allowed, until the thirty (30) minute period transpires. All speakers are asked to sign the register provided and give their full name, spell their last name, group affiliation, if appropriate, and provide their address. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate.

The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and respectful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged, and the Board and the Administration will not respond to them. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded to them by the laws of New Jersey. The Board is not responsible and is not liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments. Members of the public are reminded that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

Rebecca Benowitz, Mia Grezutti and Finola Gordon. Miss Benowitz stated that the students looked over the revisions to the Dress Code policy that was given to them. She thanked the Board for being so open and accepting of everything the students have been trying to do. The revisions in place are acceptable word for word of what they have given the Board and of what they would like to see in the High School, and also in the Middle School. She thanked the Board again.

Miss Grezutti thanked the Board on behalf of the Women's Equality and Empowerment Club, which was newly founded this year. She had some comments and questions that were discussed with the club regarding the policy, specifically about "Detention" and "Code of Conduct." She asked if the dress code could be handled in a discreet manner or redirected to a Guidance Counselor or a Case Manager, in addition to speaking with the teacher. The students also asked for clarification on some other parts of the policy.

Board members responded to their inquiries and discussed this further.

Motion by Mr. Guarino, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to close Public Comment.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

**XX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:24 p.m., Mrs. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to go into Executive Session for approximately fifteen (15) minutes, for the purpose of discussing current litigation matters. The Board will return to take action.

The executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

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**XX. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Continued**

The Board returned to the Public Meeting at 8:38 p.m.

**ROLL CALL UPON RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Mrs. Romeo	Present	Mrs. Dwyer	Present	Mrs. Lockwood	Present
Mrs. Stephenson	Present	Mrs. O'Brien	Present	Mr. Conklin	Present
Mr. Stillman	Present	Mr. Guarino	Present	Mrs. Van Dyk	Present

**XIV. OPERATIONS & FINANCE - Mr. Jaycen Stillman, Chairperson**

Motion by Mr. Stillman, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to approve the following agenda item #22:

(22.) The recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the Settlement Agreement between the West Milford Township Board of Education and the parent of student ID# 71011; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board President and the Board Secretary are authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.

**ROLL CALL FOR ITEM #22:**

TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE	TRUSTEE	VOTE
Mr. Stillman	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes	Mrs. Romeo	Yes
Mrs. Stephenson	Yes	Mrs. Lockwood	Yes	Mr. Conklin	Yes
Mr. Guarino	Abstain	Mrs. Dwyer	Yes	Mrs. Van Dyk	Yes

The **MOTION PASSED.**

**XXI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:41 p.m., Mrs. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel, and to adjourn the meeting from Executive Session, as no action will be taken.

The executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.

**VOICE VOTE: All in Favor. MOTION PASSED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Francisco  
Board Secretary