

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING OF THE WOODSTOWN-PILES GROVE BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 2, 2009 AT THE MARY SHOEMAKER SCHOOL AT 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER Mr. Baum, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE Mr. Baum then led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Baum read the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law. Notice of this meeting was published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Today's Sunbeam, Elmer Times, Borough of Woodstown Municipal Hall, Township of Pilesgrove Municipal Hall, general offices and faculty rooms of the district's three schools, the school district's central office, and with the Borough of Woodstown Clerk and the Township of Pilesgrove Clerk.

ROLL CALL The following members answered roll call: Mr. Baum, Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mrs. Miller (arrived at 8:05 p.m.), Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey (arrived at 6:37 p.m.), Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno (arrived at 7:00 p.m.), and Mr. Vail.

Members absent: Mr. Crouch

Also in attendance: Dr. James Kerfoot – Interim Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Harold O'Neil – Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Administrators in attendance: Dr. Hoopes, Mr. Fagnoli, Ms. Cioffi, Mr. Paolizzi and Mrs. Braxton.

Mr. Rey arrived at 6:37 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET

Dr. Kerfoot and Mr. O'Neil presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2009-2010 budget and entertained questions from Board members and the audience.

Motion by Mr. Painter, seconded by Mrs. Duffield, and carried 7-1-0 by roll call to approve the following (see page ___):

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2009-2010 school district budget for submission to the voters as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$21,749,095	\$8,874,811
Special Revenue Fund	\$431,643	\$0
Debt Service Fund	\$2,354	\$0
Total Base Budget	\$22,183,092	\$8,874,811

AND WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b) provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2009-2010 school year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodstown-Pilesgrove Regional School District Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2009-2010 school year at the sum of \$85,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

Roll Call: ayes: (7) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (1) Mr. Schermerhorn; abstentions: (0)

Mrs. Tierno arrived at 7:00 p.m.

STAFF/STUDENT RECOGNITIONS

Ms. Cioffi, Mary Shoemaker School Principal, introduced Young Wolverines of the Month for March: Alexis Schaefer and John Cuzzupe.

Mr. Fagnoli, Middle School Principal, introduced Middle School Junior Wolverines for March: Jessica Marie Demarest and Dylan Anthony Livingston.

Dr. Hoopes, High School Principal, introduced Wolverines of the Month of March: Hayley Edwards and Christopher Arney.

Mr. Merkle, Athletic Director, presented plaques to the following 2008 championship teams:
Girls Field Hockey
Girls Cross Country

Mr. Fagnoli introduced and recognized Ms. Karma Stark, middle school teacher, as this month's "Above and Beyond" recipient.

PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Ms. Lisa Paolizzi of the Woodstown-Pilesgrove School Foundation presented grant awards to the following staff:

Bette Ann Skinner - \$1,000 for Guided Reading Books for Mary Shoemaker

Kindergarten Team - \$700 for Balance Literacy for classroom
 1st Grade Team - \$1,520 for CD players, headsets and CD/books
 Lori Raggio and Adam Hyland - \$400 for Distance Learning Activity through the Philadelphia Museum of Arts.

MINUTES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Painter seconded by Mrs. Duffield, and carried 9-0 to approve the following minutes:

- February 19, 2009
- February 26, 2009
- March 3, 2009
- March 4, 2009
- March 7, 2009
- March 9, 2009
- March 16, 2009
- March 18, 2009

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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Motion by Mrs. Duffield, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve the following Business Administrators recommendations:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, I certify that as of January 31, 2009, no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a). (see page ___)

Board Secretary

Date

The January 31, 2009 preliminary Report of the Treasurer of School Funds for the 2008-2009 school year is in agreement with the January 31, 2009 preliminary Report of the Board Secretary, pending audit. (see page ___)

The January 31, 2009 preliminary Reports of the Board Secretary and Board Treasurer and, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, certify that as of April 2, 2009, after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (revenue and appropriations section) 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 violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that there have been no changes in anticipated revenue sources and/or amounts so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Painter, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 9-0 to approve the transfer of funds as previously approved by the Superintendent pursuant to 18A:22-8.1 for the month of January 2009. (see page ___)

Motion by Mrs. Duffield, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve EFT's for the month of February 2009, additional hand check payments for the month of February 2009, and payment list for the month of March 2009. (see page ___)

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Painter, and carried 9-0 to approve voiding the following check:
 Check #45557 dated 11/20/08, payable to Follett Corporation in the amount of \$2,437.47, issued under P.O. #668-09 due to check lost in the mail. Check will be reissued under check #46282.

Motion by Mrs. Tierno, seconded by Mr. Vail, and carried 9-0 to accept the following reports:
 Student Activity Account and Athletic Account for the month of February 2009 (see page ___)
 Scholarships for the month of February 2009 (see page ___)
 Odyssey of the Mind for the months of February 2009 (see page ___)
 Cafeteria report for the month of January and February 2009 (see page ___)

Motion by Mr. Rey, seconded by Mrs. Duffield, and carried 7-0 (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to accept the Woodstown Community School report for the month of February 2009. (see page ___)

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION I – None

OLD BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

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Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Painter, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve the following:
 Authorization for the School Business Administrator to accept the Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 Deferral for the districts PERS employer pension liability. The total pension contribution amount (\$158,026) and the non-contributory group life insurance (\$19,643) is \$177,669. The Board of Education directs the School Business Administrator to accept the 50% deferral of the PERS contribution amount (79,013) and to pay \$98,656 of the total pension and non-contributing group insurance plan. (see page ___)

Authorization for project submissions of gymnasium lighting replacement at Woodstown High/Middle School and Mary S. Shoemaker School to the Department of Education for ROD (Regular Operating District) grant consideration. (see page ____)

Authorization for Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. to submit project applications for gymnasium lighting replacement at Woodstown High/Middle School and Mary S. Shoemaker School to the New Jersey Department of Education on behalf of the Woodstown-Piles Grove Regional Board of Education. The cost will be \$500 per application for a total of \$1,000. (see page ____)

Authorization for the School Business Administrator to submit to the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Division of Food and Nutrition, a grant application for equipment assistance in the food service program. (see page ____)

Home instruction for the following students:
7069377131 – administrative
1819168070 – administrative

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mrs. Duffield, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 7-0 (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to accept the March 10, 2009 special election results. (see page ____)

Motion by Mr. Painter, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 7-0-0 by roll call (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to contract with Walt's Bus Service, Inc., Route AMS-1 (low quote) to transport middle school student 7208984835 to the Salem County Alternative Middle School in Salem, beginning March 18, 2009 through June 22, 2009 at a per diem of \$69.20, mileage increase/decrease of \$1.50 and aide cost of \$30.00 (aide not needed at this time) for 61 days for a total cost to the district of \$4,221.00.

Roll Call: ayes: (7) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 7-0-0 by roll call (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to amend previously approved transportation contract route Y794 with Gloucester County Special Services School District to include transporting special education pre-school student R. A. (NJSmart # not available) from the elementary school to home at a possible increase per mile of \$1.50. beginning March 18, 2009 through the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Roll Call: ayes: (7) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mrs. Tierno, seconded by Mr. Vail, and carried 7-0-0 by roll call (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to amend previously approved transportation contract route Y777 with Gloucester County Special Service School District to include transporting elementary school special education student 7069665857 to SCSSSD-Daretown School with an additional aide cost of \$35.00 a day and possible increase per mile of \$1.50, beginning March 23, 2009 through the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Roll Call: ayes: (7) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mrs. Tierno, seconded by Mr. Vail, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to contract with Gloucester County Special Services School District for transportation route Y810 to transport high school special education student A. H. (NJSmart # not available) to Creative Achievement Academy in Vineland at an estimated per diem cost of \$86.00 beginning March 17, 2009 through the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mrs. Tierno, seconded by Mr. Vail, and carried 9-0 to approve home instruction for the following high school student:

8215942067 – administrative

PERSONNEL (As Recommended by the Superintendent)

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Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 9-0 to approve workshop attendance for William Connolly. (see page ____)

POLICY COMMITTEE

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The following recommendations were acted upon:

Motion by Mrs. Tierno, seconded by Mr. Painter, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to adopt the following policy on second reading:

Policy 5512-01 – Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (revised)

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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The Board reviewed the March 19, 2009 Personnel Committee Report submitted by Committee Chairperson, George Rey. The following recommendations were acted upon:

Motion by Mr. Rey, seconded by Mrs. Tierno, and carried 8-0-1 to approve the following:

Substitute List Additions for the 2008-2009 school year:

- Heather Dolbow – teacher
- Cynthia Flachsbart – teacher
- Stacy Mead – teacher

Volunteers for the 2008-2009 school year:

- High school chaperones (see page)
- Karen Kenny – girls track
- William Parks – girls softball
- J. Shane Lesheer – boys tennis

Extra-duty appointment for the 2008-2009 school year.

Joe Ursino, assistant baseball coach, Step 1 at a stipend of \$2,826.

Clinical observation request. (see page)

Seminars, conferences, and training opportunities for listed district staff. (see page ____)

Roll Call: ayes: (8) Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (1) Mrs. Duffield abstained on the high school chaperones only.

Motion by Mr. Rey, seconded by Mr. Vail, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to appoint Noah Schoeler as a high school math teacher at Bachelor's, Step 1 (\$44,000), prorated per diem, no benefits, retroactive to March 5, 2009, through the end of the 2008-2009 school year. (Note: Mr. Schoeler is replacing Sharon Vaughn who is on medical leave.)

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Rey, seconded by Mrs. Duffield, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve emergent hiring resolution for the following new employees for the 2008-2009 school year:

- Heather Dolbow
- Cynthia Fachsbart

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Rey, seconded by Mr. Painter and carried 7-0 (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to approve the following:

- Volunteers for the 2008-2009 school year:
 - Shoemaker school (see page ____)
 - Middle School (see page ____)

Retirement of middle school secretary, Denise Federici, effective July 1, 2009, with congratulations and regrets. (see page ____)

Karma Stark as middle school mentoring coordinator for year two of the Salem County Mentoring Alliance grant. (see page ____)

FINANCE/FACILITIES /
TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE

FINANCE/FACILITIES TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Board reviewed the February 26, 2009 and March 10, 2009 Finance /Facilities/ Transportation Committee Reports submitted by Committee Chairperson, Doug Painter. The following recommendations were acted upon:

Motion by Mr. Painter, seconded by Mrs. Duffield, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve the following: Pineland Learning Center tuition contract for high school student 8516864727 in the amount of \$38,298.60, prorated, for the 2008-2009 school year. (see page ____)

Reports of the Fire Drills performed at the High/Middle School for the month of February 2009. (see page ____)

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mrs. Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Painter, seconded by Mrs. Duffield, and carried 7-0-0 by roll call (voting not applicable to sending district representatives) to approve the following:

P.E.S.I. to provide home instruction services to middle school student 7208984835 in the amount of \$26.50 per hour. (see page ____)

Reports of the Fire Drills performed at the Mary Shoemaker School for the month of February 2009. (see page ____)

Roll Call: ayes: (7) Mrs. Duffield, Mrs. Mr. Frazier, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

EDUCATIONAL
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The Board reviewed the March 19, 2009 Educational Programs Committee Report submitted by Committee Chairperson, Mrs. Eileen Miller. In Mrs. Miller's absence, Mr. Vail presented the following recommendations were acted upon:

Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Frazier, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve the amendments to the 2008-2009 school calendar as follows:

Full day of school on Monday, April 13.

Full day of school on Tuesday, April 14.

Last day for students, Friday, June 19 (half day) with half days on June 15, 16, 17, and 18. (Note: Middle school promotion will be held on Thursday, June 18; high school graduation will be held on Friday, June 19)

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Painter, seconded by Mr. Vail, and carried 9-0 to **table** the approval of the 2009-2010 school calendar until further discussion with the sending districts.

Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Frazier, and carried 9-0-0 by roll call to approve the following:
Homeless Agreement with Salem City School District (see page ___)

High School field trips (see page ___)

High School mentoring program (see page ___)

Establishment of the Woodstown Video Communications Club at the high school and approval of Michael Hartman as the adviser. (Note: Mr. Hartman will not receive a stipend for serving in this capacity.) (see page ___)

High/Middle school photography contract for 2009-2010 with Herff Jones. (see page ___)

Acceptance of donation of stationary bike (see page ___)

Home instruction as follows:

9685812175 – medical

1434260103 – administrative

Roll Call: ayes: (9) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Painter, and carried 7-0 (voting not applicable to sending districts) to approve the following:

Shoemaker/middle school field trips (see page ___)

Home instruction as follows:

9765353561 – administrative

7214543358 – administrative

6409495872 – administrative

2204175487 – administrative

Mrs. Miller arrived at 8:05 p.m.

OTHER REPORTS

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The following verbal reports were given:

Mr. Baum, Board President, stated that he will review the Code of Ethics after closed session.

Dr. Kerfoot, Interim Superintendent, acknowledged the athletic awards that various students and coaches received.

Mr. O’Neil, Interim Business Administrator, informed the Board of the following:

Negotiations for health benefits continues.

Track is still delayed due to the weather.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

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The Administrative Reports were attached to Superintendent’s Monthly Report and delivered under separate cover.

SENDING DISTRICT REPORTS

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Mr. Morris – Alloway Rep., had nothing to report.

Mr. Schermerhorn – Upper Pittsgrove Rep., stated that this is his last meeting as the Upper Pittsgrove representative and that it has been a pleasure working with the Woodstown-Piles Grove Board.

SACC REPORT

SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE (SACC) REPORT - Mrs. Miller had nothing to report.

DELEGATE REPORT

DELEGATE REPORT – Mrs. Eileen Miller, Delegate, had nothing to report.

FUTURE MEETINGS

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April 7, 2009 – Policy Committee, 6:30 p.m., district office

April 16, 2009 – Personnel Committee, 6:00 p.m., district office

April 16, 2009 – Ed Programs Committee, 7:00 p.m., district office

April 21, 2009 – Finance/Facilities Committee, 5:30 p.m., district office

April 30, 2009 – Reorganization/Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 pm. Mary Shoemaker School Library

IMPORTANT DATES IMPORTANT DATES
April 21, 2009 – School Board Election

EXECUTIVE SESSION RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION I
Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mrs. Duffield and carried 10-0-0 by roll call, that the Board of Education adjourn, by Resolution, into Executive Session, from which the general public is excluded, to discuss items in accordance with NJSA 10:4-12B. Matters discussed in executive session will remain confidential until such time the need for confidentiality no longer exists. (8:12 P.M.)

a. Personnel Matters

Roll Call: ayes: (10) Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Frazier, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Mr. Schermerhorn left the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

RESUME PUBLIC PORTION Motion by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Frazier, and carried 9-0 to resume the public portion of the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Mrs. Duffield left the room at 9:15 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Painter, and carried 8-0-0 by roll call to approve the color guard stipend of \$1,100 for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school year.

Roll Call: ayes: (8) Mr. Frazier, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Morris, Mr. Painter, Mr. Rey, Mrs. Tierno, Mr. Vail, and Mr. Baum; nays: (0); abstentions: (0)

Mrs. Duffield rejoined the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

Mr. Baum reviewed and discussed the Code of Ethics and disclosure forms with the board members.

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ADJOURNMENT Motion by Mr. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Miller, and carried 9-0, there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Harold E. O'Neil, Jr.
Interim SBA/BS

Approved by Motion of the Board

Date

Signature/BA