

Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Special Meeting of the Board of Education

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

1.1 Call Meeting to Order

The meeting of the Board of Education, City of Woodbury, was held on the above date. Mrs. Mangeri opened the meeting at 6:30pm and read the opening statements.

1.2 Open Public Meetings Act

Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et.seq.) has been given by the Board Secretary in the following manner:

Emailing notice to the *South Jersey Times* and *Courier-Post* and providing written notice to the Clerk of the City of Woodbury on January 4, 2019.

1.3 Roll Call

Mr. Abbott – Present
Mr. Coldren – Present
Mr. Hill – Absent (with prior notice)
Mrs. Mcilvaine - Present
Mr. Pegues – Present
Mr. Pipolo – Absent
Mrs. Sylvester - Present
Mrs. Ulmer – Present
Mrs. Mangeri – Present
Nzingha Rothmiller, Student Representative – Present

1.4 Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President, Kathy Mangeri, followed by a moment of silence.

1.5 District Mission and Beliefs

Building upon our history, diversity, and beliefs, the mission of the Woodbury City Public Schools,

a leader in personalizing education,

is to ensure each child becomes a responsible member of our society who excels in his or her endeavors and meets life's challenges with courage, confidence, and pride; this is accomplished by utilizing proven instructional strategies and innovative methods by highly skilled and dedicated individuals in partnership with families, our city, and the global community.

1.6 Chain of Communication

Per policy 1312, the Woodbury City Board of Education welcomes inquiries about and constructive criticism of the district's programs, equipment, operations and personnel.

The superintendent shall develop procedures to investigate and solve problems promptly, and to provide accurate factual information in answer to inquiries. Such procedures shall conform to state law and applicable negotiated agreements.

School related concerns involving a student are usually resolved by the teacher or other school employee with supervisory responsibilities. To effectively and efficiently address these concerns in the best interest of the student, the following chain of communication will be applied. When the concern is not resolved, please proceed to the next step in the chain of communication.

1. Parent/Guardian of student communicates concern to teacher or counselor.
2. Parent/Guardian communicates concern to a school administrator.
3. Administrator facilitates communication between parent/guardian, teacher, and appropriate school personnel (i.e., counselors, etc.)
4. Parent/Guardian communicates concern to the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee.
5. Parent/Guardian communicates concern to Board of Education.

When a board member is confronted with an issue, he/she will withhold comment, commitment and/or opinion and refer the complaint or inquiry to the superintendent. Only in those cases where satisfactory adjustment cannot be made by the superintendent and the staff shall communications and complaints be referred to the board of education for resolution.

1.7 Presentation

- 2019-2020 Budget Public Hearing

Mrs. McCabe gave the budget presentation for the 2019-2020 school year budget. This included the Statement of Purpose for the summer roofing project and the stadium repairs.

Mr. Coldren asked about why we received less in the Preschool Education Aid. Mrs. McCabe explained that the enrollment went down in the Preschool, and thus we received less aid.

Mr. Coleman stated that we are continuing the current staffing levels.

Mr. Pegues asked about the administrative costs, and inquired what made that up. Mrs. McCabe explained the offices that is in those accounts.

Mrs. McCabe said that the User Friendly Budget and the Budget Presentation will be up on the website tomorrow.

No public comment.

1.8 Student Representative Report

Student Body Representative – Nzingha Rothmiller – reported on the following items:

- The softball team is doing well and she gave an update
- The Woodbury boys track team is winning
- The teachers are still without a contract
- AP testing was given today
- PARCC practice was yesterday
- PARCC testing is next week

1.9 Open Meeting to the Public for Comment

Open: Motion _____ Mrs. McIlvaine _____ Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

Morgan Tripodi, Senior at Woodbury High School

Ms. Morgan Tripodi spoke on behalf of her teacher, Mrs. Christine Dare. Ms. Tripodi spoke of her personal experiences with Mrs. Dare, who she said is selfless and has amazing character. She also helps supply teams with their gear and runs the school store. Ms. Tripodi feels that not keeping Mrs. Dare in this district would be a mistake.

Mrs. Mangeri said that, while the Board cannot respond to anyone speaking on behalf of Mrs. Dare, the Board can certainly listen.

James Dare

Mr. James Dare wanted to put a face to the Board about Mrs. Christine Dare. She helps with many things at the school. These include service-learning hours on Saturdays, starting the school store, teaching the 21st Century students, along with many other things.

Linda Sayles, Freshman at Woodbury High School

Ms. Linda Sayles stated that she had Mrs. Christine Dare in 6th grade and spoke on her personal experiences with Mrs. Dare.

Todd Hayes, Junior at Woodbury High School

Mr. Todd Hayes said that he has been at Woodbury since 5th grade. He spoke on his personal experiences with Mrs. Dare. He explained how Mrs. Dare shows 'kindness', and interacts with students in order to engage them. He said that Mrs. Dare is an inspiration to him.

Tonice Greer, Sophomore at Woodbury High School

Ms. Tonice Greer said that she had Mrs. Christine Dare in 7th grade for her Personal Finance class. Ms. Greer spoke about how Mrs. Dare gave her guidance. She said that Mrs. Dare has always been a good person and is there for her.

Mrs. Mangeri thanked everyone for coming out and speaking out about this.

Mr. Coleman seconded this and commended these students for getting up and speaking about this.

Close: Motion Mrs. Mcilvaine

Second Mrs. Sylvester

2. BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL (ACTION ITEMS)

2.1 Adoption of Budget 2019-2020

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 School Budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent;

WHEREAS, the Woodbury City Board of Education has proposed programs and services as outlined in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education and is below adequacy as defined by the School Funding Formula;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Woodbury City Board of Education hereby approved the 2019-2020 School District Budget for submission as follows:

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
2019-20 Total Expenditures	\$29,589,843	\$2,598,345	\$990,800	\$33,178,988
Less: Anticipated Revenues	<u>\$16,442,807</u>	<u>\$2,598,345</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$19,041,152</u>
Taxes to be Raised	\$13,147,036	\$0	\$990,800	\$14,137,836

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Woodbury City Board of Education hereby acknowledged that the 2019-2020, budget as described above, results in a general fund tax levy of \$13,147,036 and a debt service tax levy of \$990,800.

2.2 Tax Levy Payment Schedule

The Woodbury City Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, approved the tax levy payment schedule for the 2019-2020 school year as follows:

TAX LEVY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Month	Current Fund	Debt Service	Total
July	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
August	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
September	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
October	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
November	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
December	<u>1,095,587.00</u>	<u>82,567.00</u>	<u>1,178,154.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>6,573,517.00</u>	<u>495,402.00</u>	<u>7,068,919.00</u>
January	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
February	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
March	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
April	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
May	1,095,586.00	82,567.00	1,178,153.00
June	<u>1,095,589.00</u>	<u>82,563.00</u>	<u>1,178,152.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>6,573,519.00</u>	<u>495,398.00</u>	<u>7,068,917.00</u>
Totals	<u>13,147,036.00</u>	<u>990,800.00</u>	<u>14,137,836.00</u>

2.3 Maintenance & Custodial Holiday Schedule

The Woodbury City Board of Education, in accordance with the agreement with the Woodbury Education Association, hereby approved the establishment of the following six (6) floating holidays for the 2019-2020 school year:

July 5, 2019
October 14, 2019
November 29, 2019
December 24, 2019
December 31, 2019
April 13, 2020

Mrs. Mcilvaine asked about the security part of the budget, including additional cameras.

Mr. Coleman and Mrs. McCabe explained what was in the budget for added security in the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____ Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Abbott, Mr. Coldren, Mrs. Mcilvaine, Mr. Pegues, Mrs. Sylvester, Mrs. Ulmer and Mrs. Mangeri – 7 YES

Mr. Hill and Mr. Pipolo – 2 - ABSENT

Items #2.1-2.3

3. ROUTINE MATTERS (ACTION ITEMS)

3.1 Secretary's Report

The Woodbury City Board of Education hereby approved the Secretary's Report for March 2019.

3.2 Cash Report

The Woodbury City Board of Education hereby approved the Cash Report for March 2019.

3.3 Transfers

The Woodbury City Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, hereby ratified and affirmed the transfers in line accounts in accordance with the list submitted.

3.4 Revenue Amounts/Sources

The Woodbury City Board of Education hereby recognized the Board Secretary's certification, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10c2, that there are changes in anticipated revenue amounts and revenue resources as presented in the Board Secretary's Report.

3.5 Certifications

1. Secretary's Report - Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of March 2019, The Board Secretary certified that no line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10c3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
2. Board of Education Certification -The Woodbury City Board of Education hereby certified, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10c4, that after review of the secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10c and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____ Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Abbott, Mr. Coldren, Mrs. Mcilvaine, Mr. Pegues, Mrs. Sylvester, Mrs. Ulmer and Mrs. Mangeri – 7 - YES

Mr. Hill and Mr. Pipolo – 2 - ABSENT

Items #3.1-3.5

4. PERSONNEL - CERTIFICATED (ACTION ITEMS)

The Woodbury City Board of Education hereby approved and carried by voice vote to table Item 4.1 until after the executive session:

Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____

Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

4.1 Employment

1. The Woodbury City Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, hereby approved the employment of Tenured Certificated Staff for the 2019-2020 school year.
2. The Woodbury City Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, hereby approved the employment of Non-Tenured Certificated Staff for the 2019-2020 school year.

** Compensation amounts listed are based on 2017-2018 rates of pay. Please note 2019-2020 increases will be re-approved by the Board pending WEA negotiations.*

5. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

5.1 Open Meeting to the Public for Comment

Open: Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____

Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

No public comment.

5.2 Close Meeting to the Public

Close: Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____

Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

5.3 Open Executive Session

Open: Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____

Second _____ Mrs. Ulmer _____

5.4 Executive Session

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Woodbury City Board of Education has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of the Woodbury City Board of Education will reconvene following the end of the closed session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT that the Woodbury City Board of Education will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospect public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting. (Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under *South Jersey Publishing*, 124 N.J. 478, nature of discussion is WEA contract settlement.);
- Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. (The nature of discussion is flooring.);

BE IT FURTHER that the Woodbury City Board of Education does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss the aforementioned matters for approximately 30 minutes;

BE IT FURTHER that the Woodbury City Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Woodbury City Board of Education Attorney advises the Board that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the School District or any other entity with respect to said discussion;

BE IT FURTHER that the Woodbury City Board of Education, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Board Secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

5.5 Close Executive Session and Open Meeting to the Public

Open: Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____

Second _____ Mrs. Ulmer _____

5.6 Tabled Action

The Woodbury City Board of Education hereby approved to put 4.1 back on the table to be approved.

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Mrs. Ulmer expressed that she is very sad that Ms. Jessica Thomulka is leaving us.

Motion _____ Mrs. Mcilvaine _____ Second _____ Mrs. Sylvester _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Abbott, Mr. Coldren, Mrs. Mcilvaine, Mr. Pegues, Mrs. Sylvester, Mrs. Ulmer and Mrs. Mangeri – 7 YES

Mr. Hill and Mr. Pipolo – 2 - ABSENT

Item #4.1

5.6 Adjournment to End the Board Meeting

On motion by Mr. Abbott, seconded by Mrs. Mcilvaine and carried by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nancy L. McCabe,
Business Administrator/Board Secretary