

FEBRUARY 26, 2024

****The Board reserves the right to enter into closed session at any time during the meeting to discuss matters permitted by NJSA 10:4-12**

**NORTH WILDWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Flanagan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. OPENING STATEMENT

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the Public to have advance notice of, and to attend, the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the North Wildwood Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted with the City Clerk, the Atlantic City Press and the Cape May County Herald.

3. ROLL CALL

Present:

Gerald Flanagan

Ronald Golden

April Howard

David MacDonald (zoom)

Haroula Rotondi

Laura Stefankiewica (phone)

Absent:

Michael Brown Sr.

James Farrell

Michele Devine-Hartnett

Scott McCracken

4. ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance:

Philip Schaffer, Superintendent

Dawn Cottrell, Board Secretary/SBA

Patricia Donlan, Vice-Principal

Carolyn Morey, Supervisor of Pupil Personnel

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Robert Belasco, Solicitor

5. FLAG SALUTE

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Entered into closed session at 6:01 p.m.

Motion: Ms. Howard

Second: Mr. MacDonald

Authorization of Executive Session: to discuss a current and an ongoing matter as per N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1) Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law or State statute, or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of subsection a. of this section.

To discuss student matters and attorney client privilege.

End closed session at 6:32 p.m.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION, MOTION TO RESUME

Motion: Mr. MacDonald

Second: Mr. Flanagan

Voting Yes:

Gerald Flanagan

April Howard

David C. MacDonald

Haroula Rotondi

Laura Stefankiewicz

Voting No:

Ronald Golden

7. PUBLIC COMMENT- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - NONE

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8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 22, 2024 Regular Meeting & Closed

9. APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS: January 2024

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10. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as of January 31, 2024, and certification of non-over expenditure of funds (roll call); acknowledgement receipt of investment report.

11. APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: February 2024

Motion: Ms. Howard

Second: Mr. MacDonald

Voting Yes:

Gerald Flanagan
Ronald Golden
April Howard
David C. MacDonald
Haroula Rotondi
Laura Stefankiewicz

12. BOE MEMBER REPORTS

A. Committee Reports, WHS Reports

13. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are believed to be items of a routine nature requiring no discussion and which are to be voted upon a single roll call vote of the board of education. Any single member of the board of education may have any of the items on the consent agenda removed and placed on the other part of the agenda for discussion merely by so indicating prior to the vote to be taken on the consent agenda

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept a toy donation from John Lynch.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a Girls vs Boys Basketball Game/Pep Rally February 20, 2024.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve The NWSD Acceptable Norms.
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve The NWSD Superintendent Communications.
- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve The NWSD Chain of Command.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Spring Concert for May 23, 2024.
- G. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Volleyball Official Rate at \$141 per game for the 2024 season.
- H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the change of the April board meeting from April 22, 2024 to April 29, 2024.
- I. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following field trips

GRADE / GROUP	PLACE / SPEAKER	DATES
Grades 3-8	Nor Easter Nick Visit	February 2024
Grades PreK- 4	Read Across America Day Retired Teacher Guest Readers	March 8, 2024
Grades 1 and Ms. Fuentes' Class	Middle Twp PAC	April 25, 2024
Grades K-2	Paper Bag Players, Middle Twp PAC	May 13, 2024
Grades PreK-2	Riley from Brayces Orthodontists	February 2024
Grade 6	Class Trip-Baltimore	April 26, 2024
Grade 7	Class Trip-Washington DC	March 22, 2024
Grade 8	Class Trip-New York	May 3, 2024

J. Report of Drills Fire 01/23/2024 Lock Down 01/11/2024.

FINANCE

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the updated 2023-2024 Purchasing Manual.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the 2023-2024 IDEA Consolidated Grant amendment:
 - Basic \$252,692
 - Preschool \$ 5,316
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the 2023-2024 ESEA Consolidated Grant amendment:
 - Title I \$130,901
 - Title II \$ 22,939
 - Title IV \$ 11,200
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Elementary and Secondary School Emergent Relief Fund (ESSER) III Grant amendment:
 - ESSER III \$1,040,825
 - Accelerated Lear Coach & Educ Supp \$ 50,000
 - Summer Learn & Enrichment Act \$ 40,000
 - Comprehensive Beyond School Day Activity \$ 40,000
 - NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant \$ 45,000
- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the FY24 New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) Emergent and Capital Needs Grant in the amount of \$4,153.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve a waiver per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program due to fewer than forty Medicaid eligible classified students in the North Wildwood School District for the 2024-25 school year.
- G. Informational:
 - a. School Ethics Commission Annual Disclosure Statements due April 30, 2024.
 - b. Budget 2024-2025 updates / schedule

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- February 27, 2024 Governor's State Address
- February 29, 2024 State aid figures released
- TBD Finance committee meeting to review budget
- March 11, 2024 Public Meeting & Board approval for proposed budget submission to the Cape May County DOE
- March 20, 2024 Budget due to Cape May County DOE
- April 29, 2024 Public Budget Hearing / Regular Board Meeting

PERSONNEL

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Erynn Brady as Substitute Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Mary Rulon as Substitute Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to regretfully accept the retirement of William Phillips.

POLICIES

- A. None.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED EXPENSES

NAME	PLACE	SUBJECT	DATES	COSTS
Stan DelCorio	Virtual	Support Students Mental Health Needs	March 13, 2024	\$279
Renee Forrest	Virtual	Anxiety and OCD in Teens	March 21, 2024	\$39.95
Renee Forrest	Virtual	School Nurses: Best Practices for Addressing Mental Health	April 8, 2024	\$279
Patti Donlan	Virtual	Addressing Social Emotional Learning Gaps	March 26, 2024	\$75
Patti Donlan	Avalon, NJ	Pride Conference Supports and Solutions; Benevolent Childhood Experiences	March 19, 2024	NA
Kelly Resnick	Rowan University	EIRC-resources for PreK activities	March 19, 2024	Mileage and tolls
Karen Holland	Rowan University	EIRC-resources for PreK activities	March 19, 2024	Mileage and tolls
Carolyn Morey	Kean University Union, NJ	NJCIE Summer Inclusion Conference	June 7, 2024	Mileage and tolls

MISCELLANEOUS

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A. None.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Mr. MacDonald

Second: Ms. Howard

Voting Yes:

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15. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Golden congratulated the Margaret Mace Girls' Basketball Team.

16. ADMIN COMMENTS

17. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING REPORTS - NONE

18. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

19. ADJOURNMENT at 6:59 p.m.

Motion: Mr. MacDonald

Second: Ms. Howard

Respectfully submitted,



Dawn Cottrell

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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20. BOARD INFORMATION

- A. William Phillips' Retirement Notice
- B. NWSD Acceptable Norms
- C. NWSD Superintendent Communications
- D. NWSD Chain of Command
- E. SEMI Waiver Letter

21. NEXT MEETING

March 11, 2024 Work Session meeting at 6:00 pm