

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 27, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

N.J. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

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 meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act the Woodland Park Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on the door of the Woodland Park Board of Education Administration Building and was provided to the North Jersey Record & Herald News

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Members Present – Kim Galbraith, Andrew Mingione, Shannon Marren, Mark Salemi, Joe Giammarella, Gina McQuin, Julissa Rodriguez, Glen Grimes
Members Absent – David Amanullah
Also Present - Michele Pillari, Dwayne Ortiz

PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Please remember that this is a public meeting. Anything you say will be public record. As a result, pursuant to law, the Board Members cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private concerning personnel or students, please contact the Superintendent's office. In accordance with Bylaw 0167, statements will be limited to 3 minutes in duration.

No one wished to be heard.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

The following items will be voted on by separate motion for each item.

PERSONNEL:

225-222-APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – INTERIM BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR – V. OCCHINO

Motion by MARREN Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Vincent Occhino, as Interim Business Administrator, up to 2 days per week, 8 hours per day, at a rate of \$700 per diem. Effective February 3, 2025-on or about June 30, 2025.

Roll Call: 8 YES

225-223-APPOINTMENT OF HIRE – B. DAVIS

Motion by SALEMI Seconded by MCQUIN

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of Brittany Davis, as an ELA teacher at BG, (currently long term sub), MA, Step 1, \$67,010, prorated, as per current WPEA agreement, effective February 1, 2025.

Roll Call: 8 YES

225-224- RATIFY APPROVAL OF HOME INSTRUCTION

Motion by MARREN Seconded by SALEMI

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to ratify approval of home instruction for student ID#34003, effective January 16, 2025 until further notice, at a rate of \$47/hr., as follows:

Reading – 2 hrs. per week, provided by Rosemary Ficarra

Writing – 2 hrs. per week, provided by Rosemary Ficarra

Social Studies – 2 hrs. per week, provided by Lori McCluskey

Science – 2 hrs. per week, provided by Mina Chang

Math – 2 hrs. per week, provided by Krystina Reilly

Roll Call: 8 YES

225-225-ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – J. WEAVER

Motion by MCQUIN Seconded by GALBRAITH

BE IS RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Jared Weaver, part time aide, effective January 17, 2025.

Roll Call: 8 YES

FINANCE:

225-226-APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – SCHOOL OFFICE SOLUTIONS, LLC

Motion by: GALBRAITH Seconded by: GIAMMARELLA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with School Office Solution, LLC, to provide the district with business office services, from February 3, 2025-on or about June 30, 2025, at a rate of \$150/hr.

Roll Call: 8 YES

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Open Public Meeting Act, authorizes a public body to meet in Executive or Private Session under limited circumstances and WHEREAS said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such Executive or Private Session. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODLAND PARK THAT:

- 1) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session to discuss a personnel and/or litigation matter or contract matter.
- 2) The matter(s) discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.
- 3) Meeting will be resumed at conclusion of Executive Session.
- 4) The board does/does not expect to take action after Executive Session.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:08 p.m. by GIAMMARELLA, seconded by SALEMI

Voice Vote: 8 YES

Motion to return to Regular Session at 7:42 p.m. by SALEMI, seconded by MARREN

Voice Vote: 8 YES

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. by MINGIONE, Seconded by GALBRAITH

Voice Vote: 8 YES

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EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- Superintendent discussed HIB case #'s 2025-25, 2025-26 & 2025-27