

Minutes of the Work Session
of the Tenafly Board of Education
Monday, February 13, 2023
Board of Education Hegelein Building

Motion to go into Closed Session at 7:11 p.m.

Moved: Ms. Harris Second: Mr. Frid

All in Favor

Call to Order/Adequate Notice Statement/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Jocelyn Schwarz read the following statement:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. seq., adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Board of Education Hegelein Building, the Borough office, Tenafly Public Library, the local press and on the district's web site.

The following Board members were present:

<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Igor Frid	X	
Michelle Harris	X	
Inbal Israeli Miller	X	
Michelle Merchant	X	
Yelena Meytes	X	
Edward J. Salaski	X	
Michael Wilderman	X	
Paula Newman, Vice President	X	
Jocelyn Schwarz, President	X	

Also present:

Bruce Watson, Interim Superintendent

Jeff Gorman, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

Danielle Diaz, Human Resources Manager

Victor J. Anaya, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Closed Session

Be it Resolved, that the Tenafly Board of Education determines it is necessary to meet in Closed Session on February 13, 2023 to discuss Legal, Personnel and Student matters; and

Be it Further Resolved, that these matters will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion to end Closed Session and enter Open Session at 8:15 p.m.

Moved: Ms. Israeli Miller Second: Ms. Meytes

All in Favor

Open to the Public – 1st Session 8:15 pm

Comments (In-Person and Virtual)

- Jocelyn Schwarz commented on protocol of public comment

Presentation/Reports- Dr. Jeff Gorman – Start Strong Presentation

Comments

- Paula Newman inquired if teachers are using the tools presented? Jeff Gorman responded.
- Michael Wilderman also shared his appreciation to Jeff Gorman.
- Michelle Merchant also shared her appreciation, and had some questions on direction of how the needs are being addressed with instructional practices. Jeff Gorman responded accordingly.
- Michelle Harris commented and inquired about the results. Jeff Gorman responded.
- Jocelyn Schwarz inquired about when is it the point to inquire. Jeff Gorman also responded.
- Also, shared a discussion from closed session presentation with Edvolution. Documentation and the book, Thrive, was handed out to the board members. March 6, 2023 is a professional development day to have a different look with this conversation. Jeff Gorman shared information related to this discussion. February 27, 2023 for curriculum to discuss Chapter 1.
 - Yelena Meytes shared her appreciation to the discussion and shared her comments regarding this topic.
 - Inbal Israeli Miller also commented on this discussion about this topic.
 - Jocelyn Schwarz shared her appreciation for Jeff Gorman touching on this topic. Also, had a question how the presentation will trickle down to staff. Jeff Gorman replied that important to teach students and people. From there has a trickling effect.
 - Bruce Watson also shared his appreciation for Jeff Gorman touching on this topic.
 - Paula Newman also shared her appreciation.
- Jocelyn Schwarz shared there were no formal reports this evening.
- Bruce Watson commented on his good experience in the classroom with the teacher and students while visiting various classrooms within the schools.

Committee Reports –

*Communications and Policy – Ms. Yelena Meytes is the new chair of the committee.

Curriculum and Technology – Ms. Paula Newman (no update).

Facility – Ms. Jocelyn Schwarz provided an update.

Finance – Mr. Edward Salaski provided an update. The recommendation and consensus of the board was to use a tax levy percent of 4.44 %.

Joint Use – Ms. Jocelyn Schwarz (no update).

Diversity - Ms. Inbal Israeli Miller & Mr. Edward Salaski (no update).

*Listening Sessions Projects – will be removed from agenda as not active.

Security Roundtable – Ms. Jocelyn Schwarz (no update).

Liaison Reports – Ms. Inbal Israeli Miller (no update).

- HSA by Ms. Yelena Meytes (no update).
- CAP by Ms. Michelle Merchant (no update).
- TEF by Mr. Igor Frid (no update).
- Legislative by Mr. Ed Salaski (no update).
- SEPAC by Ms. Michelle Merchant provided an update.

New Business –

- None

Student Representatives – Ms. Ayla Uram and Ms. Alexandria Yang provided updates on.

- Ms. Alexandria Yang shared One Ax presentation. Band was invited to attend Disney Land. Winter concert was this evening. Last week was Wellness Week and students did various events.
- Ms. Ayla Uram shared on Saturday, Peers got together, and it was a great event. High School auditorium on elective selections. 8th grade choir came and joined the high school choir to see joining in upcoming years. Four Tenafly High Schools won a Grammy.

Administration

- None

Proposed Resolutions

- Personnel – closed session by Danielle Diaz
- Administration – Bruce Watson presented the administration resolutions in closed session.
- Curriculum – Jeff Gorman presented the curriculum resolutions
- Special Services – closed session by Bruce Watson
- Finance – Victor Anaya presented the Finance resolutions

The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following resolutions for approval at the BOE Regular Session Meeting scheduled for February 27, 2023:

Personnel

	<u>Personnel Resolutions</u>
Resolution P-1	Approval of Retirement
Resolution P-2	Approval of Substitute

	<u>Personnel Resolutions</u>
Resolution P-3	Approval of Hires
Resolution P-4	Approval of Extra-Compensation Positions
Resolution P-5	Approval of Staff/Position Reclassifications
Resolution P-6	Approval of Placement of Student Teachers
Resolution P-7	Approval of District Mentors
Resolution P-8	Approval of Leave of Absence for Employee #2495
Resolution P-9	Approval of Leave of Absence for Employee #3228
Resolution P-10	Approval of Leave of Absence for Employee #2983
Resolution P-11	Approval of Leave of Absence for Employee #3465 - Revised
Resolution P-12	Approval of Leave of Absence for Employee #2865 - Revised
Resolution P-13	Approval of Extended Leave of Absence for Employee #3151
Resolution P-14	Approval of Home Instructors

Administration

	<u>Administration Resolutions</u>
Resolution A-1	Approval to Affirm the Superintendent's Decision in HIB Investigations
Resolution A-2	Second Reading of Policy 0152, Policy 0161, Policy 0162, Policy 0164, Policy 2423, Regulation 2423, Policy 2425, Regulation 2425, Policy 5200, Regulation 5200, Policy 5512, Policy 5600, Regulation 5600, Policy 8140, Regulation 8140, Policy 8330, Regulation 8330, Regulation 8420_2, Regulation 8420_7, Regulation 8420_10
Resolution A-3	Approval of the District's Student Safety Data System Report for Period 1 (2022-2023)

Curriculum

	<u>Curriculum Resolutions</u>
Resolution C-1	High School Overnight Trip for DECA State Career Development Conference
Resolution C-2	Approval of the Tenafly Swim Team's Participation in the NJSIAA Boys and Girls Individual Swimming Tournament in Sewell, New Jersey
Resolution C-3	Approval of District Revised K-5 Curricula in World Languages, Visual and Performing Arts, Aligned To The New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSL)
Resolution C-4	Approval of Tenafly High School District Convention – Key Club Overnight Trip
Resolution C-5	Approval of Professional Development Requests

Special Services

	<u>Special Services Resolutions</u>
Resolution S-1	Approval of Ten Month Programs 2022-2023
Resolution S-2	Approval of Special Services Consultant for the 2022- 2023 SY
Resolution S-3	Approval of Special Services Extraordinary Services
Resolution S-4	Rescind The Following Twelve Month Placement 2022-2023
Resolution S-5	Resolution S-5 Approval of Submission and Acceptance of the F23 IDEIA Grant Amendment
Resolution S-6	Approval of Extraordinary Services One to One Aide 10 Month Placement 2022-2023
Resolution S-7	Approval of SEMI Corrective Action Plan FY 2023

Finance

	<u>Finance Resolutions</u>
Resolution F-1	Approval of Board Secretary's Report for January 2023
Resolution F-2	Approval of Treasurer's Report for January 2023
Resolution F-3	Approval of Transfers for January 2023
Resolution F-4	Approval of Bills for January 20, 2023 through February __, 2023
Resolution F-5	Approve Payroll for January 2023
Resolution F-6	Approval to Return Unused Balance of Capital Projects which were Funded by Capital Reserve Funds to the Capital Reserve Account For the Current Budget Year Capital Projects Approved
Resolution F-7	Approval of BoardDocs Pro
Resolution F-8	Acceptance of the 2021-2022 Audit
Resolution F-9	Approval of the 2021-2022 Corrective Action Plan
Resolution F-10	Approval of Certification of Implementation
Resolution F-11	Acceptance of the Capital Project Grant by the School Development Authority
Resolution F-12	Approve Donation from the HSA's to Purchase Awards for the Teachers of the Year
Resolution F-13	Approve the DMR Architect Proposal for Architect and Engineer Service Fees for the High School Dual Temperature Pump Replacement
Resolution F-14	Approval to Apply for ROD Grant Funding for the Front Entrance ADA Upgrade Project at Smith School
Resolution F-15	Approval to Apply for ROD Grant Funding for the Pump Replacement Project at Tenafly High School
Resolution F-16	Approval to Apply for ROD Grant Funding for the Site Drainage Improvement Project at Smith School

Open to the Public – 2nd Session 10:10 pm

- Comments – None

*Motion to enter Closed Session at 10:11 p.m.
Moved: Ms. Meytes Second: Ms. Israeli Miller
All in Favor*

2nd Closed Session – 10:11 pm

*Motion to adjournment at 10:33 p.m.
Moved: Mr. Salaski Second: Ms. Newman
All in Favor*

Respectfully submitted,

Victor Anaya

Victor J. Anaya
Business Administrator/Board Secretary