

MINUTES OF THE BOARD RETREAT  
OF THE TENAFLY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 2, 2020  
TENAFLY HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER  
&  
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

DATE 11/16/20

APPROVED 



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The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Board President Janet Horan who read the following statement:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right to the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.”

In accordance with provisions of this act, the Tenafly Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Borough office, Tenafly Public Library, administrative building, in the local press and on the district's web site.

On roll call, the following Board members answered present:

Mark Aronson	Edward J. Salaski
Patricia Flynn	Michael Wilderman
Inbal Israeli Miller	Jocelyn Schwarz
Jane Juhng	Janet I. Horan
Paula Newman	

The following staff members were present:

Ms. Shauna DeMarco, Superintendent  
Dr. Evelyn Mamman, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction  
Ms. Cheryl Nardino, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Ms. Danielle Diaz, Human Resources Manager

A motion was made by Ms. Schwarz and seconded by Ms. Flynn that the Board convenes in closed session according to the following:

WHEREAS, the Tenafly Board of Education has been formed pursuant to applicable New Jersey Statutes, and

WHEREAS, the Board is charged with the responsibility of performing all acts and doing all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board of Education, necessary for the lawful and proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools and public school property of the Tenafly Public School District, and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10-4-12) permits the exclusion of the public ("Closed Session") from a meeting of the Board in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that circumstances exist for such a Closed Session,

WHEREAS, the Board has found the action described below to be necessary and proper,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board on the date indicated above that:

- 1.) The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the Closed Session herein set forth.
- 2.) The confidential subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
  - ♦ Legal Matters
  - ♦ Personnel Matters
  - ♦ Student Matters
- 3.) The Board will return to Open Session at approximately 6:30 p.m.

No formal action will be taken.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting recessed to closed session at 6:06 p.m.

A motion was made by Ms. Schwarz and seconded by Mr. Salaski that the Board convene from closed session at 6:30 p.m. and go into open session.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ms. Horan who read the following statement:

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Ms. Suzanne Bassett, Assistant to the Superintendent for Special Services

There were 19 attendees from the public.

Ms. Horan opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Administrative staff gave presentations on 2020-21 and 2021-21 budget ideas:

- Human Resources/Personnel – by Danielle Diaz
- Fiscal/Facilities/Technology – by Cheryl Nardino
- Curriculum, Instruction and Programming – by Evelyn Mamman
- Special Services and Social/Emotional/Wellness – by Suzanne Bassett
- Operations and Administrators' Ideas not Previously Addressed – by Shauna DeMarco

A short break was taken in the meeting.

#### Board/District Goals

The Board discussed the eight present goals and revising and reducing them to five main goals. The goals will be finalized for approval in an upcoming meeting.

#### Communication

The Board discussed a mask-wearing campaign via social media for the whole community, with possible student involvement. Dr. Wilderman and fellow physicians will meet with Ms. DeMarco to put together information.

Ms. Horan thanked everyone for a productive meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Newman and seconded by Dr. Wilderman to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was unanimously approved

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cheryl Nardino*

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Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary