

**WEYMOUTH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

1202 Eleventh Avenue  
Dorothy, New Jersey

Date: February 16, 2023  
Time: 6:30 p.m.

**A. CALL TO ORDER** – Board President

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Daniel Ardito	Present	Paula Lechner	Present
Patricia Doerr	Present	Constance Anne Reymann	Present
Christopher Egbert	Present	John Specht	Absent
Gregory Freelon	Present	Edward Zebedies	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Present		

Al Lewis, Superintendent	Present
Vacant - SBA/Board Secretary	
William Cappuccio, Esq., Board Solicitor	Absent

**C. SUNSHINE NOTICE**

Welcome to the regular meeting of the Weymouth Township Board of Education. This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act by having the time, date, and place thereof posted in the Board of Education office, sent to the Clerk of Weymouth Township and advertised in the official newspapers.

**D. PRESENTATIONS** – February Students and Staff of the Month presented by Mr. Lewis.  
NJ School Climate Inventory Presentation presented by Mr. Lewis

**E. PRESIDENT’S REPORT** – Mr. Goldsmith welcomed Dr. Roemer and informed the meeting of the passing of Mrs. DeFeo’s father in law. The County Board of Education approved Dr. Roemer’s contract. There have been meetings with The Design Collaborative to work out details on the Pre-K bathroom and front entrance projects. It was also reported that the LEAP grant report was released. It was 138 pages. The next step would be for the boards of education from Weymouth and Estell Manor to meet.

**F. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Buena Board of Education – Mr. Zebedies urged people to attend The Little Mermaid play at Buena the following weekend.
2. Weymouth Township – Municipal – Mr. Goldsmith deferred the municipal report to Mayor Haeser who was in attendance.
3. Mayor’s Moment – Mayor Haeser reported that the MUA with Hamilton Township was working itself out. Estell Manor is meeting with Dorothy about the fire districts and is to be handled by the fire department captains. The Oaks of Weymouth had their license renewed. It was reported that the vandalism that was occurring on township property has slowed as the NJSP has gotten more involved. The Mayor let the meeting know that Estell Avenue is scheduled to be paved and that the proposed solar project at the old Township landfill would be moving forward as expected.

**G. PUBLIC COMMENT** – Limited to agenda items only

## H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the January 12, 2023 Workshop Board meeting

(Attachment #1)

Minutes of the January 19, 2023 Regular Board meeting

(Attachment #2)

### Voice Vote

Ms. Reymann motioned, with Mr. Freelon seconding. All members voted in the affirmative.

## I. CORRESPONDENCE - None at this time

## J. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – AI Lewis

### 1. Informational Items:

#### a. Student Matters Committee Report

#### b. Enrollment as of **01/31/2023**

Grade	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Current Enrollment 2023	27*	10	14	12	14	20	14	15	23	13	162
Enrollment 2022	25**	12	11	13	18	13	15	25	10	21	163

\*Includes 4 Estell Manor Pre-K Tuition Students

\*\*Includes 10 Estell Manor Pre-K Tuition Students

#### c. Student Suspensions as of **01/31/2023**

Number of Suspensions	Number of Days
2	2 In-School (day each)

#### d. 1) Safety Drills as of **01/31/2023**

Type of Drill	Fire	Lock Down/Active Shooter w/SRO
Date	01/05/2023	01/26/2023
Time	10:04 a.m.	10:05 a.m.
Duration	3 minutes	4 minutes

#### 2) December Security Specialist Report

(Attachment #3)

#### e. HIB Report as of **01/31/2023**

Grade	HIB Yes/No	Disposition
None	N/A	N/A

#### f. January/February Highlighted Dates/Events

- 1) January 26 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade visits Buena Regional High School (Open House) 10:45-2:30
- 2) February 8 - HSA Dinner Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
- 3) February 8 - HSA Meeting @ 6:00
- 4) February 9 - BOE Workshop @ 6:30 p.m.
- 5) February 16 - BOE Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

#### g. February/March Upcoming Events

- 1) February 20 - Presidents' Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
- 2) March 3 - Class & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Pictures
- 3) March 2-8 Scholastic Book Fair
- 4) March 2 - Book Tasting 6:00
- 5) March 8 - HSA Meeting 6:00

- 6) March 9 - BOE Workshop Meeting 6:30
- 7) March 14 - Resilient Families Event 6:00
- 8) March 16 - BOE Meeting 6:30
- 9) March 16 - Spring Individual Pictures
- 10) March 17 - Teacher In-Service - NO SCHOOL

h. We would like to recognize our students that have received certificates for Perfect and/or Excellent Attendance during the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Marking Period** (November 10<sup>th</sup> - January 24<sup>th</sup>):

	<b>Perfect (0 absences)</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Perfect (0 absences)</b>	<b>Grade</b>
1	Boehm, William	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Mason, Lillian	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
2	Calixto, Charlize	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Mayer, Abigail	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
3	Evans, Zhaire	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Sanchez, Beckie	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
4	Gaine, Edward	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Santamaria-Salazar, Graylee	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
5	Improta, AnnaLisa	PK-4	Scott, Sean	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
6	Improta, AvaMarie	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Truster, Gabriella	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
7	Keedy, Jacob	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Truster, Jaxon	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
8	Lewis, Sean	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade		

	<b>Excellent (&lt;2 absences)</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Excellent (&lt;2 absences)</b>	<b>Grade</b>
1	Allen, Ascher	K	Hibbert, Brock	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
2	Andricci, Nova	PK-4	Hibbert, Gunnar	PK-3
3	Ardito, Vincent	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Kern, Ryker	PK-3
4	Ardito, Gianna	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lewis, Darnell	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
5	Arsenis, Leila	PK-3	Lewis, Shane	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
6	Bates, Zoey	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lieb, Isabella	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
7	Burns, Maxwell	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Markiano, Cody	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
8	Buzby, James	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Markiano, Connor	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
9	Cabral-Suero, Leah	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mason, Elizabeth	PK-3
10	Carter, Jai'son	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mayer, Anna	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
11	Carter, Robert	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Nieves-Salazar, Carlos	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
12	Castellini, Dominic	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Nieves-Salazar, Jaydan	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
13	Clemmer, Wyatt	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Ore, Olivia	PK-3
14	Dittus, Riley	K	Palmer, Cayson	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
15	Duda, Rose	PK-3	Pauls, Luke	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
16	Eisenlohr, Sara-Ann	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Pilla, Alicia	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
17	Ellis, Dominic	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Schultz, Nicholas	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
18	Felix, Idrien	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Smith, Sofia	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
19	Gaunt, Nahdia-Jean	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Specht, Jacob	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
20	Gonzalez, Daniel	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Specht, Carter	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
21	Hann, Thomas	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Stanton, Maiya	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
22	Hasher, Abigail	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Weiss, Josephine	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
23	Hibbert, Jace	PK-3	Whitney, Cierra	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade

The following students have received certificates for A or A/B Honor Roll during the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Marking Period** (November 10<sup>th</sup> - January 24<sup>th</sup>):

	<b>A Honor Roll</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>A Honor Roll</b>	<b>Grade</b>
1	Ardito, Gianna	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lieb, Isabella	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
2	Bergamo, Andrew	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Santamaria-Salazar, Graylee	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
3	Howie, Avary	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Scott, Sean	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
4	Lechner, Morgan	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Whitney, Cierra	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade

	<b>A/B Honor Roll</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>A/B Honor Roll</b>	<b>Grade</b>
1	DeRosa, Dominic	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Markiano, Cody	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
2	Duda, Isabella	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Pauls, Luke	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
3	Gaine, Edward	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Pilla, Alicia	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade

4	Hann, Thomas	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Rieti, Michael	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
5	Henchy, Chase	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Sanchez, Beckie	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
6	Henchy, Hunter	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Schultz, Nicholas	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
7	Lechner, Emery	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Specht, Jacob	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
8	Linville, Autumn	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Wood, Kiley	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade

2. Recommendations:

a. Personnel and Negotiations Committee Report

b. Personnel:

- 1) To approve the contract for Dr. Michele Roemer as the Business Administrator/Board Secretary at the rate of \$500.00/day, for up to three (3) days per week.
- 2) To approve the substitute pay rate for an aide, with a valid County Substitute Certificate, that subs as a teacher for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 3) To approve Michele Buchanan as a substitute teacher pending receipt of required documents.

c. Recommend accepting the proposal from 01/27/23 for The Design Collaborative Architects and Planners, PA for architectural services.

c. Policy:

1) Policy Committee Report

2) *To approve the second reading of the following policies:*

Policy/Reg. Number	Name	Description	NEW	Revised	Notes
P 1648.11	The Road Forward COVID-19 – Health and Safety	Removes policy for The Road Forward (COVID Protocols) that are no longer mandated by the NJDOE			Abolished
P 1648.13	School Employee Vaccination Requirements	Removes policy for Staff COVID vaccine requirements that were already removed by Executive Order 302			Abolished
P 0152	Board Officers	Provides additional language regarding Board President and Vice President elections and removal. Revises to state that Board officers may be elected with a majority vote of members present or with majority vote of all members of the Board. Removal requires a majority vote by all members.		X	Recommended
P 0161	Call, Adjournment, and Cancellation	Revised better align with wording in governing statute to reflect additional details in administrative code regarding calling a special meeting.		X	Recommended
P 0162	Notice of Board Meetings	Revised better align with wording in governing statute to reflect the statutory definition of adequate notice for a public meeting		X	Recommended
P&R 2423	Bilingual and ESL Education	Revised to include revisions adding an alternate assessment for ELA for students who meet the criteria for statewide assessments, which assesses their ELA proficiency; a revised definition of “native language” and a requirement for school districts to administer the statewide home-language survey to determine which students have a native language other than English.		X	Mandated
P 2425	Emergency Virtual & Remote Instruction Program	Revised to reflect administrative code updates detailing components of a district's Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program.		X	Mandated

<b>R 2425</b>	Emergency Virtual & Remote Instruction Program	New to fulfill requirements of district's Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program. This was already successfully completed by the Superintendent and approved by the County in September of 2022.	X		Mandated
<b>P&amp;R 5200</b>	Attendance	Provides revised definitions for "parent" and "retention" related to student attendance. Provides clear distinction between excused and unexcused absences, which differ locally and in the state register. Boards of Education are given much discretion for local determination, while little is given for the state register.		X	Mandated
<b>P 5512</b>	Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying	New NJDOE approved forms (already in use by the district), new requirement for a student who is the offender of three HIB incidents may be required to complete a class or training program with their parent, new procedure that allows the Superintendent to review a principal's predetermination to not complete an investigation based on preliminary review of the facts. Requires district to notify parent if a predetermination is used. Updates consequences and remedial measures to match those of the 2022 Model Policy.		X	Mandated
<b>P 8140</b>	Student Enrollment	Revised to reflect changes to administrative code, new definition for "days in membership" which replaces "average daily attendance."		X	Mandated
<b>R 8140</b>	Enrollment Accounting	Data collection process revised to assign duty to Superintendent or his/her designee and the Business Administrator or his/her designee.		X	Mandated
<b>P&amp;R 8330</b>	Student Records	Revisions to reflect citations and language updates.		X	Mandated
<b>R 8420.2</b>	Bomb Threats	Revised to updated procedures found in administrative code.		X	Mandated
<b>R 8420.7</b>	Lockdown Procedures	Revised to updated procedures found in administrative code.		X	Mandated
<b>R 8420.10</b>	Active Shooter	Revised to updated procedures found in administrative code.		X	Mandated

**(Attachment #4)**

**Motion/Roll Call**

**Motion: Reymann**

**Second: Egbert**

Daniel Ardito	Yes	Paula Lechner	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Constance Anne Reymann	Yes
Christopher Egbert	Yes	John Specht	Absent
Gregory Freelon	Yes	Edward Zebadies	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes		

d. Education/Curriculum/Professional Development

1) Curriculum and Instruction Committee Report – Ardito- Mrs. Fullmer gave updates on Gifted and Talented starting. The results of New Jersey Start Strong results were discussed. It was presented that Mr. Morvay would be teaching Spanish, as it is an online curriculum. Teachers are working to post their standards on the school website.

2) Recommend the 2023-2024 School Year Calendar as present in the attachment.

**(Attachment #5)**

Mr. Lewis thanked the WTES and staff on their review and input of the proposed calendar.

e. Use of Facilities

To approve the Application for Use of School Facilities by WACYL for the period of April 10, 2023 to June 5, 2023 for Tee-Ball/Coach Pitch/Softball Practice & Games.

**(Attachment #5a)**

**Motion/Roll Call (items d-e)**

**Motion: Reymann**

**Second: Ardito**

Daniel Ardito	Yes	Paula Lechner	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Constance Anne Reymann	Yes
Christopher Egbert	Yes	John Specht	Absent
Gregory Freelon	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes		

**K. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT**

1. Finance, Facilities and Security Committee Report

2. Informational Items

ASC/BSC Financial Report - January 2023

**(Attachment #6)**

3) Recommendations

a. Board Secretary’s Certification

~~Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, I, John Hansen, Board Secretary, certify as of January 31, 2023 that no budgetary line item has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and 8.2 and that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.12 (a) 1.~~

b. Board’s Certification

~~Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12 9 (c) 4, the Board certifies that, as of January 31, 2023 after review of the monthly Board Secretary’s Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of the Board’s knowledge, no major account or fund had been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.12 (a) 1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the school year and that there were no changes in anticipated revenue amounts and sources for the month of January 31, 2023.~~

c. To approve the following Financial Reports:

Treasurer’s Report – January 31, 2023

**(Attachment #7)**

Treasurer’s Report – June 30, 2022

**(Attachment #7a)**

Board Secretary’s Report - January 31, 2023

**(Attachment #8)**

d. To Approve Expenditures:

WARRANT: To approve expenditures as listed in the amount of \$200,697.05.

**(Attachment #9)**

PAYROLL: To approve payrolls as listed:

January 30, 2023: \$96,398.03

**(Attachment #10)**

February 15, 2023: \$98,151.52

**(Attachment #11)**

**Motion/Roll Call (items a-e)**

**MOTION: Reymann**

**SECOND: Freelon**

Daniel Ardito	Yes	Paula Lechner	Yes
Patricia Doerr	No	Constance Anne Reymann	Yes
Christopher Egbert	Yes	John Specht	Absent
Gregory Freelon	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes		

L. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Limited to agenda items and any other Board of Education business matters.

M. **OLD BUSINESS** – Updates on the rocks in the parent pick up area were given.

N. **NEW BUSINESS** – Mrs. Doerr offered to assist with planning transportation for the upcoming year.

O. **CLOSED SESSION** – At 7:22, Ms. Reymann, followed by Mr. Freelon voted to enter the meeting into closed session. All members were in agreement. An employee’s contract was discussed.

- P. **OPEN SESSION** – At 7:56, the meeting was brought back into public session with a motion from Ms. Reymann, and a second motion from Mr. Egbert. All members voice voted in agreement.
- Q. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mrs. Doerr, followed by Ms. Reymann, motioned to adjourn the meeting. All members voted yes by voice vote.

**Next BOE Meetings:**  
Workshop - March 9, 2023  
Regular - March 16, 2023