

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

1202 Eleventh Avenue  
Dorothy, New Jersey

Date: April 23, 2020  
Time: 6:30 p.m.

**A. CALL TO ORDER** – Mr. Zebedies, Board President

**B. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Daniel Ardito		Teresa Seelman	
Patricia Doerr		Deborah Shurig	
Henry Goldsmith		John Specht	
Karin Mandradjeff		Edward Zebedies	
Constance Anne Reymann			

Mary Lou DeFrancisco, Interim Superintendent
Steven Moran , SBA/Board Secretary
William Cappuccio, Esq., Board Solicitor

**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. Instructions on accessing the virtual Board meeting remotely has been posted on the District's website.

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

**E. PRESENTATIONS**

**F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the March 19, 2020 Regular Board meeting (Attachment #1)

*Motion/Roll Call*

**G. CORRESPONDENCE** – None

**H. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**I. COMMITTEES REPORTS**

1. Negotiations
2. Finance/Facilities/Security
3. Policy
4. Curriculum/Instruction

**J. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Buena Board of Education
2. Weymouth Township – Municipal
3. Mayor's Moment
4. H.S.A. Update

## **K. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT**

### **1. Informational Items**

ASC/BSC Financial Report

### **2. Recommendations**

#### **a. Board Secretary's Certification**

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, I, Steven Moran, Board Secretary, certify as of March 31, 2020, 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 March 31, 2020, 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 March 2020.

#### ***Motion/Roll Call***

#### **c. To Approve Expenditures**

To approve March's expenditures as listed in the amount of \$ 136,293.04 (Attachment #2).

#### ***Motion/Roll Call***

#### **d. To approve the following Financial Reports:**

1. Treasurer's Report – March (Attachment #3)
2. Board Secretary's Report – March (Attachment #4)
3. Nutri-Serve Financials for February (Attachment #5)

#### ***Motion/Roll Call***

#### **e. To approve the tuition contract agreement for one Grade 10 homeless student placement, J.F., attending Absegami High School of the Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District for the 2019-2020 school year commencing October 2, 2019 and terminating on June 30, 2020 for a total tuition at 159 days of \$14,575.53. (Attachment #6)**

#### ***Motion/Roll Call***

#### **f. To approve the joint transportation agreement between Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District and Weymouth Township School District for the 2019-2020 school year. The joint agreement involves the transport of one Weymouth Township School District student to Absegami High School (Route 05) for a cost of \$2,623.84 adjusted for days not transported. (Attachment #7)**

#### ***Motion/Roll Call***

h. Resolution Opposing Delay in Transmission of Quarterly Property Tax Revenue to School Districts (Attachment #8)

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 3902, currently pending in the State Legislature, would authorize the Department of Community Affairs to permit municipalities to delay the quarterly transmission of property tax revenues to school districts during gubernatorial-declared emergencies; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's public schools are highly dependent on property tax revenue to support education programs; and

WHEREAS, on average, local property taxes constitute close to 60% of public school revenue, with the percentage even greater in a significant number of districts; and

WHEREAS, a delay in payments from municipalities would result in a financial crisis for school districts, seriously disrupting the educational process—and bringing it to a halt; and

WHEREAS, although public school buildings are closed during the current health emergency, the education of our students is taking place through remote learning and home instruction; and

WHEREAS, continued timely transmission of school property taxes is critical for the education process to continue without interruption; and

WHEREAS, even though municipalities are designated as the authorities to collect property taxes, these taxes are levied for specific purposes—e.g., municipal, school, county, fire district—and these obligations must continue to be met; and

WHEREAS, as currently written, A-3902, which is intended to ease a financial burden on municipalities, would place a severe strain on school districts and the students and families that they serve; and

WHEREAS, the Weymouth Township Board of Education recognizes the impact of the current public health emergency on the state and local governments, as well as local school districts, but believes this legislation would worsen the situation for our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Weymouth Township Board of Education urges the State Senate and the Governor to oppose A-3902; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be delivered to Governor Phil Murphy, State Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin; and the First Legislative District's representatives: Senator Michael Testa and Assemblymen Antwan McClellan and Erik Simonsen; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

***Motion/Roll Call***

L. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mary Lou DeFrancisco

1. Informational Items: President Zebedies asked that I put in numbers associated with enrollment and suspensions for not only this year but also last year at this date.

a. Enrollment as of 02/29/2020

Grade	PreK 3	PreK 4	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Current Enrollment 2020	13	12	17	20	12	14	26	11	19	13	15	172
<i>2019 Enrolled</i>	0	18	21	12	13	21	14	19	15	19	16	168

b. Student Suspensions as of 03/31/2020

Number of Suspensions	Number of Days
0	0
<i>03/31/2019</i>	<i>02/28/2019</i>
1	1

c. Safety Drills as of 03/31/2020

Type of Drill	Fire	Lock Down
Date	03/05/2020	03/09/2020
Time	10:13 a.m.	1:00 p.m.
Duration	5 minutes	3 minutes

d. HIB Report as of 03/31/2020

Grade	HIB Yes/No	Disposition
	None	

e. Superintendent Presentation/Recognition – Thank you to all staff who have been working either remotely and/or on site to meet the needs of our students and families. Their efforts are appreciated and recognized.

f. April 2020 Events/Activities:

- 1) April 8 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking period ends.
- 2) April 9 – Single Session prior to Spring Break
- 3) April 10 through 17 - Spring Break
- 4) April 22 – Report Cards issued

g. May 2020 – No school activities/events at this point in time. As of this writing no information has been received as to when the Governor will reopen schools. As you may know, Governor Murphy has extended the original orders that ended. He will reevaluate school opening or remaining closed May 15<sup>th</sup>.

2. Recommendations

- a. Personnel – None at this time.
- b. Policy – None at this time.
- c. Education/Curriculum/Professional Development – None at this time.

3. Use of Facilities – None at this time.

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

N. **OLD BUSINESS**

To approve the Eagle Scout project as submitted by Colby Weiss subject to compliance with any Governor's or President's executive orders relative to the pandemic.

*Motion/Roll Call*

O. **NEW BUSINESS**

P. **CLOSED SESSION**- For the purposes of litigation, personnel and/or student matters *Motion/All in Favor*

Q. **OPEN SESSION** *Motion/All in Favor*

R. **ADJOURNMENT** *Motion/All in Favor*

Next Meeting – Public Hearing on the Budget - Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 6:30 pm