

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

1202 Eleventh Avenue
Dorothy, New Jersey

Date: October 21, 2021
Time: 6:30 p.m.

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

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Daniel Ardito		Corrine Howie	
Jaclyn Carugno		Constance Anne Reymann	
Patricia Doerr		John Specht	
Christopher Egbert		Edward Zebedies	
Henry Goldsmith			

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.

D. PRESENTATIONS – None

E. PUBLIC COMMENT – Limited to agenda items only

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the September 16, 2021 Regular Board meeting *(Attachment #1)*
Motion/Roll Call

Executive Session Minutes, September 16, 2021 *(Attachment #2)*
Motion/Roll Call

Minutes of the September 28, 2021 Special Board meeting *(Attachment #3)*
Motion/Roll Call

Executive Session Minutes, September 28, 2021 *(Attachment #4)*
Motion/Roll Call

Minutes of the October 5, 2021 Special Board meeting *(Attachment #5)*
Motion/Roll Call

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

H. CORRESPONDENCE – There was no Board correspondence this meeting.

I. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

J. COMMITTEES REPORT

1. Finance – Patricia Doerr
2. Personnel & Negotiations - Constance Anne Reymann
3. Facilities & Security - Henry Goldsmith
4. Policy & Student Matters - Constance Anne Reymann
5. Curriculum & Instruction – Daniel Ardito
6. Transportation - Patricia Doerr
7. Government Relations & Delegate Assembly – Henry Goldsmith
8. Ad Hoc – Henry Goldsmith

K. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Buena Board of Education
2. Weymouth Township – Municipal
3. Mayor’s Moment

L. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

1. Informational Items
ASC/BSC Financial Report *(See Addendum)*
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 August 31, 2021, 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 August 31, 2021, 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 August 2021.
Motion/Roll Call
 - c. Board Secretary’s Certification
Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, I, Steven Moran, Board Secretary, certify as September 30, 2021, 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.
 - d. Board’s Certification
Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12 9 (c) 4, the Board certifies that, as of September 30, 2021, 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 September 2021.
Motion/Roll Call

- e. To Approve Expenditures
To approve October's expenditures as listed in the amount of \$148,400.61 *(Attachment #6)*
Motion/Roll Call

- f. To approve the following Financial Reports:
 1. Treasurer's Report – August *(Attachment #7)*
 2. Board Secretary's Report – August *(Attachment #8)*
 3. Treasurer's Report – September *(Attachment #9)*
 4. Board Secretary's Report – September *(Attachment #10)*
Motion/ Roll Call

- g. To approve the submission of the ARP ESSER III grant on or before November 24, 2021.
Weymouth's allocations are as follow. *(Attachment #11)*

ESSER	\$397,737
Accelerated Learning Coaching & Educator Support Grant	50,000
Evidenced-Based Summer Learning & Enrichment Activities Grant	40,000
Evidenced-Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day Activities Grant	40,000
NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant	45,000

Motion/ Roll Call

- h. To approve the submission of the 2021-22 ARP IDEA Grant in the following amounts to be used
for special education tuitions: *(Attachment #12)*

ARP IDEA Basic	\$7,063
ARP IDEA Preschool	601

Motion/ Roll Call

M. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mary Lou DeFrancisco

1. Informational Items:

- a. Enrollment as of 09/30/2021

Grade	PreK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Current Enrollment 2021	20	12	11	13	20	13	14	25	12	21	161
Enrollment 2020	14	9	15	18	10	12	24	12	16	13	143

- b. Student Suspensions as of 09/30/2021

Number of Suspensions	Number of Days
0	0

- c. Safety Drills as of 09/30/2021

Type of Drill	Fire	Tabletop	Shelter-In-Place
Date	09/15/2021	09/13/2021	09/23/2021
Time	10:32 a.m.	9:55 a.m.	10:37 a.m.
Duration	3 minutes	15 minutes	3 minutes

School Security Specialist Report for September 2021 *(Attachment #13)*

d. HIB Report as of **09/30/2021**

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

e. September/October 2021 Activities Highlighted

- 1) September 1 & 2 – Teacher In-Service
- 2) September 2 – Pre-K Classroom Visit/Bus Ride @ 1:30/Welcome to School Night @ 6:00
- 3) September 6 – Labor Day – No School
- 4) September 7 – School Opens/1st day for students
- 5) September 8 – In-Person Registration for ASC/BSC Programs 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 6) September 13 - Before/After School Care began
- 7) September 14 – Back to School Night
- 8) October 5 – Fire Prevention Day – Visits by the Dorothy Fire Department & EMS
- 9) October 11 – Columbus Day - School Closed
- 10) October 15 - Superintendent’s Roundtable @ ACIT - 10:00 a.m.
- 11) October 21 - Board of Education Regular Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

f. Upcoming/Notable October/November 2021 Events

- 1) November 3 – Make-up Picture Day
- 2) November 4-5 – NJEA Convention – School Closed
- 3) November 4-5 – National Blue Ribbon Schools Awards Ceremonies in Maryland
- 4) November 19, 22, 23 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – Single Session
- 5) November 19 - Superintendent’s Roundtable @ ACIT - 10:00 a.m.
- 6) November 24 – Single Session
- 7) November 25-26 Thanksgiving Break – School Closed

g. Informational Item: Congratulatory letter from Executive Director, NJPSA Karen A. Bingert on our attainment of “2021 National Blue Ribbon School” status. *(Attachment #14)*

2. Recommendations:

a. Personnel

1) Recommend accepting the resignation letter from Trisha Holliday. *(Attachment #15)*
Motion/Roll Call

2) Recommend Karen Merusi as School Facebook Page Manager with Dana Nelson as Substitute School Facebook Page Manager at no cost to the district. *(Attachment #16)*
Motion/Roll Call

3) To approve the following 2021-2022 substitute rates:

Teacher Standard Certificate	Teacher County Certificate	Nurse	Instructional Aide Paraprofessional	Custodian	Playground Aide
\$100/day	\$85/day	\$210/day	\$75/day	\$13/hour	\$10/hour

Motion/Roll Call

b. Policy

1) To approve the first reading of the following policies:

(Attachments # 17a-t)

Policy/ Reg. Number	Description	NEW Adopt	Revised	Notes
P 0131	By-laws, and Policies, and Regulations		X	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Defines the term, “regulations” because Boards are required by statute and administrative code to adopt certain regulations. 2. Option needs to be selected regarding the Board prior approval by the Board at a previous meeting or without prior approval at a previous meeting to abolish by laws, policies, or regulations. 3. The revisions offer a process not mandated by statute or administrative code – the BOE may revise the section to meet their local needs. 4. By-law Guide 0131 is RECOMMENDED
P 1521	Educational Improvement Plans			ABOLISHED
P 1649	Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act (M)		X	ABOLISHED
P 2421	Career and Technical Education		X	Changed from just “Vocational” to “Career and Technical” Education. In addition certain portions are only pertinent to a County Vocation setting.
R 2421	Vocational – Technical Education			ABOLISHED
P 3134	Assignment of Extra Duties		X	We currently have a P3134 that according to Strauss Esmay should be abolished even if the BOE choose not to adopt REVISED P3134. This policy is suggested if the district want guidance regarding these type of assignments.
P & R 3142	Nonrenewal of Non-tenured Teaching Staff Member (RECOMMENDED)		X	Revised to incorporate minor revisions. Clarified “days” to “calendar days” Though this is not a MANDATED policy and regulation it is being highly recommended to be adopted and included in the Policy Manual.
P & R 3221	Evaluation of Teachers (M)		X	Notes that no collective bargaining agreement entered into after July 1, 2013, shall conflict with the educator evaluation system established pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:10-1.1
P & R 3222	Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (M)		X	Also relates to N.J.A.C. 6A:10. Changed dates for submission of evaluation rubrics. Notes that no collective bargaining agreement entered into after July 1, 2013, shall conflict with the educator evaluation system established pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:10
P & R 3223	Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice-Principals, and Assistant Principals (M)		X	Also relates to N.J.A.C. 6A:10. Notes that no collective bargaining agreement entered into after July 1, 2013, shall conflict with the educator evaluation system established pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:10
P & R 3224	Evaluation of Principals, Vice-Principals, and Assistant Principals (M)		X	Also relates to N.J.A.C. 6A:10. Notes that no collective bargaining agreement entered into after July 1, 2013, shall conflict with the educator evaluation system established pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:10

Policy/ Reg. Number	Description	NEW Adopt	Revised	Notes
P & R 4146	Non-renewal of Non-tenured Support Staff Member RECOMMENDED		X	Relates to the notice time to be given can be different that for non-renewal of teaching staff depending on the bargaining unit language if applicable. You may determine that you want to insert a notice date as currently your support staff are not represented by a collective bargaining agreement.
P & R 5460.02	Bridge Year Pilot Program (M)	X		This policy does not appear pertinent to us as it is “mandated for a school district with high school students.
P & R 6471	School District Travel (M)		X	Rewritten to align with the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular 20-04.
P 8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (M)		X	Used to ensure compliance with the USDA’s new regulations. Chart /Form 358 found as an appendix which is updated frequently is recommended for removal from the policy appendix page. School districts participating in a USDA School Nutrition Program are required to adopt policy guide 8561. As you have reviewed the only pages included in review of policy 8561 are those requiring revision. These pages basically remove the work “appendix”
P 1648.13	School Employee Vaccination Requirements (M)	X		Relates to Governor Murphy’s signed Executive Order 253 requiring all public school district employees be fully vaccinated or submit to COVID-19 testing at a minimum of one or two times per week. This policy meets the policy requirement.
P 1648.14	Safety Plan for Healthcare Settings in School Buildings – COVID-19 (M)	X		School districts were notified by the NJ Dept. of Labor and NJ Dept. of Education that they need to comply and have in policy healthcare settings standards as noted through ETS (Emergency Temporary Standard issued by OSHA to protect health office (specifically school nurse’s offices and adjoining clinical areas in the school building). Items related to these requirements may be found in the various plans for return to school that we have completed from the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our newest addition is included in the October 2021 Board Agenda as “Safe Return” and has the Virtual or Remote component included.
P 2425	Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program (M)	X		Relates to school closure during a declared emergency, declared public health emergency or directive by the health agency that institutes a health closure for more than three consecutive school days. The policy includes language regarding applying to meet the 180 school day requirement.
P & R 5751	Sexual Harassment of Students (M)		X	This again is a mandated policy it is based on newly revised Federal Title IX regulations. These regulations appear not to have considered the school setting when written.

- c. Education/Curriculum/Professional Development
 - 1) Recommend approval of the REVISED Safe Return Plan which includes conditions/requirements related to remote instruction and other modifications/updates. (Attachment #18)
 - 2) Recommend approval for the submission of the Preschool Program Plan for the 2021-2022 School year.
 - 3) Reporting of State Assessment information for 2020-2021 SY (Attachment) #19
- d. Use of Facilities – None at this time

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

O. **OLD BUSINESS**

P. **NEW BUSINESS**

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

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

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

Next Meeting – Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.