

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

1202 Eleventh Avenue
Dorothy, New Jersey

Date: September 17, 2020
Time: 6:30 p.m.

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

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

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

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. PRESENTATIONS – There were no presentations at this meeting.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment on agenda items at this time.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the August 20, 2020 Regular Board meeting **(Attachment #1)**

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	T.Seelman
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Passed by voice vote of 8-0-0.

G. CORRESPONDENCE – There was no correspondence to share at tonight's meeting.

H. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Zebedies complimented the Weymouth community for its assistance with and patience during the school's reopening.

I. COMMITTEES REPORTS

1. Finance - Patricia Doerr had reviewed this month's bill list reporting all in order.
2. Personnel & Negotiations - Constance Anne Reymann, no report at this time.
3. Facilities & Security - Henry Goldsmith updated the Board on the successful install of the touchless water fountains and hand sinks. He also spoke of the boiler replacement project in that Falasca Mechanical has ordered the unit and the project will be completed in a timely manner, prior to the onset of cold weather. Mr. Goldsmith also presented a proposal from the architects recommending a roof survey at a cost of \$6,800. Mr. Goldsmith stressed the importance of this survey citing the age and condition of our current covering. A motion to approve the roofing survey will be made under 'New Business' in this agenda.
4. Policy & Student Matters - Constance Anne Reymann reported 13 policies have been distributed for review and appear on tonight's agenda for their first reading.
5. Curriculum & Instruction committee has yet to meet.
6. Transportation - Patricia Doerr complimented Superintendent DeFrancisco on her response to and successful handling of bussing issues during the first week of school.
7. Government Relations & Delegate Assembly – Henry Goldsmith announced the next County NJSBA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15th to address school reopening challenges. While Mr. Goldsmith stressed the importance of attending the meeting, we were reminded our next Board meeting is scheduled on this night.

J. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Buena Board of Education
2. Weymouth Township – Municipal
3. Township Updates:
The Township Committee has a plaque to dedicate the Museum in honor of Douglas Yearsley, the Township Historian. The Committee is trying to set up the dedication ceremony at the museum, but due to COVID restrictions they have not been able to set a date.
Brooke Gayle is a Girl Scout who lives in Weymouth Township. Brooke donated 20 hours of community service putting together care packages for the needy. The Township Committee honored her at the September 16th Township meeting and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation for her dedicated service to the Girl Scouts, our Community and surrounding area.

K. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

1. 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 August 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 August 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 August 2020.

Motion	H.Goldsmith	Second	P.Doerr
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

c. To Approve Expenditures

To approve September's expenditures as listed in the amount of \$154,918.12.

(Attachment #2)

Motion	T.Seelman	Second	C.Reymann
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

d. To approve the following Financial Reports:

1. Treasurer's Report – August

(Attachment #3)

2. Board Secretary's Report – August

(Attachment #4)

Motion	H.Goldsmith	Second	P.Doerr
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

e. To approve the a special education contracts in the amount of \$48,204 with Atlantic County Special Services School District for the 2020-2021 school year as follows for one autistic student.

(Attachment #5)

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	P.Doerr
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

f. To approve the Itinerant Services agreement with Salem County Special Services School District for the 2020-2021 school year.

(Attachment #6)

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	T.Seelman
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

g. To accept the Digital Divide Grant in the amount \$11,193.

(Attachment #7)

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	T.Seelman
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

L. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mary Lou DeFrancisco

1. Informational Items:

a. Enrollment as of 09/08/2020

Grade	PreK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Enrollment 2020	15	9	14	18	10	12	25	11	16	13	143
In Person	12	9	9	13	6	7	6	10	7	14	98
Remote	3	0	5	5	4	5	9	4	2	8	45
Home Sch./ Withdrew	6	3	4	5	3	2	3	1	3	2	32
Enrollment 9/11/2019	12	18	20	12	14	25	10	19	13	14	157
Home Sch. Gr. Bands	PK & K = 9		Grades 1 – 8 = 23								

b. Student Suspensions as of 08/30/2020

Number of Suspensions	Number of Days
0	0

c. Safety Drills as of 08/30/2020

Type of Drill	Fire	Table Top Review
Date	08/05/2020	08/11/2020
Time	11:46 a.m.	10:40 a.m.
Duration	2 minutes	2 minutes

d. HIB Report as of 09/01/2020

1)

Grade	HIB Yes/No	Disposition
	None	None

e. **August 2020 Activities Highlighted** – Preparations for reopening of school in September Various projects: room preparation, PPE equipment and desk shields, meeting with Nutri-Serve, preparation of bus information, schedules, professional development, teacher and parent/student handbook revisions, superintendent meetings regarding requirements/ directions from different agencies, etc. Thank you to Steve Moran, Mrs. Fullmer, Mrs. Palmieri, our volunteer staff committees, our custodial staff, our secretarial staff, and everyone who has worked diligently to have our building, classrooms, equipment, etc. ready to be able to reopen our school.

- f. **Update information regarding school reopening** – We appreciate the dedication on the part of staff, parents, and students. In this “whole new world” as with any new adventure blips occur along the way. Everyone is working those out to provide the best educational program to our students. We are also working to review and adopt district wide processes for students/parents when reporting attendance, wellness, work, etc. OnCourse - our student information system is working with us to streamline the attendance and wellness check programs and we will implement, along with the Parent Portal, as soon as possible. Information will be sent to parents when these systems are ready for use.
- g. Upcoming October 2020 Events –
- 1) October 12 – Columbus Day School Closed
 - 2) October 15 – Board of Education Regular Meeting

2. Recommendations:

a. Personnel

- 1) To approve the following individuals as Weymouth Township School District Substitutes staff pending receipt of all necessary paperwork:

Name	Certification/ Credentials as applicable	Applicable Licensure Date/Notes
Burns, Brandi	Custodian	
Blizzard, Barbara		
Doppler, Richard	County Substitute	Valid Date – January 2, 2022
Dworkin, Joyce		
Falzani, Linda	Teacher	
Farrell, Barbara	Teacher	
Fee, Maryann	Nurse	Valid Date – January 2, 2024
Houseman, Louise	County Substitute	
Jensen, Morgan	Teacher	
Linville, Melinda	County Substitute	Valid Date - 2022
McClure, Mae	County Substitute	Valid Date – January 2, 2024
Mihaly, Edward	Teacher	
Munsell, Michael	County Substitute	Valid Date – July 1, 2021
Nicosia, Billee	County Substitute	Valid Date – January 2, 2020
Parave, Dina	County Substitute	Valid Date – July 1, 2023
Piwowski, Tammy	County Substitute	Valid Date – January 2, 2024
Rodriguez, Oswaldo	Custodian	
Rosenberg, Carole	Teacher	
Warner, Ann	Teacher	

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Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

2) To approve the following staff:

Name	Position	Salary/Hourly Rate/ Stipend	Term
Slamb, Jacqueline	After School Care Asst.	\$45.00 3 hr. session 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	On or about 10/5/20 on Mon. & Thurs.
Henderson, Dan	Bus Arrival/Dismissal Coordinator	\$800.00 Stipend	School Year

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Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebadies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

3) To approve the Superintendent to emergent hire any budgeted, vacant position between September 21, 2020 and October 15, 2020

Motion	P.Doerr	Second	H.Goldsmith
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebadies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

b) Policy – To approve the first reading of the following policies:

(Attachments #8a-8m)

Policy/Reg. Number	Description	Adopt	Revised	Notes
P 2270	Religion in Schools		X	Not required to have a policy, but schools are required to follow the provisions in the January 2020 Guidance. Just updated to be more aligned to 2020 Guidance.
P 2622	Student Assessment (M)		X	Recommend as provided. This revision requires administration of Statewide science assessment through grade five. Previously went to grade four.
P 5111	Eligibility of Resident/ Nonresident Students (M)		X	Revision notes that school district may not condition student enrollment on information or the lack of it from NJMVC to determine student eligibility for enrollment. Recommend selection of the 2 nd option Only for F1 and J1 VISA students.
R 5111	Eligibility of Resident/ Nonresident Students - Regulation		X	Regulations are the procedures put in place to implement the policy.
P 5200	Attendance (M)		X	Provides some clarity to code requirements and excused/ unexcused absences and how they may be tied to promotion, course credit, truancy, etc.

R 5200	Attendance – Regulation		X	Provides procedural implementation of the policy. Recommend ‘an absence considered excused by the Commissioner of Education’ Recommend 5 days for page 7, E2. Recommend 10 days for page 7, F1. Recommend no option selection regarding course credit or retention as multiple measures should be used to determine retention or promotion at the elementary grade levels.
P 5320	Immunization		X	Not mandated but recommended to provide guidance to school staff and parents of school-aged children.
R 5320	Immunization – Regulation		X	Provides procedural implementation of the policy. Recommend no optional language selection.
P 5610	Suspension (M)		X	Requires Principal to hold a meeting between student/parent appropriate school personnel due to multiple suspension or even a single suspension to ascertain whether the student needs supportive interventions, referrals, school and/or community services to identify/address behavior/health difficulties
R 5610	Suspension Procedures - Regulation		X	Provides procedural implementation of the policy. Recommend no option selection on page 8.
P 5620	Expulsion (M)		X	Similar to suspension requirements in order to assist student having difficulty.
P8320	Personnel Records (M)		X	Revision is the addition of a new section that notes the records available for public access. Now a mandated policy to meet legal requirement. Recommend no option selection.
R 8320	Personnel Records - Regulation		X	Provides procedural implementation of the policy. Recommend Superintendent or Business Administrator for page 2, B2. Recommend Administrator for page 3, D2. Recommend Administrator or his/her designee for page 3 D3.

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Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebadies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

c. Education/Curriculum/Professional Development –

i. To approve the Nurse's Standing Orders

(Attachment # 9)

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	K.Mandradjieff
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

ii. To approve the Parent/Student Handbook for the 2020-2021 School Year

(Attachment # 10)

Motion	H.Goldsmith	Second	D.Ardito
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

iii. To approve accepting the enrollment and a tuition waiver for the child of a staff member to attend the Weymouth Township School District for the 2020-2021 school year. The parent will be responsible for transportation to and from school.

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	T.Seelman
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

- iv. To approve the curriculum as listed:

Algebra
21 st Century Life and Careers
Comprehensive Health and PE (includes SEL Social Emotional Learning component)
ELA
HighScope PK 3&4
Mathematics
Science
Social Studies
Technology
Visual and Performing Arts (Art/Music)
World Language
If any Board member wants to peruse the curriculum please contact Ms. Fullmer. She will provide a place in the Main Office for review. Thank you.

Motion	T.Seelman	Second	J.Specht
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

- d. Use of Facilities: None at this time.

- e. Donation(s) – To accept the donation of a wheelchair from Mrs. Patricia Doerr.

Motion	P.Doerr	Second	H.Goldsmith
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Passed by voice vote of 8-0-0.

- f. To approve conducting a roofing survey as recommended by the architect in the amount not to exceed \$6,800.

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	P.Doerr
Daniel Ardito	Yes	Teresa Seelman	Yes
Patricia Doerr	Yes	Deborah Shurig	Absent
Henry Goldsmith	Yes	John Specht	Yes
Karin Mandradjieff	Yes	Edward Zebedies	Yes
Constance Anne Reymann	Yes		

M. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Jackie Specht asked that the Curriculum & Instruction Committee take a more active role and the Board name a chairperson. Mrs. Specht suggested cursive writing be taught to those students who were not exposed to this curriculum during the time cursive writing was not being taught. Mrs. Specht reported Virtual Wednesdays are working out well.

N. OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Patricia Doerr requested that the Board package (the agenda and attachments) be made available to the Board on the Friday before the Board meeting instead of the Monday before so that Board members have more time to review the information.

O. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Henry Goldsmith spoke to the Board regarding the age and condition of our roof. Installed in the summer of 2004 at a cost of \$355,225, the warranty on the current roof expired in 2014. We have been spot repairing sections of the roof since the warranty ended. The architects recommend we perform a roofing survey to assess the condition of the old roof and to determine if further repairs or an entire replacement is necessary.

P. CLOSED SESSION- For the purposes of litigation, personnel and/or student matters. 8:08 p.m.

Motion	P.Doerr	Second	H.Goldsmith
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Passed by voice vote of 8-0-0.

Q. OPEN SESSION – 8:32 p.m.

Motion	H.Goldsmith	Second	C.Reymann
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Passed by voice vote of 8-0-0.

R. ADJOURNMENT – 8:35 p.m.

Motion	C.Reymann	Second	H.Goldsmith
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Passed by voice vote of 8-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Moran

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