# Sussex-Wantage Regional School District March 14, 2024 Regular Session Meeting

The Regular Session Meeting of the Sussex-Wantage Regional School District Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Stephanie Tortorella, Board President, on March 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sussex Middle Media Center.

Roll Call Roll Call

Members Present: Mrs. Alissa Cecchini, Mr. Nicholas D'Agostino, Mrs. Taylor Dely, Mrs.

Brittney Simmons, Mrs. Caitlin Space, Mrs. Stevie Vallone, Mrs. Dorothy

Witte, Mrs. Danielle Zill-Barry and Mrs. Stephanie Tortorella

Members Absent: none

Also in attendance were: Mr. Michael Gall, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Christina M. Riker, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Ms. Frances Febres, Board Attorney

#### The following statement was read by Mrs. Tortorella

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of 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 the provisions of the Act, the Sussex Wantage Regional School District Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the school buildings and notice of said meeting sent to the New Jersey Herald and The Star Ledger.

Mrs. Tortorella read the Sussex Wantage School Mission Statement: The Sussex Wantage Regional School District is a responsive, caring, child-centered community. Our mission is to educate each individual to become a confident, competent, lifelong learner and productive, responsible citizen, by providing challenging opportunities in a safe environment through a partnership of families, schools and communities.

# Superintendent's Report:

#### **Sussex Middle School Students of the Month:**

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade Joshua Padalino (not in attendance)
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade Logan Paulino
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Jade Merkle

Mr. Schwarz was joined by Mr. Gall. He reported that besides Students of the Month, Sussex Middle School would be looking to also have Students of the Week this school year. Mr. Schwarz gave brief introductions of each of the students, including staff reasons for selection. All students that were in attendance and came forward to receive a certificate of recognition.

Open Public Meetings Act

Mission Statement

Superintendent Report

SMS Students of the Month Mr. Gall reported on the following to the Board and Public:

Supt. Report Continued

- Congratulations to all the recipients.
- Thanks to all the staff at CEL for the Love of Reading Program. Special thanks to Mrs. Paolucci and Mrs. Cordts for their work on this. Also thanks to Mrs. DeLorenzo at WES for spearheading the Celebrity Readers Event. Looking forward to SMS Activity Night coming up.

## <u>Audience</u> Remarks

#### **Audience Remarks:**

None.

# Board Secretary Certification - read by Mrs. Riker

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a), I certify that as of February 29, 2024 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a).

Board Secretary Certification

#### Personnel:

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following substitute teachers, nurses, teacher assistants, secretaries, bus drivers, and custodians as listed for the 2023-2024 school year.\*

Substitute

Personnel

Approval

<u>Teacher</u> Melissa Cwynar

Teacher Assistant Melissa Cwynar Kimberly Rome

(\*All new substitutes and appointments are required to comply with State Statute regarding fingerprinting, security checks and appropriate legal agency clearance, and also Federal Employment)

Carried; Yes 8, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1 (Vallone)

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board revise the following resolution passed at the February 29, 2024 Board of Education meeting:

2-29-24 Resolution Revision

It is recommended that the Board approve Karen Duane, 5.5 hour Special Education Teacher Assistant, C.E. Lawrence School, Step 1, \$19.43 per hour, effective March 01, 2024 or upon receipt of fingerprint clearance for the 2023-2024 school year. Shift is 9:00am - 3:00pm with a ½ hour unpaid lunch.

To read as follows:

It is recommended that the Board approve Karen Duane, 5.5 hour Special Education Teacher Assistant, C.E. Lawrence School, Step 1, \$19.43 per hour, effective April 08, 2024 for the 2023-2024 school year. Shift is 9:00am - 3:00pm

with a ½ hour unpaid lunch.
Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following personnel to fulfill IEP requirements for students participating in field trips as follows below. To be paid at regular hourly rate of pay; additional hours are not paid if activity does not occur or if the student is not present.

Additional Time TA's

Date	Name	Additional Hours	Field Trip
03/12/24	Laura Lau	2:20pm - 3:00pm 40 minutes	Teen Arts
03/13/24	Heidi Riker	9:00am - 10:00am 1.0 hour	Shoprite

Carried; Yes 8, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1 (Vallone)

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following personnel to provide nursing services for a student participating in after school activities at their regular hourly rate of pay as follows below. No stipend is paid if activity does not occur or if the student is not present.

Afterschool TA's

Date(s)	Name	Hours	After School Activity
03/06, 03/13/24	Pamela Flynn	3:30pm - 5:30pm 2.0 hours	SMS Musical Practices
03/15/24	Pamela Flynn	7:00pm - 9:00pm 2.0 hours	SMS Activity Night

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following personnel to fulfill IEP requirements for students participating in after school activities as follows below. Stipend rate is \$16.00 per hour. No stipend is paid if activity does not occur or if the student is not present.

Afterschool TA's

Date(s)	Name	Additional Hours	After School Activity
05/30/24	Norma Lopez-DiPalma	6:55pm - 8:30pm 1 hour, 35 mins	4th Grade Spring Concert
05/30/24	Brianna Space	6:55pm - 8:30pm 1 hour, 35 mins	4th Grade Spring Concert

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the

following personnel for additional hours of attendance to fulfill IEP requirements as follows at their regular hourly rate of pay, unless otherwise noted:

Additional Time TA's

Name	Date	Add'l Hours Worked	Add'l Time
Jennifer Beco	02/15/24	2:30pm - 3:30pm	1.0 hour
Linda Kuperus	02/23/24	2:30pm - 3:30pm	1.0 hour
Kristen Doherty	02/23/24	12:09pm - 3:09pm	3.0 hours
Michelle Jennings	02/23/24	2:30pm - 3:40pm	1 hour, 10 minutes
Jennifer Beco	02/26/24	2:30pm - 3:30pm	1.0 hour
Norma Lopez-DiPalma	02/26/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Nanette Crift	02/27/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Lisa VanIderstine	02/28/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Alexis Dillon	02/28/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Jennifer Beco	02/28/24	2:30pm - 3:30pm	1.0 hour
Kristen Doherty	02/28/24	12:09pm - 3:09pm	3.0 hours
Loriann Clarke	02/28/24	3:30pm - 4:30pm	1.0 hour
Leah Ganley	02/28/24	2:30pm - 3:30pm	1.0 hour
Sarah Bakonyi	02/28/24	3:30pm - 3:40pm	10 minutes
Norma Lopez-DiPalma	02/29/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Leah Ganley	02/29/24	2:30pm - 3:30pm	1.0 hour
Diane DeGroat	02/29/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Sarah Bakonyi	02/29/24	3:30pm - 3:40pm	10 minutes
Nanette Crift	03/01/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Sarah Bakonyi	03/01/24	3:30pm - 3:40pm	10 minutes
Lisa VanIderstine	03/04/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Norma Lopez-DiPalma	03/05/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Melissa Stoll	03/05/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Loriann Clarke	03/06/24	8:25am - 9:15am	50 minutes
Nanette Crift	03/06/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Michelle Jennings	03/06/24	2:30pm - 3:40pm	1 hour, 10 minutes
Lisa VanIderstine	03/07/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Melissa Stoll	03/07/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Ashley Yanish	03/07/24	9:00am - 9:30am	30 minutes
Norma Lopez-DiPalma	03/08/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Haley Flores	03/08/24	7:30am - 8:50am	1 hour, 20 minutes
Michelle Jennings	03/08/24	2:30pm - 3:40pm	1 hour, 10 minutes
Kristen Doherty	03/08/24	12:09pm - 3:09pm	3.0 hours
Ashley Yanish	03/08/24	9:00am - 9:30am	30 minutes
Nanette Crift	03/11/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Melissa Stoll	03/11/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Lisa VanIderstine	03/12/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Norma Lopez-DiPalma		8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Nanette Crift	03/14/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Lisa VanIderstine	03/15/24	8:30am - 9:30am	1.0 hour
Carried; Yes 9, No 0,	Absent 0		

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve Christy Gebhard, CST Secretary, Wantage School, for attendance at the Teacher Reassignment meetings as follows:

Additional
Time WES
CST
Secretary

<u>Date</u>	Add'l Hours Worked	Add'l Time
02/22/24	12:00pm - 12:30pm	30 minutes
03/07/24	12:00pm - 12:35pm	35 minutes

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve Gina Ferraro, Guidance Counselor, Sussex Middle School, for 2.0 hours on February 22, 2024 for assisting a student in need after school hours at the rate of \$40 per hour: max \$80.

Extra Hours – SMS Guidance

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following hourly rates for the Summer 2024 Care Program:

Hourly Rates Summer Care 2024

Co-Director	\$37.00 per hour
Teacher	\$24.00 per hour
Teacher Assistant (TA)	\$19.00 per hour
Bus Driver	\$30.00 per hour
Bookkeeper	\$25.00 per hour
Substitute Co-Director	\$35.00 per hour
Substitute Teacher	\$20.00 per hour
Substitute TA	\$16.00 per hour

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

College Credits Earned

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve Susan Vecharello, Assistant to the BA, for a \$100.00 salary increase for 6 college credits earned, effective April 01, 2024.

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve Elizabeth VanHorn for missed lunches and breaks on the following dates, to be paid at regular rate:

Missed Lunches/ Breaks

2/14/24	Missed lunch	30 minutes
2/15/24	Missed lunch	30 minutes
2/20/24	Missed lunch	30 minutes
2/26/24	Short lunch	10 minutes
2/26/24	Missed break	15 minutes
2/27/24	Short lunch	10 minutes
2/27/24	Missed break	15 minutes
2/28/24	Short lunch	10 minutes
2/28/24	Missed break	15 minutes
2/29/24	Short lunch	10 minutes
2/29/24	Missed break	15 minutes

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following personnel for the SMS Home Track meet on April 18, 2024 as follows:

4-18-24 Track Staff

Name	Position	Rate
Jon Chegwidden	Starter	\$50

Eileen Potts	Official	\$35
Alexandra Ratyniak	Official	\$35
Linda Trovillion	Official	\$35
Keith Trovillion	Official	\$35
Charles Sarno	Official	\$35

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following student teacher assignment as follows:

2023-2024 Student Teaching Assignment

Student/CollegePurposeCo-op TeacherDate(s)Raven VanderhoofField Experience/Brittany YoungMarch 20, 2024 -University of PhoenixObservationApril 02, 2024

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve the following transfer as noted below::

2023-2024 Staff Transfer

Name	From	at School	То	at School	Effective
					03/11/24 -
Lori Suyker	RR 3rd	WES	3rd Grade Long Term Leave Replacement	WES	duration TBD

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino that the Board approve Employee # for a continuous, FMLA/NJFLA designated leave of absence from February 15, 2024 for approximately 3 months utilizing accumulated sick days. Return to work estimated to be May 01, 2024; exact date to be determined.

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Simmons, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve Amanda Voswinkel, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant, Sussex Middle School, MA+30, Step 11, \$82,756.00, (prorated) effective May 15, 2024 or upon release from her current district for the 2023-2024 school year. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

New Hire – SMS LDT-C

FMLA/NJFLA

LOA

#### Policy:

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve the following resolution:

HIB Approval

Policy -

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has received the Superintendent's report of incident(s) of Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying ("HIB") within the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has had the opportunity to review the Superintendent's recommendations with respect to the incident(s) of HIB on this report;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board accepts the

Superintendent's recommendations as presented on the report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-15(d), the Superintendent of Schools, and/or his designee, has informed the applicable parents/guardians of the students involved in these incidents with the following information within five (5) days of this Board meeting:

- The nature of the investigation;
- · Whether the District found evidence of HIB;
  - Whether discipline was imposed;
- Whether services were provided to address the incident of HIB.

#### Presented to the Board for first review:

CEL #10 WES #24

## Presented to the Board for second review/approval:

CEL #9 WES #23 SMS #13 SMS #14 SMS #15 SMS #16

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approves on Second Reading the following Policies and Regulations:

а	Policy 5601	School Clearance Following Crisis Situation (New)
b	Policy 8454	Management of Pediculosis (Revised)

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Cecchini, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials with revisions for 2023 for the 2023-2024 School Year. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

#### Finance:

Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve the payment of salaries for February 29, 2024 in the amount of \$849,164.89 as per the attached check register (F1).

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Second Reading

2023-2024
Uniform MOA

- Law
Enforcement
and
Education

<u>Finance</u>

Bills List – End of February 2024

Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve the Bills List payment of bills for March 1 to 15, 2024 in the amount of \$740,063.08 as reviewed March 2024 and as per the attached check register. Be it further noted that the breakdown by category is as follows: (F2) Fixed \$ 539,870.65 \$ 137,795.58 Operating Salaries \$ 0.00 \$ 62,396.85 Special Total \$ 740,063.08 Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0 BS/Treas -Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, we the Trustees of the Sussex-Wantage February Regional Board of Education, having reviewed the reports of the Board Secretary 2024 and the Treasurer of Monies, certify that no major account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, for the period ending February 29, 2024. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0 PD - Travel Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve professional day travel, pursuant to policies 0147, 0147A, 3440, and 4440 as per the attached. (F6) Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0 Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve the Summer Care following tuition rates for Summer Care 2024 which will run from Monday, June 24. 2024 Tuition 2024 through August 9, 2024: Rates Full-time rates Part-time rates **Emergency Rates:** (4 or more days per week) (minimum two days) (one day per week) One child: \$300 per week \$100 per day \$75 per day Two children: \$450 per week \$125 per day \$150 per day Three children: \$550 per week \$150 per day \$175 per day Four children \$625 per week \$175 per day \$200 per day

Carried; Yes 8, No 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1 (Vallone)

Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve AEPS Electric, LLC to remove and reinstall twenty (2) solar modules from the roof at Sussex Middle School to facilitate roof repairs in the amount of \$6,675.00. (Account # 11-000-261-420-000-078).

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve White Rock Corp., Bergen County Cooperative Roof Repairs, Replacement and

**WES Slate** Roof Repairs

SMS Roof

Repairs -

**AEPS Electric** 

Maintenance Bid #BC-BID-23-46 under the Master Service Contract #CK04-BERGEN and #11BeCCP, Resolution # 1408-23, to perform slate roof maintenance and repairs at Wantage Elementary School in the amount of \$21,750. This is a budgeted 2023-2024 item - Account # 11-000-262-420-000-020.

– White Rock Corp.

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

2024-2025 PEA Submit Budget Planning Workbook

Moved by Mrs. Space, seconded by Mrs. Zill-Barry that the Board approve the submission of the Preschool Education 2024-2025 Budget Planning Workbook to the New Jersey Department of Education Division of Early Childhood Services on March 11, 2024.

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

#### **Finance Addendum Comments:**

Mr. Gall stated that the Tentative Budget is coming in at a 4.42% Tax Levy. He said that there would be full presentation for the Final Budget at the Board Meeting next month.

Moved by Mrs. Zill-Barry, seconded by Mrs. Dely that the Board approve the following resolution:

2024-2025 Travel Expense Reimb.

# <u>Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement</u> 2024-2025

WHEREAS, the Sussex-Wantage Regional Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500.00 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), to a maximum expenditure of \$50,000.00 for all staff and board members.

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution:

Adoption of Tentative Budget 2024-2025

2024-2025 Tentative Budget

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2024-2025 School Year using the 2024-2025 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

General Fund

2024-2025 Total Expenditures \$ 28,368,496.00

Taxes to be Raised \$ 18,499,937.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2024-2025 Budget also includes the use of Capital Reserve and has budgeted a withdrawal from Capital Reserve in the amount of \$500,000.00 to be used for a Sussex Middle School Sidewalk Replacement Project and a C.E. Lawrence Elementary School Parking Lot Expansion Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2024-2025 Budget also includes the use of Maintenance Reserve and has budgeted a withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve in the amount of \$250,000.00 to be used for repairs and maintenance projects in the district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2024-2025 Budget includes the use of enrollment adjustment of \$47,712.00 inflated by 2%, a healthcare adjustment in the amount of \$157,623.00 and the use of Banked CAP in the amount of \$223,054.00.

And to advertise said tentative budget in the New Jersey Herald in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held at Sussex Middle School Media Center, 10 Loomis Avenue, Sussex, New Jersey on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 6:00 pm for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2024-2025

Risk

<u>Assessment</u>

## School Year.

Carried; Yes 8, No 1 (Witte), Absent 0

It is recommended that the Board award the Base Bid for the Site Improvements at Wantage Elementary School, received 3/12/2024, to Wallkill Group, Inc. in the amount of \$78,780.00 pending legal review.  Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	WES Site Improvements Bid – Wallkill Group, Inc.
Special Services:	<u>Special</u>
Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve home instruction for student # for a maximum of ten (10) hours per week, effective	<u>Services</u>
immediately, duration TBD.  Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	<u>Home</u> <u>Instruction</u>
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Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve home instruction for student # for a maximum of five (5) hours per week, effective immediately, duration TBD.  Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	<u>Home</u> <u>Instruction</u>
Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve home instruction for student # for a maximum of five (5) hours per week, effective immediately, duration TBD.  Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	Home Instruction
Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve an Occupational Therapy Evaluation for student # to be performed by Performance Pediatrics for an amount not to exceed \$479.75. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	OT Eval
Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve a Physical Therapy Evaluation for student # to be performed by Performance Pediatrics for an amount not to exceed \$479.75.  Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	<u>PT Eval</u>
Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve a Risk Assessment for student # to be performed by The Center for Evaluation and Counseling for an amount not to exceed \$750.00. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	<u>Risk</u> Assessment

Assessment for student # to be performed by The Center for Evaluation and Counseling for an amount not to exceed \$750.00.

Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve a Risk

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

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Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve a Request for Educational Services for student # while under the care of Saint Clare's Hospital on the Children Crisis Intervention Services Unit for one (1) hour per day, five (5) days a week at a rate not to exceed \$55.00 per hour. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	Bedside Instruction
Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve a Service Agreement with Mountain Lakes Board of Education - Lake Drive for student # for the following: Psychological Evaluation, Speech/Language Evaluation and an Educational Evaluation for an amount not to exceed \$2,625.00. Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0	Multiple Evals  - Mt. Lakes BOE/Lake Drive

<u>Curriculum:</u> <u>Curriculum</u>

Moved by Mrs. Dely, seconded by Mrs. Vallone that the Board approve the following field trips:

Field Trips

Date	Grade Level/Teacher	Destination, Purpose, Cost
04/08, 04/15, 04/22, 04/29, 05/06, 05/13, 05/20, 06/03, 06/10/24	6-8/Gigantino	Tamerlaine Animal Sanctuary Community-Based Instruction - Physical Education - Volunteer No cost to students
04/10, 04/17, 04/24, 05/01, 05/08, 05/15, 05/22, 05/29, 06/05, 06/12/24	6-8/Gigantino	YMCA Community-Based Instruction - Physical Education No cost to students
04/17/24	5/Citro	C.E. Lawrence School Students will be presenting an anti-bullying lesson on ways to defend in a positive manner No cost to students
05/22/24	4/All teachers	SCUMA Learn the importance of recycling and the process of how waste gets recycled No cost to students

Carried; Yes 9, No 0, Absent 0

# **Unfinished Business**

<u>Unfinished</u> <u>Business</u>

• None.

# New Business:

**New Business** 

• None.

# **Audience Remarks:**

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None.

#### **Executive Session:**

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WHEREAS, this Board is authorized, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 to exclude the public from that portion of this meeting for purposes of discussing specific matters as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12; and,

WHEREAS, this Board intends to discuss certain matters which are deemed confidential pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, in Executive Session,

WHEREAS, at this time the Board cannot determine the time when the discussion to be held in Executive Session will be made public, but will disclose the minutes of the Executive Session when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Sussex Wantage Regional Board of Education that this meeting shall be adjourned to an Executive Session (closed session) and the public will be excluded in order that the Board may discuss the items listed below, and upon reconvening this public meeting the Board President will announce, if possible, the time when and the circumstances under which the discussion conducted in Executive Session will be disclosed to the public. This resolution is authorized and allowed by and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13.

The general nature of the subject to be discussed per N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 (a):

Legal Matters

Moved by Mrs. Vallone, seconded by Mrs. Witte that the Board go into executive session at 6:13 pm. Mrs. Tortorella advised the public that the Board would be in executive session for approximately fifteen (15) minutes and that no action would be taken afterwards.

At 6:35 pm, Security advised the public that the Board would need an additional twenty (20) minutes in Executive Session.

The Board returned to public session at 7:07 pm.

Moved by Mrs. Vallone, seconded by Mrs. Space to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm.

Adjourn-Ment

Respectfully submitted,

Musa M. Koir

Christina M. Riker Board Secretary