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Lawnside Board of Education Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2023
CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Lawnside Board of Education was called to order at 7:04 in-person. After repeating the Pledge of Allegiance and after observing a moment of silence the following members answered present to the roll call

Forrest - Arrived at 7:30 pm	Hayes Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Y	Still Y

7 Present
1 Absent
1 Vacant

Also present was Dr. Ronn Johnson, Superintendent, Karen Willis Board Secretary and Darryl Rhone Board Solicitor and Alyssa Miller, Director of Curriculum.

OPENING STATEMENT

1 Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings act Chapter 231 PL 1975 has been given by the Board Secretary in the following manner:

- a Posting written notice on the official school bulletin board at the Lawnside Public School and District website
- b Sending notice to the Courier Post and the Retrospect newspapers
- c Position on the district website

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Regular Meeting - May 12, 2023

Motion: Ms. Kittles
Second: Ms. Arterbridge

Forrest - N	Hayes -Y	Arterbridge - Y	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne - Absent	Gibson- Y	Kittles - Y	Still - Y

Vote 6
Motion Carried

PRESENTATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To: Lawnside Board of Education

From: Dr. Ronn H. Johnson, Superintendent

Re: Superintendent's Report (Recommendations)

Date: June 8, 2023

Discussion Items:

Thank those that came out to support our students at the Annual Night of the Arts

Presentation:

Curriculum Department Presentation regarding district's Comprehensive Status.

District Goals:

The District Goals were established in collaboration with the Lawnside Board of Education members at the Board retreat on Thursday, June 24, 2021.

Goal #1: Improve ELA and Math scores to a total of 3% growth over the previous year..

Goal #2: Support student achievement in the social and emotional learning needs of students returning to school full time.

Goal #3: Continue to work to engage our parents in positive ways

Student Enrollment- 334 (315 students in June 2022)

ADA- 313

Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying: 0

Suspensions for May~ 3

The Superintendent is not in receipt of any parental request for a Board Hearing at this time.

School Security Drills:

Fire Drill- 5/25/23 @ 2:15 pm

Security Drill- 5/19/2023 @ 1:45 pm (Lockdown w/ Instruction)

PERSONNEL - It is recommended by the Superintendent items 1-7 be approved as written.

1. It is recommended that Ms. Virginia Alalouf be approved as a Special Education Teacher

at a salary of \$60,410 (Step-4 BA) during the 2023-2024 school year.

2. It is recommended that Mr. Anquan Cook be approved as a Custodian for the 2023-2024 school year at a salary of \$38,456.00 (Step 3).
3. It is recommended that Mr. Mark Forchic be approved as a Paraprofessional for the Extended School Year program at an hourly rate of \$19.31.
4. It is recommended that Mr. Leonard Lewis be approved as a Paraprofessional for the Extended School Year program at a rate of \$19.31 an hour.
5. It is recommended that Mr. Norman Alston be approved as the School Security Guard for the Summer Enrichment & Extended School Year Programs at an hourly rate of \$19.31 per hour.
6. It is recommended that Ms. Chantelle Davis' salary be adjusted to \$64,010 (MA Step 5) for the 2023-2024 school year. (*Official transcripts provided*)
7. It is recommended that Ms. Heather Wisniewski's Letter of Resignation as an Elementary School Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year be approved effective May 22, 2023.

MANAGEMENT- It is recommended by the Superintendent items 1-7 be approved as written.

1. It is recommended that the Marzano Evaluation Center's observation platform be approved for use to evaluate staff during the 2023-2024 school year.
2. It is recommended that Amazing Transformations be approved to provide support services to students within the Lawnside Public School during the 2023-2024 school year at the following rates:

Clinical Associate \$50 per hour
After School/In Home BCBA \$60 per hour
BCBA/BCaBA IEP Participation \$115 per hour

3. It is recommended that New Behavior Network be approved to provide support services to students within the Lawnside Public School during the 2023-2024 school year at the following rates:

Behavior Technician \$50 per hour

4. It is recommended that Brent DiNovi & Associates be approved to provide support services to students within the Lawnside Public School during the 2023-2024 school year at the following rates:

Behavior Consultant \$135 per hour

Clinical Associate \$60 per hour

5. It is recommended that Professional Medical Staffing be approved to provide Substitute Nursing Services for the 2023-2024 school year at an hourly rate of \$59 per hr (RN).

6. It is recommended the student # 31004 be approved to attend Y.A.L.E School for ESY, and the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of 85,707.30.

7. It is recommended that the following Professional Development opportunities be approved.

Name	Workshop/Training	Date	Cost
Niphon Kirk	NJPSA Fall Conference	10/12-13/2023	\$497
Dr. Ronn Johnson	NABSE Conference New Orleans, LA	11/29-12/3/2023	\$450

FIELD TRIPS

1. It is recommended that the following field trip(s) be approved for the 2022-2023 school year.

Grade	Trip	Date	Cost
Student Council	Lawnside Community Garden	5/30/23 & 6/6/23	Free

Executive Session: N/A

Upcoming Dates:

- June Jamboree, June 9, 2023 10 am-2 pm
- PreK Move Up Ceremony, June 12, 2023 @ 9 am
- Kindergarten Promotion Exercise, June 13, 2023 @ 9 am
- 8th Grade Graduation, June 13, 2023 @ 7 pm
- End of Year Awards Assembly, June 14, 2024 @ 9 am

Please contact Dr. Johnson at 856-546-4850 ext. 2200 or ronnjohnson@lawnside.k12.nj.us if you have any questions prior to the board meeting on

Thursday.

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE APPROVAL OF THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
PERSONAL - ITEM 1-7 AND MANAGEMENT ITEM 1-7**

Motion: Ms. Gibson
Second: Ms. Still

Forrest - Y	Hayes - Y	Arterbridge - Y	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne - N	Gibson- Y	Kittles - Y	Still - Y

Vote 7
Motion Carried

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ronnjohanson@lawnside.k12.nj.us if you have any questions prior to the board meeting on
Thursday.*

CORRESPONDENCE -None.
OLD BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: - 1. Mr. Ervin Mears - Charleston Ave., Lawnside NJ - Would like to receive a copy of the budget for the TCU Project and the schematic s. Ms. Willis advised the budget along with a copy of the schematic after the meeting. Mr. Mears left the meeting early and did not receive the information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**RECOMMENDATION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE SECOND READ FOR THE FOLLOWING
POLICIES**

- A) Student Records Policy
- B) Facility Use Policy
- C) Sexual Harassment

Motion for approval of the Third Read for the above noted policies

Motion: Ms. Arterbridge
Second: Ms. Forrest

Forrest Y	Hayes -Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Y	Still Y

Vote: 7 - Yes
Motion Carried

Board Retreat -

Motion to attend the Board Retreat on the following day and date: Thursday, June 29, 2023 at PM.

Motion: Ms. Gibson

Second: Ms. Still

Forrest Y	Hayes -Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote: 7 - Yes

Motion Carried

Haddon Heights Representative: Ms. Fatimah Hayes- will attend the next scheduled meeting on June 13, 2023. Graduation is scheduled for June 21, 2023 at :6:30 pm. RSVP by 6/12/2023, Ms. Hayes will not be able to attend.

CCESC Representative - Ms Still - the Commission had it's Reorg Meeting and Ms. Still was appointed to the Board of Directors for the upcoming school year.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS # 99 THROUGH #110- 123

New Business

1. Resolution # 136 - LineItem Transfers - \$2900.00
2. Resolution # 137 - Line Item Transfer - \$50,000.00
3. Resolution #138- Line Item Transfer - \$500
- 1.Resolution# #139 - Line Item Transfer - \$1395.00
- 2.Resolution#140 - Line Item Transfer - \$3000.00
- 3.Resolution #141- Line Item Transfer - \$150.00
- 4.Resolution #142 - Line Item Transfer - \$5000.00
- 5.Resolution \$143 - Line Item Transfer - \$4800.00
- 6.Resolution #144- Line Item Transfer - \$3509.00
10. Resolution #145 - Line Item Transfer - 433.88
11. Resolution #146 - Line Item Transfer - \$22,124.00
12. Resolution for State Contract Vendors Approval
13. Resolution for Co-Op Vendors Approval
14. Resolution with Camden County Educational Services Commission- Shared Services
- 15.Resolution for Marino Construction
16. Resolution for Brown & Brown
17. Resolution for Renewal Contract for Pixel Electronics
18. Resolution for CCESC for Preschool Collaborative
19. Resolution for Bowman & Company
20. Resolution for Behavior Educational Services
21. Resolution for Remington & Venick Engineer - Tabled
22. Resolution for Rejection of Groundskeeping Service
23. Resolution for Rejection for Electric Services
24. Resolution for CCESC Shared Services with CM3 & WJ Gross
25. Resolution for Supplemental Nursing Services
26. Resolution for TCU Phase 1 Building Modification \
27. Resolution for TCU Phase 2 Parking Lot Expansion `

Motion: Ms. Forrest
Second: Ms. Gibson

Forrest Y	Hayes Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote 7 Yes
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD SECRETARY REPORT/ TREASURER'S REPORT

MAY 2023

Motion: Ms. Forrest
Second: Ms. Gibson

Forrest Y	Hayes Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote 7 Yes
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE BILLIS

Motion: Ms. Forrest
Second: Ms. Gibson

Forrest Y	Hayes Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote 7 Yes
Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Zakiyyah Grisby- 109 Muller Road, Apt. 7B, Lawnside, NJ
Would like to know why is Lawnside school ranking is below Camden City School, currently we are #8.

Dr. Johnson advised that certain factors have to be considered when considering the ranking of a school, such as, attendance, transit and other variables. Ms. Hayes also advised that we also have to take into consideration standardized testing, which isn't actually standardized, all of the components aren't known.

2. Anna Medina -43 W. Hodges, Lawnside, NJ

Please advise what is being done about the rodent issue at the school? Dr. Johnson advises the District has hired a pest control company to address the issue. She also inquired about the rumors in which a teacher from the district has been dismissed due to sexual harassment, please advise. Ms. Hayes advised that the district isn't able to speak about staff members without Rice the individual.

3. Kenisha Coley- 145 Bryant Ave., Lawnside, NJ -

Request if the District can make robo calls for announcement of scheduled board meetings and zoom meetings. Ms. Forrest and Dr. Johnson advised that robo can be made out to the community, however the possibility to have regular scheduled board meeting via Zoom Meetings will have to be reviewed by the Board's policy.

4. Rhonda Warlow-Hurley- Councilwoman from Lawnside, NJ Advised the community that there was a Move-Up program being held at the Wayne Bryant Community Center and all were invited to attend.

Last night the community celebrated the 8th graders with a spaghetti dinner and the 4th graders are doing a community project for the homeless to gather socks to be given out.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:22 pm - Personnel Matters

Motion: Ms.Gibson

Second: Ms. Kittles

Forrest Y	Hayes -Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne - Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote Yes

Motion Carried

Motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:33 pm

Motion: Ms. Forrest

Second: Ms. Kittles

Forrest Y	Hayes -Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote Yes

Motion Carried

BOARD COMMENTS;

Motion for adjournment: 8:37 pm

Motion - Ms. Gibson

Second by Ms. Arterbridge

Forrest Y	Hayes Y	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne Absent	Gibson Y	Kittles Absent	Still Y

Vote 7 Yes
Motion Carried

I Karen Willis Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside in the County of Camden New Jersey Hereby Certify that the foregoing extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Education duly called and held on May 12, 2023 has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in the Minute Book of the Board of Education and is true complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract

Respectfully submitted


Karen Willis

Business Administration/ Board Secretary