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Lawnside Board of Education Meeting Minutes February 11, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Lawnside Board of Education was called to order at 7:04 p.m. remotely through "Zoom" by Ms. Marsharee Wright, Board Vice President. After repeating the Pledge of Allegiance and after observing a moment of silence, the following members answered present to the roll call:

Sabrina Forrest – joined at 7:29 p.m. Marsharee Wright

Mawusimensah Mears – joined at 7:04 p.m. left the meeting, arrived back at 7:28 p.m.

Nana Cauthorne Dajshia Gibson Alexis Wilson

Also present was Ronn Johnson, Superintendent, Dawn Leary, Business Administrator.

Open Public Meeting Act

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act authorizes Board of Education to meet in Executive session under certain circumstances;

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lawnside Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

1. Personnel and/or Student Matter

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exist; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

December 15, 2020 January 14, 2021 Minutes

Motion by Dajshia Gibson seconded by Nana Cauthorne, that the minutes of December 15, 2020 and January 14, 2021 be approved. Motion carried; Roll Call Vote: 3 - yes, 1 - abstention 2 - absent at time of roll call.

Mrs. Forrest – absent Ms. Wright - ves Mr. Mears - absent Ms. Gibson - yes Ms. Wilson – abstain Ms. Cauthorne – yes

Superintendent's Report

Discussion Items:

8th grade Social Justice Club established between the four districts Black History Month collaboration with local historians Shamele Jordan and Muneerah Higgs

District Goals

The District Goals were established in collaboration with the Lawnside Board of Education members at the Board retreat on Thursday, August 1, 2019.

Goal #1: Continue to engage with our community.

Goal #2: Development and implement programs that increase academic achievement and social emotional learning.

Goal #3: Increase ELA and Math scores by 5% on the NJSLA tests.

Enrollment-309

ADA -

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying: 0

Suspension for January – 0

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

PERSONNEL - It is recommended by the Superintendent items 1-2 be approved as written

- 1. It is recommended that Ms. Kira Brown's Request for Leave (Maternity) be approved effective March 5, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 2. It is recommended that Mr. Terry Henry's Request for Leave (Medical) be approved effective February 8, 2021 through March 8, 2021.

Personnel Items

1-2

Motion by Dajshia Gibson seconded by Alexis Wilson to approve personnel items 1-2. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 4 – yes, 2 – absent.

Mrs. Forrest – absent Ms. Wright - yes
Mr. Mears - absent Ms. Gibson - yes
Ms. Wilson – yes Ms. Cauthorne – yes

MANAGEMENT - It is recommended by the Superintendent items 1- 2 be approved as written

- 1. It is recommended that the Educational Services Commission be approved to provide related services in the form of Occupational Therapy (3 days per week) and Physical Therapy (1 Day per week) for the 2021-2022 school year at a total cost of \$72,660 including Extended School Year services.
- 2. It is recommended the following Professional Development opportunities be approved for the 2020-2021 school year: *All professional development will be funded through Title*

Name	Workshop	Location	Date	Cost
Niphon Kirk Alyssa Miller	Intervention and Referral Services Team Training	Online	1/27/21 retroactive	\$106 per participant

Management Item 1-2

Motion by Dajshia Gibson seconded by Alexis Wilson to approve management items 1-2. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 4 – yes, 2 – absent.

Mrs. Forrest – absent Mr. Mears - absent Ms. Wilson – yes

Ms. Wright - yes
Ms. Gibson - yes
Ms. Cauthorne - yes

Committee Reports

Haddon Heights Representative – Ms. Alexis Wilson stated she attended Haddon Heights Board Meeting. There were several discussions regarding the opening of school. Cohorts were discussed. A survey would be sent to parents and after the data is collected, a plan will be formed. Students will be returning on Monday, March 8, 2021. Lawnside was sent information regarding the reopening.

New Business

Bowman & Company – Audit 2019-2020

Michael Cragin of Bowman & Company presented the 2019-2020 audit to the board. Mr. Cragin stated the budget was fiscally sound and in good shape. The total fund balance that will be applied toward the 2021-2022 is 1.6 million and will be used to help offset tax levy relief. The large surplus is due to the School Development Authority (SDA) closing out a project from 2010 giving the district \$412,000. In addition to the SDA funds, due to COVID19, sports, trips and other activities that were budgeted for, did not take place, causing a surplus. The district had one "finding" with regards to the District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The district did not have documentation on file or contracts for some students reported. Fund balanced was down in the past due to revenue and expenditures being utilized. Now, the district is in a better position financially and is being managed well.

Ms. Wright asked Mr. Cragin to explain the COVID19 section of the audit as it relates to food service \$100,000. Mr. Cragin stated changes were related to the way lunches were served. He said the district received increased funding for lunches that were provided. The lunch program did not run normally due to the pandemic. Mr. Cragin stated there are two types of food service programs. Single Audit have to spend \$650,000 and Lawnside does not qualify. With regards to the \$100,000 for food service, language has to placed in the audit so the State knows that districts are doing what they are supposed to do. All audits have this language.

RESOLUTION 16 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

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ACCOUNT	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
11-000-262-620-00-00 Energy – Heat & Electricity	1,000.00	
11-000-221-600-00-00 Supplies & Materials	3,000.00	
11-190-100-320-00-00 Purchased Profess. & Educ		1,000.00
11-190-100-610-00-00 General Supplies		3,000.00
Total	4,000.00	<u>4,000.00</u>

RESOLUTION 17 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT	<u>FROM</u>	<u>T0</u>
11-000-100-566-00-00 Tuition to Pvt School	55,000.00	
11-000-100-565-00-SS Tuition – Co. Special Svc.		55,000.00

Total <u>55,000.00</u> 55,000.00

RESOLUTION 18 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
11-000-100-566-00-00 Tuition to Pvt School	2,000.00	
11-190-100-610-00-00 General Supplies		2,000.00
Total	2,000.00	<u>2,000.00</u>

RESOLUTION 18A (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT	FROM	<u>TO</u>
11-000-270-518-00-00 Contract Serv. Sp. Ed.	4,000.00	
11-190-100-640-00-00 Textbooks	1,000.00	
11-190-100-320-00-00		4,000.00

Purchased Profess

11-190-100-320-00-00 Purchased Profess

1,000.00

Total

5,000.00

5,000.00

RESOLUTION 21 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT

<u>FROM</u>

TO

11-000-270-518-00-00 Contract Serv. Sp. Ed. 45,000.00

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11-190-100-320-00-00 Purchased Profess. & Ed. Svc.

45,000.00

Total

45,000.00

45,000.00

RESOLUTION 22 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT

FROM

TO

11-000-270-518-00-00 Contract Serv. Sp. Ed. 30,000.00

12-000-400-450-00-00 Purchased Profess. & Ed. Svc.

30,000.00

Total

30,000.00

30,000.00

RESOLUTION 23 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts:

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT

FROM

TO

11-000-100-566-00-00

Tuition to Pvt School

300.00

11-000-222-600-00-00 Supplies & Materials

300,00

Total

300.00

300.00

RESOLUTION 24 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT

<u>FROM</u>

TO

11-000-222-100-00-00 Salaries - Librarian

1,000.00

11-000-222-300-00-00 Purchased Profess & Tech 1,000.00

Total

1,000.00

1,000.00

RESOLUTION 26 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
11-000-251-100-00-00 Central Services – Salaries	300.00	•
11-000-251-100-00-00 Central Services - Salaries	100.00	
11-000-251-890-00-00 Miscellaneous Expenditures		300.00
11-000-251-890-00-00 Miscellaneous Expenditures		100.00
Total	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>

RESOLUTION 27 (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND:

ACCOUNT

FROM

TO

11-150-100-101-00-00 Salaries of Teachers	2,000.00	
11-000-222-100-00-00 Salaries – Librarian	5,000.00	
11-000-230-334-00-00 Archtect Fees	8,000.00	
11-000-262-620-00-00 Energy – Heat & Electricity	10,000.00	
11-000-230-890-00-00 Miscellaneous Expenditures	3,000.00	
11-000-262-620-00-00 Energy – Heat Electricity	4,000.00	
11-190-100-610-00-00 General Supplies		2,000.00
11-000-230-332-00-00 Audit Fees		5,000.00
11-000-230-331-00-00 Legal Services		8,000.00
11-000-230-530-00-00 Communication/Telephone		10,000.00
11-000-230-332-00-00 Legal Services		3.000.00
11-000-266-100-00-00 Salaries - Security		4,000.00
Total	<u>32,000.00</u>	32,000.00

RESOLUTION 27 B (2020-21)

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the budgetary line item accounts;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside to make such transfers;

AND WHEREAS, the need exists to adjust line item accounts to meet obligations encumbered and anticipated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following line item transfers:

GENERAL FUND	:
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ACCOUNT FROM TO

11-190-100-610-00-00 General Supplies

300.00

11-190-100-640-00-00 Textbooks

300.00

Total

<u>300.00</u>

300.00

Line Item Transfers Resolution #16-18A, #21-24, and 26-27

Motion by Alexis Wilson seconded by Sabrina Forrest to approve Line Transfers #16-18A #21-24, #26-27. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 5 – yes, 1 – abstention.

RESOLUTION #28-2021

CAFR REPORT 2020-CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lawnside Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside, hereby accepted the audit and approved the Corrective Action Plan:

2020-001

RECOMMENDATION NUMBER	CORRECTIVE ACTION APPROVED BY THE BOARD	METHOD OF IMPLEMENTATION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION	COMPLETION DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION
1. The School District reported students who could not be traced to attendance records, no documentation to support classifications	2/11/2021	The School District will ensure a complete set of workpapers, which will document the data and provide an audit trail.	Business Administrator	On-going

Date: February 11, 2021

Moved: Alexis Wilson

Seconded: Sabrina Forrest

Vote: 5 – yes, 1 - abstention

CARES ACT Amendment

#2 & #3

Motion by Alexis Wilson seconded by Sabrina Forrest to approve CARES ACT amendment #2 & #3. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 5 – yes, 1 – abstention.

Mrs. Forrest – yes
Mr. Mears - abstained
Ms. Gibson - yes
Ms. Wilson – yes
Ms. Cauthorne – yes

Board Resolution

The Lawnside Board of Education approved the following motion on February 11, 2021:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside, at its February 11, 2021 meeting, approve and accept the budget calendar for the 2021-2022 school year.

Budget Calendar Approval 2021-22

Motion by Alexis Wilson seconded by Nana Cauthorne to approve the budget calendar for the 2010-2022 school year. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 4 – yes, 2 – absent.

Mrs. Forrest – absent Ms. Wright - yes
Mr. Mears - absent Ms. Gibson - yes
Ms. Wilson – yes Ms. Cauthorne – yes

TRAVEL RESOLUTION #29-2021

REGULAR BUSINESS AND TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside approved the Travel Resolution for the 2021-22 school year for submission to the Executive County Superintendent for review as follows:

Regular business travel, such as NJDOE meetings and association events, is authorized by the Board not to exceed \$1,500 per employee for the 2020-21 school year, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3(b). Approval by the Superintendent or designee is required, including justification for the travel. Regular business travel is authorized for regularly scheduled in-state professional development activities for which the registration fees does not exceed \$300 per employee or board member.

Travel Resolution 2021-22

Motion by Alexis Wilson seconded by Nana Cauthorne to approve the Travel Resoluion for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 4 – yes, 2 – absent.

Mrs. Forrest – absent Mr. Mears - absent Ms. Wilson – yes

Ms. Wright - yes Ms. Gibson - yes Ms. Cauthorne - yes

Approval of Superintendent to authorize transfer amounts among line items and programs

Motion by Alexis Wilson seconded by Nana Cauthorne to approve Dr. Ronn Johnson to authorize transfer amounts among line items and programs. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 5 – yes, 1 – no.

Mrs. Forrest – yes Mr. Mears – no Ms. Wilson – yes Ms. Wright - yes Ms. Gibson - yes Ms. Cauthorne - yes

RESOLUTION 20-(2020-21)

- 1. <u>Secretary's Report</u> The Board Secretary certifies that no line item accounts in October 2020 have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. **See Attachment XI.**
- 2. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of October 2020. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's Report are in agreement for the month(s) of October 2020. **See Attachment XI.**
- 3. <u>Board Secretary</u> Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (a) certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.
- 4. Board of Education Certification Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.10 (c) the Lawnside Board of Education certifies that as of October 31, 2020 Secretary Financial Report and the October 31, 2020 Treasurer's Monthly Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of the Board's knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16-10 (a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The Secretary reports as of October 31, 2020:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$2,901,196.29
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	(207,739.97)
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	Ó
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	(259,326.17)
Total Cash in Bank	\$2,434,130.15

The Treasurer's report as of October 31, 2020:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$2,901,196.29
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	(207,739.97)
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	Ó
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	(259,326.17)
Total Cash in Bank	\$2,434,130.15

Resolution #20 (2020-2021)

Motion by Dajshia Gibson seconded by Alexis Wilson to approve the Secretary & Treasurer Report Resolution #20, (2020-2021). Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 5 – yes, 1 – no.

Mrs. Forrest – yes
Mr. Mears – no
Ms. Gibson - yes
Ms. Wilson – yes
Ms. Cauthorne – yes

RESOLUTION 25-(2020-21)

- 1. <u>Secretary's Report</u> The Board Secretary certifies that no line item accounts in November 2020 have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. **See Attachment XI.**
- 2. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of November 2020. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's Report are in agreement for the month(s) of November 2020. **See Attachment XI.**
- 3. <u>Board Secretary</u> Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (a) certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.
- 4. Board of Education Certification Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.10 (c) the Lawnside Board of Education certifies that as of November 30, 2020 Secretary Financial Report and the November 30, 2020 Treasurer's Monthly Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of the Board's knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16-10 (a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The Secretary reports as of November 30, 2020:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$3,056,751.06
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	(179,245.69)
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	Ó
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	(259,326.17)
Total Cash in Bank	\$2,618,179.20

The Treasurer's report as of November 30, 2020:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$3,056,751.06
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	(179,245.69)
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	Ó
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	<u>(259,326.17)</u>
Total Cash in Bank	\$2,618,179.20

Resolution #25 (2020-2021)

Motion by Dajshia Gibson seconded by Alexis Wilson to approve the Secretary & Treasurer Report Resolution #25 (2020-2021). Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 5 – yes, 1 – no.

Mrs. Forrest – yes
Mr. Mears – no
Ms. Gibson - yes
Ms. Wilson – yes
Ms. Cauthorne – yes

RESOLUTION 29-(2020-21)

- 1. <u>Secretary's Report</u> The Board Secretary certifies that no line item accounts in December 2020 have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. **See Attachment XI.**
- 2. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of December 2020. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's Report are in agreement for the month(s) of September 2020. **See Attachment XI.**
- 3. <u>Board Secretary</u> Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (a) certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.
- 4. Board of Education Certification Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.10 (c) the Lawnside Board of Education certifies that as of December 31, 2020 Secretary Financial Report and the December 31, 2020 Treasurer's Monthly Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of the Board's knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16-10 (a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The Secretary reports as of December 31, 2020:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$2,359,983,40
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	(260,290.00)
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	Ó
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	(259,326.17)
Total Cash in Bank	\$1,840,367.23

The Treasurer's report as of December 31, 2020:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$2,359,983.40
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	(260,290.00)
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	Ó
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	(259,326.17)
Total Cash in Bank	\$1,840,367.23

Resolution #29 (2020-2021)

Motion by Dajshia Gibson seconded by Alexis Wilson to approve the Secretary & Treasurer Report Resolution #29 (2020-

2021). Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 5 – yes, 1 - absent

Mrs. Forrest – yes Mr. Mears – no Ms. Wilson – ves Ms. Wright - yes Ms. Gibson - yes Ms. Cauthorne - yes

Payment of Bills/Receipts
December, January & February

Motion by William Dajshia Wilson seconded by Nana Cauthorne that the bills totaling \$683,690 .05 for the General Fund for December, bills totaling \$537,486 .08 for January, bills totaling \$506,725.77 for February and \$15,993,.09 for December Food Service, and \$26,723.26 for January and \$15,148.19 for February be approved for payment pending availability of funds. Motion Carried; Roll Call Vote: 6 – yes.

Mrs. Forrest – yes Mr. Mears – yes Ms. Wilson – yes Ms. Wright - yes Ms. Gibson - yes Ms. Cauthorne - yes

Public Comments at 7:23 p.m.

Mr. Ervin Mears of 411 E. Charleston Ave in Lawnside asked what board action was taken for the \$17,000 the teachers owed on their healthcare last year. Mrs. Forrest stated the board will get back to him. Mr. Mears also stated vaccine doses for senior citizens have been slow. Has the board considered allowing the County Office to use the gym. Ms. Wright stated the County Office would have to reach out to the school district. Mr. Mears also asked why Mr. Ali was not allowed in the board meeting, was it due to fingerprints? Ms. Wright replied, Mr. Ali would have to ask the question himself.

Mr. Phoenix Moore asked if there would be a capacity limitation once students return to school. Dr. Johnson stated the board approved a Hybrid Model until April 16th. Another assessment will be done. Surveys will be sent to parents. The last two surveys, two-thirds of the parents voted to keep their child home. The district is preparing for all 309 students to return.

Mr. M. Mears, board member, stated he does not have enough time to review 40 plus pages of financial information in the board packet. He asked for five business days to review. Mrs. Forrest stated it has never been an issue for the board voting on agenda items.

Mr. Phoenix Moore asked if he could have a copy of the school board policy. Ms. Wright stated once Mr. Moore becomes a school board member, he will have what he needs and could reach out to board members, Dr. Johnson or Ms. Leary. Ms. Leary stated new board members will have a packet to guide them.

Ms. Ana Medina of 43 W. Hodges in Lawnside asked if anyone could become a board member or do you have to be a parent. She said it was her first board meeting and wanted to know how many board members were actually parents. Ms. Wright stated she could send her the link to School Boards. With regards to members with children that attend the school, Ms. Wright stated her daughter attends the school. Ms. Forrest children have graduated and Ms. Cauthorne currently has children in the school.

Board Member Comments

Alexis Wilson thanked the board of education members for being present. She said moving forward "board members need to put their best foot forward". She stated she has a full-time job and is studying for her LSAT. "We are supposed to be here for the students.

Dr. Johnson stated Ms. Wright did an excellence job of filling in as president. He said she did a wonderful job as Vice-President.

Ms. Wright wished everyone well and said stay safe and wear your mask.

Motion by Marsharee Wright seconded by Alexis Wilson to adjourn the board meeting.

All in favor: 6 – Ayes. Motion carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Adjournment – 7:58 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I, Dawn Leary, 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 *February 11, 2021* 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

Dawn Leary

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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