

Minutes – May 9, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Lawnside Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. in Board Conference Room of the Lawnside Public School, 426 Charleston Avenue. Board President Sabrina Forrest presided. After repeating the Pledge of Allegiance and observing a moment of silence, the following members answered present to the roll call:

Tiffany Banks	Sabrina Forrest
Doug Brotherton	Lovelle Kendall
Ronald DeAbreu	Dalaine Wilson

6 present, 3 absent

Absent: Amy Pierce, Donica Venable, Dawn Wright-McLeod

Also present were Ronn Johnson, Superintendent and Theresa Tutt, Board Secretary.

Ms. Forrest announced that notice of the meeting was sent to the Courier Post, Record Breeze, Philadelphia Inquirer and the Lawnside Borough Clerk as required by statute.

There were no Public Comments.

Minutes -
4/11/2013 & 4/25/2013

Motion by Ronald DeAbreu, seconded by Dalaine Wilson, that the minutes of April 11, 2013 and April 25, 2013 be approved. Motion carried; 6 yes.

There was no Solicitor's Report.

Board Members Donica Venable and Dawn Wright-McLeod entered at 7:08 p.m., making 8 present, 1 absent.

Superintendent's Report

Discussion

- NJ ASK testing is underway; 7th & 8th graders took the assessments last week; 5th & 6th grade students concluded testing this week; 3rd and 4th grades will begin testing on May 13
- Karate Tournament on Saturday, May 11, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Haddon Heights Academic Awards Night – May 15 at 7:30 p.m.
- Lawnside Teacher's Choice Awards – May 16 at 7:00 p.m.
- Haddon Heights Field Day – May 23
- Mt. Zion Mentoring Sunday – May 19 at 10:00 a.m.
- PTA Sponsored Scholastic Book Fair – May 28 – May 31
- Correspondence from Mr. Hoover and Ms. Marvin re: Walk-A-Thon
- Correspondence from UMDNJ re: nursing students' clinical experience with Ms. Rosner

District Goals

- *Focus on Language Arts Literacy to improve student achievement*
- *Continue to foster community support and encourage investment in the success of the school district*
- *Develop the use of Smartboard technology to enhance student achievement through effective instruction*

Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying

There were 2 incidents of documented Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying during the month of April resulting in 1 detention and 1 suspension.

Recommendations

PERSONNEL

1. It is recommended that Ms. Nina Carr be approved as a 1:1 aide for the 2013-2014 school year at a salary of \$16,831.
2. It is recommended that Mrs. Patricia Ricks' Letter of Retirement be approved effective July 1, 2013.
3. It is recommended that the following staff members be approved to provide Extended School Year (ESY) services during the summer of 2013 at the rate of \$35 per hour (IDEA funded):
 - Rukiah Alwan
 - Nancy Debrececi
 - Holly Martin (Substitute)
4. It is recommended that the following personnel be hired for the 21st CCLC, 2012-2013 Summer Program. All costs will be covered by 21st CCLC Grantee funding.
 - Patricia Cobia – Site Coordinator (\$35/hr.)
 - Veda Jones – Computer Teacher (\$35/hr.)
 - Michele Mendenhall – Guidance Counselor (two weeks) (\$35/hr.)
 - Lisa Rhodan – Special Education Teacher (\$35/hr.)
 - Christina Coates – Paraprofessional (\$16/hr.)
 - Antoinette Davis – Paraprofessional (\$16/hr.)
 - Fatima Aglaguel – Paraprofessional (Sub) (\$16/hr.)
 - Andrew Anderson – Paraprofessional (Sub) (\$16/hr.)
5. It is recommended the following personnel be hired to fill the Title I, ELA Summer School positions (Title I funded):
 - Gina Clay-Williams – Lead Teacher (\$35/hr.)
 - Gizelle Aydin – Grades 3 & 4 (\$35/hr.)
 - Colleen DiSandro – Grades 5 & 6 (\$35/hr.)
 - Christina Finnegan – Grades 7 & 8 (\$35/hr.)
 - Eric Quao – Substitute (\$35/hr.)

6. It is recommended the following personnel be approved for employment in the Shining Stars Summer Program:

- Leslie Daniels – Co-Lead Teacher (\$35/hr.)
- Robbin Marvin – Co-Lead Teacher (\$35/hr.)
- Nina Carr – Teacher (\$35/hr.)
- Brittany Coleman – Teacher (\$35/hr.)
- Shyya Combs – Teacher (\$35/hr.)
- Diana Rosanni – Teacher (\$35/hr.)
- Keenan Jones – Aide (\$8/hr.)
- Donna Walden – Aide (\$16/hr.)

7. It is recommended Mr. King Shabazz be approved as a Substitute Custodian for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$10 per hour (pending criminal history review).

Personnel
Items #1 – 7

Motion by Donica Venable, seconded by Tiffany Banks,
that Personnel Recommendations #1 – 7 be approved. Motion
carried; 7 yes.

MANAGEMENT

1. It is recommended that the following positions be approved to posting for the 2013-2014 school year:
 - Health & Physical Education Teacher
 - Part-Time Learning Disabilities Teacher/Consultant (LDTC)
2. It is recommended that the district's ESEA/NCLB FY14 application be approved for submission to the New Jersey Department of Education.

Management -
Items #1 – 2

Motion by Dalaine Wilson, seconded by Dawn Wright-McLeod,
that Management Recommendations #1 – 2 be approved.
Motion carried; 8 yes.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

1. It is recommended that the students participating in the Big Brothers & Big Sisters program be approved to participate in the end of the year party at CDW. Transportation cost to be provided by the students of the Lawnside School District.
2. It is recommended that the National Junior Honor Society trip to the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, PA on May 29, 2013 be approved. Cost is \$10 per student (may be free depending on receipt of grant).
3. It is recommended that the Safety Patrol be approved to attend a trip to Six Flags Great Adventure on June 20, 2013. Cost is \$30 per student. Bus transportation is included in the cost.
4. It is recommended that the 8th grade students be approved to attend Hershey Park on June 13, 2013. Student dues cover the cost of the trip.

- 5. It is recommended that the 21st CCLC Summer Program be permitted to take the students participating in the Summer Program swimming at the Pennsauken Recreation Center, at no cost to the Board of Education, on the following dates. Transportation will be provided through 21st CCLC Grantee funding.

- Thursday, July 11th
- Thursday, July 18th
- Thursday, July 25th

Student Activities -
Items #1 – 5

Motion by Ronald DeAbreu, seconded by Dawn Wright-McLeod, that Student Activities Recommendations #1 – 5 be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

There was no Correspondence.

There was no Old Business.

There were no Committee Reports.

New Business

R E S O L U T I O N #46-2013

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:

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
11-130-100-101-00-RG Salaries of Teachers – Grades 6 -8	\$20,000	
11-213-100-101-00-RG Salaries of Teachers – Resource Room	6,800	
11-000-100-565-00-SS Tuition – Co. Special Services Districts	13,500	
11-000-230-610-00-00 Gen. Admin. Supplies & Materials	2,000	
11-000-240-104-00-00 Salaries – Professional Staff	500	

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11-190-100-610-00-00 General Supplies	\$20,000
11-213-100-106-00-00 Other Salaries for Instruction	1,600
11-000-100-566-00-00 Tuition – Pvt. School Disabled	5,200
11-000-230-339-00-00 Other Purchased Prof. Services	2,000
11-000-240-580-00-00 Travel Expense	500
11-000-262-610-00-00 Custodial Supplies	3,500
11-000-262-620-00-00 Energy – Heat & Electric	<u>10,000</u>
	<u>\$42,800</u>

Resolution #46-2013 – Motion by Tiffany Banks, seconded by Donica Venable,
Line Item Transfers that Resolution #46-2013 be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

R E S O L U T I O N #47-2013

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lawnside Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside at its May 9, 2013 meeting authorizes the following State Contract Vendor for the balance of the 2012-2013 school year:

Tanner Furniture Inc.
NJ State Contract # A-67816, A-67832, A-67836, A-81713

Resolution #47-2013 – Motion by Lovelle Kendall, seconded by Dalaine Wilson,
Tanner Furniture, Inc. that Resolution #47-2013 be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

R E S O L U T I O N #48-2013

RESOLUTION TO AMEND NJSBAIG BYLAWS

WHEREAS, the New Jersey School Board Association Insurance Group (NJSBAIG) Board of Trustees approved proposed amendments to its Bylaws at a public meeting on March 20, 2013 in accordance with Article IX(c) of the current NJSBAIG Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the current NJSBAIG Bylaws require for the proposed amendments to be approved by member school districts; and

WHEREAS, seventy-five percent (3/4) of the member school districts must approve the proposed amendments within one hundred eighty (180) days of the hearing on the amendments:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that at a regular meeting of the Lawnside Board of Education held on the 9th day of May 2013, the Board does hereby approve the proposed amendments to the NJSBAIG Bylaws.

Resolution #48-2013 –
NJSBAIG Bylaws

Motion by Doug Brotherton, seconded by Ronald DeAbreu,
that Resolution #48-2013 be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

Facilities Use -
4th of July Committee

Motion by Dawn Wright-McLeod, seconded by Ronald DeAbreu,
that the Lawnside 4th of July Committee be permitted to use the
school grounds on Saturday, June 29, 2013 between the hours
of 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. as the fireworks launch site for
the Lawnside Day celebration. Motion carried; 8 yes.

Bond Counsel Services

Motion by Donica Venable, seconded by Dawn Wright-McLeod,
that the Board Secretary be authorized to contact Parker McCay
to seek bond counsel services regarding the Susquehanna Note
that is due July 1, 2013. Motion carried; 8 yes.

Secretary/Treasurer Reports

The Secretary reports as of March 31, 2013:

Fund 10 Cash in Bank	\$ 927,297.96
Fund 20 Cash in Bank	-263,931.42
Fund 30 Cash in Bank	2,058,854.42
Fund 40 Cash in Bank	<u>3,777.02</u>
Total Cash in Bank	\$2,725,997.98

The Treasurer reports as of March 31, 2013:

Fund 10 Ending Cash Balance	\$ 927,297.96
Fund 20 Ending Cash Balance	-263,931.42
Fund 30 Ending Cash Balance	2,058,854.42
Fund 40 Ending Cash Balance	<u>3,777.02</u>
Total Ending Cash Balance	\$2,725,997.98

Receipt

Motion by Tiffany Banks, seconded by Donica Venable,
that the Secretary and Treasurer Reports for the period ending
March 31, 2013 be received. Motion carried; 8 yes.

R E S O L U T I O N #49-2013


Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4, the Lawnside Board of Education certifies that as of March 31, 2013 and after review of the Secretary’s Monthly Financial Report and the Treasurer’s Monthly Financial Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of the Boards’ 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.

Resolution #49-2013 –
Board Certification

Motion by Dalaine Wilson, seconded by Ronald DeAbreu,
that Resolution #49-2013 be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

RESOLUTION #50-2013

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, I certify that as of March 31, 2013, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Lawnside Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.2 and no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.12 (a) 1.


Theresa Tutt, Board Secretary

Resolution #50-2013 –
BA Certification

Motion by Tiffany Banks, seconded by Doug Brotherton, that Resolution #50-2013 be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

Payment of Bills

Motion by Tiffany Banks, seconded by Doug Brotherton, that the bills totaling \$496,656.81 for the General Fund and \$15,845.88 for the Food Service Fund be approved for payment pending availability of funds. Motion carried; 8 yes.

There were no Public Comments.

Executive Session
7:26 p.m.

Motion by Ronald DeAbreu, seconded by Dawn Wright-McLeod, that the Board recess into Executive Session to discuss matters relating to personnel. Motion carried; 8 yes.

Reconvene
7:31 p.m.

Motion by Amy Pierce, seconded by Dawn Wright-McLeod, that the meeting reopen to the public. Motion carried; 8 yes.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. with the following members answering present to the roll call:

Tiffany Banks Lovelle Kendall
Doug Brotherton Donica Venable
Ronald DeAbreu Dalaine Wilson
Sabrina Forrest Dawn Wright-McLeod
8 present, 1 absent

Absent: Amy Pierce

Superintendent’s Contract

Motion by Dawn Wright-McLeod, seconded by Ronald DeAbreu, that the 2013-2017 employment contract for Dr. Ronn Johnson, Superintendent, as submitted to and reviewed by the Executive County Superintendent, be approved. Motion carried; 8 yes.

Adjournment
7:32 p.m.

Motion by Tiffany Banks, seconded by Dawn Wright-McLeod, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.