

WARREN HILLS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 17, 2026

**6:30 p.m. – Budget Work Session
Executive Session – 7:28 p.m.**

A. Call to Order – Alfred Coscia, President

B. Roll Call - Mrs. Donnamarie Palmiere, Business Administrator

Roll call was taken by Mrs. Donnamarie Palmiere. Members present were Alfred Coscia, Thomas Dufner, Molly Fraumeni, Jean Hansen, Erik Heller, Amy Kemp, Lisa Marshall and Paula Merrill. Also present were Earl Clymer, Donnamarie Palmiere, Dennis Mack and Board Attorney Marc Zitomer. Corey Piasecki was absent.

C. President’s Announcement: Adequate notice of this meeting in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act has been given by posting one copy of a Notice of Meeting in the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education Office, by mailing copies to *The Express-Times*, *Warren-Reporter*, *Newark Star-Ledger*, *New Jersey Herald* and to the municipal clerks in the Borough of Washington and Townships of Franklin, Mansfield, Oxford and Washington.

Pledge of Allegiance -

D. Old Business

None

E. New Business

None

F. Public Comment

Public comment shall be governed by the Board of Education Bylaw 0167 which is available on our website. There are two public comment opportunities. The first public comment is reserved for Action Items only, those items on the agenda the Board is voting on this evening. The second public comment is set aside for public comment on any school or school district issue that the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the school district. The first public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person. The second public comment length is determined by the board as per policy. Before making a public comment, participants are to state their name, place of residence, and group affiliation if appropriate.

The Board will not respond to questions or comments until the initial public participation section of the agenda is complete. At that time, the Board or Administration will respond, as it sees fit, or it may defer responding, if at all, to a future meeting or to a response by written communication. The Board will then hear any additional comments that may come as a result of the Board’s response. Participants may also be directed to follow the chain of command with the

question or concern. While the Board will try to respond to as many questions or concerns as possible, participants who submit a multitude of questions should understand that it is unlikely that all of their questions will be answered and may be referred to further dialogue with the administration.

No Public Comment

H. Public Budget Work Session

Mr. Clymer and Mrs. Palmiere reviewed the proposed 26-27 budget and answered questions presented by the board.

I. Public Comment

A member of the public said that the track team did not have enough uniforms.

J. Executive Session 7:28 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the board of education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss:

- 1) *Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule*
- 2) *Personnel Matters*
- 3) *Matters of Attorney/Client Privilege*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education reserves the right to discuss such other matters rendered confidential by law should the need arise; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. Action will not be taken.

Approval to go into Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Coscia and seconded by Mrs. Merrill to go into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. with full board consent.

Reconvene: 8:28 p.m.

K. Adjournment 8:28 p.m.

Approval to Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Coscia and seconded by Mrs. Fraumeni to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. with full board consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Donnamarie Palmiere
Business Administrator/Board Secretary