

THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUDGET HEARING/REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 29, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

N.J. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act the Woodland Park Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on the door of the Woodland Park Board of Education Administration Building and was provided to the North Jersey Record & Herald News

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Present: Kim Galbraith, Shannon Marren, Andrew Mingione, Gina McQuin, Julissa Rodriguez, Mark Salemi, Glen Grimes

Absent: David Amanullah, Jamie Zummo

Also Present: Michele Pillari, Aleksandar Kondovski, Adam Weiss

PRESENTATION:

RECOGNITION OF THE GOVERNOR'S EDUCATORS AND SERVICE PROFESSIONALS OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Educator of the Year

Mia Slyfield – Preschool

Meghan McGinnis – Charles Olbon

Samantha Calkins – Beatrice Gilmore

Mina Chang – Memorial

Services Professional of the Year

Laura Cuntrera - Preschool

Connie Erazo – Charles Olbon

Aimee Soto – Beatrice Gilmore

Nicole Ruble - Memorial

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RETIREES

- Cindy Guariglia – 18 years
- Susan O'Donnell – 20 years
- Julissa Alejo – 25 years
- Teresa Carbonelli – 25 years
- Jeanine Chiaravalloti – 25 years
- Donna Murray – 25 years

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION ON THE 2026-2027 BUDGET

Mr. Kondovski and Dr. Pillari presented the 2026-2027 school budget.

PUBLIC HEARING-BUDGET HEARING ONLY

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No one wished to be heard.

226-283- ADOPTION OF BUDGET FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by: MINGIONE, Seconded by: RODRIGUEZ

WHEREAS, the Woodland Park Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on March 25, 2026, and submitted it to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools on April 13, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was advertised in the legal section of the Herald/Record News on April 19, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the final budget was presented to the public during a hearing held in the Woodland Park Municipal Building, 5 Brophy Lane, Woodland Park NJ 07424, on April 29, 2026,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodland Park Board of Education hereby adopts the following final budget for SY 2026-2027

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	TOTAL
2026-2027 Total Expenditures	\$24,519,756	\$4,111,329	\$ 503,750	\$29,134,835
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 4,400,234	\$4,111,329	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,511,563
Taxes to be Raised	\$20,119,522	-	\$ 503,750	\$20,623,272

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-284-CAPITAL RESERVE WITHDRAWAL-OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

Motion by: MARREN Seconded by: MINGIONE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodland Park Board of Education includes in the 2026-2027 budget a withdrawal from Capital Reserve in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of partial roof replacement at the Charles Olbon School, which represents expenditures for a school facilities project consistent with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.1.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-285 - ADJUSTMENT FOR HEALTH CARE COSTS

Motion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: MCQUIN

BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodland Park Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of \$339,366. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increase in health benefit premiums.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-286 - TRAVEL EXPENDITURE

Motion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: MCQUIN

WHEREAS, the Woodland Park 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 futures the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 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, the Woodland Park Board of Education established \$60,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$550, as of this date; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3; to a maximum expenditure of \$60,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Roll Call: 7 YES

PUBLIC HEARING-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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No one wished to be heard.

226-287 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: MCQUIN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2026 workshop and the March 25, 2026 regular meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the March 2, 2026 workshop and the March 25, 2026 regular meetings.

Roll Call: 7 YES

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

HIB GRADE REPORT FOR 2024-2025

Beatrice Gilmore School – 76/78

Charles Olbon School – 76/78

Memorial School – 76/78

School 1 – 76/78

The overall District Grade is 76 which represents high compliance with the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, exceeding the baseline requirements.

Preschool:

Family Math Night April 17th: We would like to thank our Superintendent Dr. Pillari, the Family and Community Engagement Committee and all of our volunteers for helping make Family Math Night a wonderful event. It was a great

evening filled with math games and board games, giving families and children the opportunity to play, engage and have fun together.

Preschool Re-Enrollment: Families of children currently in the PK3 program: please complete the [re-enrollment survey](#). This helps us know if your child will be returning to our program next year.

Kindergarten Pre-Registration: Families of children transitioning to kindergarten next year: please see the attached [flyer](#) for pre-registration information.

Preschool End of Year Celebration: The Preschool End of Year Celebration will be held on June 15th in your child's classroom. Time: TBD

[Autism Acceptance Month:](#) Join us as we raise awareness and promote autism acceptance (Spirit Theme Week of 4/27).

The primary objective of the creative curriculum is to facilitate children's learning through play, engagement, and exploration. It aims to nurture creativity, promote [innovation](#), develop problem-solving and critical thinking skills, encourage emotional growth, and enhance social skills. There are several principles that govern the implementation of the creative curriculum. These include:

Creative Curriculum- Learner-Centeredness: The curriculum recognizes each student's unique learning style, interests, and capabilities. Emphasis on Inquiry: Creative curriculum encourages students to question, explore, and discover rather than receive pre-packaged information. Integration of Subjects: Creative curriculum promotes interdisciplinary learning and fosters connections among various subjects. Emphasis on the Process of Learning: The focus is not just on the learning outcomes but also on the process of learning, which includes critical analysis and self-reflection. Respect for Diversity: The curriculum acknowledges and celebrates cultural, racial, and linguistic diversity, and fosters inclusivity.

Social Emotional Learning: See [Backpack Connection Here](#): Now that spring is here, it is the perfect time for some physical activity for your preschooler! Social emotional learning and physical activity can be effectively combined. Here are some benefits of integrating the two. Enhance well-being; physical activity impacts mental and emotional health, improving your overall mood. Improved social skills; group activities foster cooperation, communication, and problem solving skills which are crucial for building positive relationships. Development of self-awareness and self-management; physical challenges and successes can teach children about their strengths, how to manage emotions and how to navigate failures and successes. Promotes empathy and compassion; encouraging children to help each other during physical activities nurtures empathy, compassion and a sense of community.

CO:

Students in grades PK-3 participated various themed days and activities during the Week of the Young Child.

Students and staff kicked off College and Career Week (April 20-24) with a visit from the WPPD, WPPD and WP First Aid Squad on Monday and ended with various guest speakers on Friday.

HSA sponsored a Reading Rocks assembly on April 22 for students in grades K-2.

4/27 - 5/1 - Students and Staff will be participating in Autism Acceptance Week during the week of April 27. The week will culminate in an Autism Awareness Walk on Friday, May 1st.

Kindergarten field trip to Turtle Back Zoo will take place on May 8.

CO Field Day will take place on May 26.

BG:

The annual 5th Grade Wax Museum took place on April 2. This Social Studies project allows students to select and research an influential figure from history. The students gather important information about the figure, dress in clothing from the time period, bring props and present facts about the famous individual at the Wax Museum. This is always a special event for the students. Great job all!

The grade 5 field trip took place on April 16th. Students attended Medieval Times.

Fifth grade Ambassadors took a field trip to the 9/11 Museum on April 17. The 9/11 Museum offers a deeply moving, educational experience which allows students to connect with a pivotal moment in modern history. The museum provides insight into the events of September 11 through its compelling exhibits, interactive displays, and preserved artifacts.

Third grade Career Day took place on April 21. Students researched a career of interest. Through research, the students collected facts about the profession and created a project representing the career of their choice. Students dressed as someone in the profession of their choice and presented the projects to families and other students. The annual Grade 4 Float Day took place on April 22. Each student was assigned a state to research and collect facts about the particular state. Through their research, the students designed parade floats and presented them to families and peers.

BG hosted the 4th grade Battle of the Books for the first time on April 24. Out of the 5 districts who were competing, Woodland Park 4th grade students came in first place! Congratulations students!

Fourth grade students will visit the Sterling Hill Mine on May 1st where they will take a guided tour through the mine and learn about equipment, history, working conditions, geology of the mine, different types of rocks and fluorescent minerals.

Memorial Middle School

On March 25, students participated in a spirited 3v3 Basketball Tournament to promote school pride, teamwork, and community engagement while raising funds for school initiatives.

On April 2, students took part in house-based activities celebrating Poetry Month, encouraging creativity, expression, and collaboration through themed literacy experiences.

We proudly recognized and inducted new members into the National Junior Honor Society on April 15, honoring their commitment to scholarship, leadership, service, character, and citizenship.

Students attended a special assembly highlighting Youth Month on April 17th hosted by Mayor Kallert at which time the students heard from local leadership about civic responsibility and community involvement.

STRIVE students attended the Battle of the Books on April 21 and April 22 which showcased the students' reading comprehension, teamwork, and enthusiasm for literature.

On April 22, members of the Student Council visited the Boys & Girls Club of Woodland Park to assist local seniors in learning how to use a new emergency application, fostering intergenerational connections and community service.

On April 22, the MMS Jazz Band and Choir delivered an engaging evening performance at Cafe Night, highlighting student talent and dedication to the arts while bringing the community together.

On April 23rd, we were so excited to welcome so many of our colleagues' children for Take Your Child To Work Day. The children participated in this annual event, gaining real-world insight into various careers and workplace experiences.

Seventh grade students attended The Outsiders on Broadway for their seventh grade field trip. The live performance enriched the students' understanding of literature and performing arts through this theatrical experience.

On April 24th, students presented thoughtful and well-prepared speeches as part of the Youth Month election process, demonstrating leadership, public speaking skills, and a strong commitment to civic engagement.

Curriculum Office:

All 3rd to 8th grade staff have participated in **training and received updates on the NJSLA Adaptive** testing platform, TIDE, to ensure a clear understanding of testing expectations, administration procedures and instructional implications. Ongoing support has been provided to help staff effectively prepare students and implement best practices aligned to State assessment requirements. Math and ELA Reading will be the only adaptive tests.

ELA: To ensure continued alignment with the New Jersey Literacy Framework and the Science of Reading, the K-3 ELA Committee has been thoughtfully exploring and vetting a range of new resources.

Math: Mrs. Reilly and teachers from BG and Memorial attended a PD on Implementing Math Workshop: Strategies for K-8 Success presented by Dr. Jennifer Lempp. The focus was on building a student-centered math workshop, including lesson routines, instructional structures, and meaningful learning stations. Teachers were able to take various strategies and bring them back to their colleagues to try in their classrooms.

Preparation and planning for the 2026-2027 school year is underway: professional development, new teacher training and review of instructional programs, resources and materials.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following items have been deemed to be non-controversial in a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion.

Motion by GALBRAITH Seconded by RODRIGUEZ to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following consent agenda numbers 226-288 through 226-291.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-288 - SECRETARY/TREASURER/TRANSFER REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, receives and accepts the attached reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and Transfers for the month of March 2026 "Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6: 20-2.12©, we certify that as of March 31, 2026 the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) did not reflect any over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on this report and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year"

226-289 - APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$493,804.56, approved by finance committee chairperson.

<u>Bill List No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
#77	\$428,530.69
#78	\$ 30,311.28
#L78	\$ 34,965.59

226-290-APPROVAL OF REVISED 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the revised 2025-2026 school calendar, to reflect the last day of school on June 17, 2026 and one session days on June 15th, June 16th and June 17th.

226-291-HIB DECISION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation #2026-24, 2026-25, & 2026-26, for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the student's parents.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

The following items will be voted on by separate motion for each item.

PERSONNEL:

The following personnel items have been deemed to be non-controversial in a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion. Any item deemed controversial can be removed and voted on as a separate agenda item.

Motion by RODRIGUEZ Seconded by GALBRAITH to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following personnel agenda numbers 226-292 through 226-302.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-292-ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT – T. CARBONELLI

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the retirement of Teresa Carbonelli, district nurse of 25 years, effective June 30, 2026.

226-293-ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT – J. ALEJO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the retirement of Julissa Alejo, district teacher of 25 years, effective June 30, 2026.

226-294-ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – J. VILLANUEVA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Jennifer Villanueva, district teacher, effective June 30, 2026.

226-295-ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – A. HANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Alyssa Handel, district teacher, effective June 30, 2026.

226-296-APPROVE REVISION OF RESOLUTION 226-242 - RATIFY APPROVAL OF MEDICAL LEAVE – C. DEANGELIS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve revision of resolution 226-242 to reflect a return to work date of 5/13/26.

226-297-APPROVAL OF MEDICAL LEAVE – C. ERAZO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve medical leave, under the Federal Family Leave Act, for Connie Erazo, effective 4/13/26-6/30/26, without pay.

226-298-RATIFY APPROVAL OF PAID ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of paid administrative leave for employee ID #4758, effective 4/20/26 – until further notice.

226-299-RATIFY APPROVAL OF STAFF STIPENDS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve stipend payments for the 2025-2026 school year, in accordance with current WPEA contract, as listed:

Title	School	Name	Amount
Bus Supervisor	Memorial	Michele Brunini	\$456.95 (pro-rated, 4/13/26-6/17/26)

226-300-APPROVAL TO COMPLETE ADMINISTRATIVE INTERNSHIP- C. MELTON

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve completion of administrative internship for Christopher Melton, for the 2026-2027 school year.

226-301-WORKSHOP/TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve/ratify approval the attendance of and costs of attendance including registration fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures for the following listed district employees for the 2025-2026 school year.

Name	Activity	Date	Fee	Travel/Hotel	Total
Alyson Petrullo	Culturally Responsive Practice	Self paced	NA	NA	NA
Sibel Odaman	Using Positive Guidance Inclusive Classroom	4/16/26	NA	NA	NA
Deena Matalkah	Multicultural Considerations in Language Assessments and Autism Screenings	Self paced	\$30	NA	\$30
Deena Matalkah	Mindfulness in Ethics	Online	\$39	NA	\$39
Joseph Henderson	Integrated Pest Management Training	6/5/26	\$25	\$11.57	\$36.57
Thomas Bolen	Integrated Pest Management Training	6/5 & 6/12 26	NA	\$23.01	\$23.01
Thomas Bolen	Chubb Water Treatment Class	4/23/26	\$50	\$61.97	\$111.97

226-302-APPROVAL OF 2026 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM & PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Extended School Year Program(ESY) (autistic preschool, child with disabilities and LLD) and personnel in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.3 © as listed:

3 Autism Program Teachers

July 6, 2026 – August 13, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA contract

Session: 9:00a.m.12:00p.m.

(Monday – Thursday)

1. Gaetano Pomante

2. Samantha Lindsay

3. Olivia Heath

1 Preschool Disabilities & Autism Program (ages 3-5) Teacher

July 6, 2026 – August 13, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA contract

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

(Monday – Thursday)

1. Kelly Ficarra

3 LLD Program Teachers

July 6, 2026 – July 30, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA contract

Session: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

(Monday – Thursday)

1. Lindsay Bouroult

2. Amanda Samra

3. Michele Brunini

2 Speech-Language Specialists

July 6, 2026– August 13, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

Compensation:\$100/hr., not to exceed 3.5 hrs. per day

(Monday – Thursday)

1. Best of You Therapy

2. Best of you Therapy

2 School Nurses**(Monday – Thursday)**

July 6, 2026 – August 13, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week - 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per Negotiated WPEA Contract

1. Megan Cassanelli**2. Alexandra Montas Paulino****3. Sub / Barbara Wells**

1 Multi-Sensory Reading Teacher**(Monday – Thursday)**

July 6, 2026 – July 30, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days a week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA Contract

Session: 9:00am – 12:00pm

14-Autism Program Aides**(Monday – Thursday)**

July 6, 2026 – August 13, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

1. Bonnie McGovern**8. Ayla Brito****2. Kimberlee Bertino****9. Jeryka Morales****3. Nicole Orgo****10. Alexandra Mojica****4. Destiny Walker****11. Crystal Teran****5. Dana Fieldhouse****12. Danean Harrington****6. Danielle Natush****13. Christopher Agnes****7. Mary Rose Scarpa****14. Remah Iesmaael**

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA Contract

2-Preschool Disabilities Program Aides**(Monday – Thursday)**

July 6, 2026 – July 30, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA Contract

1. Caitlin Miqui**2. Lindsay Coffey**

8- LLD Program Aides**(Monday – Thursday)**

July 6, 2026 – July 30, 2026

Site: Charles Olbon

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

4 days per week – 3 ½ hours daily

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA Contract

1 Marie De Rosa**5. Lucia Baccaro****2. Charlene Nyenhuis****6. Eman Ibrahim****3. Sarah Sisco****7. Sladjana Bursac****4. Suad Abu Durra****8. Dawn Dorando**

Child Study Team

School Social Worker - NRESC

10 hours per case

School Psychologist - Aimee Soto

10 hours per case

LDTC – Beth Anne DeMarco

10 hours per case

Speech Evaluations– Courtney Ramirez

10 hours per case

General Education Teacher: Hannah Arp

10 Hours per case

Special Education Teacher: Meghan Burke

10 Hours per case

OT- Meena Oberoi- Innovative Therapy

PT- Angela Rodrigues-NRESC

As needed for IEP Meetings

Compensation: As per negotiated WPEA Contract & Approved Letters of Agreement

226-18A-ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – A. KONDOVSKIMotion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: GALBRAITH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Aleksandar Kondovski, Business Administrator, effective June 30, 2026.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-19A-ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION – C. MIQUIMotion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: GALBRAITH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Caitlin Miqui, part time aide, effective June 30, 2026.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-20A – RESCIND APPOINTMENT 2026 ESY AIDE – C. MIQUI

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, under the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind the appointment of Caitlin Miqui, as an aide for the 2026 ESY program.

EDUCATION:**226-303-APPROVAL OF ESTABLISHMENT AND ELIMINATION OF CLASSES**Motion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: MARREN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following establishment and elimination of classes as follows:

Establish a new Multiple Disabilities Program at Charles Olbon.

Eliminate an existing Pre-School Disabilities Program at Charles Olbon.

Roll Call: 7 YES

FINANCE:

The following finance items have been deemed to be non-controversial in a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion. Any item deemed controversial can be removed and voted on as a separate agenda item.

Motion by GALBRAITH Seconded by SALEMI to accept the recommendation of the Business Administrator to approve the following finance agenda numbers 226-304 through 226-317.

Roll Call: 7 YES

226-304-RATIFY APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHARGED TO THE DISTRICT'S FOOD SERVICE FUND

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval charging the following salaries of lunch aides, for the period January 1, 2026 through March 31, 2026, to the District's Food Service Fund (Fund 60):

Alicea, Michele	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-065
Berghorn, Carol	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-065
DeCesare, SantaJean	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-065
DiLizia, Elisa	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-065
Hodges, Laura	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-065
Qureshi, Zareen	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-065
Capablo, Anna	\$2,461.26	60-910-310-100-00-00-060
Gencarelli, Sharon	\$2,461.26	60-910-310-100-00-00-060
Heath, Melissa	\$2,461.26	60-910-310-100-00-00-060
Lenoir, Cheril	\$2,461.26	60-910-310-100-00-00-060
Robinson, Kelly	\$2,261.16	60-910-310-100-00-00-060
Santiago, Julia	\$2,451.26	60-910-310-100-00-00-060
Askar, Salwa	\$1,968.96	60-910-310-100-00-00-070

226-305-OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the following McKinney-Vento Out of District placement for the 2025-2026 school year, prorated, excluding transportation:

ID#	SCHOOL DISTRICT	1/5/26-6/26/26
35667 & 35668	Pequannock BOE	\$21,253.20

226-306-APPROVAL OF CONTRACT-BEST OF YOU THERAPY – 2026-2027 SY + ESY 2026

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with Best of You Therapy, to provide speech services for the 2026-2027 school year, as needed, including the ESY program, at a rate of \$100/hr. ESY not to exceed 3.5 hrs. per day.

226-307-RATIFY APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – LEARN WELL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of contract with LearnWell, to provide services for students who may need virtual instruction if they are not able to attend school and we are not able to provide home instruction, at a rate of \$72/hr., effective July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026.

226-308-RATIFY APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – LEARN WELL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of contract with LearnWell, to provide educational instruction for student ID #33353, 5 hrs. per week, at \$63/hr., effective 3/30/2026-4/5/2026.

226-309- OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS 2026-2027 ESY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the following Special Education Out of District placement for the 2026 ESY program, excluding transportation:

ID#	SCHOOL	7/6/26-7/31/26	Aide	Related Services
34711	NRESC at Phoenix Center	\$7,500	\$3,000	NA

226-310- OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve the following Special Education Out of District placement for the 2026-2027 school year, excluding transportation:

ID#	SCHOOL	9/1/2026-06/30/2027	Aide	Related Services
34711	NRESC at Phoenix Center	\$80,000	\$30,000	NA

226-311-RATIFY APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – MENTAL HEALTH CENTER OF PASSAIC

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of contract with Mental Health Center of Passaic for the 2025-2026 school year, to provide psychiatric evaluations, on an as needed basis, at a rate of \$950 per evaluation.

226-312-RATIFY APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – CCBH INC.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to ratify approval of contract with CCBH, Inc., to provide home instruction to student ID#33898, at \$99/hr., up to 10 hours per week, retroactive to April 14, 2026 –June 30, 2026.

226-313 -APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – NRESC – PT SERVICES - 2026 ESY PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with NRESC to provide physical therapy services for the 2026 ESY program. Effective July 1, 2026-August 13, 2026, three days per week, at a rate of \$105/hr.

226-314-APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – NRESC –PT SERVICES – 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with NRESC to provide physical therapy services for the 2026-2027 school year, at a cost of \$96,130.63. Effective September 1, 2026-June 30, 2027.

226-315-APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – NRESC –EVALUATION SERVICES-2026 ESY PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with NRESC to provide evaluation services for the 2026 ESY program, at a cost of \$400 per evaluation, \$105/hr. per IEP & Meeting Attendance. Effective July 1, 2026-August 30, 2026.

226-316-APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – NRESC –EVALUATION SERVICES-2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve contract with NRESC to provide evaluation services for the 2026-2027 school year, at a cost of \$400 per evaluation, \$105/hr. per IEP & Meeting Attendance. Effective September 1, 2026-June 30, 2027.

226-317-APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO MONMOUTH-OCEAN EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMM. COOPERATIVE PRICING

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and
WHEREAS, the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), hereinafter referred to as the “Lead Agency,” has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2026, the governing body of the Woodland Park Board of Education, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.6(a), duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows: TITLE This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC). AUTHORITY Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.6(a), the Woodland Park Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), the Lead Agency. CONTRACTING UNIT The Lead Agency shall comply with the Public School Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Motion by: RODRIGUEZ Seconded by: MCQUIN

226-318-BUILDINGS & GROUNDS SCHOOL BUS EVACUATION DRILLS FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, School Bus Evacuation Drills are to be conducted and documented each school year; and WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27 – 11.2) School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills must be organized and supervised by school administrators and conducted twice each school year for all students who are transported to and from school; and WHEREAS, the school bus driver and bus aide shall participate in the emergency exit drills; and WHEREAS, the Woodland Park School District Schools listed below have completed mandated School Bus Evacuation Drills

BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodland Park Board of Education ratifies the action of the Superintendent in approving the implementation and documenting School Bus Evacuation Drills for the 2025-2026 school year pursuant to the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27- 11.2) where School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills must be conducted twice each school year.

Drill 2:

School: Beatrice Gilmore

Location: 1075 McBride Ave, Woodland Park, NJ 07424

Date: 3/26/26

Time: 11:38 am

Route number: 002

Person overseeing: Ms. Mastropaolo

Date: 4/20/26

Time: 7:55 am

Route number: BG-T1

Person overseeing: Mr. Pomante

School: Charles Olbon

Location: 50 Lincoln Lane, Woodland Park, NJ 07424

Date: 4/14/26

Time: 8:45 am; Route Number: 2013

Time: 8:50 am; Route Number: 2642

Person overseeing: Mr. Scholtz

Date: 4/15/26

Time: 8:40 am; Route Number: CO-T1

Time: 8:52 am; Route Number: CO-T2

Person overseeing: Ms. Arp

School: Memorial

Location: 15 Memorial Drive, Woodland Park, NJ 07424

Date: 3/26/26

Time: 8:06 am; Route number: FT5

Time: 8:10 am; Route number: 2570

Time: 8:16 am; Route number: 3530

Time: 8:22 am; Route number: 2643

Person overseeing: Mr. Correggio

School: ECC

Location: 377 Lackawanna Avenue, Woodland Park, NJ 07424

Person overseeing: Mrs. Gutierrez

Date: 3/13/26

Time: 9:00 am: All preschool students at ECC watched the school bus evacuation video:

[Bus Evacuation Training](#)

School: School #1

Location: 665 McBride Avenue, Woodland Park, NJ 07424

Person overseeing: Mrs. Francisco

Date: 3/13/26

Time: 9:00 am: All preschool students at School #1 watched the school bus evacuation video:

[Bus Evacuation Training](#)

Roll Call: 7 YES

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Marren thanked Mr. Kondovski & Dr. Pillari for their work on the Budget. She also congratulated the Governor's Award recipients and the retirees.

PUBLIC HEARING

Please remember that this is a public meeting. Anything you say will be public record. As a result, pursuant to law, the Board Members cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private concerning personnel or students, please contact the Superintendent's office. In accordance with Bylaw 0167, statements will be limited to 3 minutes in duration.

No one wished to be heard.

EXECUTIVE SESSION**MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The Open Public Meeting Act, authorizes a public body to meet in Executive or Private Session under limited circumstances and WHEREAS said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such Executive or Private Session. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODLAND PARK THAT:

- 1) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session to discuss a personnel and/or litigation matter or contract matter.
- 2) The matter(s) discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.
- 3) Meeting will be resumed at conclusion of Executive Session.
- 4) The board does/does not expect to take action after Executive Session.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:46 p.m. by SALEMI, seconded by RODRIGUEZ

Voice Vote: 7 YES

Motion to return to Regular Session at 9:49 p.m. by MINGIONE, seconded by GALBRAITH

Voice Vote: 7 YES

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. by SALEMI, Seconded by RODRIGUEZ

Voice Vote: 7 YES

WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- Superintendent discussed HIB case #'s 2026-27, 2026-28, 2026-29, 2026-30 2026-31 & 2026-32
- The Board discussed personnel matters
- The Board discussed after hours use of blacktop at Memorial.