



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WAYNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WAYNE, NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL MEETING
February 13, 2013**

The Special Meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 in the Wayne Hills High School Auditorium, 272 Berdan Avenue, Wayne, New Jersey 07470. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to the terms of the Sunshine Law.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mr. Mitch Badiner, Board President.

Reading of "Sunshine Law" Statement

Adequate notice of this Regular and Executive Meeting, setting forth time, date and location, has been provided in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act on January 4, 2013 by:

Prominently posting a copy on the bulletin board in the lobby of the offices of the Board of Education, which is a public place reserved for such announcements, transmitting a copy of this notice to The Record, The Wayne Today, and the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

PRESENT : Mitch Badiner, Allan Mordkoff, Robert Ceberio, Donald Pavlak, Jr., Laura Stinziano, Kim Essen, Eileen Albanese, Michael Bubba, and Rogger Ortiz

ALSO PRESENT : Dr. Raymond A. Gonzalez, Superintendent, Juanita A. Petty, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Marysol Berrios, Assistant Superintendent, 3 Administrators, and approximately 25 members of the public

Mr. Mitch Badiner introduced Mr. Rogger Ortiz. Mrs. Juanita Petty swore in Mr. Ortiz in on February 12, 2013.

Administrative Summary Report

Discussion of 2013-2014 Proposed Budget

Dr. Gonzalez gave a PowerPoint presentation on the budget and then turned it over to the President, Mr. Badiner. The meeting was opened to the Board for questions.

BOARD COMMENTS

Bob Ceberio -

1. Outsourcing – asked if any analysis has been done as to the impact for various departments if they were to be outsourced.
 - a. Dr. Gonzalez responded currently we are analyzing S4T.
 - b. Transportation – we have consulted with an outside firm – would not result in savings
 - c. Custodial Maintenance – may result in savings
2. What would be the true percent of tax levy with healthcare waiver? Will provide.
3. What is the total reimbursement from the State for Special Education? Mrs. Petty explained how extraordinary costs are calculated. Is it still 40%? Last year, we had \$4 million in excess costs.
4. Healthcare reform act – does this budget reflect any of that?
 - a. Yes. We have budgeted 14% for medical. (12% for premium increases and 2% for costs associated with reform)
 - b. We are looking at self-insuring dental benefits.
5. Does status quo mean not touching class sizes? Yes.

Revisions to Agenda Items

None. No action will be taken.

Open to Public Agenda Items Only

This portion of the meeting is open to citizens for comment on agenda items only. Residents are to state their names, addresses, and subject matter. Comments may be limited to no more than five minutes per person. All members of the public are to be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Due to confidentiality and legal rights afforded by the State of New Jersey to

students and employees, no member of the public will be permitted to speak negatively about an employee or a student. A response may be forthcoming if and when appropriate. There will be no discussion during the public portion of this meeting. Comments may be responded to tonight under "new business" or at subsequent meetings under "old business." Members of the public are legally responsible and liable for their comments. The Board bears no responsibility for comments made.

A motion was made to open the meeting to public comment on agenda items.

Motion: To Approve, Moved by Board Member LAURA STINZIANO, Seconded by Board Member DONALD PAVLAK. Passed. 9-0-0. Board Members voting Aye: ALBANESE, BADINER, BUBBA, CEBERIO, ESSEN, MORDKOFF, ORTIZ, PAVLAK, STINZIANO.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michele Perillo –

- Noted parent and student concerns regarding cutting the band camp program.
- Provides opportunity for bands to begin in September by practicing before school begins.
- 150 students will be affected.
- Student (president of band) shared the benefits he received from participating in band camp. Band is a family. It creates leaders.
- This is band students' fall sport.
- The stipend should be maintained in this budget.

Joyce Morandes

- Had concern regarding High School program cuts. Important for college and careers.

Mark Klypka -

- a) Asked what programs does the tuition revenue represent? Mrs. Petty responded preschool, and students from Pequannock and State.
- b) What is audited excess surplus and why wasn't there any last year? Mrs. Petty explained that excess occurs when unreserved fund balance exceeds 2%.
- c) What was fund balance of last year? Mrs. Petty responded State Aid and money available from prior year.
- d) Fixed Costs - can we see both dollar amount as well as percentage increases in presentation?
- e) What is the breakage being brought over to the next year? Mrs. Petty responded \$900K has already been taken.
- f) Facilities Maintenance - are we looking at efficiencies? How we compare to other districts? Mrs. Petty explained how Clifton may have different types of items not included in their facilities budget, such as copier costs.
- g) What is the actual cost of medical?
- h) Discretionary Costs - what do each cost rather than just a list?
- i) Debt Service - what was it last year? Mrs. Petty responded \$4,129,125.

- j) Explain 2% CAP - what is in that? Taxes exceed that.
- k) Would like to see more detail (under costs). Also, for Common Core State Standards implementation, how it affects the taxpayer?
- l) How did you arrive at the health care waiver amount? Mrs. Petty indicated automatically calculated by software as costs are entered.
- m) A three or five year comparative is better.
- n) Banked CAP - how long do we have to take advantage of using it before we lose it? Mrs. Petty responded three years.
- o) We should talk about dollars rather than percentages.
- p) Don't be too quick to outsource.
- q) Suggested flip-flopping use of rooms in some elementary schools to ensure offices are closer to entrances for efficient safety and security.
- r) Camp Warwick should not be cut.
- s) What grants do we actually get, and for how much?

David Berkhin –

- Marching Band
- Band Camp stipend

Allison Peakam -

- Marching Band

Kathy Hanenberg –

- Banked CAP - if Board uses it, adds only \$6.33 per month to taxes

Member of Public -

- Would like to see more details (common core – how much money set aside?)

Denise Lynch –

- Need to teach typing at elementary level
- Safety in Schools

K. Matthew –

- Band program; Camp Warwick; Grant Writer – what did we get?

Nicole –

- Marching Band

As there were no further comments from the public, a motion was made to close the meeting to public comment on agenda items.

Motion: To Approve, Moved by Board Member LAURA STINZIANO, Seconded by Board Member ALLAN MORDKOFF. Passed. 9-0-0. Board Members voting Aye: ALBANESE, BADINER, BUBBA, CEBERIO, ESSEN, MORDKOFF, ORTIZ, PAVLAK, STINZIANO.

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BOARD COMMENTS

Mitch Badiner -

- Board has not had a discussion about doing anything to Band Camp. Asked Administration to look at issue and provide more clarification.

Laura Stinziano -

- What is the stipend for Band Camp? Administration will provide.

Bob Ceberio -

- Band Camp - not a budgetary issue - issue dealing with contract because some summer staff get paid, others did not.
- Can donations be accepted? Yes.
- May not be Camp Warwick, but may be another camp.
- Ramapo will also look at grants for environmental program.

Kim Essen -

- Would like money and percentage as well shown in presentation where possible.

Dr. Gonzalez -

- Next step is the submission of preliminary budget to County
- Entertain discussion on development budget with health waiver. Would like Board to adopt preliminary budget utilizing healthcare waiver.

Mitch Badiner -

- This is preliminary...may or may not use waiver for final.

Allan Mordkoff -

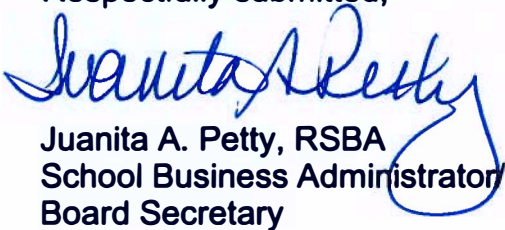
- 25 people in audience; 19 of whom probably pay taxes

Adjournment

As there was no further business of the Board, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Motion: To Approve, Moved by Board Member LAURA STINZIANO, Seconded by Board Member ALLAN MORDKOFF. Passed. 9-0-0. Board Members voting Aye: ALBANESE, BADINER, BUBBA, CEBERIO, ESSEN, MORDKOFF, ORTIZ, PAVLAK, STINZIANO.

Respectfully submitted,



Juanita A. Petty, RSBA
School Business Administrator
Board Secretary

JAP:plc