

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WOODBRIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, April 21, 2025

Town Hall Main Meeting Room

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Lynn Piascyk, Chair, called the meeting to order (7:03 PM).

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lynn Piascyk, Chair; Sarah Beth Del Prete, Secretary (7:05 PM); Dr. Laura Francese; Jeff Hughes, Steven Lawrence, Vice Chair; and Erin Williamson.

STAFF: Vonda Tencza, Superintendent; Analisa Sherman, Principal; Cheryl Tafel, Assistant Principal; Donna Coonan, Director of Business Services/ Operations and Marsha DeGennaro, Clerk of the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

Ms. Del Prete arrived (7:05 PM)

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION #1 – CONSENT AGENDA

Move that we approve the consent agenda as presented.

Mr. Lawrence

Second by Mr. Hughes

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Superintendent Report – Superintendent Tencza highlighted enrollment, space option proposals from Antinozzi and Associates, the Math community forum and the literacy presentation at the Curriculum Committee. Staff appreciation week will be held the first week in May.

Summer Programs Update – SEP will run Monday through Thursday, June 30 – July 31. ESY will run Monday through Thursday, July 1 – July 31 with two options 8:00 – 10:00 AM and 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. SEP will run 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

BRS Update – Ms. Sherman noted the successful Math Night, Kindergarten registration online process, completion of the second round of assessments for early entrance to Kindergarten, Kindergarten visitation on May 6, the Professional Learning Day for certified staff on March 21, CARES Assembly, the PTO spring Book Fair, PLC work with implementation of the HMH reading resources, installation of a handicap accessible Merry-Go-Round and composting efforts of the Green Team.

BRS Infrastructure Building Committee – Mr. Hughes noted this committee met on April 10 to discuss various building reconfiguration proposals submitted by Antinozzi Associates. The next meeting is April 24 at 3:30 PM via Webex.

Curriculum Committee – This committee met on April 9 and received an update on the Reading Language Arts program. The curriculum will be posted on the website.

Superintendent Search Update – Chair Piascyk apprised the community that the Board received six (6) proposals and entered into a contract with NESDEC with Christine Syriac serving as the Consultant. A community-wide survey is currently in operation. The Board will receive a profile for discussion with candidates. Applications will be reviewed in May as well as interviews for the selected individuals.

Finance Committee – Mr. Lawrence noted this committee met on April 8 to review the standard monthly financial reports. We are 2/3 of the way through the 2024/25 budget year with a projected surplus of \$118,000.

Policy Committee – Ms. Williamson reviewed changes made to policies at the April 7 meeting and accepted for 30-day review under the Consent Agenda.

Upcoming Meeting / Presentations – The regular May meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 20 at 7:00 PM in the Main Meeting Room at Town Hall and will include presentations on TAG /SpEd, PTO end-of-year wrap-up and recognition of CAPSS / SCASA Award recipients. Committee meetings are as follows: Facilities, May 1 at 7:30 AM; Superintendent Search Committee May 8 at 5:30 PM, Finance May 13 at 4:30 PM, Annual Town Meeting May 19 at 7:30 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent Tencza presented the certified staff resignation of James Erard, Grade 3 MAG teacher.

MOTION #2 – CERTIFIED STAFF RESIGNATION (ERARD)

Move that we accept the resignation of James Erard, effective June 30, 2025, with regret

Ms. Piascyk

Second by Ms. Del Prete

UNANIMOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

MOTION TO ADJOURN: (7:47 PM)

Dr. Francese

Second by Mr. Hughes

UNANIMOUS

Recorded by Marsha DeGennaro, Clerk of the Board.