

**WOOD-RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 16, 2018**

The Wood-Ridge Board of Education of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, convened for a Regularly Scheduled Public Meeting on April 16, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Wood-Ridge High School Auditorium.

This is a Public Meeting of the Wood-Ridge Board of Education and is in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law. This meeting has been approved by resolution adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting held on January 4, 2018. Notification has been sent to The Record. Notification has also been posted in the Wood-Ridge Borough Hall, the Wood-Ridge Memorial Library, and the Wood-Ridge Board of Education's website.

**ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE:**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Ambrosio, Mr. Biamonte, Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Nieves

**ABSENT:** Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti

**ALSO PRESENT:** Superintendent Cipriano, Assistant Superintendent DeNobile, Board Secretary Murray and Board Attorney Michael Gross

Mr. Nieves read the following statement: The Wood-Ridge Board of Education now has a need to discuss issues regarding the following topic areas:

***Personnel Matters***

all of which fall within an exception to our policy entitled "Public and Executive Sessions", which permits this board of education to have private or closed discussions on topic areas which are exceptions contained in the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-12b.

I will entertain a motion to enter into closed session. On the motion of Mr. Biamonte seconded by Mr. Ambrosio, the meeting will be adjourned into closed session. The motion was passed unanimously. It is hereby resolved that the Board will now go into private or closed session to discuss:

***Personnel Matters***

Any discussion held by the Board, which need not remain confidential, will be made public as soon as practicable. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene the public meeting at the conclusion of the closed session.

At 7:27 p.m., upon motion of Mr. Biamonte seconded by Mr. Ambrosio, the Board voted unanimously to reopen the public meeting. The public meeting reconvened at 7:30 p.m. and Mr. Nieves read the following statement:

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**Presentation(s)/Recognition(s)/Award(s) – Student Safety Data System Report by Keith Lisa**

**Superintendent's Report** – Mr. Cipriano updated the public on upcoming fundraisers.

***Approval of Minutes***

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the minutes of the following meetings:

## Committee Reports

The Board of Education takes official action at its Business Meetings. Prior to the Board taking action at its business meetings, committee meetings are scheduled where in-depth approval occurs. At each committee meeting, the Board discusses recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools and other relevant items. Committee approval authorizes resolutions to be placed on the agenda of the next appropriate business meeting and/or possible formal action.

At the Board of Education's committee meetings, no formal action is taken. The typical schedule of meetings is as follows:

<i>Type of Meeting</i>	<i>Members</i>
Curriculum & Instruction	Mr. Christopher Garvin, Chairman Mr. Patrick Ambrosio Mr. Nicholas Cipriano Dr. Sue DeNobile
Personnel	Mr. Joseph Biamonte, Chairman Mr. Thomas Schmidt Mr. Nicholas Cipriano
Policy	Mr. Thomas Schmidt, Chairman Mr. Albie Nieves Mr. Nicholas Cipriano
Buildings & Grounds	Mr. Patrick Ambrosio, Chairman Mr. Albie Nieves Mr. Nicholas Cipriano Mrs. Jenine Murray
Finance	Mr. Christopher Garvin, Chairman Mr. Albie Nieves Mr. Nicholas Cipriano Mrs. Jenine Murray

*(Each of these meetings may include an Executive Session for the approval of matters that may be appropriate for Executive Session.)*

### Liaison Report –

### Hearing of Citizens (Resolutions Only) –

None

## RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION

**Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator,  
the Board of Education approves the following:**

### CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

#### **C&I 1 Approval of CST Related Service Reduction**

<i><b>BOE</b></i>	<i><b>ID</b></i>	<i><b>Vendor</b></i>	<i><b>Related Services</b></i>	<i><b>Effective Date</b></i>
WR	52005724	SBJC	Reduce OT Services from 2x/wk to 1x/wk	September 6, 2018

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

#### **C&I 2 Approval CST Related Services Start Up**

<i><b>BOE</b></i>	<i><b>ID</b></i>	<i><b>Vendor</b></i>	<i><b>Related Services</b></i>	<i><b>Effective Date</b></i>
WR	52006716	SBJC	Begin OT Therapy 1x/wk	4/16/2018

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**C&I 3 Approval of Service Learning for Ms. Sharon Leuci, a Board approved substitute para-professional, to complete the requirements of her renewal of her Child Development Associate (CDA) by performing 80 hours of service learning in the Doyle School Pre K program for the time period of April 17, 2018 – June 15, 2018, at no cost to the District.**

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**C&I 4 Approval of Additional Field Trip Chaperone**

	<b>Destination (include reason for trip)</b>	<b>Date of Trip</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Parent Chaperone</b>	<b>Grade/Group</b>	<b># of students</b>	<b>Departure</b>	<b>Return</b>
	The Historic Village at Allaire 4265 Atlantic Ave. Wall Township, NJ 07727  The trip coincides with our "Life in the Colonies" unit as well as "The American Revolution" units in the Social Studies Curriculum	05/24/18	Jaime Oppido	Kimberly Lange Andrea Byrne Lorraine Sikora Stefanie Soontarodom Keri Stellato Jenine Murray Kristen Knapik Maryanna Scarimbolo <b>Jerry Cala*</b>	5	85	8:30 AM	2:30 PM

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**C&I 5 (M) Approval of Field Trip Requests**

	<b>Destination (include reason for trip)</b>	<b>Date of Trip</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Parent Chaperone</b>	<b>Grade/Group</b>	<b># of students</b>	<b>Departure</b>	<b>Return</b>
<i>a.</i>	High School - Field Day	06/01/18  Rain Date TBD	All WRIS Staff	NA	All WRIS Students	252	8:30 AM	2:30 PM
<i>b.</i> <i>M</i>	Dave & Busters Willowbrook Mall Wayne, NJ Senior Class Trip	6/4/18	K. Schoenig A. DeComa	n/a	12	100	9:30 am	3 pm

c. M	Robert L. Craig School Moonachie, NJ The school is sponsoring an event, Austin's Fight Against Pediatric Cancer with an opening ceremony at 9 am. This event will raise money for Tomorrow's Children's Fund	5/25/18	C. Trentaco sti M. Garvin	n/a	10/11	20	8:30 am	1 pm
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**Item a only:**

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**Items b & c only:**

*Introduced by: Mr. Ambrosio*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**PERSONNEL**

**P 1 (M) Acceptance of Resignations**

a.	<b>Name:</b>	Jennifer Hemmel
	<b>Location:</b>	Wood-Ridge Jr/Sr High School
	<b>Position:</b>	Teacher (Art)
	<b>Full-Time/Part-Time:</b>	Full-Time (Currently on Child-Rearing Leave)
	<b>Ending Date:</b>	June 30, 2018

b.	<b>Name:</b>	Jessica Ticchio
	<b>Location:</b>	Districtwide
	<b>Position:</b>	Speech-Language Specialist
	<b>Full-Time/Part-Time:</b>	Full-Time
	<b>Ending Date:</b>	June 30, 2018

*Introduced by: Mr. Ambrosio*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**P2 (M) Approval of Requests for Leave of Absence**

a.	<b>Staff Member:</b>	Dana Gardella
	<b>Assignment:</b>	Paraprofessional in WRIS
	<b>Date to Begin Leave:</b>	04/11/18
	<b>Anticipated Use of Accumulated Sick Days:</b>	9
	<b>Anticipated Use of Accumulated Personal Days:</b>	1
	<b>Anticipated Unpaid Days:</b>	3
	<b>Date to Return to Duties:</b>	04/30/18

b.	<b>Staff Member:</b>	Brittany Franchini
	<b>Assignment:</b>	Teacher
	<b>Date to Begin Leave:</b>	9/10/18
	<b>Anticipated Use of Accumulated Sick Days:</b>	40
	<b>Anticipated Use of Accumulated Personal Days:</b>	0

	<b>Anticipated Unpaid Days:</b>	48 days of the 2018-2019 School Year
	<b>Date to Return to Duties:</b>	1/30/19

c.	<b>Staff Member:</b>	Laura Paniagua
<b>M</b>	<b>Assignment:</b>	Guidance Counselor/SAC
	<b>Date to Begin Leave:</b>	September 4, 2018
	<b>Anticipated Use of Accumulated Sick Days:</b>	22 sick days
	<b>Anticipated Use of Accumulated Personal Days:</b>	3 personal days
	<b>Anticipated Unpaid Days:</b>	20 unpaid days
	<b>Date to Return to Duties:</b>	January 2, 2019

**Items a and b only:**

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

ROLL CALL

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**Item c only**

*Introduced by: Mr. Ambrosio*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

ROLL CALL

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**P3 Approval of Personnel Appointment**

	<b>Name:</b>	Courtney Barrows
	<b>Location:</b>	Catherine E. Doyle School
	<b>New Hire/Replacement/Transfer:</b>	Replacement for James deLyon (resignation)
	<b>Position:</b>	Para Professional
	<b>Full-Time/Part-Time:</b>	Part Time not to exceed 29.5 hours
	<b>Compensation:</b>	\$14.93 per hour



<b>Starting Date:</b>	4/19/18
<b>Ending Date:</b>	6/21/18

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte  
 Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**P4 Approval for Extended School Day Services Appointment**

<b>Name:</b>	Jaclyn Humphrey
<b>Location:</b>	Catherine E. Doyle School
<b>Position:</b>	Extended School Day – Orton Gillingham Instruction
<b>Compensation:</b>	\$45.35/Hour 2 hours per week
<b>Starting Date:</b>	5/7/18
<b>Ending Date:</b>	6/20/18

*Introduced by: Mr. Biamonte  
 Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**POLICY**

**POL 1 (M) Approval of Polic(ies)**

	<b>Policy Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Revision</b>	<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>
<b>A</b>	2415	Every Student Succeeds Act		X	April 16, 2018	April 30, 2018
<b>B</b>	2415.04	Parental Involvement		X	April 16, 2018	April 30, 2018

*Introduced by: Mr. Ambrosio  
 Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

*None at this time*

**FINANCE**

*None at this time*

**BOARD OPERATIONS**

**BO 1 (M) Approval for Attendance at NJSBA Conference in Atlantic City**

The Board of Education approves the attendance of the Board members, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Business Administrator to attend the NJSBA Conference which will be held in Atlantic City, NJ from Monday, October 22, 2018 through Thursday, October 25, 2018. The registration fee is \$1,500.00 for “early bird” registration (from April 2<sup>nd</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>) and \$1,600 effective July 1, 2018. Overnight lodging, fees, mileage and meals will be reimbursed in accordance with NJ circular 16-11-OMB.

*Introduced by: Mr. Ambrosio*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL*

*In Favor: 4*

*Opposed: 0*

*Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**BO 2 (M) Approval of Lubrication and Examination Agreement with Kencor, Inc. 2018-2019 School Year**

The Board of Education approves Lubrication and Examination Agreement with Kencor, Inc. for the 2018-2019 school year. This agreement will include the following equipment:

- Two (2) Hydraulic Passenger Elevators
- Three (3) Incline Lifts
- One (1) Vertical Platform Lift

This service shall include monthly examinations of the elevators and bi-monthly examinations of the lifts listed above. The cost for the above services is \$352 per month. This agreement will commence on July 1, 2018.

*Introduced by: Mr. Ambrosio*

*Seconded by: Mr. Schmidt*

*ROLL CALL  
In Favor: 4  
Opposed: 0  
Motion Carried*

*Mr. Garvin and Mr. Monti were absent.*

**Communications –**

**Unfinished Business –**

**New Business –**

**Hearing of Citizens –**

Melissa Crews spoke about the preK enrollment increase.

**Adjournment -**

At 7:40 PM, upon motion of Mr. Schmidt seconded by Mr. Biamonte, the Board voted unanimously to close the Public Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenine Murray,  
Board Secretary