# WALDWICK BOARD OF EDUCATION Waldwick, New Jersey

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 13, 2023

#### CALL TO ORDER/ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING

President Marro called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and stated that this is a REGULAR MEETING of the Waldwick Board of Education for which adequate notice has been given pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975. In addition to providing the annual notice of board meetings required under Section 13 of the Act, a separate written advance notice of this meeting under Section 3(d) of the Act specifying the time, date, location and, to the extent known, the agenda of the meeting was posted at the School Administration Building and hand delivered to the Waldwick Borough Clerk on Thursday, February 9, 2023. It is posted on the District website. This is an official meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:

Trustee Christine Figliuolo

Trustee Andrew Frey
Trustee Enrico Giardina
Trustee Julie Mangler
Trustee Mary Beth Nappi
Vice President Troy Seifert
President Daniel Marro, Sr.

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Paul Casarico, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. John Griffin, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Ms. Maeve McGovern, Student Representative

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **REPORTS**

A. Student Representative

Ms. McGovern reported that \$600 was raised by the bracelet sale to help a student. She spoke about the field trip to Liberty Science Center. She stated that the National Honor Society has partnered with the Forum School for volunteer work.

## B. Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Casarico gave a construction update and stated that Traphagen Building 5 was opened to students last week. Traphagen updating is now complete taking ten years but we are finally at a point where we are moving from renovation to upkeep on the campus. He spoke about Hopper Field and the turf delivery is expected in a couple of weeks. The bleachers have made a lot of progress and the press box is scheduled for delivery soon. At the high School/ Middle School we are preparing to shift to the next phase.

## C. Board President

President Marro spoke about the change orders and how they should not happen. He asked the Superintendent and Business Administrator to start interviewing for a new architect. He stated the press box should be here Friday. He thanked the Fisher family for bringing back the heart screening. He congratulated the four (4) students attending the DECA competition in Atlantic City, and that he would like them to come to a Board meeting to honor them. He recognized in the audience Mr. Martenello, no longer the President of Junior Football (He ran it for 14 years) and was always a friend to the Board. He stated that he would like E-Sports and Hockey teams to be invited to the varsity sports dinner. He received a letter from the Lions Club and said that the Board of Education has always been supportive of the Lions Club but the insurance company has advised to not use the facility for the carnival. The athletic committee met - would like to begin a policy of the parents buying the uniform tops with names on the back and can keep them. They discussed Middle School sports intramurals - Grades 6-8 sports for 7-8 they compete against other schools. Discussed co-ops and tri-ops for swimming, lacrosse and wrestling.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Offered by Trustee Seifert, seconded by Trustee Nappi:

January 23, 2023

Regular Meeting

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Figliuolo	Х			
Trustee Frey			Х	
Trustee Giardina	Х			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			

Vice President Seifert	Х	
President Marro	Х	

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Motion to introduce the Consent Agenda

Offered by Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee Seifert:

23-A-1 through 23-A-22 Administration 23-F-1 through 23-F-6 Finance 23-P-1 through 23-P-9 Personnel

B. Discussion – any item on Consent Agenda – Board of Education only

President Marro thanked the Crescent PSO for their donation. He also stated that the five (5) change orders are disappointing but need to be done.

C. Open Floor to public comment on Consent Agenda only -

A resident asked about the change orders.

- D. Close public participation
- E. ROLL CALL VOTE CONSENT AGENDA

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Figliuolo	X			
Trustee Frey	Х			
Trustee Giardina	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	Х			
Vice President Seifert	Х			
President Marro	X			

## **COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC - ANY SUBJECT**

A resident asked if there were any updates on the school signs - one or two, Dr. Casarico replied that there was no update.

## **COMMENTS FROM TRUSTEES – ANY SUBJECT - None.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m. on motion of

Trustee Seifert, seconded by Trustee Mangler.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN GRIFFIN Board Secretary