

**WALDWICK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Waldwick, New Jersey**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 24, 2022**

**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 Friday, January 21, 2022. It is posted on the District website. This is an official meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Trustee Christine Figliuolo  
Vice President Andrew Frey  
Trustee Julie Mangler  
Trustee Mary Beth Nappi  
Trustee Timothy O'Hare (arrived at 7:10 in closed session)  
Trustee Troy Seifert  
President Daniel Marro, Sr.

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Paul Casarico, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. John Griffin, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CONFIDENTIAL SESSION – January 24, 2022**

Offered by Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee Mangler:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Waldwick Board of Education go into Closed Executive Session at 7:01 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters relating to:

Above resolution unanimously approved by voice vote.

When the need for confidentiality no longer exists, the minutes will be made available to the public.

**RECONVENE OPEN MEETING**

The open Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:22 p.m. on motion of Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee Seifert and unanimously approved by voice vote.

## **ROLL CALL**

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Trustee Julie Mangler  
Trustee Mary Beth Nappi  
Trustee Timothy O'Hare  
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## **REPORTS**

- A. Superintendent of Schools - Dr. Casarico gave the semi annual Student Safety Data report on the HIB cases and Violence, Vandalism or Drug Use for the first half of the school year. He gave an update on the referendum projects and stated that bids are being taken and will be on the March 15, 2022 agenda for approval. He thanked those involved for getting to this point.
- B. Board President - President Marro thanked the staff, teachers, maintenance and support staff for all their efforts during these Covid times. He congratulated Myles Leonard who came in 3rd in the Counties for Wrestling and Connor Harautunian who came in 6th also in the Counties for wrestling.  
He reminded the Trustees to complete their Financial Disclosure forms. He requested that Dr. Casarico contact the County for a waiver to hire an RN nurse without a school certificate.  
He read the new Board Committees for 2022 and he introduced Mr. Ritchie, the new Borough Council Liaison.
- C. Committee Reports - Buildings and Grounds - Mary Beth Nappi spoke about the referendum and recapped the bidding timeline.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Offered by Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee Nappi:

January 3, 2022	Reorganization/Regular Meeting
January 14, 2022	Special Meeting Minutes

## ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Figliuolo	X			
Vice President Frey	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Seifert	X			
President Marro	X			

## CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Motion to introduce the Consent Agenda

Offered by Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee O'Hare:

12-A-1 through 12-A-11	Administration
12-F-1 through 12-F-4	Finance
12-P-1 through 12-P-11	Personnel

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

President Marro thanked the Crescent PSO for the donation of benches.

- C. Open Floor to public comment on Consent Agenda only - None

- D. Close public participation

- E. ROLL CALL VOTE – CONSENT AGENDA

## ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Figliuolo	X			
Vice President Frey	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Seifert	X			
President Marro	X			

## COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC – ANY SUBJECT

A parent thanked the Board for Zoom meetings and read the letter sent to the Board members asking that masks not be required to be worn by students.

A parent suggested that no masks in school is outrageous.

A parent via Zoom asked if this lack of mask caught us by surprise, there is no accountability.

A parent commented that the Board knows how he feels about Zoom meetings and how appreciative of the Zoom meetings he is. He also requested a timeline on the referendum project and bids.

A parent via Zoom asked if there will be a remote option if no masks are required.

A parent via Zoom stated only N95 masks work, nothing else.

### **COMMENTS FROM TRUSTEES – ANY SUBJECT**

President Marro commented that it is budget time and counselors and guidance staff and other personnel additions need to be discussed. He spoke about the mask mandate and that the executive order expired but the Governor declared a State of Emergency that does not require mask wearing so the District should consider regular school days without masks.

Trustee Frey said we should check with legal if there is a current State requirement to wear masks. A committee will be established to look into the timeline of discontinuing the wearing of masks.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m. on motion of Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee O'Hare.

Respectful submitted,



JOHN GRIFFIN  
Board Secretary