

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

**REGULAR MEETING/BUDGET HEARING MINUTES
APRIL 29, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER/ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING

Vice President Frey called the meeting to order at 7:14 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 Administration Building and hand delivered to the Waldwick Borough Clerk on Thursday, April 18, 2019 and mailed by first class mail to The Record, and The Ridgewood News also on Thursday, April 18, 2019. It is posted on the District website. This is an official meeting.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustee Andrew Fowler
Vice President Andrew Frey
Trustee Julie Mangler
Trustee Mary Beth Nappi
Trustee Timothy O'Hare
Trustee Donna Sherry

ABSENT: President Daniel Marro, Sr. (Arrived at 8:16 P.M.)

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION I – April 29, 2019

Offered by Trustee Sherry, seconded by Trustee Fowler:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Waldwick Board of Education go into Closed Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters relating to:

1. HIB Case #11&12

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 7:30 p.m. on motion of Trustee Nappi, seconded by Trustee Mangler and unanimously approved by voice vote.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustee Andrew Fowler
Vice President Andrew Frey
Trustee Julie Mangler
Trustee Mary Beth Nappi
Trustee Timothy O'Hare
Trustee Donna Sherry

ABSENT: President Daniel Marro, Sr. (Arrived at 8:16 P.M.)

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2019 – 2020 BUDGET HEARING

A. BUDGET PRESENTATION

Mr. John Griffin, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary presented the 2019-2020 budget.

B. APPROVAL – ADOPTION OF FINAL 2019-2020 SCHOOL BUDGET

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

WHEREAS, the preliminary budget was adopted at a public meeting of the Board of Education on March 18, 2019, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 budget has been held on this date and all persons desiring to be heard were heard, and

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-28, the budget in total be as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 33,198,505	\$ 30,271,296
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 646,093	\$ N/A
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 697,000	\$ 697,000
Totals	<u>\$ 34,541,598</u>	<u>\$ 30,968,296</u>

WHEREAS, school district policy number 3540 and NJAC 6A:23B-1.2 (b) provides that the board of education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for travel and expense reimbursement for 2019-2020 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waldwick Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2019-2020 school year at the sum of \$90,000, and

WHEREAS, NJAC 6A:23A-5.2 (a)1 provides that the board of education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for public relations and each type of professional service for 2019-2020 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waldwick Board of Education hereby establishes the school district maximum expenditure amounts for the 2019-2020 school year as follows: public relations at the sum of \$5,000 and legal services at the sum of \$125,000, audit services at the sum of \$45,000, architectural/engineering services at the sum of \$300,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2019-2020 school year budget includes an automatic adjustment in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-38 for an automatic adjustment to the base tax levy cap adjustment for an increase in enrollment of \$17,881, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to accept the \$1,505,806 in State Aid less the \$30,028 assessment for Debt Service on SDA Funding for a net total aid of \$1,475,778, and State funding for Extraordinary Special Education Aid estimated at \$251,938 for the 2019-2020 budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2019-2020 school year budget includes a \$50,000 deposit to the Capital Reserve account as the second yearly deposit for the eventual replacement of the HS/MS Turf Field and a \$486,240 deposit to the Capital Reserve Account for the upgrade of the High School/Middle School front entrance, office and security.

C. **DISCUSSION – 2019-2020 BUDGET – BOARD MEMBERS ONLY**
– Trustees Mangler and O'Hare asked a question about the budget.

D. **OPEN FLOOR – 2019-2020 BUDGET – PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING**

A resident asked about the 2% increase.

E. **CLOSE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Fowler	X			
Vice President Frey	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Sherry	X			
President Marro				X

REPORTS

- A. Superintendent of Schools – None.
- B. Board President – None.
- C. Committee Reports - None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Offered by Trustee Sherry, seconded by Trustee Mangler:

April 8, 2019 Regular Meeting
 April 8, 2019 Closed Session

ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Fowler			X	
Vice President Frey			X	
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Sherry	X			
President Marro				X

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Motion to introduce the Consent Agenda

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

89-A-1 through 89-A-24 Administration
 89-F-1 through 89-F-2 Finance
 89-P-3 through 89-P-10 Personnel

- B. Discussion – any item on Consent Agenda – Board of Education only – None.
- 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 Fowler	X			
Vice President Frey	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Sherry	X			
President Marro				X

89-P-1 APPROVAL - RENEWAL OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR - NON-TENURED DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM, SUPERVISION AND INSTRUCTION

Offered by Trustee O'Hare seconded by Trustee Mangler:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A- 27-10, written notice shall be given to the following that a contract for employment for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 will be offered to Jessica Malangone for the position of Director of Curriculum and Instruction at a salary of \$148,814.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Fowler	X			
Vice President Frey	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Sherry	X			
President Marro				X

89-P-2 APPROVAL – RENEWAL OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR - NON-TENURED DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Offered by Trustee O'Hare seconded by Trustee Mangler:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A-27-10,

written notice shall be given to the following that a contract for employment for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 will be offered to Michael Mayer for the position of Director of Athletics at a salary of \$111,700.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

The following District employees spoke positively about AD Mike Mayer's performance:

Kevin Carroll
 Deana Scardigno
 Jonathan Nochese
 Ted Opderbeck
 Joe Kelly
 Valentina Esteves
 Mike McGowan
 Dan Freeman

TRUSTEE COMMENTS – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Fowler	X			
Vice President Frey		X		
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare		X		
Trustee Sherry		X		
President Marro				X

89-P-3 APPROVAL – RENEWAL OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR – NON-TENURED ADMINISTRATORS

Offered by Trustee O'Hare seconded by Trustee Sherry:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A: 27-10, written notice be given to the following that a contract for employment for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 will be offered to them:

Brian Cannici, Crescent School Principal
 Diane Ciaramella, Director of Special Services

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Fowler	X			
Vice President Frey	X			
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare	X			
Trustee Sherry	X			
President Marro				X

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC – ANY SUBJECT

Valentina Esteves, Kevin Carroll, Joe Kelly, Jonathon Nochese, Ted Opderbeck, Mike McGowan and Mike Clancy commented and questioned the Board's non-renewal of the Athletic Director.

A parent asked about recording BOE meetings.

Several Girl Scouts who are students discussed a proposal for recycling in the schools. They will be applying for a grant.

COMMENTS FROM TRUSTEES – ANY SUBJECT – None.

President Marro arrives at 8:16 P.M. and assumes the chair. A discussion was held to have a revote on 89-P-2. The Board decided to go back into Confidential Session.

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION II – April 29, 2019

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Waldwick Board of Education go into Closed Executive Session at 8:22 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters relating to:

1. Personnel – Athletic Director

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 8:43 p.m. on motion of Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee O'Hare and unanimously approved by voice vote.

The Board decides to take a revote of 89-P-2:

89-P-2 APPROVAL – RENEWAL OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR - NON-TENURED DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Offered by Trustee Fowler seconded by Trustee Mangler:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A-27-10, written notice shall be given to the following that a contract for employment for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 will be offered to Michael Mayer for the position of Director of Athletics at a salary of \$111,700.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

The following District employees commented positively to support Mr. Mayer:

- Kevin Carroll
- Deana Scardigno
- Jonathan Nochese
- Ted Opderbeck
- Joe Kelly
- Tom Schultz
- Mike McGowan
- Dan Freeman
- Mike Clancy
- Jeff Basilicato

TRUSTEE COMMENTS – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Trustee Fowler	X			
Vice President Frey		X		
Trustee Mangler	X			
Trustee Nappi	X			
Trustee O'Hare		X		
Trustee Sherry		X		
President Marro		X		

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m. on motion of Trustee Fowler, seconded by Trustee Sherry.

Respectfully submitted,


JOHN GRIFFIN
 Board Secretary