

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

**REGULAR MEETING/BUDGET HEARING MINUTES
MAY 4, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER/ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING

President Marro called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.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 Friday, May 1, 2020. It is posted on the District website. This is an official meeting.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustee Andrew Fowler
Vice President Andrew Frey
Trustee Mary Beth Nappi
Trustee Timothy O'Hare
Trustee Donna Sherry
President Daniel Marro, Sr.

ABSENT: Trustee Julie Mangler

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION – May 4, 2020 (If needed) – NONE.

Offered by Trustee _____, seconded by Trustee _____:

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

1.

Above resolution unanimously approved by voice vote.

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

2020 – 2021 BUDGET HEARING

BUDGET PRESENTATION – John Griffin presented the budget for the 2020-2021 school year

APPROVAL – ADOPTION OF FINAL 2020 - 2021 SCHOOL BUDGET

Offered by Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee Nappi:

WHEREAS, the preliminary budget was adopted at a public meeting of the Board of Education on March 16, 2020, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing on the 2020-2021 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	\$34,513,666	\$30,967,007
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$710,820	N/A
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$682,400</u>	<u>\$682,400</u>
Totals	<u>\$35,906,886</u>	<u>\$31,649,407</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 2020-2021 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waldwick Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2020-2021 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 2020-2021 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waldwick Board of Education hereby establishes the school district maximum expenditure amounts for the 2020-2021 school year as follows: public relations at the sum of \$35,000 and legal services at the sum of \$125,000, audit services at the sum of \$75,000, architectural/engineering services at the sum of \$300,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2020-2021 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 \$88,515 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to accept the \$1,811,607 in State Aid less the \$30,028 assessment for Debt Service on SDA Funding for a net total aid of \$1,781,579, and State funding for Extraordinary Special Education Aid estimated at \$251,938 for the 2020-2021 budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2020-2021 school year budget includes a \$50,000 deposit to the Capital Reserve Account as the third yearly deposit for partial funding for the eventual replacement of the HS/MS Turf Field and a \$513,471 deposit to the Capital Reserve Account for the potential upgrade of the High School/Middle School.

- C. **DISCUSSION – 2020-2021 BUDGET – BOARD MEMBERS ONLY**
–None.
- D. **OPEN FLOOR – 2020-2021 BUDGET – PUBLIC BUDGET - HEARING - None.**
- 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 – Dr. Casarico reported on Covid-19 issues.
- B. Board President – President Marro extended condolences to the Johnson family. He was a coach for many years and this is a huge loss for Waldwick. He thanked Dr. Casarico for the \$2,000,000 Technology Plan and there are no issues with virtual learning. He stated that next week is Teacher Appreciation Week and all the Teachers will be our Teachers of the Year. He also stated that he would like to keep the referendum in September 2020 and the Board agreed.
- C. Committee Reports – None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

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 Frey, seconded by Trustee O'Hare:

90-A-1 through 90-A-24	Administration
90-F-1 through 90-F-4	Finance
90-P-1 through 90-P-10	Personnel

- B. Discussion – any item on Consent Agenda – Board of Education only – President Marro thanked the Traphagen PSO for their donation. Dr. Casarico discussed the retirements on the agenda and he also discussed the selection of Susan Elias as Director of Curriculum and introduced her to the Board.
- 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			

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC – ANY SUBJECT – None.

COMMENTS FROM TRUSTEES – ANY SUBJECT – None.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m. on motion of Trustee Frey, seconded by Trustee Fowler.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Griffin", written in a cursive style.

JOHN GRIFFIN
Board Secretary