

WHITE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY

JULY 27, 2020

6:30 PM

The Regular Meeting of the White Township Board of Education was held on the above date in the White Township School Gym with the following members in attendance at roll call: Ms. Nusser-Meany, Ms. Howell, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Lensi, Mrs. Smith (via Zoom), Mr. Havlusch, and Mr. Panetta. William Thompson, CSA and Dawn Huff, Business Administrator/Board Secretary were also in attendance as well as 3 members of the public. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Sroka were unable to attend.

Mr. Panetta opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and stated that the meeting had been duly advertised and the public properly notified through notification to The Express-Times, Star Ledger and the White Township Municipal Clerk in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

CSA REPORT

Mr. Thompson reviewed the School Reopening Plan and noted that the full plan will be posted on the school website August 5th. Mr. Thompson discussed the options and schedule for students to attend in-person or have virtual instruction and noted that families will need to notify the district by August 14th if opting for virtual instruction. Mr. Thompson provided an update on Strategic Planning and discussed key initiatives for the 2020-2021 school year, including safety, social emotional learning, and personalized learning.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Havlusch and seconded by Mrs. Lensi to approve the minutes as submitted from the June 22, 2020 Regular Session Meeting and Executive Session. Motion carried as follows: Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Abstentions – 0.

CORRESPONDENCE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL

Block Motion – Personnel

A motion was made by Mrs. Lensi and seconded by Ms. Howell to approve the following agenda items #1 through #6. Motion carried as follows: Ms. Nusser-Meany – yes, Ms. Howell – yes, Mr. Murray – yes, Mrs. Lensi – yes, Mr. Havlusch – yes, Mrs. Smith, – yes and Mr. Panetta – yes.

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Block Motion – Personnel - continued

1. Approve Kindergarten Summer Orientation Program

To approve the Kindergarten Orientation program, August 26-28, 2020, at a cost for the staff as follows:

Cathleen Gerhardt	\$48.96/hour – not to exceed 12 hours
Krista Schaarschmidt	\$48.96/hour – not to exceed 12 hours
Justine Mahon	\$45.43/hour – not to exceed 12 hours

2. Approve Substitute Custodians

To accept the recommendation of the CSA to approve Loren Hamblin and Brian Newell as substitute custodians.

3. Approve Summer Custodial Help

To accept the recommendation of the CSA to approve Vasilios Nikolopoulos for continuation of summer custodial help, through August 21, 2020, at the rate of \$12/hour.

4. Approve a Practicum and Student Teaching

To approve Michael Thompson for a practicum experience in the Fall of 2020 and for Student Teaching in the Spring of 2021, pending receipt of criminal history and Chapter 5 paperwork.

5. Approve a Principal Waiver Form for the 2020-2021 School Year

To approve a request for a waiver from the requirement of a full-time, non-teaching Principal for the 2020-2021 school year at the White Township Consolidated School.

6. Accept a Resignation

To accept a letter of resignation from Susan Marsh, effective July 22, 2020, for the purpose of retirement.

CURRICULUM

Ms. Nusser-Meany noted that the Committee discussed the School Reopening Plan, a change to the calendar for the 2020-2021 school year, an online option for the World Language curriculum, new Math resources, and delaying plans to expand the Preschool program at this time.

Motion – Curriculum

A motion was made by Mrs. Lensi and seconded by Mr. Murray to approve the following agenda item #1. Motion carried as follows: Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Abstentions – 0.

1. Approve a Revised Calendar for the 2020-2021 School Year

To approve a revised calendar for the 2020-2021 school year.

OPERATIONS

Block Motion – Operations

A motion was made by Mrs. Lensi and seconded by Ms. Howell to approve the following agenda items #1 through #14. Motion carried as follows: Ms. Nusser-Meany – yes, Ms. Howell – yes, Mr. Murray – yes, Mrs. Lensi – yes, Mr. Havlusch – yes, Mrs. Smith, – yes and Mr. Panetta – yes.

1. Approve Final June 2020 Bill List

To approve payment of the final June 2020 Bills List in the total amount of \$1,234,134.52 for expenditures from May 27 through June 30, 2020 for all funds. (This amount includes bills from June 1-22, 2020 previously approved.)

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Block Motion – Operations - continued

2. Approve July 2020 Bills List

To approve the payment of the July 2020 bills in the total amount of \$103,096.45 for all funds.

3. Approve Budget Transfers

To approve budget transfers for June 2020 in the amount of \$43,431.29.

4. Approve the 2020-2021 Student Transportation Contract Renewal with Garden State Transport

To approve the 2020-2021 Student Transportation Contract Renewal with Garden State Transport for the 2020-2021 school year for the following routes:

<u>Route #</u>	<u># of students</u>	<u>Route Cost</u>	<u>Destination</u>
1E	33	\$ 24,247.01	White Township School
2E	40	\$ 24,247.01	White Township School
3E	42	\$ 24,247.01	White Township School
4E	41	\$ 24,247.01	White Township School
7E	48	\$ 28,126.51	White Township School
10E	22	\$ 26,186.74	White Township School
HS1	26	\$ 22,307.25	Belvidere High School
HS3	37	\$ 34,934.72	Belvidere High School
HS7	32	\$ 29,906.32	Belvidere High School
HS9	24	\$ 22,307.24	Belvidere High School
Total cost for all routes:		\$260,756.82	(1.7% renewal rate increase over 2019-2020)

5. Approve a Parental Transportation Contract for the 2020-2021 School Year

To approve a parental transportation contract (2021NWAcademy360) for student SID#9249311861 for transportation to Academy 360, September 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021, for a total contract of \$10,022.40.

6. Approve a Parental Transportation Contract for the 2020-2021 School Year

To approve a parental transportation contract (2021JBMtOlive) for student SID#4552810184 for transportation to Mt. Olive Middle School, September 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021, for a total contract of \$17,280.

7. Approve a Tuition Contract with Shepard School

To approve a tuition contract for one student SID#4389886258 to attend Shepard School for the 2020-2021 school year at a tuition rate of \$57,112.47 and the cost of the personal aide of \$35,165.28.

8. Approve a Tuition Contract with Academy 360 – Upper School

To approve a tuition contract for one student SID#9249311861 to attend Academy 360 – Upper School, a program of Spectrum 360, for the 2020-2021 school year at a tuition rate of \$79,728.60.

9. Approve a Tuition Contract with Celebrate the Children

To approve a tuition contract for one student SID#9132106692 to attend Celebrate the Children for the 2020-2021 school year at a tuition rate of \$73,260 and the cost of the personal aide of \$27,000.

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10. Approve a Tuition Contract with Celebrate the Children

To approve a tuition contract for one student SID#8737801050 to attend Celebrate the Children for the 2020-2021 school year at a tuition rate of \$71,500 and the cost of the personal aide of \$27,000.

11. Approve a Tuition Contract with Mount Olive Board of Education

To approve a tuition contract for one student SID#4552810184 to attend Mt. Olive Middle School for the 2020 ESY, July 20 – August 20, 2020, at a tuition rate of \$3,821.80.

12. Approve a Parental Transportation Contract for the 2020 ESY

To approve a parental transportation contract (2020ESY-JBMtOlive) for student SID#4552810184 for transportation to Tinc Elementary School, July 20 – August 20, 2020, for a total contract of \$994.56.

13. Approve the Renewal of the Food Service Management Contract (FSMC) for the 2020-2021 School Year

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of White Township, upon recommendation of the CSA and Business Administrator, approves the renewal of the FSMC year contract with Maschio's Food Services, Inc. for the 2020-2021 school year:

- White Township shall pay Maschio's an annual management fee in the amount of \$8,099.52. The management fee shall be payable in monthly installments of \$809.95 per month commencing on September 1, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2021.
- Maschio's guarantees a breakeven to White Township. In the event that the actual bottom line of the operational report (total revenue from all sources less program costs, including the management fee) is below this amount, Maschio's shall be responsible for any shortfall.

14. Approve a Use of Facility Request

To approve a request from the Girl Scouts for use of the cafeteria for meetings the last Monday of each month.

GOVERNANCE

Block Motion – Governance

A motion was made by Mr. Murray and seconded by Ms. Howell to approve the following agenda items #1 through #14. Motion carried as follows: Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Abstentions – 0.

1. Approve a Second Reading of Policy and Regulation #2430 – Co-Curriculars

To approve a second reading of policy and regulation #2430 – Co-Curriculars

2. Approve a Second Reading of Policy #5112 – School Entrance Age

To approve a second reading of policy #5112 – School Entrance Age

3. Approve a Second Reading of Policy #2471 - Preschool

To approve a second reading of policy #2471 – Preschool

4. Approve a First Reading of Policy #1648 – Restart & Recovery Plan

To approve a first reading of policy #1648 – Restart & Recovery Plan

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5. Approve a First Reading of Policy #1649 – Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act

To approve a first reading of policy #1649 – Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act

6. Approve a First Reading of Policy #2270 – Religion in Schools

To approve a first reading of policy #2270 – Religion in Schools

7. Approve a First Reading of Policy #2622 – Student Assessment

To approve a first reading of policy #2622 – Student Assessment

8. Approve a First Reading of Policy & Regulation #5111 – Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students

To approve a first reading of policy & regulation #5111 – Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students

9. Approve a First Reading of Policy & Regulation #5200 - Attendance

To approve a first reading of policy & regulation #5200 – Attendance

10. Approve a First Reading of Policy & Regulation #5320 - Immunization

To approve a first reading of policy & regulation #5320 – Immunization

11. Approve a First Reading of Policy & Regulation #5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote

To approve a first reading of policy & regulation #5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote

12. Approve a First Reading of Policy & Regulation #5610 - Suspension

To approve a first reading of policy #5610 – Suspension

13. Approve a First Reading of Policy #5620 - Expulsion

To approve a first reading of policy #5620 – Expulsion

14. Approve a First Reading of Policy & Regulation #8320 – Personnel Records

To approve a first reading of policy & regulation #8320 – Personnel Records

BHS BOARD MEMBER

No update.

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVE A SICK LEAVE BANK AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHITE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION AND WHITE TOWNSHIP EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

A motion was made by Mr. Havlusch and seconded by Ms. Howell to approve a Sick Leave Bank Agreement between White Township Board of Education and White Township Education Association. Motion carried as follows: Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Abstentions – 0.

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OLD BUSINESS – continued

The Board discussed participation in a feasibility study and the majority of the Board members feel that the timing is not right. It was suggested that this be tabled until a later date given the current pandemic, etc. Furthermore, it was suggested that we continue to have internal dialogue as a Board to identify what type of feasibility study is most appealing to our Board and community.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF HIB INCIDENTS

A motion was made by Mrs. Lensi and seconded by Mr. Murray to acknowledge receipt of no HIB investigations deemed HIB incidents since last meeting. Motion carried as follows: Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Abstentions – 0.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Gardella asked if families will be notified that they can borrow technology if they need it for virtual instruction. Mr. Thompson noted that students were able to borrow Chromebooks from the district, if they needed them, for virtual instruction during the school closure, and we'll continue to provide them for the 2020-2021 school year as needed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Lensi and seconded by Mr. Murray to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried as follows: Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Abstentions – 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Huff
Business Administrator
Board Secretary