

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, January 22, 2008

I. Open Meeting with reading of Open Public Meetings Act

In accordance with requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notices have been given for tonight's meeting in area newspapers, which include The Hunterdon Democrat and the Star Ledger and sent to all Board of Education members on May 3, 2007. President Magill opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

II. Attendance Roll

Cindy Magill	X	Kathy Greenwood	X	Patty Barrett	X
Chris Castellano	arr 7:15pm	John Dupuis	X	Peter Gasparro	X
Viktor Paerg	X	Tom Reischman	X	Robert Tomenchok	X

Pledge of Allegiance

III. Superintendent's /Principal's Report

The students did a power point presentation explaining what they liked and didn't like about camp.

Since this is School Board recognition month, Dr. Fay gave gifts to the board.

Dr. Fay explained that the Power Curriculum will be a joint venture with Frenchtown, Stockton, Lambertville and South Hunterdon Regional High School.

IV. President's Report

President Magill said thank you to the board, stating that they were the best team.

V. Committee Reports

- A. Personnel
- B. Curriculum – discussed the technology plan through 2010
- C. Finance will meet Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Building & Grounds
- E. Board Operations (Policy)
- F. Public Relations is working on a newsletter.
- G. Negotiations
- H. Joint Ventures will meet on Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at Lambertville.

VI.PTO Update

PTO gave us a calendar.

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

-Election Calendar and Nominating Petitions

-Motion by Mr. Tomenchok, seconded by Mr. Dupuis and carried unanimously to adopt the attached resolution regarding January 2008 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH.

IX. Public Input – Agenda Items Only

Back to Public Session

X. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Tomenchok, seconded by Mrs. Greenwood and carried, Mr. Castellano, Mr. Gasparro, and Mrs. Barrett abstained, to approve the amended minutes from the regular board meeting on December 20, 2007 and the special joint meeting of January 10, 2008.

XI .Transfers

Motion by Dr. Reischman, seconded by Mrs. Barrett and carried unanimously to approve the budgetary transfers from November 2007.

XII .Financial Reports

Motion by Dr. Reischman, seconded by Mr. Castellano and carried by roll call vote, 8-0, Mr. Dupuis was not present, to approve the following resolution approving the financial reports for November 2007:

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, acceptance of the Secretary and Treasurer Reports for Fund 10,20,30,40, and 60 for November 2007. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, the board secretary certifies that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) for October 2007.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11©4, the board of education certifies, after review of the board secretary’s and treasurer’s November 2007 financial reports, that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Cindy Magill	X	Kathy Greenwood	X	Patty Barrett	X
Chris Castellano	X	John Dupuis	not present	Peter Gasparro	X
Viktor Paerg	X	Tom Reischman	X	Robert Tomenchok	X

XIII .Correspondence

- West Amwell Senior Club
- Mitzi Morillo
- Leonard Lance
- Hunterdon County Office
- Washington Twp Public Schools
- Kristin Angst

XIV. Public Input – Open Topic

XV. Vote on Action Items

1- Motion by Dr. Reischman, seconded by Mr. Dupuis and carried unanimously to approve the attached bill list for January.

2- Motion by Mr. Dupuis, seconded by Dr. Reischman and carried by roll call vote, 7-0, Mrs. Barrett and Mr. Tomenchok abstained to adopt the attached resolution for travel and work related expenses.

Cindy Magill	X	Kathy Greenwood	X	Patty Barrett	abstain
Chris Castellano	X	John Dupuis	X	Peter Gasparro	X
Viktor Paerg	X	Tom Reischman	X	Robert Tomenchok	abstain

3. Motion by Dr. Reischman, seconded by Mrs. Barrett and carried, Mr. Tomenchok abstained, to approve the second reading of the attached policies.

4. Motion by Dr. Reischman, seconded by Mr. Tomenchok and carried unanimously to extend the maternity leave for Kristen Angst through June 30, 2008. She will return on the first contracted day of the 2008-09 school year

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall presented a check for \$5000 to the school to go toward Emily's Reading Nook in the Library in memory of Emily Marshall.

XVI. Executive Session Be it hereby resolved by the West Amwell Township Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 and 10:4-12 that said public body hold a closed session on Tuesday, November 22, 2007 at 8:05pm for the purpose of discussing personnel, legal, and negotiations matters . It is expected that the discussion undertaken in closed session will be made public at the time official action is taken.

XVII Back to Public Session

Motion by Mr. Castellano, seconded by Mr. Paerg and carried unanimously to return to the regular session at 8:40pm.

Motion by Mr. Tomenchok, seconded by Mrs. Barrett and carried by roll call vote, 9-0, to adopt the resolution opposing proposed legislation S-2249 and A-3812 that would mandate 10 weeks of paid family leave for every employee in New Jersey.

Cindy Magill	X	Kathy Greenwood	X	Patty Barrett	X
Chris Castellano	X	John Dupuis	X	Peter Gasparro	X
Viktor Paerg	X	Tom Reischman	X	Robert Tomenchok	X

XVIII. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Tomenchok, seconded by Mr. Paerg to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm.

Certified by:

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan B. Sommerfeld, RSBA  
Interim Bus. Adm./Bd. Sec.

