

Board Bulletin

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A Summary of the West Essex Regional Board of Education Public Meetings of
Monday, April 10, 2006, Reorganization Meeting of Monday, May 1, 2006 &
Work Session Meeting of Monday, May 15, 2006.

*From Your Board of Education
April/May 2006*

Sharon Buge, President – North Caldwell

Myrna Pino, Vice President - Fairfield

Carolann Aschoff - Roseland

Joyce Candido - Essex Fells

Colleen Gartland - Roseland

Dr. Donald Merachnik, Interim Superintendent

Daniel A. Borgo, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator

Angela Gerken - North Caldwell

Carmine Picardo - Fairfield

Marie Rosenberg - North Caldwell

Frank Salfi - Fairfield

PRESENTATIONS:

- Knight Bells and North Jersey Region I Choir
- Guidance Program, College Selection, Course Registration & Character Education
- Discussion of Decision Regarding Problem Based Learning Instructional Strategies
- Special Education

PRIVATE SESSION:

- Tuesday, May 9, 2006 to discuss matters of personnel, construction and litigation.
- Thursday, May 11, 2006 to interview candidates for the position of Junior High School Principal.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- **Sharon Buge** was elected President of the West Essex Regional Board of Education.
- **Myrna Pino** was elected Vice President of the West Essex Regional Board of Education.

OATH OF OFFICE

- The Oath of Office was administered to Joyce Candido, Angela Gerken, Marie Rosenberg and Frank Salfi.

ELECTION RESULTS

<i>FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION</i>	<u>AT POLLS</u>	<u>ABSENTEE BALLOTS</u>	<u>PROVISIONAL BALLOTS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<i>FOR THREE YEAR TERM (NORTH CALDWELL)</i>				
MICHAEL OGLENSKY	261	42	1	304
ANGELA B. GERKEN	384	88	1	473
<i>FOR ONE YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM (NORTH CALDWELL)</i>				
MARIE ROSENBERG	403	89	2	494
RICHARD SCHWARTZ	255	43	0	298
<i>FOR THREE YEAR TERM (FAIRFIELD)</i>				
FRANK J. SALFI	505	30	2	537
PHYLLIS HELMSTETTER	434	55	3	492
<i>FOR THREE YEAR TERM (ESSEX FELLS)</i>				
JOYCE CANDIDO	219	45	1	265

<i>2006-2007 BUDGET</i>	<u>AT POLLS</u>		<u>ABSENTEE BALLOTS</u>		<u>PROVISIONAL BALLOTS</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	
	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
NORTH CALDWELL	424	243	124	13	1	1	549	257
ROSELAND	484	434	38	11	0	0	522	445
FAIRFIELD	431	393	57	28	4	1	492	422
ESSEX FELLS	159	124	45	10	1	0	205	134
TOTAL	1498	1194	264	62	6	2	1768	1258



REORGANIZATION:

- Regular Monthly Meeting Dates (Enclosed)
- Special Meetings
- Depository of Funds, Current Expense
- Payroll Accounts (*Wachovia - West Caldwell, NJ*)
- Official Newspapers
 - The Progress – Caldwell, NJ*
 - The Star Ledger – Newark, NJ*
- Policies Adoption
- Designation of Banks for Investment Purposes and for Referendum Investments:
 - The Bank of New York*
 - Wachovia*
 - PNC Bank*
 - West Essex Bank*
 - Sovereign Bank*
 - Lakeland Bank*
 - Bankers Trust Company*
 - NJARM*
 - Spencer Savings Bank*
- Insurance Agent and Broker for the District
 - Bollinger Insurance Agency, Short Hills, NJ*
- Richard Mondelli as Treasurer of School Monies
- Dr. Mayrowetz as Medical Inspector
- Dr. Beverly Crifasi and Dr. Jacqueline Moore as Psychological Examiners for the District
- Affirmative Action Officers – the Board Secretary and the Assistant Principals of the West Essex SHS and JHS
- Adoption of Curriculum
- Adoption of Textbooks & School Software
- Attendance Officers
 - Assistant Principals SHS & JHS*
- Teaching Instructional Supervisor of Science and Environmental Safety as Indoor Air Coordinator & Chemical Hygiene Coordinator
- Judy Ulchinsky as Learning Disability Teacher Consultant

FINANCE

The following items were approved:

- An auction to West Essex employees of computer equipment, any items not sold will be discarded.
- The request for tax levy from the following municipalities due May 1, 2006:

Essex Fells	\$ 424,848.44
North Caldwell	\$1,126,481.25
Fairfield	\$1,723,863.85
Roseland	\$1,059,359.01

- Appropriation Transfers for the 2005-2006 school year from March 22, 2006 through April 4, 2006; from April 5, 2006 through April 25, 2006; and April 27, 2006 through May 9, 2006.
- The financial reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month of February 2006 and the month of March 2006.

- Bills and claims from March 22, 2006 through April 4, 2006, April 5, 2006 through April 25, 2006, April 26, 2006 through May 9, 2006.
- Private Session Meeting Minutes of Monday, March 20, 2006, the Regularly Scheduled Meeting Minutes of Monday, March 27, 2006, the Regularly Scheduled Meeting Minutes of Monday, April 10, 2006, and the Annual Reorganization Meeting Minutes of Monday May 1, 2006.
- Certification of non-overexpenditure of funds for March 2006 and April 2006.
- To reject all 2006 School Bus Bids received on Wednesday, April 12, 2006 from the following bidders:

Total Bid

Wolfington Body Company	\$76,484.00
American Bus and Coach	\$59,545.00
HA DeHart & Son	\$61,099.00
Truck King/AM Tran Bus Sales	\$66,946.00

- The following Use of Facilities Request:

Essex County Athletic Directors Association

County Finals – Boys & Girls Lacrosse

Sunday, May 21, 2006 from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

North Caldwell School District

(pending receipt of insurance certificate)

Wednesday, June 21, 2006; 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM

6th Grade Graduation (JHS Auditorium)

West Essex Lacrosse Club

Sunday, May 14, 2006 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Stadium Field

PERSONNEL

The following items were approved:

Resignations/Terminations

- **John Petrozzino** as interim assistant principal of the West Essex Senior High School effective Friday, May 26, 2006.
- Resignation of **Jacqueline Adelman** as teacher in the West Essex Regional School District effective June 30, 2006.
- Resignation of **Dr. Jacqueline Moore**, Director of Guidance and Student Support Services effective June 30, 2006.
- Resignation of **Donovan Twiddle** custodian in the West Essex Junior High School effective May 31, 2006.

Schedule B:

The following Schedule B Personnel for the 2006-2007 school year:

<u>Candidate Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Heidi Monroe	Band Camp Chaperone	\$616.00
David Monroe	Band Camp Chaperone	\$616.00



Contract Renewals

- **All 12-month administrators and directors**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All central office personnel**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All secretarial staff**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All computer technicians**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All special education teacher aides**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All office aides, library aides and copy aides**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All tenured and non-tenured teaching staff members** not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.
- **All Maintenance/Custodial staff**, not resigned, for the 2006/2007 school year.

Professional In-Service Training

- **Roger Munch** for Curriculum Development Work at the rate of \$20.00 per hour, for a maximum of ten hours effective March 4, 2006 (4 hours) and March 25, 2006 (6 hours).
- **Marion McGuiness** to attend the NJSIAA required instruction class on the "Schedule Star" computer program on April 27, 2006 in Robbinsville, New Jersey with reimbursement for mileage and tolls; conference fee in the amount of \$50.00.
- **John Pappas** to attend the training for teaching of the AP Course - BC Calculus seminar at TAFT Educational Center in Watertown, Connecticut from June 25, 2006 through June 30, 2006; conference fee in the amount of \$990.00 and approximate transportation expenses of \$106.80.
- **Maria Grizzetti and Barbara DeVisser** to attend the brunch for Governor's Teacher of the Year on May 23, 2006 at Mayfair Farms, West Orange, New Jersey, with reimbursement for mileage.
- **Judy Ulchinsky** to attend the Tenth Annual NJAPSA Director's Academy at the Ocean Front Conference Center in Long Branch, New Jersey from May 8, 2006 through May 9, 2006 with reimbursement for mileage and hotel accommodations in the amount of \$200; conference fee in the amount of \$395.00.
- **Kathy Rohr** to attend "Web Search University" at the Hilton in New York City on May 22, 2006 with reimbursement for mileage and tolls; conference fee in the amount of \$330.
- **Susan Sherman** to attend the "Together Everyone Achieves" seminar on May 11, 2006 at Pines Manor, Edison, NJ; conference fee in the amount of \$95.00 and reimbursement for mileage and/or tolls.
- **Janice Emering** to attend the NJBTEA – Conference for Business Educators seminar on May 11, 2006 at Pines Manor, Edison, NJ; conference fee in the amount of \$90.00 and reimbursement for mileage and/or tolls.
- **Jode Dolce** to attend the FWISTA training for teachers who will be teaching AP Biology Courses from June 26, 2006 through June 29, 2006 at Mahopac, New York; conference fee in the amount of \$595.00 and reimbursement for personal expenses.

- **Cathleen Collins** to attend the Child Labor Laws, Regulations and Hazardous Orders Course on May 11, 2006 at Learning Resource Center in Morris Plains, NJ; conference fee in the amount of \$75.00.
- **Rui Dionisio** to attend a Leadership Curriculum Conference at Caldwell College on Friday, May 12, 2006; conference fee in the amount of \$65.00.
- **Lenore White** to attend the Annual School Social Worker Conference on Monday, May 8, 2006 at the Ramada Inn in East Windsor, NJ; conference fee in the amount of \$90.00 and reimbursement for mileage and tolls.
- **Harry Laub** to attend the NJ Language Arts Leaders Association Spring Conference on Thursday, May 18, 2006 at the Basking Ridge Country Club in Basking Ridge, NJ; no charge for the conference, reimbursement for mileage and tolls.
- **Nancy Beck** to attend a regional conference of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics at the Atlantic City Convention Center on October 19, 2006 and October 20, 2006; conference fee in the amount of \$130 with reimbursement for mileage.
- **Lenore White and Linda Byles-Smith** to develop an I.E.P. as part of an annual review for a West Essex out of district placement student at the Benedictine School in Ridgely, Maryland from May 16, 2006 through May 17, 2006, with reimbursement of personal expenses.

Appointments

- **Barbara Comey** as secretary in the West Essex Senior High School at Step 2, salary in the amount of \$32,350 effective April 17, 2006.
- **Erica Elfenbein** as teacher of science in the West Essex Senior High School in place of Dr. Tom Meyer at BA, Step 1, \$48,034 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Paula Arbadji** as teacher of science (new position) in the West Essex Junior High School at BA, Step 2, \$49,119 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Bryan Mc Naught** as teacher of English (new position) in the West Essex Junior High School at BA+15, Step 4, \$52,722 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Jenny Thom-Carroll** as teacher of mathematics (new position) in the West Essex Senior High School at MA, Step 1, \$50,762 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Angel Genese** as teacher of social studies in place of Maureen Cina in the West Essex Junior High School at BA+15, Step 2, \$50,494 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Sabina Sierpowski** as teacher of mathematics in the West Essex Senior High School in place of James Janakat at BA, Step 4, \$51,286 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Lisa Enderle** as teacher of mathematics (new position) in the West Essex Junior High School at MA, Step 1, \$50,762 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **Laurie Ellen Pelano** as teacher of mathematics (maternity leave replacement for Stacy Walsh) in the West Essex Junior High School at BA+15, Step 1, \$49,379 for the 2006/2007 school year effective September 1, 2006.
- **David Montgomery** as Principal of the West Essex JHS at \$110,665 for the 2006/2007 school year effective July 1, 2006.



Substitute Teachers

- **Lauren Lombardy and Anthony Grasso** as substitute teachers for the 2005/2006 school year.
- **Lauren Hertzberg** as substitute teacher (maternity leave replacement for Jill Cosse) at a rate of \$85.00 per day effective May 15, 2006 through the end of the 2005-2006 school year.

Miscellaneous

- **Adam Szuch**, a student from Kean University, as student teacher in the Health and Physical Education Department in the West Essex Regional School District under the supervision of David Drozjock effective October 30, 2006 through December 22, 2006.
- The following parent chaperones for the Community Service Concert field trip on Friday, April 28, 2006 at the Cedar Hill Health Center:

Ms. Karin Patience Ms. Maryann Travis
 Ms. Gail McCullough Mr. Dennis Greco
 Ms. Georgia Dontas Ms. Cynthia D'Elia
 Ms. Lynn Mascera

- The following job descriptions effective July 1, 2006:

Principal
Director of Special Services
Director of Guidance & Student Support Services

- The West Essex Administrative Organizational Chart effective July 1, 2006.
- The submission of an application for Junior High School teacher, **Mrs. Donna Mateyka**, as the West Essex nominee for the State Teacher of the Year Program. Mrs. Mateyka's application will be in competition for the Essex County Teacher of the Year.
- **Stephen Heller**, a student at Caldwell College, (seeking a teaching certificate in mathematics) to observe West Essex math teachers, a total of two full days or four half days from April 11, 2006 through April 28, 2006.
- The following change in chaperones for the band trip to Williamsburg, Virginia on Thursday May 18, 2006:
Stephanie DeVries in place of Stacey Melhorn and Arlene Boronow in place of John Revis.
- The following recommendations for student teachers and cooperating teachers for 2006/2007 school year:

Name	Subject	Effective Dates	Cooperating Teacher
Laura DiGarvo	Social Studies	9/11/06 – 12/8/06 Approximately 60 hours; 5 hours per week	Chris Benacquista
Nicole Sieper	English or Reading	9/11/06 – 12/8/06 Approximately 40 hours; 3 hours per week	Dana Bartello
Abigail Angelo	English or Reading	9/11/06 – 12/8/06 Approximately 40 hours; 3 hours per week	Tom Kemper
Marla Jaffe	English	9/5/06 – 12/15/06 Full time student teaching	Olivia Macaluso
Laura O'Connell	Math	9/11/06 – 12/8/06 Full time student teaching	Sheryl Philips

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- To approve Request for Home Instruction Case #21, #22 and #23 for the 2005-2006 school year.
- The termination of an out-of district placement (student 201047) from the Palisades Learning Center effective March 24, 2006.
- An out of district placement (student 201047) at the Essex Campus Academy effective March 22, 2006 for the 2005-2006 school year at a pro-rated tuition in the amount of \$31,964.00
- To approve the application to operate a summer school program at the West Essex Regional School District; remedial program effective July 5, 2006 through July 31, 2006 and the Extended School Year Program effective July 5, 2006 through August 15, 2006.
- Contract (renewal) between the West Essex Regional School District and the Essex County Vocational School for the 2006-2007 school year at the following cost per student:

Regular Education Students \$5,345
Special Education Students \$8,785

CURRICULUM

- The revised school calendar for the 2005/2006 school year. (*Enclosed*).
- The West Essex Regional School District 2006/2007 Professional Development Plan.
- A field trip request for the West Essex Junior High School music ensemble to Allentown, Pennsylvania on Friday, May 19, 2006 to perform at the Music Showcase Festivals and attend an awards ceremony and then to Dorney Park. The group will leave West Essex at 6:30 AM and return at approximately 9:30 PM.
- The following chaperones for the Music Showcase Festival on Friday, May 19, 2006:

Maria Alvarez	Meg Balter
Irma Conforti	Judy Longthorne
Carolyn Dipsey	Pat Egnozzi
David Meade	Cheryl Minden
Denise Sosnoski	Elizabeth Walter
Dan Gallagher	Chris Falcone
Bob Brunner	Joyce Campos
Dolly Soroka	Elsie Timpson
Matthew Grisaffi	Bill Holden
Linda Pelosi	Jay Ryan
Hal Wolfson	Gloria Parker
Jane Picardo	Dean Bruno

