BOARD OF EDUCATION WEST ESSEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

November 18, 2020

Board Secretary's Memorandum

In accordance with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Local Operational Guidance – Covid-19: Guidance for Remote Public Meetings in New Jersey.

<u>DATE</u> <u>PLACE</u>

Monday, November 18, 2020 Remote Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED 5:45 P.M. 6:15 P.M.

CALLED TO ORDERADJOURNED6:18 P.M.9:47 P.M.

OPEN MEETING:

Ms. Maryadele Wojtowicz, Board President, presided and voiced the call to order in Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by <u>Mr. Stampone</u> Seconded by <u>Ms. Eqan</u> to approve the following motion:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits boards of education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the West Essex Regional Board of Education adjourns to Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Student, Negotiations and/or Litigation matters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that public release of these discussions will occur when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

OPEN MEETING:

The Board reconvened from Executive Session and Ms. Maryadele Wojtowicz, President, presided and voiced the call to order at 6:15 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Ms. C. Egan

Ms. A. Fahey

Ms. J. Marcus

Mr. F. Perrotti

Mr. A. Rubinich – Vice-President

Ms. D. Sacco-Calderone

Ms. J. Skelton

Mr. R. Stampone

Ms. M. Wojtowicz - President

Administration:

Mr. Damion Macioci, Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Melissa Kida, Board Secretary/Business Administrator

West Essex Regional Board of Education MINUTES – November 18, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING:

Notice of the November 18, 2020 meeting of the Board of Education was e-mailed to the Clerks of the Boroughs of Essex Fells, North Caldwell and Roseland and to the Township of Fairfield, and to the editor of <u>The Progress</u> on November 2, 2020 and <u>The Star Ledger</u> on the same day.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS:

Ms. Skelton commented regarding posts on her personal FaceBook page that endorsed particular candidates running for office in the municipal election.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Wojtowicz opened the floor to the public for comments on agenda and non-agenda items. Hearing none, she closed the floor and resumed the meeting.

West Essex Regional Board of Education FINANCE – November 18, 2020

The following finance motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items **1-2**, will be voted upon in one motion. Motion by **Ms. Fahey** Seconded by **Mr. Perrotti** to approve the following motions:

1. To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for **September**, **2020**, in the amount of **\$10,197,303.09** Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a), the West Essex Regional School District Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, as of **September**, **2020**, 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 obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Enclosures 1F – 49F

2. To approve the attached transfer report from **September 1, 2020** through **September 30, 2020**.

Enclosure 50F

West Essex Regional Board of Education FINANCE – November 18, 2020

ROLL CALL: Yes: Ms. Egan, Ms. Fahey, Ms. Marcus, Mr. Perrotti,

Mr. Rubinich, Ms. Sacco-Calderone, Ms. Skelton,

Mr. Stampone and President Wojtowicz

No: None Abstain: None Absent: None

West Essex Regional Board of Education PERSONNEL – November 18, 2020

The following personnel motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items 1 - 4, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by <u>Ms. Marcus</u> Seconded by <u>Mr. Stampone</u> to approve the following motions:

- 1. To approve the letter of resignation from **Megan Rapp** as a leave replacement School Social Worker assigned to West Essex Regional High School effective November 5, 2020.
- 2. To approve the transfer of a staff member, as follows:
 - Patricia Smith from Central Office 12-month secretary to High School 12month secretary

[NOTE: Ms. Smith replaces Kelly LaRiccia, who retired.]

3. To approve **Nolan Erickson (MA)** as a Science teacher assigned to West Essex Regional High School, effective January 18, 2021, or sooner, if released from current contract, for the 2020/2021 school year, pending receipt of mandatory paperwork in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18-A:6-7.9, at an annual salary of \$95,491, pro-rated, which is Step 18 of the 2019/2020 Master's Degree Teacher's Salary Guide, pending completion of contract negotiations.

[NOTE: Mr. Erickson replaces Denise D'Meo, who retired.]

4. To approve the following High School teacher for a **6**th **period assignment** for the 2020/2021 school year at the negotiated rate of \$8,500, pro-rated, as per WEEA contract, pending completion of contract negotiations:

SUBJECT	TEACHER
Chemistry Honors	Nolan Erickson

West Essex Regional Board of Education PERSONNEL – November 18, 2020

ROLL CALL: Yes: Ms. Egan, Ms. Fahey, Ms. Marcus, Mr. Perrotti,

Mr. Rubinich, Ms. Sacco-Calderone, Ms. Skelton,

Mr. Stampone and President Wojtowicz

No: None Abstain: None Absent: None

West Essex Regional Board of Education CURRICULUM/SPECIAL EDUCATION – November 18, 2020

The following curriculum/special education motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Item 1, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by Mr. Perrotti Seconded by Ms. Egan to approve the following motions:

1. To approve **Education Services, LLC**, as a provider of Educational Services specifically Learning Disability Teacher Consultant, School Social Worker, Speech Therapist, and School Psychologist evaluation services, in the West Essex Regional School District, at a rate of \$475.00 per day, for the 2020/2021 school year.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Ms. Egan, Ms. Fahey, Ms. Marcus, Mr. Perrotti,

Mr. Rubinich, Ms. Skelton, Mr. Stampone

and President Wojtowicz

No: None

Abstain: Ms. Sacco-Calderone

Absent: None

At this point, Ms. Wojtowicz turned the meeting over to Charlene Peterson, New Jersey School Board Association representative, who moderated a discussion on the Board's self-evalution, Board goals, and Board best practices.

Motion to adjourn by <u>Ms. Eqan</u> Seconded by <u>Mr. Stampone</u> at 9:47 PM.

ADJOURN: There being no further business before this Board of Education, BE IT RESOLVED that this public meeting be adjourned.

President
Business Administrator/Board Secretary