

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of March 1, 2013

The Washington Township Board of Education met on Friday, March 1, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. for a Special meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Karen Graf, President. Mrs. Graf read the following statement: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Washington Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be mailed on February 14, 2013 to The Express Time, The Star Gazette, and to the Clerk of Washington Township.

Members in attendance were Karen Graf, President, Sheila Dempski, Vice-President, Anita Smith and John Trush. In addition Roger Jinks, Superintendent, Jean Flynn, Board Secretary, Valerie Mattes and Keith Neuhs, Principals were also present.

Members absent: Sally Christine and Jason Ford.

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS (Agenda Items)

(The public may speak for three (3) minutes unless they have requested to be on the agenda.)

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Motion by Anita Smith, seconded by Sheila Dempski to approve the following out-of-district In-Service Experiences, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV: Dempski, Smith, Trush and Graf – All voting yes – Motion carried **OUT OF DIST. WORKSHOPS**

Pam Casserly – Staff Training & Seminar - \$160.00 – March 5, 2013 – 37 miles

Motion by Sheila Dempski, seconded by Anita Smith to approve the out-of-district placement for 2012-2013 school year for Student # 09-3 at Warren County Special Services School District at the prorated tuition rate of \$13,608 beginning March 4, 2013, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV: Dempski, Smith, Trush and Graf – All voting yes – Motion carried **OUT OF DIST. PLACEMENT WCSSSD**

Motion by Anita Smith, seconded by Sheila Dempski to approve Brass Castle School’s Action Plan Assurances, as recommended by the Superintendent. (We received a New Jersey Department of Education directive on February 14th requesting that all schools that did not achieve their Progress Targets memorialize their school action plan by Board resolution by Friday, March 1, 2013.) RCV: Dempski, Smith, Trush and Graf – All voting yes – Motion carried **BC ACTION PLAN ASSURANCES**

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Motion by Sheila Dempski, seconded by John Trush to adopt the proposed budget of the Washington Township Board of Education for the 2013-2014 school year as follows: RCV: Trush – Voting no – Dempski, Smith and Graf – Voting yes – Motion carried **ADOPT PROPOSED BUDGET TO COUNTY**

General Fund	\$8,390,382 .00
Special Revenue Fund	<u>240,000 .00</u>
Total Base Budget	\$8,630,382 .00

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Motion by Sheila Dempski, seconded by Anita Smith that the following General Fund Tax Levy be approved to support the 2013-2014 budget: RCV: Trush – Voting no – Dempski, Smith and Graf – Voting yes – Motion carried GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY

General Fund Tax Levy \$5,549,331 .00

Motion by Anita Smith, seconded by Sheila Dempski to adopt the following Resolution To Withdraw Maintenance Reserve, as follows, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV: Dempski, Smith, Trush and Graf – All voting yes – Motion carried RESOLUTION TO WITHDRAW MAINTENANCE RESERVE

WHEREAS, NJSA 6A:23A-14.2(d) permits a Board of Education to withdraw such funds from the maintenance reserve account and appropriate into the required maintenance account lines at budget time or any time during the year for use on required maintenance activities for a school facility as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26A-4.

WHEREAS the aforementioned statutes authorizes procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to withdraw funds from a district's Maintenance Reserve Account any time during the year by resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Board of Education is desirous to withdraw funds from the Maintenance Reserve Account and appropriate said funds into the required maintenance account line in the general fund for the following:

\$12,913 for the 4th Grade wing replacement urinals Brass Castle School.

WHEREAS, according to 6A:23A-14.2(e), the Washington Township Board of Education shall restore any unexpended required maintenance appropriations, up to the amount of maintenance reserve account funds withdrawn, to the maintenance reserve account at year-end.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION - old and/or new business
(The public may speak for three (3) minutes unless they have requested to be on the agenda.)

None

ADJOURNMENT: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Anita Smith, seconded by John Trush to adjourn.

MV: Unanimous – Motion carried Time: 6:27 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Jean Flynn
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

