

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION**

BOARD RE-ORGANIZATION AND REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

7:30 p.m.

**A. AGENDA**

1. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to appoint Jean Flynn, Board Secretary, as temporary chair to conduct election, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

Call to order by Board Secretary.

Time:

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 emailed on January 15, 2016 to The Express Times and the Clerk of Washington Township.

1A. Results of the Election held on November 8, 2016 were as follows:

Karen Graf	-	1722
Kimberly Morris-		1567
Write-ins	-	25

1B. Administering the Oath of Office to the new elected Board Members. (Newly elected Board Members sign the Oath of Office).

3 Year Term

Karen Graf  
Kimberley Morris

Roll Call:

Joseph Armstead  
Karen Graf  
Jude Mohan  
Kimberley Morris  
Lauren Schlaffer  
Anita Smith  
John Trush

Keith T. Neuhs, Superintendent  
Jean Flynn, Board Secretary

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Present							

Flag Salute

**B. RE-ORGANIZATION MOTIONS**

2. Board Secretary requests nominations for President.

\_\_\_\_\_ nominated \_\_\_\_\_ for President. Are there any other nominations?  
 (Following the close of nominations.) RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

**NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT ASSUMES CHAIR**

3. President requests nominations for Vice-President.

\_\_\_\_\_ nominated \_\_\_\_\_ for Vice-President. Are there any other nominations?  
 (Following the close of nominations.) RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

4. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt the following 2017-2018 calendar of board meetings for the Washington Township Board of Education: RCV:

REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 2017-2018

- January 4 (Wednesday) Public Hearing on EVVRS/HIB Reports
- February 13
- March 13
- April 24 Public Hearing on Budget
- May 8 2017-2018 Annual School Appointment and Adoptions
- June 12
- July 10 Public Hearing on EVVRS/HIB Reports
- August 21
- September 11
- October 16 Public Hearing of Nurses Service Plan
- November 13 Public Hearing on Audit
- December 11
- January 3 (Wednesday) - Board Re-organization & Regular - Public Hearing on EVVRS/HIB Reports

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

Board President appointed \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, alternate, as Delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

Board President appointed \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, alternate, to the Warren County School Boards Association.

Board President appointed \_\_\_\_\_ as Legislative delegate.

5. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016 as presented. MV:

6. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve the executive session minutes of December 12, 2016 as presented. MV:

**C. PRESENTATION**

- Ethics Presentation - Mrs. Kathy Helewa, NJ School Boards Association

**D. PUBLIC QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS** (Agenda Items)

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

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. Violence and Vandalism and Substance Abuse

As per Public Law 6A:16-5.3, each school district shall report incidents of violence, vandalism and substance abuse two times per year. Those incidents shall also be reported between September 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, to the NJ Department of Education via the department’s Electronic Violence and Vandalism Reporting System (EVVRS).

*As reported to the Department of Education, there was no incidents of violence, vandalism or substance abuse during the 2016-2017 school year for the period ending December 31, 2016.*

7. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to accept the Bi-Annual Report of Violence and Vandalism dated December 31, 2016, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

- b. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying

As per Public Law N.J.S.A.18A:7E-3, each school district shall report incidents of harassment, intimidation or bullying two times per year. Those incidents shall also be reported between September 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, to the NJ Department of Education via the department’s Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying Reporting System (HIB).

*As reported to the Department of Education, there was no incidents of harassment, intimidation or bullying during the 2016/2017 school year for the period ending December 31, 2016.*

8. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to accept the Bi-Annual Report of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying, dated December 31, 2016, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlawfer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

#### F. SECRETARY'S REPORT

#### G. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

9. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to accept, with regret, the resignation for retirement, of Marilyn Balzer, Teacher, effective June 30, 2017. RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlawfer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

10. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve District Mentors as follows, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

- Jennifer Kruger - Sue Graham
- Tori Piccione – Kara Cruts
- Krystyn Stasyshyn, Sue Maurer

11. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve the out-of-district In-Service Experiences, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

Staff Member	Type of Travel/Workshop	Registration Fee	Dates	Mileage RT	Parking	Tolls
Nicole Campagna	Guided Math Workshop	\$245.00	1/30/17	83.2	0	0
Sarah Femia	Guided Math Workshop	\$245.00	1/30/17	83.2	0	0
Kara Cruts	Project Based Learning with Technology	\$245.00	1/31/17	54.0	0	0
Amybeth Kupcha	Project Based Learning with Technology	\$245.00	1/31/17	36.6	0	0
Deb Polhemus	Motivation, Mindset and Grit	\$245.00	2/14/17	140	0	0
Kara Cruts	Achieving NEXTGEN Science Standards	\$245.00	3/1/17	94	0	0
Amybeth Kupcha	Achieving NEXTGEN Science Standards	\$245.00	3/1/17	158	0	0
Nicole Smith	101 Therapy Strategies to Increase Your Effectiveness as an SLP	\$245.00	3/2/17	88	0	0

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlawfer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

12. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve The New Jersey Commission for the Blind to provide Level 1 services from December 8, 2016 to June 30, 2017, for student #10.02, in the amount of \$1,285.00, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

**H. PRINCIPAL’S REPORTS**

**I. TECHNOLOGY/CURRICULUM REPORT**

**J. CORRESPONDENCE**

- Letter from Marilyn Balzer

**K. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance & Policy Committee:**

13. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the second reading and adoption of the following (revised) policy and regulations, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV:

- P8441 - Care of Injured and Ill Persons
- R8441 - Care of Insured and Ill Persons
- R8600.1 – Transportation

	Joseph Armstead	Jude Mohan	Kimberley Morris	Lauren Schlaffer	Anita Smith	John Trush	Karen Graf
Yes							
No							
Abstain							

**L. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION - old and/or new business**

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

**M. EXECUTIVE SESSION - if required as indicated in items a, b, g, h, & i below.**

14. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ the Board of Education of the Washington Township School District in the County of Warren will adjourn into a closed meeting to discuss the item (s) which falls within an exception of our open meetings policy and permits the Board to have a private discussion, since it deals with specific exceptions contained in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 b.

- a. Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule
- b. Individual privacy
- c. Collective bargaining agreements
- d. Purchase or lease of real property if public interest could be adversely affected
- e. Investment of public funds if public interest could be adversely affected
- f. Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting public safety and property
- g. Pending or anticipated litigation
- h. Attorney-client privilege
- i. Personnel – employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee

Be it resolved that the Board will now go into private session to discuss matters rendered confidential due to matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or court rule, Individual privacy, Pending or anticipated litigation, Attorney-client privilege and Personnel-employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee. Any discussion held by the Board, which need not remain confidential, will be made public as soon as practical. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. All appropriate persons, who may be discussed in private session, have been adequately notified.

MV:                      Time: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to return to open session.

MV:                      Time: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **N. ADJOURNMENT**

16. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to adjourn.

MV:                      Time: \_\_\_\_\_