

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, March 25, 2024

2:01 p.m.

Minutes of March 25, 2024

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have 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 posted on the district website and school buildings and emailed March 20, 2024, to the Clerk of Washington Township.

Members in attendance: Kristopher Eisner (virtual), Edward Kemp, Vice-President, Jennifer Knittel (virtual), Nicholas Riess, and Karen Graf, President. In addition, Keith Neuhs, Superintendent and Jean Flynn, Business Administrator.

Members absent: Kimberley Morris and Patrick Rock.

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B. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION: (Agenda items) **NONE**

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

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION - if required as indicated in items **h** below:

Motion by Nicholas Riess, seconded by Edward Kemp, 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 by Individual privacy. 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: unanimous, motion carried

Time: 2:03pm

Motion by Edward Kemp, seconded by Nicholas Riess, to return to open session.

MV: unanimous, motion carried

Time: 2:10pm

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Motion by Nicholas Riess, seconded by Edward Kemp, to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release in the matter of OAL DKT. No.: EDS 10477-2023, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Board Attorney. **(Attachment #1)**

RCV: Eisner, Kemp, Knittel, Riess and Graf all voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Edward Kemp, seconded by Nicholas Riess, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Amanda Sloboda, Third Grade Teacher, effective March 18, 2024, as recommended by the Superintendent. **(Attachment #2)**

RCV: Eisner, Kemp, Knittel, Riess and Graf all voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Nicholas Riess, seconded by Edward Kemp, to approve Sabrina DiBella to complete observation hours for her Early Childhood Program with the University of Phoenix, as recommended by the Superintendent.

RCV: Eisner, Kemp, Knittel, Riess and Graf all voting yes, motion carried.

E. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION: (old and/or new business) NONE

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

F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Edward Kemp, seconded by Nicholas Riess, to adjourn.

MV: unanimous, motion carried

Time: 2:12pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Flynn, Business Administrator/Board Secretary