The Warren Hills Regional Board of Education met in Regular Meeting/Public Hearing on May 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Marshall, President.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by Estrella Molinet. Members present were Linda Feller, Kathleen Halpin, Richard Havrisko, Jennifer Knittel, Lisa Marshall, Paula Merrill and Richard Young. Christopher Hamler and Patrick O’Malley were absent. Also present were Earl C. Clymer, Estrella Molinet and Dennis Mack.

President’s Announcement: Adequate notice of this meeting in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act has been given by posting one copy of a Notice of Meeting in the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education Office, by mailing copies to The Express-Times, Warren-Reporter, Newark Star-Ledger, and to the municipal clerks in the Borough of Washington and Townships of Franklin, Mansfield and Washington.

Our Mission Statement

The Warren Hills Regional School District challenges and empowers a dynamic, diverse student body in a supportive learning environment providing academic and co-curricular opportunities to become successful, productive members of the global community.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: None.

Communications: Mrs. Molinet read Mr. O’Malley’s letter of resignation to the Board.

Budget Public Hearing:

Mr. Clymer and Mrs. Molinet presented the proposed 2017/2018 budget via a power point presentation.
Add Personnel  Moved by Kathleen Halpin and seconded by Paula Merrill to add Personnel section to the agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE:  Ayes 7  Nayes 0

I.  PERSONNEL

Position  Moved by Kathleen Halpin and seconded by Linda Feller as Reduced follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby reduces the middle school music position from 1.0 FTE to .5 FTE for the 2017-2018 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE:  Ayes 7  Nayes 0

Resign  Moved by Kathleen Halpin and seconded by Paula Merrill to P. O’Malley accept, with regret, the resignation of Patrick O’Malley from the Board.

ROLL CALL VOATE:  Ayes 7  Nayes 0

II.  EDUCATION AND POLICY

Policies  Moved by Kathleen Halpin and seconded by Paula Merrill to approve the **second and final reading** of the following revised policies for inclusion in the district’s policy manual, as recommended by the Education and Policy Committee and the Superintendent:

- P 0000.02  Introduction
- P 2320  Independent Study Programs – ABOLISHED
- P 2415.06  Unsafe School Choice Options
- P 2460  Special Education
- P 2460.1  Special Education – Location, Identification and Referral
- P 2460.8  Special Education – Free and AppropriatePublic Education
- P 2460.9  Special Education – Transition from Early Intervention Programs to Preschool Programs
- R 2460.15  Special Education - In-Service Training Needs for Professional and Paraprofessional Staff
- R 2460.16  Special Education – Instructional Material to Blind or Print-Disabled Students
- P 2467  Surrogate Parents and Foster Parents
- P 2622  Student Assessment
- P&R 3160  Physical Examination
- P&R 4160  Physical Examination
P&R 5116  Education of Homeless Children
P 5460   High School Graduation
P 5465   Early Graduation – ABOLISHED
P 6660   Student Activity Fund
P 7446   School Security Program
P 8350   Records Retention

ROLL CALL VOTE:     Ayes 7    Nayes 0

Assurance Statement
Moved by Kathleen Halpin and seconded by Paula Merrill to approve and submit the Assurance Statement for Special Education Model Policies and Procedures compliance in accordance with Part B of the IDEA and N.J.A.C. 6A:14-1.1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:14-1.2(b).

ROLL CALL VOTE:     Ayes 7    Nayes 0

Public Comment:     None.

Executive Session
Moved by Paula Merrill and seconded by Kathleen Halpin to go into Executive Session as indicated below:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the board of education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters.
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss:
1) Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule
2) Pending Litigation
3) Personnel Matters
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education reserves the right to discuss such other matters rendered confidential by law should the need arise; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. No action anticipated.

Ayes 7    Nayes 0

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

Reconvene
Moved by Kathleen Halpin and seconded by Richard Havrisko to reconvene into open session at 8:47 p.m.

Ayes 7    Nayes 0
Adjournment Moved by Paula Merrill and seconded by Jennifer Knittel to adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

Ayes 7  Nayes 0

Estrella M. Molinet
Business Administrator/Bd. Sec’y.