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OF THE TENAFLY BOARD OF EDUCATION
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DATE 2/19/16
APPROVED [Signature]

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The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Board President Lynne W. Stewart who read the following statement:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right to the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.”

In accordance with provisions of this act, the Tenafly Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Borough office, Tenafly Public Library, administrative building, in the local press and on the district’s web site.

On roll call, the following Board members answered present:

Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	Edward J. Salaski
Mark Aronson	April Uram
Sam A. Bruno *	Eileen D. Pleva
Janet I. Horan	Lynne W. Stewart

* Arrived at 8:05 p.m.

The following Board member was absent:

Sherri Rothstein

The following staff members were present:

Ms. Lynn Trager, Superintendent
Ms. Barbara Laudicina, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ms. Terry Collins, Assistant to the Superintendent for Human Resources

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Aronson and seconded by Ms. Stephanie Addison-Fontaine that the Board convenes in closed session according to the following:

WHEREAS, the Tenafly Board of Education has been formed pursuant to applicable New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board is charged with the responsibility of performing all acts and doing all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board of Education, necessary for the lawful and proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools and public school property of the Tenafly Public School District; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10-4-12) permits the exclusion of the public ("Closed Session") from a meeting of the Board in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that circumstances exist for such a Closed Session;

WHEREAS, the Board has found the action described below to be necessary and proper;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board on the date indicated above that:

- 1.) The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the Closed Session herein set forth.
- 2.) The subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - Suspensions
 - HIB's
- 3.) The Board will return to Open Session at approximately 8:00 p.m.

No formal action will be taken.

The motion was approved by those present. Ms. Sherri Rothstein was absent from the meeting, and Mr. Sam A. Bruno was absent for the closed session.

The meeting recessed to closed session at 7:37 p.m.

The meeting reconvened from closed session at 8:00 p.m.

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The following principal representatives were present:

Mr. John Fabbo, Principal of Middle School
Ms. Sugandh (Sue) Jain, Principal of Smith School

Also present:

Ms. Suzanne Bassett, Assistant to the Superintendent for Special Services
Ms. Terry Collins, Assistant to the Superintendent for Human Resources

Ms. Stewart opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Aronson and seconded by Ms. Stephanie Addison-Fontaine to approve the Minutes of the Reorganization & Regular Public Meeting and Closed Executive Meeting of January 7, 2016.

The Minutes of the Reorganization & Regular Public Meeting and Closed Executive Meeting of January 7, 2016 were approved as follows:

Yes - 7	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	No - 0	
	Mark Aronson		
	Janet I. Horan	Abstain - 1	Sam A. Bruno
	Edward J. Salaski		
	April Uram	Absent - 1	Sherri Rothstein
	Eileen D. Pleva		
	Lynne W. Stewart		

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Stewart reported on the following:

NJSIAA

Ms. Stewart referred to the last Board meeting's discussion on the NJSIAA and the Commissioner of Education's veto against the recommendation to realign athletic leagues. The update is that the NJSIAA is not appealing the decision. Regardless of

this, the Board stands firm that this is not in the best interests of our district and will continue with our efforts: Ms. Addison-Fontaine, the Board's legislative representative, has contacted Garden State Coalition, our lobbying organization; discussions have taken place with the NJ School Board Association on this issue; and Ms. Trager will contact other superintendents in the superintendent organization to discuss the issues on Monday.

Board Committees & Master Calendar

In addition to Board committee assignments, a master calendar will be set up to organize the many different Board schedules together (including commitments of representatives to organizations such as CAP, TEF, and recreation commission). This type of calendar will help keep track of all meeting dates to ensure coverage.

Ms. Uram asked Ms. Stewart how the committee meeting times will be set. Ms. Stewart replied that each committee will decide on a time to meet, based on the needs of the committee and topics to be discussed and deadlines to meet. The committee chairs will submit their times to be included in the master calendar, which will be an ongoing calendar of updates.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Trager stated it was brought to her attention that there is an interest in naming the track, and cited Board policy on naming a facility, ie., the Board has to first determine if they want to have the facility named. If the Board wishes to proceed, the district will advertise for names to be submitted, a specific form will be used, and Ms. Laudicina will call together a committee to look at the criteria and individuals. A recommendation will then be made to the Board. The policy is clear that it is a Board decision. The Board will also have to decide if they wish to have revenue generated or not (which would then be turned over to the Alternative Revenue Committee).

Ms. Stewart added that when the policy was put in place last year, the topic of revenue was discussed but not pursued at that time. Ms. Trager said that some of the district's facilities are named after individuals without revenue being produced.

Ms. Laudicina said a form had been created by the naming committee last year and the committee consisted of a variety of people, including students who have since graduated. A committee would be reconvened or recreated again.

Mr. Bruno referenced a meeting of 10/24/13 and its members who discussed the naming of facilities, and said nothing has been done since. Ms. Trager added that the 10/24/13 meeting was a little different, as we had no guidelines or process in place yet, and it was to set the process. Ms. Laudicina said the result of the meeting was the policy was written and a form was created to collect nominations.

Ms. Trager said the reason why she is bringing this topic to the Board is because someone brought forth a recommendation for the naming of the track, and she also received a few letters explaining why they would like the track named after a certain individual. This information was given to Ms. Laudicina.

Mr. Aronson expressed the idea that maybe the Alternative Revenue Committee should first determine revenue generation.

Mr. Salaski said he is open to the idea of exploring both sources, revenue and non-revenue.

Ms. Stewart polled the Board to get a sense if they are interested in the idea of naming the track.

The following Board members voted Yes to being open to the idea of naming the track (Ms. Rothstein was absent from the meeting):

Janet I. Horan	Eileen D. Pleva
Edward J. Salaski	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine
April Uram	Lynne W. Stewart
Sam A. Bruno	Mark Aronson

Ms. Stewart stated she agreed with Mr. Aronson that it would be a good idea to reconvene the Alternative Revenue Committee then to convene the naming committee and have to go through the whole process to get a recommendation. Ms. Trager agreed with Ms. Stewart. Ms. Stewart is the chair of the Alternative Revenue Committee and said they can re-examine whether or not they think it is a revenue generating proposition before we go ahead.

Ms. Trager informed the Board and public that the district began registration last Friday for Tenafly residents for the Tiger Tots Program. There are 20 total slots available for students (3 & 4 year olds, and 5 year olds not eligible for Kindergarten). To date, 11 students have been registered for the program. Beginning February 1, staff is eligible to register their children. Ms. Trager added that cost calculations were done ahead of time to make sure the district would at least break even, if all the registrations were to be a 3-day week. This information and other details will be given by Ms. Trager at the budget presentation.

Mr. Aronson asked Ms. Trager if she had information to share about the recent bomb scare at the high school. Ms. Trager said a phone call was received, the high school principal and administration acted quickly with the support and help of the student resource officer, the building was evacuated, and Ms. Trager thanked the police for their quick response. The students were back in the high school in a relatively short amount of time. Ms. Trager learned from the press that there were 8 other schools that received the same exact phone call.

Mr. Bruno asked if the administration of the high school or middle school has an assembly to communicate to students what the costs and risks are to all involved regarding a bomb scare. Ms. Trager replied that she doesn't know exactly what the principals have relayed to students, but that she would find out.

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

No Report

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) - Grade Report

Ms. Laudicina reported that she is required to let the Board know that she submitted the HIB grade report to the state Commissioner that she presented to the Board on July 28, 2015, regarding our district's self-assessment in compliance with the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights. The Commissioner reviewed and approved the grade that we received. The district scored 72 for the average of the six schools (out of the highest score of 78). The elementary schools all scored 72 and the middle and high school scored 73. The scores are posted on the district and school websites, as required by the state.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Stewart asked the Board if they wished to introduce any new business for discussion at future meetings.

Mr. Aronson referenced a recent email sent regarding advice from our counsel as to what Board members are allowed to communicate publicly available documents to the public, specifically sharing the TEA agreement with the community.

Ms. Trager clarified that our Board counsel suggested Board protocol should not consist of Board members handing out contracts to the public, and that anyone interested in seeing a contract should contact the Board Secretary regarding a public document.

Mr. Aronson said he has an issue with Board protocol regarding why a Board member cannot share a public document with the public for an item that is publicly available.

Ms. Stewart suggested that this issue be tabled until more information can be obtained from our Board counsel. It was agreed that this issue will be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

Ms. Horan said the topic of whether or not contracts can be posted on the website was to be discussed again.

Mr. Bruno raised the point that if it is not illegal to share public documents with the public, why are we paying the attorney for an answer. Mr. Bruno added that protocols are not written anywhere, and said for six years all he hears about are protocols that are evoked when something is not supposed to be touched or discussed.

Ms. Trager responded to Mr. Bruno by saying that in her six years as superintendent she hasn't used the word "protocol" to avoid something to happen. Also, Ms. Trager said she is not an attorney and wanted to give an appropriate response in the email by first asking for attorney advice.

Mr. Bruno clarified that his comments about protocol were not directed at Ms. Trager.

Ms. Uram stated she would like legal advice from our attorney. Ms. Addison-Fontaine concurred. Ms. Pleva agreed and said that an opinion was rendered and we should have the rationale before going forward. In addition, Ms. Pleva expressed her personal concern that there is the possibility of incorrect documents being distributed as nine Board members may hand out documents that aren't all the same, and a certain control should be in place to avoid this from happening; and there shouldn't be the inability to provide the document but it needs to be the right document that is being handed out.

Mr. Bruno stated that if the right document was posted on the website, there wouldn't be the concern Ms. Pleva expressed.

Mr. Aronson said the discussion of posting the ratified TEA contract on the website was going to be part of tonight's agenda.

For the sake of being better prepared on the topic of posting contracts, Ms. Stewart tabled this topic for the next meeting.

Mr. Bruno stated how important and valuable the TEA contract is in the district, next to the Program of Studies and Operating Budget.

Ms. Stewart replied that no one would disagree with Mr. Bruno's statement, but the Board wants to make sure the legal and correct way to proceed is followed, avoiding any inadvertent mistakes that are fiscally irresponsible to the district's taxpayers. Mr. Bruno agreed with Ms. Stewart's statement.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION-COMMUNITY COMMENTARY

Ms. Stewart inquired if there were any members of the audience who wished to address the Board on any item listed on or off the agenda.

Eric Kleiner - 34 Oak Street - stated he is a co-president and Board member of Tenafly Youth Basketball (TYB) and represents the organization tonight to discuss the issue of safety for the kids who play basketball in our facilities, and said he has seen a rise in communication between the parents and coaches on the safety of the gyms, courts, and surrounding walls. TYB this year has approximately 420 children (52 teams and 400 games played on the Tenafly courts). Mr. Kleiner read an email from a parent whose son hit his head on the non-padded side of the door/wall in the Smith gym, suffering a mild concussion. Mr. Kleiner stated TYB is getting emails often about the unsafe facilities regarding floors in disrepair, and unsafe areas surrounding the courts. Mr. Kleiner said TYB has been working with the custodians and work has been done, but TYB does not have any real solutions at this time for the floors and gymnasiums, and is requesting that the Board discuss these important issues with the schools to make safer facilities. TYB discussed this year whether to potentially suspend the season, and cited the unsafe gym floors of the Middle School, as a girl from a visiting town was injured as she slid and slipped on the floor.

Mr. Aronson commented that in previous years TYB would contribute to refinishing floors, buying scoreboards, and putting padding on the walls, and asked Mr. Kleiner if TYB is contributing anything at this time.

Mr. Kleiner said there is no separate line item in their budget to pay for gym repairs. Their budget is about \$130,000, and they spend about \$20,000 for gym time.

Mr. Aronson suggested that the TYB buy the padding and put it on the walls for an easy fix.

Mr. Kleiner replied that he wants to be part of the solution and could help but doesn't know enough about buying the proper padding and therefore this is not an easy fix.

Mr. Bruno asked if the court floors are broken when Mr. Kleiner referred to disrepair, and asked who is collecting the \$20,000.

Mr. Kleiner said the floor surface and finish of the gymnasiums is a problem, and he will have to find out about the \$20,000 payment. He also said TYB used vinegar on some of the floor areas to reduce the slipping.

Ms. Stewart stated that she was on the TYB Board years ago and they did refinish gyms floors and bought scoreboards.

Ms. Trager stated that every summer the floors are refinished, and this is the first she is hearing of the problems stated by Mr. Kleiner, and these matters will be looked into. She will speak with the principals as well.

Mr. Kleiner said he should have brought these matters to the Board sooner, and thanked the Board and administration for their time.

Tony Barzelatto - 65 Day Avenue - is here tonight acting as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough and Fire Commissioner of Tenafly. Mr. Barzelatto personally congratulated Thomas Mikulsky for graduating from the Community Emergency Response Program (CERP) Team Training held at the Bergen County Police and Fire Academy (a program of Emergency Management). Mr. Barzelatto said that in the coming months they will be exploring the possibility of joining or starting a CERP program in Tenafly. They have received approval from the mayor and council, police and fire dept. and EMS, and hope more students will join the program.

The second topic Mr. Barzelatto raised was the dangers of hoverboards. This hands-free segway is causing numerous injuries to riders and is a fire hazard due to the lithium ion battery or charger. The National Fire Protection Association and Consumer Product Safety Commission have issued warnings. Most major airlines have banned hoverboards from airplanes due to the fire hazard they pose. As the Emergency Management Coordinator and Fire Commissioner, Mr. Barzelatto is strongly urging the Board to ban hoverboards in school buildings, and will be asking the mayor and council to pass a resolution banning the use of hoverboards on borough property.

The Tenafly Fire Dept. is celebrating its 125th Anniversary and planning a parade on October 9, 2016. The dept. is requesting the use of the Middle School parking lot to house and park the fire trucks. Activities will be held at the Roosevelt Commons.

Mr. Barzelatto formally requested to present, on Channel 77, a segment on how to survive an active shooter event. The program is called Run, Hide, Fight and has been endorsed by Homeland Security and is intended for the general public.

Lastly, Mr. Barzelatto commended the district, administration and police for being prepared, well organized and on the ball regarding the bomb threat today. Several other school districts did not react or were not prepared as well as Tenafly.

Ms. Trager thanked Mr. Barzelatto for his comments, and said the district has eliminated hoverboards from the Tenafly school system.

RESOLUTIONS

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Aronson and seconded by Ms. Stephanie Addison-Fontaine to approve Resolutions P-1 through P-11 (including walk-in Resolution P-4

RESOLUTION P-1 APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTES

BE IT RESOLVED that the substitutes with a County License or a New Jersey teacher certification listed below be approved by the Board of Education for the 2015-2016 school year in accordance with Senate Bill #851 regarding criminal history background check:

NAME	DEGREE	CERTIFICATION	MAJOR/MINOR
Brianne Burdy	B.A.	County License	Architecture
Nari Dabis	B.A. in English Ed In progress	County License	English/Education
Elizabeth Ryan	B.A.	County License	Psychology
Kelly Sprengel	B.A.	County License	English
Taylor Zaccario	B.A.	County License	English

RESOLUTION P-2 RESIGNATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accepts with regret the following resignations:

NAME AND POSITION	REASON	EFFECTIVE DATE
Stanley Flood Teacher of English High School	Retirement	June 30, 2016
Andrea Powers 19 hr. a week Paraprofessional – High School	Personal	January 15, 2016

RESOLUTION P-3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MAUGHAM SCHOOL TEACHER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, in accordance with Article VI. C. of the Teachers' contract, grants Maugham School Grade 5 teacher Maria Smith an unpaid child-rearing leave of absence effective approximately February 1, 2016 through June 2016.

*(Revised – Walk-in Resolution P-4
Addition of New Hire – Suzanne Orlando)*

RESOLUTION P-4 HIRE

BE IT RESOLVED that the following person be employed to fill the position listed for the length of time and compensation indicated and subject to all federal, state, county and local regulations governing said employment and in accordance with Senate Bill #851 regarding a criminal history background check:

NAME AND POSITION	EMPLOYMENT DATES	CLASSIFICATION AND SALARY
Kim Corn-Newman Leave replacement teacher Grade 5-Maugham School	Approx. 2/1/16 to 6/30/16*	B.A., Step 1- \$51,519 annual salary prorated
Suzanne Orlando .6 Social Worker-Mackay	Approx. 3/14/16 to 6/30/16	M.A., Step 9 prorated for .6 \$37,451 annual

*contingent upon approval of above resolution and start date of child-rearing leave

RESOLUTION P-5 APPROVAL OF PARAPROFESSIONALS TO ACCOMPANY SPECIAL ED STUDENTS TO AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the following Paraprofessionals to accompany special education students to After-School Clubs and activities during the school year at the regular hourly rate for Paraprofessionals for hours worked:

NAME	SCHOOL	HOURLY RATE
Leslie Levine	Smith	\$20.72
Scott Kang	Smith	\$20.72
Allison George	Smith	\$20.72

RESOLUTION P-6 APPROVAL OF A.B.A. TRAINERS/PROVIDERS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following as a Tenafly Public Schools Special Services After-School A.B.A. Trainers/Providers on an as-needed basis:

NAME	SERVICE	HOURLY RATE
Elizabeth Conrad	Paraprofessional-Maugham School	\$65.00
Jennifer Maury	Paraprofessional-Stillman School	\$65.00
Jessica Williams	Paraprofessional – Institute for Educational Achievement-New Milford, NJ *	\$65.00

RESOLUTION P-7 APPROVAL OF THERAPISTS/PROVIDERS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following as therapists/providers:

NAME OF THERAPIST/PROVIDER	HOURLY RATE
PGC Occupational Therapy LLC Occupational Therapist	\$70.00 or 75.00

RESOLUTION P-8 TRANSFER OF TECHNICIAN LEVEL ONE TO POSITION OF DISTRICT DATA COORDINATOR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following transfer:

NAME	CURRENT POSITION AND SALARY	NEW POSITION AND SALARY	EFFECTIVE DATES
Laura Sebetich	Technician Level One \$40,000	District Data Coordinator \$55,000 annual salary prorated for 2015-16	3/1/16-6/30/17

RESOLUTION P-9 APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER COLLEGE ESSAY WRITING PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves a 2016 High School Summer College Essay Writing course that is anticipated to be offered on August 22, August 23 and August 25 for sessions each day at the following times: 9:00-11:00, 1:00-3:00, 4:00-6:00.

RESOLUTION P-10 APPROVAL OF HOME INSTRUCTOR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the following as a Home Instructor:

NAME	CERTIFICATION	STATUS
Jennifer Mari	Teacher of Math	Tenafly High School teacher

RESOLUTION P-11 RESCIND RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BOYS' ASSISTANT TENNIS COACH APPOINTMENT AND APPROVE BOYS' ASSISTANT LACROSSE COACH APPOINTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board rescinds the portion of Resolution P-26 of June 16, 2015 that appointed Alexander Vargas as an Assistant Boys' Tennis Coach; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the following appointment:

NAME	EXTRA COMPENSATION POSITION	STIPEND
Alexander Vargas	Assistant Coach Boys' Lacrosse	\$6,309

Ms. Stewart asked the Board if they had any questions or comments on the Personnel Resolutions.

Mr. Bruno referenced candidate profile sheets and asked if candidates had been asked on their applications if they have any friends or neighbors, etc. (in addition to relatives) who are employed by the district.

Ms. Terry Collins replied that the application follows the district's nepotism policy for relatives (including relatives of Board members).

Mr. Aronson referred to Resolution P-11, and asked about a previous discussion regarding not having enough coaches for Lacrosse.

Ms. Trager and Mr. Usami replied that the district added an additional assistant coach, and Mr. Kilday was working on the problem, and for now the issue is resolved.

Ms. Uram expressed her opinion on Resolution P-3 that, on a federal level, she feels it is unfair for a teacher who is adopting a child to not have the same paid leave option as a teacher who gives birth.

(At the end of the Finance Resolutions, Mr. Aronson referred back to Resolution P-3 for clarification. Ms. Collins cited that it is an unpaid leave under the Federal Family Medical Leave Act and for our district teachers' contract, and the only way for a Tenafly teacher to be paid is if she uses her sick days because of giving birth. Mr. Aronson suggested for the next negotiation with teachers' contracts, that the Board raise the issue of offering the same paid leave option to teachers who adopt. Ms. Stewart said this topic of discussion is for the negotiating teams to have in closed session, and not for the Board to discuss in public session.)

Resolutions P-1 through P-11, with revised Resolution P-4, were approved as follows:

Yes - 8	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	No -	0
	Mark Aronson	Abstain -	0
	Sam A. Bruno		
	Janet I. Horan	Absent -	1 Sherri Rothstein
	Edward J. Salaski		
	April Uram		
	Eileen D. Pleva		
	Lynne W. Stewart		

ADMINISTRATION

A motion was made by Ms. Eileen D. Pleva and seconded by Mr. Sam A. Bruno to approve Resolutions A-1 through A-3.

RESOLUTION A-1 SECOND READING OF POLICY 5530

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education will have the second reading of the following Policy:

Policy 5530 Substance Abuse (revised)

RESOLUTION A-2 APPROVAL TO AFFIRM THE SUPERINTENDENT’S DECISION IN HIB INVESTIGATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tenafly Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) hereby affirms the Superintendent’s decisions in HIB Investigation Numbers 2015-16/4,SM-1; 2015-16/5,MK-1; 2015-2016/6,THS-2 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent’s decision to the students’ parents, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board’s decision to the affected students’ parents forthwith.

RESOLUTION A-3 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accepts with thanks and appreciation the following:

DONOR	SCHOOL ALLOCATION	ITEM/AMOUNT
Marcello & Graziano Roviario Foundation	High School	Finish upgrades to the auditorium sound system

Ms. Stewart asked the Board if they had any questions or comments on the Administration Resolutions.

Ms. Uram, Ms. Pleva and Ms. Stewart thanked the Marcello & Graziano Roviario Foundation for their generous gift.

Resolutions A-1 through A-3 were approved as follows:

Yes - 8	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	No - 0
	Mark Aronson	
	Sam A. Bruno	Abstain - 0
	Janet I. Horan	
	Edward J. Salaski	Absent - 1
	April Uram	Sherri Rothstein
	Eileen D. Pleva	
	Lynne W. Stewart	

CURRICULUM

A motion was made by Ms. April Uram and seconded by Mr. Edward J. Salaski to approve Resolution C-1.

RESOLUTION C-1 APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRIP FOR HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY, CAREER & COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA (FCCLA) 2016 STATE LEADERSHIP & COMPETITIVE EVENTS CONFERENCE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the overnight trip to the 2016 FCCLA State Leadership & Competitive Events Conference at the Crowne Plaza, Cherry Hill, NJ on March 21-23, 2016.

Ms. Stewart asked the Board if they had any questions or comments on the Curriculum Resolution.

Resolution C-1 was approved as follows:

Yes - 8	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	No - 0
	Mark Aronson	
	Sam A. Bruno	Abstain - 0
	Janet I. Horan	
	Edward J. Salaski	Absent - 1 Sherri Rothstein
	April Uram	
	Eileen D. Pleva	
	Lynne W. Stewart	

SPECIAL EDUCATION

A motion was made by Ms. Janet I. Horan and seconded by Mr. Mark Aronson to approve Resolutions S-1 and S-2.

RESOLUTION S-1 RESCIND THE FOLLOWING 10 MONTH PLACEMENT 2015-2016
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education rescind the placement for the following pupil.

STUDENT	SCHOOL	TYPE	TUITION
#819	Holmstead School	Private	\$32,445.27

RESOLUTION S-2 APPROVAL OF TEN MONTH PLACEMENTS 2015-2016

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the placement for the following pupils.

STUDENT	SCHOOL	TYPE	TUITION
#830	Brownstone School	BCSS	\$56,880.00 Pro-rated as of 11/02/2015
#819	Fusion Academy - Paramus	Private	\$78,290.00 Pro-rated as of 12/07/2015

#831	Fusion Academy - Paramus	Private	\$11,250.00 Pro-rated as of 12/07/2015
#529	The Greenwood School	Private	\$55,615.00

Ms. Stewart asked the Board if they had any questions or comments on the Special Education Resolutions.

Resolutions S-1 and S-2 were approved as follows:

Yes - 8	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	No - 0	
	Mark Aronson		
	Sam A. Bruno	Abstain - 0	
	Janet I. Horan		
	Edward J. Salaski	Absent - 1	Sherri Rothstein
	April Uram		
	Eileen D. Pleva		
	Lynne W. Stewart		

FINANCE

A motion was made by Ms. Stephanie Addison-Fontaine and seconded by Ms. Eileen D. Pleva to approve Resolutions F-1 through F-6.

RESOLUTION F-1 BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Secretary’s report for the month of December 2015, be accepted as submitted (or amended if changes are made during the meeting) and filed in the official minutes of this meeting.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, we certify that as the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected in this report and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

RESOLUTION F-2 TREASURER’S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer’s report for the month of December 2015, be accepted as submitted and filed in the official minutes of this meeting.

RESOLUTION F-3 APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR JANUARY 1 THROUGH JANUARY 13, 2016

BE IT RESOLVED that bills properly certified as to validated purchase orders and receiving documentation and approved in the total sum of \$3,762,352.11 for January 1 through January 13, 2016, as shown on the list of bills submitted to the Board of Education and which shall be made a part of the resolution be and hereby are approved for payment and are to be charged to the following fund accounts:

Fund Totals		
10	General Fund	\$100,983.66
11	General Current Expense	\$3,126,192.76
12	Capital Outlay	\$2,355.98
20	Special Revenue Funds	\$71,049.49
40	Debt Service Funds	\$425,031.25
50	Enterprise Fund	\$9,802.71
60	Trust and Agency Funds	\$26,936.26
	TOTAL	\$3,762,352.11

RESOLUTION F-4 APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH THE COOLING TOWER REPLACEMENT AT TENAFLY HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Tenafly in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Board"), desires to proceed with school facilities projects consisting generally of:

Cooling Tower Replacement at Tenafly High School

WHEREAS, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF TENAFLY IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with the requirements of Section 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Educational Specifications prepared in connection with the project and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval.

Section 2. In accordance with the requirements of Section 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Schematic Plans prepared in connection with the Project and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval. This project is designated "Other Capital" and the Board is not seeking state funding.

Section 3. The Board hereby authorizes the amendment to its Long-Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect the proposed Projects.

Section 4. The School Administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board Attorney, Bond Counsel and Architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this resolution; including the submission of Information to the New Jersey Department of Education as applicable to the proposed Project.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION F-5 APPROVE WITHDRAWAL FROM CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT TO FUND THE COOLING TOWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Tenafly Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the, "Board") has the Cooling Tower Replacement at the High School (hereinafter referred to as the, "Project") in the Long Range Facility Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board may in any school year draw against its Capital Reserve account for capital expenses in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:21-4; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the withdrawal from Capital Reserve account in the amount of \$412,500 for the Project, and transferred into the Capital Projects Fund.

RESOLUTION F-6 APPROVAL OF DISTRICT TRAVEL AND WORK-RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, in order to be in compliance with the State of New Jersey's adoption of P.L. 2007, c.53, An Act Concerning School District Accountability, also known as Assembly Bill 5 (A5), and the NJDOE enactment of N.J.A.C.6A:23B-1; and

WHEREAS, those on the attached list are attending the administratively approved conferences, conventions, staff training sessions, seminars, or workshops; and

WHEREAS, the total expected cost of such conferences, conventions, staff training sessions, seminars, or workshops has been provided; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the stated function was previously approved by the Superintendent of Schools through the appropriate administrator(s) as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendee; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the function(s) was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district, and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at the function(s) may exceed the state travel guidelines established by the Department of Treasury in NJOMB circular letter;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tenafly Board of Education approves attendance at the administratively approved function(s) as necessary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that those expenses that appear on the attached form titled "Travel and Work-Related Expense Reimbursements" for lodging, meals and gratuities are within the limits of the State travel reimbursement guidelines and are justified and reimbursable upon submission of the required receipts up to the current established limits as specified in the General Services Administration website, with any additional costs for lodging, meals and gratuities expenses above those established limits to be personally borne by the attendee(s).

**TENAFLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRAVEL AND WORK-RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS**

January 19, 2016

(Gas Allowance is \$.31 per mile)

This listing is an attachment to the Tenafly Board of Education Resolution regarding Registration Fees, allowable Lodging, Transp. and M&IE (Meals and Incidental Expenses) reimbursements to be made by the Tenafly Public Schools.

The following people are administratively approved to attend work-related events according to the following details:

NAME	CONVENTION, SEMINAR, CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP	LOCATION & DATES	EXPENSES TO THE DISTRICT					TOTAL EXPENSES	PROF. DEVEL. ACCT. NUMB.
			REGIS. FEES	LODGING REIMB.	TRANSP. REIMB.	MEALS/IE REIMB.			
1 Jody Adams Smith School	Teaching Students with Comprehension Problems to Read Like Detectives	Garwood, NJ (3/9/16)	\$205.00	\$0.00	\$23.89	\$0.00	\$228.89	9307	
2 Jill Brave Smith School	Teaching Students with Comprehension Problems to Read Like Detectives	Garwood, NJ (3/9/16)	\$205.00	\$0.00	\$23.89	\$0.00	\$228.89	9307	
3 Mary K Hamalainen Smith School	Treating Anxiety Disorders - PESI	Webcast (2/11 - 2/12/16)	\$359.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$359.98	6049	
4 Yi Hu High School	SLE Site Inspections & Observations	Various Sites (3/1/16 - 6/20/16)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00 <i>maximum</i>	\$0.00	\$100.00	9318	
5 Lisa Krommenhoek Central Office	Teaching Students with Comprehension Problems to Read Like Detectives	Garwood, NJ (3/9/16)	\$205.00	\$0.00	\$23.89	\$0.00	\$228.89	9335	
6 Thomas Lepore Central Office	2016 NJSBGA Expo & Conf.	Atlantic City, NJ (3/14-3/16/16)	\$125.00	\$188.00	\$20.00	\$39.70	\$372.70	9345	
7 Felice Loffredo High School	Imperialism & Its Global Impact	New Brunswick, NJ (4/1/16)	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$43.47	\$0.00	\$78.47	9318	
8 Rosanne Rabinowitz High School	SLE Site Inspections & Observations	Various Sites (3/1/16 - 6/20/16)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00 <i>maximum</i>	\$0.00	\$200.00	9318	
9 Kimberly Stivers Middle School	Bridging the Gap - NJCEC	Mahwah, NJ (3/14/16)	\$105.00	\$0.00	\$12.15	\$0.00	\$117.15	9314	
TOTALS			\$1,239.98	\$188.00	\$447.29	\$39.70	\$1,914.97		

Ms. Stewart asked the Board if they had any questions or comments on the Finance Resolutions.

Resolutions F-1 through F-6 were approved as follows:

Yes - 8	Stephanie Addison-Fontaine	No - 0	
	Mark Aronson		
	Sam A. Bruno	Abstain - 0	
	Janet I. Horan		
	Edward J. Salaski	Absent - 1	Sherri Rothstein
	April Uram		
	Eileen D. Pleva		
	Lynne W. Stewart		

A motion was made by Ms. Stephanie Addison-Fontaine and seconded by Ms. Eileen D. Pleva to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved by those present. Ms. Sherri Rothstein was absent from the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Yas Usami
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary