



Re-Cap!

February 5, 2020
Woodmere
Education Center

A summary of the Board of Education Meeting

Board Members: Mitchell Greebel, *President*; Melissa Gates, *Vice President*; Paul Critti, Cheryl May, Judy Menashe, Debra Sheinin, Daniella R. Simon

Budget Meeting

- A Budget Meeting preceded the Work Meeting. Mr. Frontario's presentation can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

Work Meeting

- The Treasurer's Report was made available to the Board of Education. There were no questions for Mrs. SanPhillipo.
- Dr. Secaur introduced Dr. Brian Terry, who presented an overview of the District's science programs. Dr. Terry explained that the New York State Science Standards have recently changed. This is the last year of the NYS 4th grade science test. It will be moving to 5th grade next year. He also presented an overview of the District's elementary, middle, and high school science programs, including recent photographs and projects completed at all levels. Dr. Terry also reviewed the Outdoor Environmental Center at WMS. He discussed the possibility of updating the science laboratory spaces throughout the District. In addition, Dr. Terry reviewed the award-winning science research program, as well as the students who have recently been published in science journals. A Board Member asked about the possibility of a Robotics course in the future. Dr. Terry responded that Robotics was offered in the past, but that enrollment was low. A student from the audience inquired about the Robotics clubs remaining if a course was offered. Dr. Terry stated that the clubs would remain intact.
- Dr. Marino introduced Mrs. Barbara Giese, who presented the communications update. Mrs. Giese shared both the seasonal and daily work of the School Community Relations office. Their work includes the writing and production of all budget materials, calendars, notices for parents, media relations, brochures, flyers, letters, newsletters, communication with community, speeches, and videos, to name a few. In addition, the School Community Relations office manages and updates the District website, Facebook page, and mobile app.
- Mr. Frontario reviewed the Business Office Reports, including the Budget Status Report, Revenue Status Report, Extraclassroom Report, and Preliminary Fund Balance Report. There were no questions.
- Mr. Frontario then reviewed the Business Office Resolutions, which included:
 - Acceptance of Annual Risk Assessment Update Report and District's Corrective Action Plan
 - Independent Accountant's Report on Agreed Upon Procedures
 - Cooperative Bidding through Educational Data Services, Inc.

Change Transportation Deadline Date April 2021

- Mr. Frontario reviewed the Schedule of Contracts, Surplus Equipment, Schedule of Gifts, and Applications for Club Charters. There were no questions.
- Dr. Secaur then reviewed the DECA States Trip Proposal, which would permit 20 students to travel to Rochester at the end of the month.
- Dr. Secaur reviewed the Conferences and Travel schedule. Mrs. Barbara Giese and Mrs. Samantha Nasso will travel to Syracuse, New York for the New York State Public Relations Association Annual Meeting from March 15-17. Dr. Marino will attend the American Association of School Administrators Executive Committee Meeting in New Orleans on April 29-30. Ms. Parahus will be attending the New York State Council of School Superintendents in Albany in March 2. She will also attend the New York State School Facilities Association Advocacy Day and Critical Issues Summit on March 3 and 4.

- Dr. Secaur reviewed the following policies for final approval:

Policy #1050 Annual District Meeting By-Laws of the Board of Education

Policy #2280 Consultants

Policy #2330 Executive Sessions

Policy #2700 Board Staff Communications

- Dr. Secaur reviewed the following policies for initial review:

Policy #2382 Broadcasting and Taping of Board Meetings

Policy #1530 Smoking on School Premises

Policy #5210 Establishing Extra-Classroom/Student Activity Organizations

- Dr. Secaur presented the following policy for abolishment:

Policy #5311 Prohibiting Sex Discrimination

- Mrs. May reminded the Board about the candidate nominations for election to the Nassau BOCES Board of Trustees.
- The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:20 PM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 7:30 PM, Tour of Facility at Woodmere Middle School
- Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 8:00 PM Regular Meeting at Woodmere Middle School
- Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 6:30 PM, Budget Development Meeting at Woodmere Education Center
- Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 7:30 PM, Work Meeting, Woodmere Education Center
- March 18, 2020, 7:30 PM Tour of Facility, 8:00 PM Regular Meeting at Woodmere Education Center

NOTE: All agendas and supporting documentation for the February 5, 2020 Work Meeting can be found by clicking [HERE](#).