

**WILLINGBORO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING OF
TUESDAY MARCH 26, 2013**

Also present were: Kelvin L. Smith, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Dale Talbert, Assistant Superintendent/Deputy, Kevin Guyton, Assistant Superintendent/ Chief of Schools, Abdel Gutierrez, Director of Special Services, Norman Perry, Director of Safety, Security and Student Attendance, and Susan Niedelman, Comptroller

APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA

Moved by Rebecca Perrone

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Seconded by Gary Johnson

A roll call resulted as follows:

JoAnn Carter	-	Yes	Kimbrali Davis	-	Yes
Tony John	-	Yes	Gary Johnson	-	Yes
Rebecca Perrone	-	Yes	Sarah Holley	-	Yes

6 Voting: 6 Affirmatives, 0 Negatives, 0 Abstentions

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET 2013-2014

March 26, 2013

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET 2013-2014 (cont'd)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT

Vicki Benedict – 16 Palfrey Lane:

Mrs. Benedict spoke about the following:

- User friendly budget
- Enrollment of students
- Students sent to other districts
- State Aide
- Cutting Professional Development Specialists.
- In agreement with cutting one administrator

Mrs. Holley and Mr. Smith responded to comments.

ACTION ITEM

7.1.1 APPROVAL OF 2013-2014 BUDGET AND RELATED RESOLUTIONS

BACKGROUND:

The Burlington County Superintendent of Schools has reviewed the preliminary budget and has approved it for public hearing.

RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET

Resolved that the board approve the 2013-2014 budget which includes general fund revenues of \$67,943,968 and a general fund tax levy of \$25,290,271 special revenue fund revenues of \$4,040,229, debt service fund revenues of \$1,805,432 and a debt service fund tax levy of \$1,805,432

TRAVEL MAXIMUM

Whereas, the Willingboro Board of Education established a travel maximum of \$70,000 for the 2012-2013 school year, and
Whereas, \$7,474 has been expended to date excluding Federal funds, and
Whereas, \$22,057 of Federal funds was expended in 2012-2013, and
Whereas, \$42,100 of Federal funds is budgeted for travel in the current year, and
Be it resolved that the travel maximum for 2013-2014 for state and local funds is set for \$70,000

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MAXIMUM

Be it resolved that the professional services and public relations maximum for 2012-2013 be set for \$1,269,700 per the schedule below:

Professional Services Budget Cap

Evaluations, therapy, doctors	20,000
Extraordinary Services - hospitals, schools	25,000
Nurses	100,000
Homebound Services	45,000
Legal Services	367,700
Professional Consultants	52,000
Auditors	50,000
Architects/Engineers	3,000
Substitute Teaching Services	600,000

Subtotal	1,262,700
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Public Relations Services

Mailings postage	5,000
Printing in house supplies	2,000

Subtotal	7,000
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Total	1,269,700
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ACTION ITEM

7.1.1 APPROVAL OF 2013-2014 BUDGET AND RELATED RESOLUTIONS (cont'd)

Moved by Rebecca Perrone

APPROVAL OF 2013-2014 BUDGET AND RELATED RESOLUTIONS

Seconded by Gary Johnson

A roll call resulted as follows:

JoAnn Carter	-	Yes	Kimbrali Davis	-	Yes
Tony John	-	No	Gary Johnson	-	Yes
Austin McIntosh	-	Yes	Theresa Owens	-	Yes
Dennis Tunstall	-	Yes	Rebecca Perrone	-	Yes
Sarah Holley	-	Yes			

9 Voting: 8 Affirmatives, 1 Negative, 0 Abstentions

MOTION PASSED

BOARD MEETING COMMENTS

Board President's Statement

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases a unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools/Chief School Administrator (CSA). If the Superintendent of Schools/Chief School Administrator is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate board committee. The members of the board committee work with administration and the Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then, is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vicki Benedict – 16 Palfrey Lane:

- Mrs. Benedict indicated that she has no problem with the budget going to cap because the schools needs supplies.

Claudette Brown – Willingboro:

- Ms. Brown asked about the charter school and how to apply to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT (cont'd)

Sam (Teacher)

- Mr. Sam spoke about a field trip he chaperoned two years in a row and indicated that the students were very professional and their preparedness was staggering. Kudos to the students that went on the trip.

Brian Morrison – 18 Google Lane:

- Mr. Morrison extended his appreciation to board members for time they put in and indicated that their hard work is paying off.
- He indicated that his oldest had issues with being bullied and that was the reason he chose to send his children out of district.
- He indicated that his desire was to have his children return to the district.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Gary Johnson:

- Mr. Johnson indicated he would like to see the district turnaround.
- He suggested taking into account the residents in the community.
- He indicated Willingboro has a high senior population and maybe being forced out of their homes.

Rebecca Perrone:

- Mrs. Perrone thanked and congratulated Mr. Outlaw and Child Study for putting together the (Math Madness) program. Kudos to all.

Theresa Owens:

- Mrs. Owens indicated that she is not totally happy with the budget increase but her number one concern is the children.
- She indicated that she want the students today to get what her children received when they were in school.

Kimbrali Davis:

- Ms. Davis thanked Mr. Morrison for his words of encouragement. She indicated that she hope he can bring his children back into the district.

Sarah Holley:

- Mrs. Holley indicated that she understand the burden of the taxpayers. She expressed that in the last 6 years the community has not had a tax increase as it relates to the school district.
- She indicated that she don't mind an increase if it's going to improve the quality of education for our students.
- She spoke about her daughter and sons' accomplishments - both only attended Willingboro Public Schools.

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APPROVAL OF ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Rebecca Perrone

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Seconded by Kimbrali Davis

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Tony John	-	Yes	Gary Johnson	-	Yes
Austin McIntosh	-	Yes	Theresa Owens	-	Yes
Dennis Tunstall	-	Yes	Rebecca Perrone	-	Yes
Sarah Holley	-	Yes			

9 Voting: 9 Affirmatives, 0 Negatives, 0 Abstentions

MOTION PASSED

The meeting adjourned at 7:10PM.

5/23/13

Date



Kelvin L. Smith
Business Administrator/Board Secretary