

**WHITE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
565 COUNTY ROAD 519
BELVIDERE, NEW JERSEY 07823
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**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
March 11, 2024**

For the Regular Meeting of the White Township Board of Education
Monday, March 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the White Township Consolidated School Media Center.

“White Township Consolidated School is committed to inspire, engage and educate our students by providing innovative, personalized opportunities for growth and learning. With a foundation based on academic excellence and a focus on social emotional learning, our students will achieve their full potential and become productive, responsible, resilient members of the community and contributing members of society.”

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. In accordance with this provision of the act, the White Township Board of Education has sent notice of this meeting to the New Jersey Herald and the Express Times stating date, time, and place and posted the same in the White Township School and Municipal Building.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Robyn Gardella	_____	Mrs. Catherine Lensi	_____	Mr. Frank Panetta	_____
Mr. Tim Havlusch	_____	Mr. Kevin Murray	_____	Mrs. Natalie Pinkerton	_____
Mr. George Jonkoski	_____	Ms. Michelle Nusser-Meany	_____	Mrs. Elizabeth Vesper	_____

V. CSA REPORT

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Privilege of the Floor

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VII. MINUTES

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the February 26, 2024 meeting minutes.

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the Board of Education meeting, held on the dates indicated as transcribed, be approved and filed.

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Voice Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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VIII. ADOPTION OF THE 2024-2025 PROPOSED TENTATIVE BUDGET

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the Proposed Tentative Budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED that the White Township Board of Education hereby adopts the following proposed budget for the 2024-2025 school year and approves it for submission to the Warren County Department of Education Executive County Superintendent for required review and approval. The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and is compliant with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A. The District has proposed programs and services in addition to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

REVENUE

Fund 10: Operating Budget

Local Tax Levy	\$ 8,275,788
W/D Capital Reserve	400,000
W/D Tuition Reserve	50,000
State Aid	574,022
Fund Balance	405,516
Tuition and Miscellaneous	50,000

Fund 20: Special Funds

Grant Entitlements (Est)	\$ 120,000
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TOTAL REVENUE: \$ 9,875,326

APPROPRIATIONS

Fund 10: Operation Budget

Current Expense	\$ 9,350,221
Capital Outlay*	405,105

Fund 20: Special Funds

ESEA/IDEA Grants	\$ 120,000
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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$ 9,875,326

(*Capital Outlay includes the State Assessment for Debt Service on SDA Grant Funding and Lease Purchase Loan Principal)

And, to advertise said tentative budget in the NJ Herald in accordance with the form suggested by the New Jersey Department of Education and according to law;

A public hearing on the budget for the 2024-2025 school year will be held at the White Township Consolidated School Media Center, 565 County Road 519, Belvidere, New Jersey, on Monday, April 29, 2024, at 6:30p.m.

As per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3(a), the proposed budget provides for a maximum appropriation amount of \$8,000 that may be allotted for travel and expense reimbursement. The School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs ensuring the maximum amount is not exceeded.

The 2024-2025 budget includes a banked cap of \$96,320 from the prior school year.

The 2024-2025 budget includes a withdrawal from the Capital Reserve in the amount of \$400,000. The use of these funds is for the Rooftop Unit Project including architect and engineering fees. If all funds are not used by the end of the 2024-2025 budget year, they must be returned to the Capital Reserve Fund by June 30, 2025.

The 2024-2025 budget includes a withdrawal from the Tuition Reserve in the amount of \$50,000. The use of these funds are for High School tuition. If all funds are not used by the end of the 2024-2025 budget year, they must be returned to the Tuition Reserve Fund by June 30, 2025.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Gardella				
Mr. Havlusch				
Mr. Jonkoski				
Mrs. Lensi				
Mr. Murray				
Ms. Nusser-Meany				
Mrs. Pinkerton				
Mrs. Vesper				
Mr. Panetta				
Totals				

IX. PERSONNEL - Mr. Panetta, Mr. Havlusch, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Vesper
 Committee update

X. CURRICULUM - Ms. Nusser-Meany, Mrs. Gardella, Mr. Jonkoski, Mrs. Pinkerton
 Committee update

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Curriculum item 1.

1. Approve Fundraiser

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve a Student, Faculty, and Coach Basketball Game Fundraiser for the 8th Grade Class.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Gardella				
Mr. Havlusch				
Mr. Jonkoski				
Mrs. Lensi				
Mr. Murray				
Ms. Nusser-Meany				
Mrs. Pinkerton				
Mrs. Vesper				
Mr. Panetta				
Totals				

XI. OPERATIONS - Mrs. Vesper, Mr. Havlusch, Mr. Murray, Mr. Panetta

Committee update

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Operations items 1 through 6.

1. Approval of Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached list of budget transfers as presented by the School Business Administrator for the period of [February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024](#).

2. Approval of Bills

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached list of district bills for payment as presented by the School Business Administrator for the period of March 1, 2024 through March 11, 2024 in the amount of \$439,111.41.

3. Approve the Use of Facilities

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the use of the cafeteria, gymnasium and playing facilities to the PTO for “Bagels with Bunny” on March 23, 2024.

4. Approve Transportation

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve transportation for SID# 9408523192 to Phillipsburg High School from January 6, 2024 through June 30, 2024 at a rate of \$104.50 per day and administration fee to Somerset County Educational Services Commission.

5. Authorize Grant Agreement G5-6788 for the Roof Project

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, authorize the District to submit documentation which will enable the New Jersey School Development Authority (“NJSDA”) to verify that all necessary approvals required for the Grant have been received. Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement. To facilitate the submission of the documents in Section 15 Grant Agreement Submission Checklist. This is for the Roof Project, DOE Project # 5780-050-23-R501, SDA Project # 5780-050-23-G5OU, Grant # G5-6788 with a total project cost of \$1,050,457 and a Grant amount of \$420,182.80. Upon verification of necessary approvals and required documentation, the District shall enter into a contract which shall set forth the terms and conditions of the Agreement, including the terms of the disbursement of the State Share.

6. Approve Delegation of Authority of Supervision

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, upon recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, authorize delegation of authority for supervision for the Roof Project, DOE Project # 5780-050-23-R501, SDA Project # 5780-050-23-G5OU, Grant # G5-6788 with a total project cost of \$1,050,457 and a Grant amount of \$420,182.80. It shall be the Delegation of Authority to School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Gardella				
Mr. Havlusch				
Mr. Jonkoski				
Mrs. Lensi				
Mr. Murray				
Ms. Nusser-Meany				
Mrs. Pinkerton				
Mrs. Vesper				
Mr. Panetta				
Totals				

XII. GOVERNANCE - Mrs. Pinkerton, Mrs. Gardella, Mr. Jonkoski, Ms. Nusser-Meany

Committee update

MOTION by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Governance items 1 through 19.

1. Adopt P 1140 Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action (M) (Revised) - First Reading
2. Adopt P 1523 Comprehensive Equity Plan (M) (Revised) - First Reading
3. Adopt P 1530 Equal Employment Opportunities (M) (Revised) - First Reading
4. Adopt R 1530 Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure (M) (Revised) - First Reading
5. Adopt P 1550 Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (M) (Revised) - First Reading
6. Adopt R 2200 Curriculum Content (M) (Revised) - First Reading
7. Adopt P 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M) (Revised) - First Reading
8. Adopt R 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint Procedure (M) (Revised) - First Reading
9. Adopt P 2411 Guidance Counseling (M) (Revised) - First Reading
10. Adopt P 3211 Code of Ethics (Revised) - First Reading
11. Adopt P 5570 Sportsmanship (Revised) - First Reading
12. Adopt P 5750 Equitable Educational Opportunity (M) (Revised) - First Reading
13. Adopt P 5755 Equity in Educational Programs and Services (M) (Abolished) - First Reading
14. Adopt P 5841 Secret Societies (Revised) - First Reading
15. Adopt P 5842 Equal Access of Student Organizations (Revised) - First Reading
16. Adopt P & R 7610 Vandalism (Revised) - First Reading
17. Adopt P 9323 Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition (Revised) - First Reading
18. Adopt P & R 2423 Bilingual Education (M) (Revised) - First Reading
19. Adopt P & R 2431.4 Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M) (Revised) - First Reading

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XIII. BHS BOARD MEMBER UPDATE - Mrs. Gardella

XIV. OLD BUSINESS

XV. NEW BUSINESS

XVI. OTHER BUSINESS

XVII. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Privilege of the Floor

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XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN by _____, seconded by _____.

On a voice vote, all present were in favor. The meeting adjourned at _____ p.m.

Voice Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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