

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 23, 2007
Board of Education Meeting Room
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Education, City of Woodbury, was held on the above date. Mr. Gwalthney called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, and read the opening statements.

2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meeting's Act has been given by the Board Secretary in the following manner:

Faxing notice to the Gloucester County Times and to the Courier Post, and filing written notice with the Clerk of the City of Woodbury at the time of Reorganization in April 2007.

3. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Dennen	Present	Mr. Abbott	Present
Mr. Chiesa	Present	Ms. Hill	Present
Mr. Hughes	Present	Mr. Lonabaugh	Present
Ms. Moore	Present	Mr. Toole	Present
Mr. Gwalthney	Present		

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

5. MISSION STATEMENT

6. PUBLIC HEARING

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the resolution for the public hearing amending the employment contract of the Superintendent and acknowledging the contract for the Business Administrator. (Exhibit 07-134)

MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDMENT OF THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE CONTRACT FOR THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

Motion: Ms. Moore
Voice Vote: Yes: 9

Second: Mrs. Dennen
No: 0

There were no comments from the public at the Public Hearing.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDMENT OF THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE CONTRACT FOR THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

Motion: Mrs. Dennen
Voice Vote: Yes: 9

Second: Ms. Moore
No: 0

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Student Council Update – The Student Council Representative was absent.
- Honorary Diplomas
 - Mr. Gwaltney discussed the process of awarding honorary diplomas.

MOTION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DIPLOMA TO DOROTHY DOUGHERTY SHILLING:

Motion: Mr. Chiesa
Voice Vote: Yes: 9

Second: Ms. Moore
No: 0

8. OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC FOR COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Motion: Ms. Moore
Voice Vote: Yes: 9

Second: Mrs. Dennen
No: 0

Dave Jenkins – 345 Grove Street

1. Mr. Jenkins acknowledged that Mrs. Carr is retiring and we'll miss her. He stated she is very cable. Mr. Jenkins stated he hopes to get a comprobable replacement.
2. Honorary diplomas – mentioned a movement throughout the country to focus on World War II veterans who dropped out of school.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Motion: Ms. Moore
Voice Vote: Yes: 9

Second: Mrs. Dennen
No: 0

9. OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC FOR COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMSMOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:Motion: Ms. MooreSecond: Mrs. DennenVoice Vote: Yes: 9No: 0

Heather Tierney – 18 N. Childs Street - stated she had concerns for detracking classes (no grouping according to ability) that will take place in the sixth grade next year.

- Ms. Tierney referenced an article where teachers are required to have professional development – we are planning professional development but it is not required.
- Ms. Tierney referenced the Gifted and Talented opportunity to participate in ROGATE, which would be an extracurricular activity. She stated that this precludes participation in athletics and other clubs.
- Ms. Tierney stated she was disappointed about the reduction in the Full-time Gifted and Talented position to a .6 FTE teacher. She stated that the District is heading in the wrong direction.

Mr. Jones stated he met with parents last night to address these matters. He stated that professional development was the most significant concern. Mr. Jones explained that Rowan will provide the teacher training and we will follow up with training throughout the year. He stated that Rowan staff will be going into classrooms in a “coaching” capacity.

Mr. Jones explained that ROGATE is one of two efforts to address the gifted and talented student:

1. club activity reinstated – (extracurricular): ROGATE
2. in school day-enrichment activities during the school day, similar to the 4th and 5th grade.

Mr. Jones stated that enrichment activities were cut several years ago and therefore the teaching position has changed and does not take as much time now. Mr. Jones stated that he does not envision this as a permanent change and he is looking to determine the true scope of that position.

Mr. Lonabaugh questioned whether or not the pull out program would start late, possibly in December.

Mr. Jones stated “no and that identification will happen earlier”.

Ms. Moore asked if we have a process to evaluate the success of this new 6th grade program.

Mr. Jones replied “Yes, state tests are a critical factor for us to judge”.

Mr. Jones responded to a question about behavioral issues and indicated that any concern would be addressed.

Valerie Schwartz – 223 S. Warner Street - stated she is concerned with detracking especially in mathematics and questioned how children move through the math programs.

Mr. Jones stated math will maintain an accelerated track. In the future, 7th and 8th grade students will be grouped by ability math only.

Cindy Norton – 16 N. American Street – stated she is saddened to see the school headed in a direction where it is short changing the accelerated students. Ms. Norton is concerned that the school will not be pushing kids to be in an accelerated program and they may become happy being in the middle. Ms. Norton stated that the school district is not sending the appropriate message and urged the board to rethink the policy on detracking.

Valerie Schwartz – 223 S. Warner Street – stated most of accelerated and bright kids are already in after school programs.

Mr. Jones stated that there will be accelerated programs during the day. Probably one day a week, similar to the 4th and 5th grade program.

Cheryl Baker – 694 Washington Avenue – asked what happens to 6th grade students who are ahead of other students in literacy.

Mr. Jones replied that the district will train teachers to establish a repertoire to handle these students.

Mr. Chiesa questioned why we are doing this.

Mr. Jones stated the focus comes from the High School level and the redesign initiative. He stated that all kids need to be prepared for college and the Jr. High School does not align with this goal. By detracking, students can better choose in 9th grade college prep or advanced programs.

Cindy Norton – 16 N. American Street – questioned how detracking helps the accelerated child.

Mr. Jones stated that there is literature on both sides of the issue – we see that the change will get a larger group ready to choose an honors program in high school.

Mrs. Dennen stated this is an ongoing discussion. She stated that the Board has never taken their eye off of the need to challenge the academically gifted children and we must educate all of our children.

Mr. Lonabaugh stated the “appearance” is that we are lowering the bar when really we are trying to raise it. We must keep these children equal to all other students.

Ms. Moore stated there is a need to reassure parents that children will be exposed at every level. Ms. Moore explained that there are 2 key interests:

1. Insist on our professionals to be up to speed on new policies.
2. Hold them accountable to give the reassurance in specific ways.
Need a plan on the specific curriculum.

Mr. Abbott questioned which level of curriculum will be the same.

Mr. Jones stated we can work on different projects simultaneously which all link together.

Ms. Hill referred to the redesign meeting in Washington Township last February and stated it was about raising the levels. She stated that the blue collar jobs need the same skills as college prep jobs.

Mr. Gwalthney suggested putting this topic on future agendas for discussion.

Cheryl Baker – 694 Washington Avenue – commended the Superintendent for his great visibility around the district and response time to the parent questions.

Deb Slusarczyk – 37 S. Columbia Street – stated she was a professor at the Camden County College and asked to please make sure instructors are given appropriate professional development for detracking.

Cindy Norton – 16 N. American Street – stated she feels like we are rushing this.

Mr. Jones replied that we have been discussing this concept and theme all year.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Motion: Ms. Moore
Voice Vote: Yes: 9

Second: Mrs. Dennen
No: 0

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION STATES AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 7.B. 1-9 [N.J.S.A. 10:4-12] of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, the public shall be excluded from that portion of the meeting involving the discussion of the appointments and changes to the contracts of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator and the finalist for Principals.

FURTHER The matters discussed which warrant official Board action will be acted upon, if possible, when the Board of Education reconvenes, or at the next available opportunity.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:15PM

Motion: _____ Ms. Moore _____ Second: _____ Mrs. Dennen _____
Voice Vote: Yes: _____ 9 _____ No: _____ 0 _____

MOTION TO CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:00 PM

Motion: _____ Mrs. Dennen _____ Second: _____ Mr. Abbott _____
Voice Vote: Yes: _____ 9 _____ No: _____ 0 _____

11. AGENDA**A. ROUTINE MATTERS**

1. Approval of Minutes
The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on April 24, 2007 and correction to the last two roll calls that should be 8 ayes instead of 9 ayes.
2. Secretary's Report
The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the April 2007 Secretary's Report. (Exhibit 07-135)
3. Treasurer's Report
The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the April 2007 Treasurer's Report. (Exhibit 07-136)
4. Transfers
The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the transfers in line accounts in accordance with the lists submitted. (Exhibit 07-137)
5. Payment of Bills
The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the payment of bills without exception including the additional list put on the board table the night of the meeting. (Exhibit 07-138)
6. Revenue Amounts/Sources
The Woodbury Board of Education recognized the Board Secretary's certification, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11c2, that there are changes in anticipated revenue amounts and revenue sources as detailed under the Business & Financial Section of this agenda.
7. Certifications
 - a) Secretary's Report
Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of April 2007. The Board Secretary certified that no line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11c 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

b) Board of Education Certification

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby certified, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11c4, that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11c and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Items# 1-7Motion: Mrs. Dennen Second: Mr. Chiesa Roll Call Vote: Yes: 9 No: 0 **B. PERSONNEL – PROFESSIONAL**1. Resignations

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby accepted the letter of resignation from Mark Napoleon, Assistant Principal, effective June 30, 2007.

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby accepted the letter of resignation from Paula Swan, Guidance Counselor, effective June 30, 2007.

Ms. Hill stated she was sorry to see Paula Swan go.

c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby accepted the letter of resignation from Gary Roskoski, School Psychologist, effective June 30, 2007.

2. Substitutes – 2006-07

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of the following substitutes in the Woodbury School District for the 2006-07 fiscal year:

Blair, Elaine – Woodbury, NJ – CEAS - Elementary

Patrizio, Natalie – Clementon, NJ – Sub. Cert. – 9-12

3. Employment - 2007-08

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Fang-chi (Chloe) Benson as Teacher of Mathematics at Woodbury Jr.-Sr. High School, commencing September 4, 2007, pending receipt of appropriate New Jersey certification and approval of the Criminal History review. Mrs. Benson's salary will be in accordance with Step 1, BA, on the teachers' 2007-08 salary guide.

- b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Jenny Chen as Teacher of Mathematics at Woodbury Jr.-Sr. High School, commencing September 4, 2007, pending approval of the Criminal History review. Mrs. Chen's salary will be in accordance with Step 7, MA, on the teachers' 2007-08 salary guide.
- c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Brandi Arrington as Teacher of Spanish at West End Memorial School, commencing September 4, 2007, pending approval of the Criminal History review. Ms. Arrington's salary will be in accordance with Step 2, BA, on the teachers 2007-08 salary guide.
- d) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Julie H. Capodanno as Teacher of English as Second Language in the Woodbury School District, commencing September 4, 2007, pending receipt of appropriate New Jersey certification and approval of the Criminal History review. Ms. Capodanno's salary will be in accordance with Step 1, MA, on the teachers' 2007-08 salary guide.

Ms. Hill questioned the definition of praxis as included on the resume for Brandi Arrington.

- e) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Catherine Ravell as Teacher of Enrichment (0.6 FTE) in the Woodbury School District, commencing September 4, 2007, pending receipt of appropriate New Jersey certification and approval of the Criminal History review. Ms. Ravell's salary will be in accordance with Step 1, BA+15 (0.6 FTE) on the teachers' 2007-08 salary guide.
- f) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Evette Reyes Gonzalez as Teacher of Special Education at Woodbury Jr.-Sr. High School, commencing September 4, 2007, pending approval of the Criminal History review. Ms. Gonzalez's salary will be in accordance with Step 6, BA+15 on the teachers' 2007-08 salary guide.
- g) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Mrs. Tonya D. Breland as Principal of Evergreen Avenue School commencing August 1, 2007, at a salary of \$91,000 (pro-rated) for the 2007-08 school year.

4. Employment – Administrators - 2007-08

- a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved a salary increase for Joseph Jones, III, Superintendent, of 1.353% above the minimum contracted salary amount for 2007-08 in accordance with Section 4 of his contract.
- b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby acknowledges the contract of Esther R. Pennell, School Business Administrator, for the 2007-08 fiscal year.
- c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Dr. Jeffrey Adams as Principal – Walnut Street School/Director of Special Services effective July 1, 2007.
- d) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved issuing tenure acknowledgements to administrators for 2007-08. (Exhibit 07-139)
- e) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved issuing a third contract to administrators for 2007-08. (Exhibit 07-139)
- f) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved issuing a second contract to administrators for 2007-08. (Exhibit 07-139)

5. Transfer – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the transfer of Donna Lacovara from Teacher of English in the Jr.-Sr. High School to District Substance Awareness Coordinator effective September 4, 2007.

Ms. Hill questioned if the move leaves an opening in the English department.

Mr. Jones stated that the district is realigning the department and there will be no need to fill.

6. Correction to Salaries – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved correcting salaries to certificated staff who have attained 25 or more years of service as of September 1, 2007, in accordance with the contract between the Woodbury Board of Education and the Woodbury Education Association. (Exhibit 07-140)

7. Employment – Summer 2007

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of certified staff for Summer 2007. (Exhibit 07-141)

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved staff for the Summer 2007 Curriculum Institutes. Each teacher will be compensated for twenty hours at the Special Projects rate funded through No Child Left Behind (NCLB). (Exhibit 07-142)

c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved staff for the West End Summer Planning Committee. Each teacher will be compensated for six hours at the Special Projects rate. (Exhibit 07-143)

d) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of staff for Summer 2007 programs. (Exhibit 07-144)

e) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved Let's Motor Inc. to conduct five Summer 2007 Occupational Therapy Evaluations at a cost of \$250 each.

f) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved Let's Motor Inc. to support Summer 2007 Eligibility Conferences and other Child Study Team responsibilities for five hours at a cost of \$60 per hour.

8. Extra-curricular Appointments – 2007-08

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the revised non-athletic extra-curricular appointments for the 2007-08 fiscal year. (Exhibit 07-145)

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved athletic extra-curricular appointments for the 2007-08 fiscal year. (Exhibit 07-146)

Mr. Chiesa questioned the extra curriculum positions and if not enough kids will the programs or sports be dropped.

Mr. Jones replied "yes".

9. Additional Compensation – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved compensating James Krauss and Linda Webb at the Special Projects Rate for working the sound and light booth in the High School auditorium for outside organizations' events during the 2007-08 school year. Outside organizations will be charged for use of the booth.

10. Leave of Absence – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved a Federal Family Medical Leave from September 1 – November 9, 2007 for Christina Fair. From November 12, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Mrs. Fair will be on a child rearing leave of absence.

11. Practicum B Teacher Placements – Fall 2007

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved Rowan University Practicum B teacher placements for 10 classroom visits each in the Fall 2007 as follows:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Subject Area</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>
Michael K. Kelly	English	Donna Cohen
Michael G. Grafals	English	Donna Cohen
Emily V. Buffa	English	Anne Baney-Gaimpoalo
Kristin M. Brons	English	Maria Lario-Schuman
Sophia R. Amaranto	English	Maria Lario-Schuman

Items #1-11

Motion: Mr. Lonabaugh Second: Mrs. Dennen

Roll Call Vote: Yes: 9 No: 0

Items #4a, 4c, and 8a – abstained – William Toole**C. PERSONNEL - SUPPORT**1. Retirement

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby accepted the letter of retirement from Josephine Carr, Secretary to the Superintendent, effective February 1, 2008.

Mr. Gwalthney asked to add his regrets to the retirement of Josephine Carr.

2. Resignations

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby accepted the letter of resignation from Cindy Caton, High School Secretary, effective May 29, 2007.

Mr. Gwalthney asked to add his regrets to the resignation of Cindy Caton.

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby accepted the letter of resignation from Mary Ellen Wagner, West End School Instructional Assistant, effective May 17, 2007.

Mr. Gwalthney asked if Mr. Jones is performing exit conferences and asked to have a report with this information forwarded to the Personnel Committee Chairperson.

There was a discussion regarding the staff members and administration who are leaving the district.

3. Termination

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved terminating the employment of Carrie Chandler, Evergreen Avenue School lunch aide, effective April 30, 2007.

4. Employment – 2006-07

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Michelle French, Evergreen Avenue School lunch aide, effective May 24, 2007.

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved Crystal L. Carreiro as a substitute lunch aide. Ms. Carreiro's will be called on an as-needed basis pending receipt of her Criminal History approval.

c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Brian Stockton as a Maintenance Worker in the Woodbury School District. Mr. Stockton's salary will be in accordance with Step 8 on the 2006-07 Maintenance Salary Guide. Mr. Stockton's employment date is pending approval of his Criminal History Review.

5. Leaves of Absence – 2006-07

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved granting Jacqueline Massanova an uncompensated leave of absence for May 11, 2007 (1/2 day).

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved granting Shelby Clark an uncompensated leave of absence for May 1 and May 2, 2007.

c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved granting Renee Horace-Carter an uncompensated leave of absence for April 16, 2007.

d) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved granting Aliyah Hameen an uncompensated leave of absence for May 24, 2007.

e) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved granting Sharon Scott an uncompensated leave of absence for May 18, 2007.

6. Transfer – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the transfer of Karen Forker from Accounts Payable Specialist to Secretary effective July 1, 2007.

7. Employment – 2007-08

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of support staff for the 2007-08 school year. (Exhibit 07-147)

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Tracey Parker as Substitute Caller for the 2007-08 school year at a salary of \$5,408.

8. Salary Guides for Aides – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the Salary Guides for Aides for 2007-08. (Exhibit 07-148)

9. Summer Employment – 2007-08

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved employment of support personnel during the Summer of 2007. Each summer day will equal eight hours. (Exhibit 07-149)

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Zachary Valentine, Josef Loeb and Jeremy Landis as Summer 2007 Painting Supervisors. Each will be compensated at \$15 per hour for up to twenty hours per week for seven weeks.

c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the employment of Eric Ulmer as a Clerical Aide in the Board of Education Office during Summer 2007 for up to twenty hours per week for eight weeks. Mr. Ulmer will be compensated at the rate of \$8.00 per hour.

10. Leaves of Absence – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved an uncompensated leave of absence for Marian Burlacu, Custodian, from July 17 – July 31, 2007.

Items #1-10

Motion with regretion of C1 and C2a :

____ Ms. Moore _____ Second: _____ Mrs. Dennen _____

Roll Call Vote: Yes: 9 No: 0

Items #7a – abstained – William Toole

D. STUDENTS & PROGRAMS

1. Homebound Instruction

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved providing homebound instruction for the following students:

<u>Student ID#</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>Hrs. Per Week</u>	<u>Home Instruction Provider</u>	<u>Reason</u>
064136	3/16 – 4/13/07	5	Brookfield Schools	Medical
043107	4/25 – 6/22/07	10	Tracy Wolf	Per Adm.
006912	4/27 – 6/22/07	5	Julie Longo	Medical
041086	2/5- 6/22/07	10	Sheri Cairns *	Per CST
055011	4/30 – 6/22/07	10	Carrie Rottina	Medical

* change of tutor

2. Homeless Students – 2006-07

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved contracts for homeless students as per Exhibit 07-150.

Mr. Abbott questioned the homeless students and the billing aspect of it.

3. Out of District Placements – 2006-07

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved placing student # 1885 at Hollydell commencing May 10, 2007, at a per diem rate of \$256.68.

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved entering into a contract with The Children's Home – Mary A. Dobbins School, to provide educational services to student # 1635, at a cost of \$262.87 per day.

4. Extended School Year Placements – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved students in extended school year placements for 2007-08. (Exhibit 07-151)

5. Summer Programs – 2007

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved Summer 2007 Programs. (Exhibit 07-152)

6. Abilities Center of Southern New Jersey, Inc. – Agreement for Services

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved entering into an Agreement for Services with the Abilities Center of Southern New Jersey, Inc. to provide transition services for student # 020146. The Intake fee is \$100 and job coaching services as listed are \$51 per hour.

7. Overnight Trips

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved an overnight Teen PEP Retreat for 19 students and two teachers (Barbara Gale and Donna Lacovara) from May 30 – June, 1, 2007 to The Golden Inn in Avalon, NJ.

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved an overnight trip for the Boy's and Girl's track teams to the State Track Championships in South Plainfield for June 1 - 2, 2007.

Ms. Hill questioned if the trips are funded in the budget.

Mr. Jones stated yes, both trips are budgeted.

Ms. Hill questioned the criteria the Board uses to determine which overnight events we should fund instead of other trips.

Items #1-7

Motion: _____ Ms. Moore _____ Second: _____ Mrs. Dennen _____

Roll Call Vote: Yes: 9 No: 0

E. BUSINESS & FINANCIAL

1. Change Orders – Art Anderson, Inc.

- a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby disapproved change order #4 to the Art Anderson, Inc. contract in the amount of \$9,922 for the addition of eight gates at the top of the stadium.
- b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved change order #6 to the Art Anderson, Inc. contract in the amount of \$497 to change hardware finishes on hinges and wall stops to stainless steel.
- c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved change order #7 to the Art Anderson, Inc. contract in the amount of \$1,331 for the installation of solid plastic toilet partitions in lieu of baked enamel.
- d) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved change order #10 to the Art Anderson, Inc. contract in the amount of \$5,194 for windscreen on the east property line fence.
- e) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved change order #12 to the Art Anderson, Inc. contract for \$1,210 for additional engineering required for the retaining wall East slope.

2. Bids

- a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved bid specifications for replacement lockers in the J Hall of Woodbury High School and the Boys' Locker Room, and to advertise and receive bids for same. Specifications are available in the Board of Education Office.
- b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved bid specifications for select classroom renovations in the West End Memorial School and Woodbury High School and to advertise and receive bids for same. Specifications are available in the Board of Education Office.
- c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved bid specifications for asbestos abatement in select classrooms throughout the district and to advertise and receive bids for same. Specifications are available in the Board of Education Office.

- d) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved bid specifications for the relocation of the athletic trainer's office and to advertise and receive bids for same. Specifications are available in the Board of Education Office.
- e) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved to accept bids for bleacher replacement as follows:

Degler-Whiting, Inc.	\$97,645
Nickerson Corporation	\$112,650

BE IT FURTHER The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Degler-Whiting. The project will be funded with the funds from the Lukens' estate.

Mr. Abbott asked if these were the brand of bleachers that the District wanted.

3. Acceptance of No Child Left Behind Funds (NCLB) 2006-07

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved to accept NCLB funds for the 2006-07 school year as follows:

Title I (SIA)	\$15,960
Title I	\$659,387
Title IIA	\$128,271
Title IID	\$2,922
Title IV	\$13,614
Title V	\$4,106

4. Professional Environmental Services (Classroom Renovation Project) Contract

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the resolution to retain professional environmental services through Horizon Environmental Group, Inc. (Exhibit 07-153)

5. Submission of Grant Proposals

- a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved submitting a grant proposal for the Early Launch to Learning Initiative (ELLI) to the New Jersey Department of Education in the amount of \$94,600.
- b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved submitting a grant proposal to the New Jersey Department of Education in partnership with Foundation 2000 Inc. in the amount of \$200,000 over a three year period.
- c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved submitting a grant proposal for a New Jersey Healthy Schools grant in the amount of \$2,500.

6. Use of Facilities by Outside Organizations

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved granting facility use to the following outside organizations:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Women's Club of Woodbury	5/24/07	Girls Career Inst. Reception	High School Cafeteria
City of Woodbury	6/5/07	Primary Election	All Purpose Room – Evergreen, Walnut, West End Schools
City of Woodbury	11/6/07	General Election	All Purpose Room – Evergreen, Walnut, West End Schools
Woodbury Little League	Spring'07	Sports Season	Frances Avenue Fields

Ms. Hill asked if these were the organizations that were exempt from billing.

Mr. Abbott asked to explain who can use our fields.

7. Transportation Agreement – 2006-07

- a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved entering into a contract with Paulsboro School District to transport homeless student #053120 from Elk Township to West End School, commencing April 27, 2007 through May 7, 2007, at a cost of \$100.49 per day.
- b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved entering into a contract with Gloucester County Special Services School District to transport homeless student # 053120 from Elk Township to West End School, commencing May 8, 2007 through June 22, 2007, at a cost of \$75.00 per day.
- c) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved entering into a contract with Deptford School District to transport homeless student # 073044 from Deptford Township to West End School commencing May 10, 2007 through June 22, 2007, at a cost of \$35 per day.

8. Summer 2007 Use of Facilities/Equipment

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the athletic teams using school facilities/equipment during the Summer 2007 for coaches' workouts.

9. Purchasing of Goods/Services – State Division of Purchase and Property

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby authorized the purchase of two 2007 Ford E-150 XL vans utilizing State Contract #A67121 at a total cost of \$33,123.10.

Ms. Moore asked if two vans are only costing \$33,123.10.

10. District Facilities – 2007-08

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the alternate use of toilet room facilities as follows:

<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Use</u>
Evergreen	11	Pre-school Disabilities Class

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the dual use of educational space as follows:

<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Use</u>
Evergreen	10	BSI/Resource Room
West End	12	Speech/OT/Gifted & Talented/ Resource Room/ BSI

11. New Road Construction Management – Extension of Contract

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved to extend the contract with New Road Construction Management Company from June 25, 2007 to August 25, 2007 at a total cost of \$32,000.

12. Contract – Let's Motor, Inc. – 2007-08

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved contracting with Let's Motor, Inc. to provide occupational therapy services for the 2007-08 year, at the rate of \$60 per hour, not to exceed \$45,685.

13. Operational Plan for Targeted At-Risk Aide (TARA)

The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the operational plan for Targeted At-Risk Aid (TARA) for submission to the County Office of Education.

14. Travel and Work Related Expenses

a) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved the resolution for reimbursement of travel and work related expenses for employees attending conferences, conventions, staff training, seminars and/or workshops as previously approved by the Chief School Administrator as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of each attendee. (Exhibit 07-154)

Mark Napoleon's name was eliminated on Exhibit (07-154).

b) The Woodbury Board of Education hereby approved reimbursement of travel expenses for Board Members to attend the workshops/programs within the scope of the responsibilities of each attendee. (Exhibit 07-155)

Items #1-14Motion: Mr. Chiesa Second: Mrs. DennenRoll Call Vote: Yes: 9 No: 0**Items #1a – no – Ms. Hill, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Lonabaugh, Ms. Moore, Mr. Toole and Mr. Gwalthney.****Items #14b – abstained – Mr. Abbott, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Toole.****12. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- Superintendent’s Report – as submitted – Mr. Jones highlighted on E.L.L.I.
- School Business Administrator’s Report – as submitted – Mrs. Pennell highlighted insurance proposals that she was working on obtaining.

13. FIRE DRILL REPORTApril 2007

School	Date	Time	Length of Drill	Comments
Evergreen	4/2/07	2:25 p.m.	2 min., 53 sec.	Sunny, warm
	4/18/07	10:00 a.m.	3 min., 12 sec.	Cloudy, cool
Walnut	4/20/07	10:40 a.m.	1 min., 1 sec.	Sunny
	4/25/07	10:40 a.m.	1 min., 35 sec.	Sunny
West End	4/2/07	2:30 p.m.	1 min., 22 sec.	Sunny, warm
	4/26/07	2:00 p.m.	2 min.	Cloudy, cool
Jr.-Sr. High	4/19/07	1:34 p.m.	4 minutes	Planned, cloudy
	4/29/07	9:25 a.m.	4 minutes	Planned, sunny

14. FUTURE DATES

May 22, 2007 – High School Choir Concert – 8:00 p.m.

May 23, 2007 – Property Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m.**May 23, 2007 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Board Room**

May 24, 2007 – Jr. High School Choir Concert – 8:00 p.m.

May 29, 2007 – Policy Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m.**June 4, 2007 – Communications Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m.**

June 6, 2007 – Minority Task Force Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

June 6, 2007 – HS POPS Concert – 8:00 p.m.

June 20, 2007 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**June 22, 2007 – High School Convocation/Graduation**

15. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Property Committee – Mary Ellen Moore, Chairperson – Ms. Moore highlighted items discussed at the May 23, 2007 property committee meeting.

Mrs. Dennen recommended a plaque for the bleachers.

Mr. Gwalthney recommended looking into solar panels.

Mr. Abbott questioned if we need to make top stadium steps handicap accessible and provide signage.

Personnel Committee – Lynn Jennings Dennen, Chairperson – Mrs. Dennen reported that Mr. Jones' report covered everything.

Finance Committee – Mary Ellen Moore, Chairperson – Ms. Moore reported that the Superintendent and School Business Administrator are looking at a new way of approaching financial budgeting for next year. They want the committee to be more of a planning committee.

Communications Committee – Jerry Lonabaugh, Chairperson – reported the next meeting will be June 4, 2007.

Policy Committee – Diane Hill, Chairperson – Ms. Hill reported that the committee is currently working on the 5000 series and stated there may be a need for an early July meeting.

Minority Task Force – Diane Hill, Liaison – Ms. Hill reported that the next meeting is June 6, 2007 and a speaker will be there.

16. REPRESENTATIVES

NJSBA Legislative Delegate – Frank Gwalthney – Mr. Gwalthney attended the last monthly meeting. He stated that the focus was on the burden of proof with Special Education. The Association has proposed voting on this in early June. Mr. Gwalthney stated that at the August 23, 2007 retreat, Kevin Ciak will talk about committee work.

Gloucester County School Boards – Frank Gwalthney – Mr. Gwalthney reported that the next meeting will be May 30, 2007.

NJSBA Delegate Assembly – Anthony Chiesa – Mr. Chiesa stated the Assembly discussed Superintendent's performances and making it more goal oriented.

City Council Liaison – Anthony Chiesa – Mr. Chiesa reported a 4% cap on budget hurting them as well.

17. ADJOURNMENT TO END BOARD MEETING

Motion: Ms. Moore

Second: Mrs. Dennen

Roll Call Vote: Yes: 9

No: 0

Time: 10:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Esther R. Pennell,
Board Secretary
Woodbury Public Schools