BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOROUGH OF TOTOWA

MEETING MINUTES

03/02/0216

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Totowa was held at Washington Park School Media Center, 10 Crews Street, Totowa, New Jersey on March 2, 2016.

1. Call to Order

President Ruocco called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M. and led all present in the salute to the flag and remain standing for a moment of silence for our past and present troops.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:	Mr. Bierach, Ms. Carr, Ms. DeCeglie, Mr. Ferraro, Mr. Kerwin, Mr. Reynoso, Ms. Ruocco, and Mr. Schaffer
Members Absent:	Mr. Guarneri
Also Present:	Patricia Capitelli, Superintendent of Schools
	Vincent Varcadipane, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Also Present:	Raymond B. Reddin, Board Attorney

3. Open Public Meeting Notice

The following statement was read by Mr. Varcadipane:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of 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 the provisions of this act, the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Municipal Building and notice was mailed to the North Jersey Herald News and The Record.

4. Public to be Heard

There was no public to be heard.

5. Use of Field Revision - P.A.L. Softball and Baseball

The Superintendent, in consultation with the Administrative Team, recommends the Board approve the revised request to the Totowa PAL use of Washington Park School Field for their softball and baseball programs from Monday, March 7, 2016, through Tuesday, June 27, 2016 as follows:

Monday through Friday:	4:00 p.m. to Dusk
Saturdays and Sundays:	9:00 a.m. to Dusk

6. Use of Facilities Revision - P.A.L. Baseball and Softball

The Superintendent, in consultation with the Administrative Team, recommends the Board approve the revised request to the Totowa PAL Baseball and Softball as follows:

Memorial School Gym

Monday through Friday	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Washington Park School All Purpose Room and Gym

Monday through Friday	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

This request will be effective Monday, March 7, 2016, through Friday, April 8, 2016.

The PAL understands that school related and prior approved activities have priority over the use of the facilities. These practices will be limited to fielding and pitching. There will be no bats permitted into the school and only wiffle and rubber coated balls will be used.

7 . Out of District Placement

The Superintendent, in consultation with the Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Services, recommends the Board approve placement of Student #0-25 at Sage Day in Boonton beginning on Monday, March 7, 2016 for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year at the rate of $300.30 per day. Transportation to be provided by Passaic County Educational Services Commission.

Motion for approval of items 5-7

MOTION: Mr. Ferraro
SECONDED: Mr. Kerwin
VOTE: Unanimous

8. Committee Reports

Ms. Ruocco said committee meetings were held, there was a discussion on personnel and buildings and grounds.

9. Executive Session

A request for executive session was made to discuss personnel matters and other business excluded from the Open Public Meeting by Law. The Board entered executive session at 7:20 p.m.

Mr. Reddin said, in Executive Session the Board will be discussing personnel matters. The discussion will last approximately thirty (30) minutes and no action will be taken.

Motion for approval of item 9

MOTION: Ms. DeCeglie
SECONDED: Mr. Schaffer
VOTE: Unanimous

The Board returned from executive session at 8:01 p.m.

10. Substitute Teacher

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following substitute teacher:

Priority II
Barone,Veronica - Totowa

11. Appointment - Temporary Educational Support Aide

The Superintendent, in consultation with the Administrative Team, recommends the Board appoint Ms. Nuria Cordoba as Temporary Educational Support Aide for the 2015-2016 School Year beginning Thursday, March 3, 2016. Ms. Cordoba, has a Teacher of Spanish Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing, she will be paid $17.25 per hour.

12. Resignation - David Coppola

The Superintendent, in consultation with the Administrative Team, recommends the Board accept the resignation of David Coppola, Teacher for the Totowa School District effective Wednesday, March 2, 2016.

Motion for approval of items 10-12

MOTION: Mr. Reynoso
SECONDED: Mr. Schaffer
VOTE: Unanimous

13. Approval of Adoption and Submission of 2016-2017 Tentative School Budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, recommends the Board adopts and submits the 2016-2017 tentative School budget. (See attachment #1)

14. Approval of Banked Cap Request

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, recommends the Board approve the banked cap amount of $220,974 for increased special education and curriculum costs in the 2016-2017 base budget. The need will be completed by the end of the 2016-2017 budget year and cannot be deferred or incrementally completed over a long period of time.

15. Approval of 2015-2016 IDEA Grant - Amendment

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, recommends the Board approve the 2015-2016 IDEA Grant Amendment. Unexpended monies in the amount of $15,308.00 nonpublic monies from the 2014-2015 IDEA Grant will be allocated in the amended 2015-2016 IDEA Grant.

16. Request for Proposal – Washington Park School Roof

The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, recommends the Board approve to receive quotes for the replacement and installation of a new roof over the cafeteria at Washington Park School. This quote should also include minor patchwork of the Memorial School roof.

Motion for approval of items 13-16

MOTION: Ms. Ferraro
SECONDED: Mr. Kerwin
VOTE: Unanimous

17. Old Business

There was no old business.

18. New Business

There was no new business.

19. Hearing and Petition of Citizens

There were no citizens to be heard.

20. Other Matters of a Timely Nature

There were no other matters of a timely nature.

21. Adjournment

Upon motion by Mr. Schaffer and seconded by Ms. DeCeglie this meeting was adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Varcadipane
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary