

WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Board of Education Town Hall Meeting &
Public Hearing on Tentative School District Budget for 2021-2022 School Year
Wednesday, March 17, 2021
6:00 p.m. - (Live Stream Meeting)

I. PUBLIC NOTICE of this meeting was given to all Board Members and Associates in notices dated **03/01/2021**. Adequate and electronic notice of this Public Meeting has been provided specifying the time, place, and manner in which this meeting is being conducted. It was advertised in the Courier Post, posted in all schools, the Administration Office, the Municipal Building, the Library, Bud Duble Center, Edgewood Acres, Elm Town, and the Winslow Township Post Offices.

II. MISSION STATEMENT

The **Mission** of the Winslow Township School District, a large diverse and growing community, is to educate all students to become independent, life-long learners, critical thinkers and caring and confident members of their community. The District, in partnership with the community, and in a climate of cooperation and mutual respect, will provide an academic environment which values excellence and diversity, encourages students to strive for personal excellence, and assists them in acquiring the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to contribute positively to a rapidly changing world.

III. ROLL CALL

Larry Blake
Lorraine Dredden
Rita Martin
Abena McClendon
Cynthia Moore
John Shaw, Jr.
Kelly Thomas

Julie A. Peterson, Vice President
Cheryl Pitts, President

H. Major Poteat, Ed.D., Superintendent
Tyra McCoy-Boyle, Business Admin./Board Secretary
Howard Long, Jr. Esq., Solicitor

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. 2020-2021 DISTRICT GOALS

1. Student Achievement – Continue to implement best practices for delivering instruction to students utilizing all available and appropriate instructional modes. This shall include:
 - a. Ensuring articulation at all grade levels throughout the district
 - b. Focus on classroom instruction at all grade levels
 - c. Ensuring all students have equal access to equipment and resources needed to facilitate and promote student learning in any setting
 - d. Evaluation and updating all district programs
 - e. Accountability of all district staff
2. Continue to foster a positive school environment that is conducive to teaching and learning:
 - a. Focus on building relationships among staff that will result in increased learning and more effective instruction
 - b. Promote creative instruction (training and retraining)
 - c. Emphasis on collaboration with all district stakeholders
 - d. Promote cultural competence throughout district
 - e. Teacher to student relationships
 - f. Student to student relationships
3. Market our strengths and achievements to all stakeholders to increase capacity for greater parent/caregiver/community support.
 - a. Continue with our public relations/marketing plan
 - b. Continue to work with the various advisory committees in the district
 - c. Examine communication methods utilized by district

VI. AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS

1. 2021-2022 Tentative Budget Presentation – Ms. Tyra McCoy-Boyle, Bus. Adm./Board Secretary

VII. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

A. THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ACTION ITEMS:

1. Tentative School District Budget (2021-2022)

Approve the adoption of the Tentative 2021-2022 School District Budget for submission to the Executive County Superintendent by March 22, 2021 as follows:

Fund	Budget	Local Tax Levy
General Fund	\$109,288,527	\$51,577,965
Special Revenue Fund	4,833,970	---
Total Budget	\$114,122,497	\$51,577,965
Less Transfer From General to Special Revenue	(695,261)	---
Total Budget-Net of Transfers	\$113,427,236	\$51,577,965

2. Statements of Purpose

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$184,500.00 for the proposed replacement of Circulation Pumps at Schools 1, 2, 3, 4 and the Middle School. The total cost of this project is \$184,500.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$2,122,722.00 for the proposed replacement of Security Systems at the Middle School and High School. The total cost of this project is \$2,122,722.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$2,755,512.00 for the proposed replacement of the Fire Alarm Systems at Schools 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6. The total cost of this project is \$2,755,512.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$225,000.00 for the proposed installation and upgrade to the DDC Controls and Air Handlers at School 6. The total cost of this project is \$225,000.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$307,875.00 for the proposed painting of the Middle School exterior and the interior trim at the High School. The total cost of this project is \$307,875.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$801,320.00 for the proposed parking lot improvements and resurfacing at the Administration Building and the Middle School. The total cost of this project is \$801,320.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Capital Reserve Statement of Purpose

Included in line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs and Other Capital Projects, is \$569,457.00 for the proposed resurfacing of the High School Tennis Courts. The total cost of this project is \$569,457.00, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facility efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

3. Maximum Threshold – Travel and Workshops

Approve the maximum threshold for district travel and workshops for the 2021-2022 school year in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00. The threshold includes all funds. The maximum threshold established for the 2020-2021 fiscal year was \$70,000.00. Expenditures to date equal \$2,847.00.

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4. Authorization to Amend the Long Range Facilities Plan

Authorize LAN Associates, the District appointed Architects, to amend the District's approved Long Rang Facilities Plan to include the following projects:

- Replace circulation pumps at Schools #1, #2, #3, #4, and the Middle School
- Replace the Security System (Burglar Alarm) at the Middle School
- Replace the Security System (Burglar Alarm) at the High School
- Replace Fire Alarms at Schools #1, #2, #3, #5, and #6
- Replace DDC Controls and Air Handlers at School #6
- Paint the exterior of the Middle School

- Paint the interior trim at the High School
- Provide Parking Lot improvements at the Administration Building
- Resurface the Parking Lot (Phase 1) at the Middle School
- Resurface the Tennis Courts at the High School

<p>On a motion made by _____, seconded by _____, approval of Business Adm./Board Secretary's Report is granted. Exceptions: _____</p> <p>Roll Call:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">_____ Mr. Blake</td> <td style="width: 50%;">_____ Ms. Moore</td> </tr> <tr> <td>_____ Ms. Dredden</td> <td>_____ Mr. Shaw</td> </tr> <tr> <td>_____ Ms. Martin</td> <td>_____ Ms. Thomas</td> </tr> <tr> <td>_____ Ms. McClendon</td> <td>_____ Ms. Peterson</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>_____ Ms. Pitts</td> </tr> </table>		_____ Mr. Blake	_____ Ms. Moore	_____ Ms. Dredden	_____ Mr. Shaw	_____ Ms. Martin	_____ Ms. Thomas	_____ Ms. McClendon	_____ Ms. Peterson		_____ Ms. Pitts
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VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Time Limited)

The Winslow Township Board of Education highly values the input of citizens in making important decisions that affect the children of our community. We also believe in the rights of citizens to observe Board Meetings. To ensure that all of our citizens have the opportunity to attend School Board Meetings and offer comment, and to ensure that the Board can conduct the important business of the District, we ask that speakers follow the guidelines for making public comments.

Notation of Public Comments on Agenda Items – The Board President or Board Secretary will recognize those individuals in the audience who wish to make comment.

Please respect the following procedures:

1. All members of the public attending School Board Meetings must treat each other and the Board with respect.
2. State your full name and address.
3. Please limit your comments to **four minutes**.
4. Submit your questions to the Board of Education with your name, address and telephone number where you can be contacted. Your questions will be answered within a reasonable time.
5. Individuals offering citizen comment are not permitted to make personal attacks on any District employee, Board Member, other testifier or member of the public.

<p>On a motion made by _____, seconded by _____, approval of Public Comments is granted. Exceptions: _____</p> <p>Voice Vote: _____</p>
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IX. TOWN HALL MEETING

Public Forum for Open Conversation - Township of Winslow residents, parents, guardians, caregivers, school district staff, and current and former students, are invited to join the Board of Education for this open conversation.

The purpose of this forum is to provide our district stakeholders with an extended opportunity to present feedback to the Board on the reopening of school on March 1, 2021, and any questions or concerns you may have about the current status of our schools.

The Board of Education is committed to listening to all feedback and taking action as appropriate.

Since the event was advertised as a public meeting and a quorum of the Board is present, we are required by law to conduct a Public Portion. Since this Virtual Town Hall is essentially a public forum, the entire meeting shall constitute a public portion for purposes of compliance with the law.

X. ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

On a motion made by _____, seconded by _____, approval to adjourn Public Comments is granted.

Exceptions: _____

Voice Vote: _____

XI. ADJOURNMENT Time: _____

On a motion made by _____, seconded by _____, approval to adjourn Meeting is granted.

Exceptions: _____