

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN
REGULAR MEETING**

December 18, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Wong called the December 18, 2014, meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

SUNSHINE NOTICE:

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, I wish to announce that:

“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 meeting of bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. Adequate notice of this December 18, 2014, Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Interlaken was published in the Asbury Park Press and was delivered to the Municipal Clerk, Borough of Interlaken, in accordance with PL 1975, Ch. 231A.”

ROLL CALL:

• Mrs. Abrams	Yes <u> X </u>	No <u> </u>
• Dr. Handerhan	Yes <u> X </u>	No <u> </u>
• Mrs. Watt	Yes <u> X </u>	No <u> </u>
• Mrs. Weeden	Yes <u> X </u>	No <u> </u>
• Mrs. Wong	Yes <u> X </u>	No <u> </u>

2.0 FLAG SALUTE

3.0 REPORT FROM THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

- None

4.0 COMMUNICATIONS

- A letter written by a borough resident was received by members of the Board. It was an open letter addressed to borough residents. It was noted that information in the letter concerning Shore Regional/West Long Branch transportation costs were not accurate.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS

- There was nothing new to report on contract negotiations between the Board of Education and Shore Regional/West Long Branch schools.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

- The annual reorganization meeting will be held on January 5th at 7:00 p.m.

7.0 APPROVE MINUTES

It was motioned by Mrs. Weeden, seconded by Mrs. Watt to approve the following minutes:

➤ November 24, 2014

- Mrs. Abrams Yes X No
- Dr. Handerhan Yes No
- Mrs. Watt Yes X No
- Mrs. Weeden Yes X No
- Mrs. Wong Yes X No

AYES: (4) Mrs. Abrams, Mrs. Watt, Mrs. Weeden, Mrs. Wong

NOES: (0) ABSTENTIONS: (1) Dr. Handerhan

Motion carried.

8.0 BILL PAYMENT

It was motioned by Mrs. _____, seconded by Mrs. _____, to pay bills for December 18, 2014, as presented.

- Mrs. Abrams Yes No
- Dr. Handerhan Yes No
- Mrs. Watt Yes No
- Mrs. Weeden Yes No
- Mrs. Wong Yes No

Item was tabled due to absence of Business Administrator Mrs. O’Halloran.

9.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was motioned by Mrs. _____, seconded by Mrs. _____, to accept the following financial reports:

- Report of the Board Secretary/Treasurer Dated:

○ November 30, 2014

- Monthly Budgetary Line Item Status Certification:

Be it resolved that the Board Secretary for the Board of Education of the Borough of Interlaken certifies that, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(3), as of November 30, 2014, that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriate in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a); and

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Interlaken certifies that, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(4), after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate District official that to the best of its knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

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| • Mrs. Abrams | Yes _____ | No _____ |
| • Dr. Handerhan | Yes _____ | No _____ |
| • Mrs. Watt | Yes _____ | No _____ |
| • Mrs. Weeden | Yes _____ | No _____ |
| • Mrs. Wong | Yes _____ | No _____ |

Item was tabled due to absence of Business Administrator Mrs. O'Halloran.

10.0 FORMAL RESOLUTIONS

- None

11.0 DISCUSSION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MISSION STATEMENT

- This item will be discussed in January.

12.0 AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- Mrs. Wong thanked the Board and community.
- Gary Layton thanked Mrs. Wong for her years of service and for solving the 40 year battle.
- Anna Weeden, the first student to go all 4 years at Shore Regional H.S. thanked Mrs. Wong for her service.
- Robert Weeden thanked Mrs. Wong, because without her he wouldn't be going to West Long Branch and meeting new friends.
- Sarah Handerhan thanked Mrs. Wong for the opportunity to attend WLB Schools and for all the friends she has met.
- Carol Roarty noted that the thing that everyone fought so hard against is the thing they now protect the most.
- Hana Wolf thanked Mrs. Wong, saying she understands public service. Her son is in 7th grade at FAS.
- Linda Eno thanked Mrs. Wong and added that she sustained a community. The ripple effect of what she has done is so large.

- Kim Hoyle thanked Mrs. Wong, who was at the bus stop with Kim's son on his first day of school at WLB.
- Dale Wong said that at the beginning he was against a send/receive relationship due to taxes, however, he quickly realized that this was for the kids and was the right thing to do. Meredith has such passion and love for the children of Interlaken and never gave up.
- Chris Binns thanked Mrs. Wong. His children attend WLB schools, which they feel is home and they love it.
- Galit Binns thanked Mrs. Wong, saying everything she did was so selfless.

13.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Not warranted at this time.

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was motioned by Mrs. Weeden, seconded by Dr. Handerhan to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Kotch
Acting Board Secretary