

**WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**JUNE 1, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**N.J. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW**

In view of the COVID-19 public health emergency, the emergency orders and directives at the federal, State and local levels, and consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., as amended by P.L.2020, c.11, (“OPMA”) the Woodland Park Board of Education is conducting this meeting, originally designated to take place at the MUNICIPAL BUILDING, remotely using video and/or telephone conferencing technology. The public has been advised of this venue and format change and instructions have been provided in order to access the meeting and to participate during the public comment section(s) of the meeting. You will need to dial-in/login to the remote meeting platform(s) in order to attend the remote meeting. All public comments should be submitted via email to [tdifluri@wpschools.org](mailto:tdifluri@wpschools.org) before or during the meeting and will be included in the record. P.L. 2020, c.11, which permits remote conduct of meetings, was signed into law by Governor Murphy on Friday, March 20, 2020, effective immediately. The Board recognizes the importance of open transparency and public access and participation in its work. In view of the current crisis and the brave new world in which we live, the Board asks all citizens to bear with us as we work to meet the health, safety, welfare, and educational needs of our students, staff and all members of the Woodland Park community.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present – Lisa Marshall, Joe Giammarella, Christine Tiseo, Jairo Rodriguez, MaryAnn Perro, Adam Chabanne, David Amanullah, Chris Mania

Members Absent – Laura Vargas (joined the meeting at 7:15)

Also Present - Michele Pillari, Tom DiFluri, Paul Murphy, Adam Weiss

**PUBLIC HEARING- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

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Mrs. Duran – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade parent

Mrs. Duran asked when the last day of school was and if there was going to be an 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation.

*Dr. Pillari responded that the last day of school was 6/18, which was on the agenda to be voted on. She also said the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation plans will be discussed later in the meeting.*

**NEW BUSINESS – ACTION WILL BE TAKEN**

**220-312 - APPROVAL OF CALENDAR CHANGE FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

Motion by PERRO Seconded by CHAABANE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve change in the 2019-2020 school calendar to reflect June 18, 2020 as the last day of school.

Roll Call: 8 YES

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

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No one wished to be heard

## **Discussion of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation ceremony plans.**

The Board discussed plans for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation ceremony to, be held 6/18. It was discussed to have a drive-in like ceremony held in PV parking lot. Families would each be assigned one parking space, ceremony will be lived streamed and accessible on an FM radio station. When student's name is called, the family car will pull up to an assigned spot, the student step out of the car and will receive diploma, have picture taken, return to car and family will exit parking lot. The Woodland Park Police Dept. will be on hand to facilitate parking and exiting of the parking lot. Chief Uzzilino stated the Little Falls Police Dept. will also be assisting us.

## **220-18A- APPROVAL OF 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATION PLANS**

Motion by PERRO Seconded by CHAABANE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WOODLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION, to approve 8<sup>TH</sup> grade graduation plans as previously discussed.

Roll Call: 9 YES

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. by RODRIGUEZ, Seconded by PERRO

Voice Vote: 9 YES