

DEMAREST BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING

January 17, 2012

7:30 P.M.

I. OPENING

A. Meeting called to order.

B. Board President's Announcement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings 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 interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Demarest Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Borough Hall and at the Middle School and by notifying in writing three newspapers: The Record, The Press Journal and The Suburbanite.

C. Flag Salute.

D. Roll Call: Galtieri, Geisenheimer, Geller, Majeski, Molina, Woods and Holzberg

E. Move to accept the minutes of the:

COW/Regular Meeting – December 19, 2011

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

F. Review of correspondence.

II. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

IV. REVIEW OF AGENDA

A. Board members review the items.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

B. Move to open the meeting to public discussion limited to agenda items.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

C. Public discussion.

D. Move to close the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

V. ACTIONS

A. Instruction – Staffing

None

B. Instruction – Pupils/Programs

1. Move to adopt the 2012/2013 District Student Calendar, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator (as distributed).

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

2. Move to accept the donation of 10 Apple ipads from Sandy Fung and Norman Ng for use at both County Road and Luther Lee Emerson Schools, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

C. Support Services – Staffing

None

D. Support Services – Board of Education

1. Move to approve the attendance of Christopher Kirkby, Assistant Principal, at the ‘Learning About Teacher Evaluation Systems’ workshop on January 31, 2012 in Monroe Township, NJ at a cost of \$75 for registration, with statutory mileage reimbursement, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

2. Move to approve the Annual School Election date of Tuesday, April 17th, 2012, 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., if necessary, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

3. Move to appoint the Judge of Elections to officially open the annual School Election on Tuesday, April 17th, 2012, if necessary, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

4. Move to schedule the annual Reorganization Meeting to be held on Tuesday May 1, 2012 at 8:00 p.m., if necessary, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

5. Move to approve the request of the Parent Teacher Organization/Lunar New Year Group to use the All-Purpose Room and gymnasium at Luther Lee Emerson School for the setup for the Lunar New Year festivities on Saturday January 21, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

V. ACTIONS (Continued)

D. Support Services – Board of Education (Continued)

6. Move to approve the following resolution, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association and the National School Boards Association have declared January 2012 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time that all residents might acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Demarest Board of Education is one of 587 local school boards in New Jersey that sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Demarest Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s local school boards help determine community goals for the education of approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s 4,800 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public’s expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation’s best in indicators such as high school graduation rates, class size, college entrance exam participation, and Advanced Placement offerings and test scores.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Demarest Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2012 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Demarest Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the improvement of our children’s education.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

7. Move to amend the Board of Education meeting date for the Combined Committee of the Whole/Regular Meeting to Tuesday April 17, 2012, originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2012, as recommended by Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

E. Support Services –Fiscal Management

1. Move to confirm the December 16th – 31st, 2011 payroll in the amount of \$351,909.54.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

2. Move to confirm the January 1st – 15th, 2012 payroll in the amount of \$316,917.33.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

V. ACTIONS (Continued)

F. Other

- 1. Move to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Demarest Board of Education will convene in a closed Executive Session on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss personnel, negotiations and/or legal matters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the nature of the discussion is expected to be disclosed to the public at a future date.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

- 2. Move to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Demarest Board of Education will convene in a closed Executive Session on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss personnel, negotiations and/or legal matters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the nature of the discussion is expected to be disclosed to the public at a future date.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

VI. REPORTS

VII. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

- A. Move to open the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

- B. Move to close the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

VIII EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

- A. Move to reenter the Executive Session to discuss personnel/legal matters/negotiations.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

- B. Move to close the Executive Session and reenter the public session.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Move to adjourn at _____ P.M.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

