

**THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF ESSEX FELLS, NJ
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2015
WORKSHOP MEETING / SCHOOL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING – 7:30 P.M.
MEDIA CENTER**

In compliance with chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975, a notice for this meeting was posted at the respective offices of the Essex Fells School on April 23, 2015. Agendas were subsequently mailed to the Clerk of the Borough of Essex Fells, the Progress and the Star Ledger, and posted on the district's web-site.

I. Call to Order – 7:30 P.M.

II. Roll Call

Mrs. Carol D'Alessandro, Vice-President
Mrs. Shani Drogin
Mrs. Kris Huegel
Dr. Steven LoCascio, President
Dr. Michele Nitti

III. Flag Salute

IV. Public Comment

V. President's Report

VI. Buildings & Grounds

- Boiler Kick-off Meeting
- Railing update

VII. Curriculum & Instruction

- Google Classroom

VIII. Finance

- Public Hearing on the 2015-2016 School Budget
- Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors Insurance Consultant Service Proposal

IX. Superintendent's Resolutions

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Superintendent's Resolutions #01- 05.

1. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the payment of the following travel related expenses in accordance with the travel policy 6471 for Professional Development:

Staff Member: Lindsay Flanagan
 Event: Dyslexia, Dyscalculia & Dysgraphia Workshop
 Location: Parsippany, NJ
 Date: 5/15/15
 Cost: \$189.99

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

2. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the following student from Caldwell University, Counseling and Psychology Department:

Danielle Heilweil
 Fall Semester, 2015
 117 hours over the semester
 Cooperating Teacher: Catherine Codella

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

3. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the resignation of Velma Conway, OT, effective June 30, 2015.

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

4. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the following substitutes for the 2014-2015 school year, at \$80/day, pending the usual criminal history and background check:

Jackie Burke	Nurse (\$109/day)
Danielle Dully	Teacher
Melissa Sweeney	Teacher
Hanna Walkinshaw	Teacher
Marian Whelan	Teacher

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

5. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Essex Fells Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement and Release between the Board and the Parents of a student whose name is on file in the Superintendent’s office, which is annexed to this Resolution, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board Vice President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement and Release, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays:

X. Business Resolutions

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Business Resolution #01.

1. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education, after conducting a public hearing, adopts a school district budget for the FY 2015-2016 School Year as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$4,881,741.00	\$4,317,282.00
Special Revenue	45,591.00	0.00
Debt Service Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Budget	\$4,927,332.00	\$4,317,282.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there should be raised for General Funds \$4,317,282.00 for the ensuing school year (2015-2016).

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays:

XI. Policy

XII. Personnel (Public Items only)

XIII. Old Business / Board Discussion

- Beforecare Follow-up
- 2015-2016 Calendar

XIV. New Business / Board Discussion

- PreK/K Programming
- Registration Inquiry via E-mail
- June Workshop Date

XV. Public Comment

XVI. Resolution to Enter Executive Session

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board shall enter into executive session immediately following this meeting to discuss contractual negotiations, the Business Administrator’s contract and 2015-2016 staffing. The items discussed in executive session will be disclosed to the public when the need to maintain their confidentiality no longer exists.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays:

XVII. Adjournment

RESOLVED that this workshop meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at ___ P.M.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays: