

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

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2011
PUBLIC MEETING – 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 as of May 6, 2010. Agendas were 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. Alison Cirenza
Mrs. Birgit Criqui
Mr. Peter Hutchinson
Dr. Steven LoCascio, Vice-President
Dr. Michele Nitti, President

III. Flag Salute

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

V. President's Report

- Budget Mailing

VI. Superintendent's Report

- NJQSAC
- MAP
- K-12 Math Curriculum
- NJ ASK Dates

VII. Superintendent's Resolutions

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Superintendent Resolutions # 01 – 08.

- 1. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the following field trip request:

Grade 4 to Essex County Environmental Center, Roseland, NJ – June 10, 2011

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

- 2. 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 9250 for Professional Development:

Staff Members: Deana Hromoko, Emily Ziccardi

Event: Guided Math

Location: Newark, NJ

Date: 5/17/11

Cost: \$215.00

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

- 3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts, as recommended by the Superintendent, the notification of NJQSAC 2007-2010 results. A district improvement plan will be developed in the two areas scoring below 80% and resubmitted to the state for corrective action.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

- 4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, that the administrative internship for Judi Reynolds be extended from January through August 2011.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

5. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the following student teachers from Caldwell College for the Fall Semester, September 12 – December 16, 2011:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>	<u>Hours/Assignment</u>
Victoria DiGirolomo	Debbie Emma	60 hours/semester (5 per week) Field Observation/Teacher Intern
Cheryl Joseph	Rosemarie Haberman	40 hours/semester (3 per week) Field Observation/Teacher Assistant
Stephanie Lima	Laura Brutman	60 hours/semester (5 per week) Field Observation/Teacher Intern

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

6. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the Use of Facilities Request from the Essex Fells Recreation Department to hold the Essex Fells Summer Camp 2011 at the school from June 27 through August 3, 2011.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

7. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the Grades K-2 Mathematics Curriculum 2011.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

8. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education confirm and approve the recommendation of the Superintendent authorizing the submission of an amendment to the 2009-2010 IDEA Entitlement Grant for the purpose of carrying forward \$38 from the 2008-2009 grant year.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

- 4. **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has received the Reports of the Board Secretary (Secretary) and the Custodian of School Monies (Treasurer) for the month of February 2011; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Secretary has certified that as of the date of the reports, no budgetary line item account, in accordance with the minimum chart of accounts as established by the New Jersey Department of Education, has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board of Education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in compliance with N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)4, the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the Secretary’s monthly financial report, and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)4, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to P.L. 2004 C73, the Board certifies that after review of the Secretary’s monthly financial report and certification, that there are no budgetary transfers that cumulatively exceed 10% that would require the approval of the Commissioner of Education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the financial reports for the months be accepted and shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

- 5. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the compensation of poll workers for the Annual School Election at a rate of \$14.29/hr.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

- 6. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the payment of \$157.92 to the Postmaster for the annual budget mailing.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

X. Old Business / Board Discussion

- New resident update

XI. New Business / Board Discussion

XII. Meeting Open for Public Comment

XIII. Resolution to Enter Executive Session (Personnel)

RESOLVED that the Board shall enter into executive session immediately following this meeting to discuss personnel matters. The matters discussed in executive session will be disclosed to the public when the need to maintain their confidentiality no longer exists. No formal action will be taken.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

XIV. Adjournment

BE IT RESOLVED that this public meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned. The next **Workshop meeting** of the Board of Education will be **Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at 7:30 P.M.** in the Superintendent’s Office.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

Student Enrollment as of 4/20/11:

Teacher	Section	Total	M	F
Mrs. Gann/Mrs. Costello	PS	11	5	6
Mrs. Emma/Mrs. Heaney	KE/H	15	4	11
Mrs. McMahon	KM	15	4	11
Mrs. Massaro/ Ms. Almeida	1M/A	12	6	6
Ms. Mitchell	1M	13	6	7
Mrs. Barshay	2B	20	7	13
Mrs. Brutman/Mrs. Hromoko	2B/H	20	8	12
Mrs. Haberman	3H	13	7	6
Ms. Kerrigan/Ms. Ziccardi	3K/Z	13	6	7
Mrs. Hacker	4H	15	9	6
Mrs. Reynolds/Mrs. Short	4R/S	15	8	7
Mrs. Banek/Ms. McLain	5B/M	17	9	8
Ms. Craveiro	5C	17	5	12
Mr. Brohm	6B	23	10	13
Mrs. Buonomo/Mrs. Whitman	6B/W	24	12	12
TOTALS		243	106	137

2010-2011 Fire Drills:

Month	Fire Drill	Emergency Drill
September	9/16/10	
	9/28/10	
October	10/11/10	
	10/22/10	
November	11/12/10	Lockdown 11/17/10
December	12/13/10	Shelter in Place 12/20/10
January	1/21/11	Lockdown 1/31/11
February	2/14/11	Shelter in Place 2/18/11
March	3/11/11	Lockdown 3/31/11
April		