

**MEETING OF THE LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION, HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021,
AT 6:30 P.M., LIVE-STREAMED THROUGH DISTRICT WEBSITE: www.lakewoodpiners.org**

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary

At 6:39pm, Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary called the meeting to order. Mr. Campbell read the Sunshine Law and Roll Call.

SUNSHINE LAW

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231, of the Laws of 1976 (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT), Mr. Campbell notified the public that notice of the date, time, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent known, was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner:

1. By posting such notice on the public announcement board of the Lakewood Board of Education Offices, and the Lakewood Township Municipal Building.
2. By e-mailing such notice to the office of the Asbury Park Press and the Lakewood Scoop.
3. By filing such notice with the Board Secretary.
4. By mailing such notice to all individuals who requested and paid for a copy of same.

II. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Mrs. Ada Gonzalez
Mr. Chanina Nakdimen
Mr. Shlomie Stern
Mr. Bentzion Treisser
Mr. Moshe Bender

Board Members Absent:

Mr. Isaac Zlatkin (Arrived at 7:27pm)
Mr. Meir Grunhut (Arrived at 6:53pm)
Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez (Arrived at 6:45pm)

Also Attending:

Mrs. Laura Winters, Superintendent
Mr. Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Robert S. Finger, Coordinator of Fiscal Service
Mr. David Shafter, State Monitor
Mr. Michael I. Inzelbuch, Esq., General Counsel
Mr. James Korwan, Court Reporter

Mr. James Trischitta, IT Director
Mrs. Diane Piasentini, Purchasing Manager
Mrs. Deborah Zarro, Executive Administrative Professional
Ms. Ana Faone, Translator

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION - RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lakewood Township Board of Education that:

1. It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel, involving specific individuals, negotiations, anticipated litigation and/or alleged incidents of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB).
2. These matters will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.
3. The time that the Board anticipated to be in Executive Session is TBD.

At 6:42pm. Ms. Gonzalez motioned to go into Executive Session and Mr. Raitzik seconded the motion.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION (passed)

Motion: Mr. Stern **Second:** Mr. Raitzik

6 Ayes: Mrs. Ada Gonzalez, Mr. Moshe Raitzik, Mr. Chanina Nakdimen, Mr. Shlomie Stern, Mr. Bentzion Treisser, Mr. Moshe Bender

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

3 Absent: Mr. Isaac Zlatkin (7:27pm) Mr. Meir Grunhut (joined at 6:53pm), Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez (joined at 6:45pm)

At 7:44pm, Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez motioned to go into Public Session and Ms. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

MOTION TO GO INTO PUBLIC SESSION (passed)

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez **Second:** Ms. Gonzalez

8 Ayes: Mr. Isaac Zlatkin, Mrs. Ada Gonzalez, Mr. Meir Grunhut, Mr. Moshe Raitzik, Mr. Chanina Nakdimen, Mr. Bentzion Treisser, Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez, Mr. Moshe Bender,

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

0 Absent: Mr. Shlomie Stern

Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary reopened the Public Meeting. Mr. Campbell reread the Sunshine Law and did Roll Call.

IV. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Mr. Isaac Zlatkin
Mrs. Ada Gonzalez
Mr. Meir Grunhut
Mr. Moshe Raitzik
Mr. Chanina Nakdimen
Mr. Bentzion Treisser
Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez
Mr. Moshe Bender

Board Members Absent: Mr. Shlomie Stern

ALSO ATTENDING:

Mrs. Laura A. Winters, Superintendent
Mr. Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Robert S. Finger, Coordinator of Fiscal Services
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V. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Introduced Budget Presentation – Robert Finger
2. Review of the cleaning procedures for COVID-19 – Charlie DePeri and Jeff Frantz
3. Mental Health Services – Oscar Orellana and Sally Castellano
4. Justice for Jesus Lopez Grande – Oscar Orellana & Family of Jesus

VI. INTRODUCED BUDGET RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the school district's 2021-2022 Introduced Budget for submission to the Executive Ocean County Superintendent of Schools for review and approval as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$214,727,407	\$107,988,169
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 74,526,210	N/A
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 2,333,994</u>	<u>\$ 1,659,995</u>
Total	\$291,587,611	\$109,648,164

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the maximum General Fund budgeted travel and related expense reimbursements in the amount of \$15,000, that the maximum amount approved in the pre-budget year was \$12,800 and that as of January 31, 2021 the total amount expended and encumbered on travel is \$5,305.89 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the School-Based Budgets (Fund 15) in the amount of \$38,748,129 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the maximum amounts for contracted professional services as follows:

Legal Services	\$750,000
Audit Services	\$100,000
Architectural Services	\$100,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this budget includes a request for a DOE Loan Against State Aid in the amount of \$68,913,068 in order to provide a Thorough and Efficient education and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education requests the Commissioner to defer the repayment of prior year DOE Loans Against State Aid and audit recoveries for the 2021-2022 school year and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this budget has proposed programs and services in addition to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Education and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education authorizes the advertising of the budget, upon approval by the Executive Ocean County Superintendent of Schools, and in accordance with New Jersey Department of Education regulations, four days prior to the Budget Public Hearing date and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the date, place and time of the 2021-2022 Budget Public Hearing to be Wednesday, May 5, 2021 online via Zoom and the district website beginning at 7:00 p.m.

VII. MINUTES Executive Session Minutes – February 24, 2021
 Public Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2021

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

IX. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS – None at the meeting

X. RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC - None at this meeting

STATEMENT BY BOARD PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Board Policy 0164, Roberts’ Rules of Order shall govern the Board of Education in its deliberations and in the conduct of its meetings. As such, all comments from the public and from other members of the Board should be directed to the Board President who is responsible for presiding over the meeting.

Anyone who desires to ask a question must email to boemeeting@lakewoodpiners.org, between 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. the evening of the meeting, and provide their proper name, full address and the question. Comments will also be received at 7:00 p.m. by dialing 732.839.3003 ID 776-382-8466# or by joining the Board of Education Zoom Meeting. The Zoom Meeting Link will be posted on the District’s website by 7:15 p.m. for anyone wanting to make a public comment; your **video** must be turned on. If you do not have video, you must call the audio phone line.

The President shall direct all inquiries or comments to the appropriate Administrator or Board member for response, as appropriate. The law requires a period of public comment at our meetings, not a question or answer session or debate. The board president at his discretion may or may not feel it is appropriate to answer questions raised during the public comment period. The board and administration do take all public comments seriously and consider them when conducting business.

The President may interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant’s statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive or obscene. In addition, Security Personnel may direct any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum, whether the person is at the microphone or at any other place in the meeting room. New Jersey law makes it a crime for any person to intentionally disrupt a public meeting. Law enforcement will be contacted if a person disrupts the meeting and fails to desist after being directed to do so.

Finally, we ask that you silence all electronic devices.

XI. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/ BOARD SECRETARY:

XII. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Superintendent Items

1. Approve the 2020-2021 Preschool Enrollment and Budget Projections.
2. Approve the submission of the IDEA 2020-2021 amendment to include nonpublic carry over funds in the amount of **\$1,192,675.58** to be expended on nonpublic services.
3. Approve the Emergency After School Snack Program Contract for the addition of the After School Snack Program beginning March 15, 2021 and ending June 30, 2021 at a per snack cost of \$0.60.
4. Superintendent recommends that employee #6885 be placed on administrative leave with pay effective March 11, 2021 until March 29, 2021.
5. Superintendent recommends the transfer of employee #6087 to Ella G. Clarke School effective March 18, 2021 through March 29, 2021.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Fire Drill Report – None at this meeting
Security Drill Report – None at this meeting
HIB Report – None at this meeting

B. PERSONNEL

1. CERTIFICATED
 - a. Resignations – None At This Meeting
 - b. Retirements – None At This Meeting
 - c. Terminations - None At This Meeting
 - d. Leaves of Absence – None At This Meeting
 - e. Transfers – None At This Meeting
 - f. Appointments

1. *BERNASKY, John
Teacher- Health and Physical Education- LHS
Effective: April 6, 2021
Terminating: June 30, 2021
Salary: Step 8, BA- \$53,621.00 prorated
(Replacing S. VanHise- Resigned)
(Budget Account #15-140-100-101-03-0003)

2. *CAMACHO, Cassandra
Teacher- PINER- 1st Grade
Effective: March 16, 2021
Terminating: June 30, 2021
Salary: Step 3, BA- \$51,671.00 prorated
(Replacing C. Arlauckas- Resigned)
(Budget Account #15-120-100-101-10-0010)

- g. Reappointments – None At This Meeting
- h. Salary Adjustments – None At This Meeting
- i. Stipends – None At This Meeting
- j. Tuition Reimbursement – None At This Meeting
- k. Miscellaneous – None At This Meeting

2. NON-CERTIFICATED

- a. Resignations – None At This Meeting
- b. Retirements – None At This Meeting
- c. Terminations - None At This Meeting
- d. Leaves of Absence – None At This Meeting
- e. Transfers –

1. CARICARI, Rosemary
From: Administrative Secretary, Ella G. Clarke School
To: Administrative Secretary, Spruce Street School
Effective: March 18, 2021
Terminating: June 30, 2021
(Replacement for A. Brooks- Transferred)
(Budget Account #15-000-240-105-07-0007)

2. BROOKS, Antonia
From: Administrative Secretary, Spruce Street School
To: Administrative Secretary, Ella G. Clarke School
Effective: March 18, 2021
Terminating: Jun 30, 2021
(Replacement for R. Caricari- Transferred)
(Budget Account #15-000-240-105-05-0005)

f. Appointments

1. *ANGELOS, Brittney
1:1 Paraprofessional- LECC, Campus 2
Effective: March 22, 2021
Terminating: June 30, 2021
Salary: Step 7, 90 Credits- \$20,949.00 prorated
(New Position per IEP)
(Budget Account #11-000-217-106-08-0015)
2. *CLAUDIO, Ruth
Secretary: Department of Special Services
Effective: April 12, 2021
Terminating: June 30, 2021
Salary: \$34,000.00 prorated
(Replacement for J. Bunnell- Transferred)
(Budget Account #11-000-219-104-13-0013)

g. Reappointments – None At This Meeting

h. Salary Adjustments– None At This Meeting

i. Stipends – None At This Meeting

j. Miscellaneous – None At This Meeting

* Appointment subject to approval of Criminal History background check by State Department of Education, as per NJSA 18A:6-7-1, et. seq., NJSA 18A:39-17 et. seq., or NJSA 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as applicable.

** As required by law and code, this Emergent Employee Resolution, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that this person be employed by the Board of Education of the Lakewood Public School District in the County of Ocean on an emergent basis.

*** This position does not include the following:

Medical Coverage
Dental Coverage
Prescriptions
Optical Coverage
Reimbursement for Credits

Personal Days
Professional Days
Vacation Days
Sick Days

Payment will not be made by the Board of Education Business Office until a contract is fully executed by the Board and prior to work commencing reviewed and initialed by General Counsel.

**MOTION TO APPROVE TO ACCEPT THE BUDGET, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA,
& SUPERINTENDENT AGENDA (passed)**

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez **Second:** Ms. Gonzalez

5 Ayes: Mr. Isaac Zlatkin, Mrs. Ada Gonzalez, Mr. Meir Grunhut, Mr. Raitzik, Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez

0 Nays:

0 Abstained:

4 Absent: Mr. Chanina Nakdimen, Mr. Shlomie Stern, Mr. Bentizion Treisser, Mr. Moshe Bender

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. GOOD AND WELFARE

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez **Second:** Ms. Gonzalez

All Board Members voted AYE via voice.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm

I, Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary, of the Lakewood Board of Education, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the Agenda for a Live Streamed Public Meeting held on March 17, 2021.



Kevin Campbell, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary

March 25, 2021