

**GARWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
GARWOOD, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 17, 2017**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President Christine Guerriero in the all-purpose room of the Lincoln School.

PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the Westfield Leader, the official newspaper of the Garwood Board of Education. The News Tribune, Courier Home News, Westfield Leader, Star Ledger, Suburban News and Clark Patriot are approved for use for legal notices. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Borough Clerk, and a copy of this meeting notice is posted on the front door of Lincoln School.

II. ROLL CALL:

___ Mrs. S. Groning	___ Ms. K. Patterson	___ Mrs. T. Simitz
___ Ms. L. Koenig	___ Mr. S. Piarulli	___ Mr. A. Watkins
___ Mrs. A. Langston	___ Ms. T. Roland	___ Miss C. Guerriero

III. OTHERS PRESENT:

___ Dr. Teresa Quigley, Superintendent
___ Mr. Eric Larson, SBA/BS
___ Mr. John Geppert, Board Attorney

IV. FLAG SALUTE

V. PRESENTATION: Ms. Gwen Thornton, NJ School Boards Association

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the December 20, 2016 regular meeting
Minute of the December 20, 2016 executive session meeting
Minutes of the January 4, 2017 organization meeting

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VII. CORRESPONDENCE

Letters sent:	None	
Letters received:	State of New Jersey	(21) e-mail blasts
GBOE e-mail	Mr. Mathieu	Facebook

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Grounds/Finance	S. Groning, Chairperson A. Langston T. Roland L. Koenig
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Education/Policy & Public Relations	T. Simitz, Chairperson K. Patterson S. Piarulli C. Guerriero
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Negotiations	S. Groning, Chairperson A. Langston T. Roland
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IX. LIAISON REPORTS

Clark Board of Education	C. Guerriero
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Education Foundation of Garwood	T. Roland
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Representative to the Borough Council

Union County Educational Services Commission	A. Watkins/L. Koenig
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Union County School Boards Association	A. Langston/T. Simitz
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X. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Be it resolved that the Garwood Board of Education accepts the **January 2017** Superintendent’s report.

*During the course of the board meeting the Garwood Board of Education offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of the Garwood Public Schools. The Board reminds those individuals who take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and address and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operation of the School District. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for

any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

XI. HEARING OF CITIZENS

The following is a summary of the Board’s understanding of comments made by members of the public. This is not a verbatim transcript.

XII. FINANCE

1. Resolved that the GBOE approves the attached list of budget transfers for the month of November 2016.
- 2 Resolved that the GBOE approves the payment of the December 2017 bills list in the amount of \$822,777.10.
3. WHEREAS, the Garwood Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, and pursuant to N.J.A.C. (6A:23-2.2), has received the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of **November 2016**; and

WHEREAS, said reports are in agreement, and it has been certified by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. (6A:23-2.12), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Garwood Board of Education accepts the Financial Reports for the month of **November 2016** as submitted and certified.

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XIII. BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

1. Resolved that the GBOE approves the facilities usage fee of \$250 for the gym by the Garwood Recreation Department for basketball for the winter season.

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XIV. POLICY COMMITTEE

1. Resolved that the GBOE approves the first reading of the following policy:

Policy No. 6121 – Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action - revised

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XV. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Resolved that the GBOE affirm the findings and decisions presented at the December 2016 board meeting regarding bullying incidents F-6, F-7, F-8, and F-9.

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2. Resolved that the GBOE approves Ms. Patterson to attend the Regional Training Leadership Conference in Jackson, NJ on February 4, 2017 at the following cost: transportation to be reimbursed at .31 cents per mile, and workshop registration of \$50.

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3. Resolved that the GBOE appoints the following staff to the extra-curricular positions for the 2016-2017 school year as per the negotiated agreement. Clubs must have a minimum of 10 participants and a maximum of 20 participants.

Chromebook Club – Mary Buono
 Glee Club – Armando Gonzalez

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XVI. OLD BUSINESS

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be it resolved that the GBOE conducts a closed, executive session concerning the following topic(s) as permitted by the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act after which time the Board may or may not return to public session to take action:

___ personnel matter, staff	___ safety and protection of property
___ personal matter, student	<u> X </u> contract negotiations
___ litigation	___ other permitted by law

Be it further resolved that at such time as it is legally appropriate for the substance of the closed session to be made public that same will be ordered.

Time of vote to enter closed session: p.m.

Time returning to public session: p.m.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made at p.m.

Moved by:
Seconded by:
Motion carried:

Legend: E = Excused
P = Present
M = Moved motion
S = Seconded motion
Y = Yes Vote
N = No Vote
AB = Abstain
NP = Not present

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Larson, SBA/BS