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December 14, 2021

GOVERNANCE

1. Affirm the Superintendent's decision on HIB incident 22E02 and 22HS02 for the reasons set forth therein.
2. Approve the submission of the 2020-2021 School Self-Assessments for HIB Grades, as per attached. ATTACHMENT
3. Approve 2021-2022 Memorandum of Agreement Between the Westfield Board of Education and the Westfield Police Department, per the attached. ATTACHMENT
4. Approve the following resolution:

Whereas Robert Garrison has served with dedication to the children, families and community members of Westfield for six years on the Westfield Board of Education; and

Whereas, Robert Garrison's expertise in public finance, labor relations, and school construction has proven invaluable as Chairperson of the Budget and Finance Committee; and

Whereas, as a past Chairperson of the Technology and Communications Committee, Robert Garrison has championed technology upgrades in our schools and clear, transparent communication to our school community; and

Whereas, Robert Garrison has served as a past Chairperson of the Legislation Committee, following legislative initiatives and keeping the Board informed of important policymaking at the state and local levels; and

Whereas, Robert Garrison has served with distinction on the District Restart Committee during the challenges COVID-19 presented in reopening our schools; and

Whereas, Robert Garrison has volunteered countless hours as an active member on many committees including Long Range Planning, Facilities, Negotiations, and Curriculum, Instruction and Programs and as liaison to the Parent Teacher Organization of Wilson Elementary School, Parent Teacher Council Special Education Committee, the Garden State Coalition of Schools, and the Westfield Recreation Commission.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved

That this Board of Education recognizes Robert Garrison for his volunteerism and service on the Westfield Board of Education from 2016-2021; and

That this resolution be presented to Robert Garrison on December 14, 2021; and

That a copy of this resolution, attesting to the appreciation of the Board of Education, becomes part of the official minutes of this meeting.

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5. Approve the following resolution:

Whereas Tara Oporto has served for three years on the Westfield Board of Education with dedication to the children, families and community members of Westfield; and

Whereas, as an active member of the Curriculum, Instruction and Programs, Technology and Communication, Facilities, and Legislation Committees, Tara Oporto has contributed her analytical expertise and many volunteer hours; and

Whereas, Tara Oporto has represented the Board of Education as liaison to the Parent Teacher Organization of the Lincoln Early Childhood Center, the Parent Teacher Council Special Education Committee, and the Westfield Memorial Library, always with community in mind and a willingness to listen.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved

That this Board of Education recognizes Tara Oporto for her volunteerism and service on the Westfield Board of Education from 2019-2021; and

That this resolution be presented to Tara Oporto on December 14, 2021; and

That a copy of this resolution, attesting to the appreciation of the Board of Education, becomes part of the official minutes of this meeting.

6. Approve the following resolution:

Whereas Gretchan Ohlig has served for 10 years on the Westfield Board of Education with dedication to the children, families and community members of Westfield; and

Whereas, as President of the Board of Education from 2016-2018, Gretchan Ohlig has provided intelligent, articulate, and compassionate leadership, always keeping the best interests of the students at the forefront; and

Whereas, Gretchan Ohlig has served as Chairperson of the Long Range Planning Committee, overseeing exhaustive examinations of the complicated question of implementing Full Day Kindergarten in the Westfield Public Schools and seeking innovative ways to connect with Westfield High School alumni; and

Whereas, as Chairperson of the Technology and Communication Committee, Gretchan Ohlig has remained committed to providing clear communication and leveraging technology in our schools; and

Whereas, during her tenure, Gretchan Ohlig also has served as Chairperson of the Facilities, Policies, and Curriculum, Instruction and Programs Committees, where her legal expertise and attention to detail proved invaluable; and

Whereas, as a member of every other committee on the Board, including Budget and Finance, Legislation, and Negotiations and as a liaison to the Parent Teacher Council, Town Council, Westfield Recreation Commission, Westfield Memorial Library Board, District Staff Evaluation Committee, and the Parent Teacher Student Organizations of Westfield High School, Roosevelt Intermediate School and

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Jefferson and Wilson Elementary Schools, Gretchan Ohlig has given countless volunteer hours to serve the students in the Westfield Public Schools;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved

That this Board of Education recognizes Gretchan Ohlig for her volunteerism and service on the Westfield Board of Education from 2012-2021; and

That this resolution be presented to Gretchan Ohlig on December 14, 2021; and

That a copy of this resolution, attesting to the appreciation of the Board of Education, becomes part of the official minutes of this meeting.