

Wainscott Common School

BOT Minutes- Wednesday, June 28, 2023 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Board President, David Eagan, Board members, William Babinski Jr. and Kelly Anderson, District Clerk, Norma Bushman. Business Manager, Christine Schnell. Numerous members of the public and press. Superintendent Deborah Haab joined via zoom.

- I. Welcome / Pledge of Allegiance – David Eagan, President -6:46pm
- II. Budget reductions

The Board President, Superintendent and board members recapped the magnitude of problems the district is facing and asked the Wainscott residents for any help with the intractable issue we are facing. The contingency budget and amount that is needed to be reduced to meet the contingency levy limit were discussed in detail including reducing options for tuition students to schools. Cuts the district is facing that are non-contractual include Pre-K tuition, special area teachers/programs, summer bussing, salary increases for non contractual employees, retaining fourth grade, field trips and provided pizza lunches.

Once the deductions are set the Superintendent will be meeting with Assemblyman Fred Theile to ask for tax relief and legislative assistance.

A list of prioritized cuts will be made and school will open in September. An additional meeting was discussed prior to the Reorganizational meeting.

VIII. Resolutions

None

Closing

IX. Public Comments- Assistance with grant writing, fundraising and any effort to help the school were offered. Direct donations were questioned if allowed, as well as a possibility of a third vote. Consolidation or tuitioning out all students.

X. Executive Session -None

XI. Adjournment- 8:22pm

Respectfully submitted by Norma Bushman, District Clerk