## LONGPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting July 26, 2018

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey adequate notice of this regular meeting has been provided. On July 23, 2018 written notice of this rescheduled regular meeting was posted in Longport Borough Hall. On that same date written notice was sent to The Press and the Current.

The meeting of the Longport Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Tripician, Board President, in the Longport Borough Municipal Building, Longport, New Jersey, Thursday July 26, 2018 4:30 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Tripician, Mr. Schiavo, Mrs. Affanato

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: T. Weeks, School Business Administrator, G. Miller, Solicitor

Mr. Tripician led all present in a flag salute.

Public Comment - None

<u>Minutes of the Regular Meeting - May 24, 2018-</u> Motion made by Mrs. Affanato, seconded by Mr. Schiavo, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held May 26, 2018. Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes. *Motion approved*.

**Board Secretary's Monthly Certification -** Motion made by Mr. Schiavo, seconded by Mrs. Affanato, Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c) 3, that no major budgetary line item account the Board Secretary Monthly Certification that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 -8.2 and no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10, it is further certified that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts and sources for the month.

Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes. *Motion approved.* 

**Board of Education Monthly Certification-** Motion made by Mr. Schiavo, seconded by Mrs. Affanato, the Board of Education Monthly Certification, that after review of the board secretary and treasurer monthly financial reports, in the minutes of the board each month that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes. *Motion approved*.

<u>Treasurer's Report and Board Secretary's Report- MAY and JUNE -</u> Motion made by Mrs. Affanato, seconded by Mr. Schiavo, to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report, Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements and the Board Secretary's report, which are in agreement. Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes. *Motion approved*.

**<u>Bills, Payrolls, Transfers</u>**- Motion by Mrs. Affanato, seconded by Mr. Schiavo, to approve the Bills lists, Payrolls and Transfers:

June	Bills & Payroll	\$43,736.22
July	Bills & Payroll	\$6,205.17
Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes.		

Motion approved.

## ACTION ITEMS

**<u>REDUCTION OF 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR AID -</u>** Motion made by Mrs. Affanato, seconded by Mr. Schiavo to approve the resolution to address the loss of state aid for the fiscal year 2018-2019

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** on July 13, 2018 school districts received notice of revised 2018-2019 state aid and the guidance to address this change requiring action by August 1, 2018,

**WHEREAS**, the Longport Board of Education received notice that the district's aid has been reduced by \$12,145 from the 2018-2019 Governors Message on school district funding,

**WHEREAS**, the Longport Board of Education, a non-operating district, pays tuition to the receiving districts and provides transportation for their students as the significant component of the budget,

**WHEREAS,** the Longport Board of Education has determined that there are no appropriation lines that may be reduced, therefore has elected to increase the withdrawal from unassigned general fund balance in the amount of \$12,415,

**WHEREAS,** the Longport Board of Education received notification of increased enrollment of students sent to the Margate Public Schools.

**WHEREAS**, the use of this unassigned fund balance along with the anticipated continued reduction of state aid places the district in fiscal distress.

**WHEREAS**, the revised 2018-2019 state aid supports the School District general fund budget by 6.8% shifting the burden to the taxpayers,

WHEREAS, the Longport Board of Education has requested to apply for Emergency Aid.

**THEREFORE,** be it resolved, the Longport Board of Education will reduce the 2018-2019 unassigned fund balance by \$12,145 and apply for Emergency Aid to help offset the fiscal distress this places on the district's ability to provide program and services to the student of Longport and the burden on the taxpayers of the community.

*Discussion:* Mrs. Weeks reviewed the adjustment of aid and the future impact of the loss of aid under senate bill S2. The district's fund balance is low and without other resources, this continued loss of aid will impact the taxpayers of the community. The Board members discussed the impact and other possible action that may be taken.

Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes. *Motion approved* 

Communications- All included in packet

Public Comment - None

Board Comment - The board reviewed the increased enrollment. Mrs. Weeks will request verification of residency for the upcoming school year.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

<u>Motion to Adjourn -</u> Motion by Mr. Schiavo, seconded by Mrs. Affanato to adjourn, 4:05 pm Motion approve by roll call vote with all members voting yes. *Motion approved*.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri J. Weeks, School Business Administrator Board Secretary