

**BOONTON TOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION**

434 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, NJ 07005

January 2, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Boonton Town Board of Education, of Morris County, New Jersey, held a meeting at 8:00 pm on January 2, 2023, at Boonton High School, 306 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, NJ 07005.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING**

Mr. Steven Gardberg, Board Secretary, called the meeting to order and read the following statement: This is the January 2, 2023, meeting of the Boonton Town Board of Education. Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Daily Record and the Citizen; distributed to the Boonton Town Clerk; and posted at the Board of Education Building at 434 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, New Jersey.

**RESULTS OF THE ELECTION & OATH OF OFFICE**

Mr. Gardberg read the results of the election of November 8, 2022, for vacant Board of Education seats, as certified by the Morris County Clerk.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Term (yr)</b>
Christopher Cartelli	3
Elaine Doherty	3
Matthew Mondino	3

Upon the certification of election results, Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Doherty and Mr. Mondino were sworn in by the Board Secretary attesting to the oath of office.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present at roll call were Mr. Christopher Cartelli, Mrs. Jennifer Darling, Dr. Crystal Davis, Mrs. Elaine Doherty, Ms. Natavia Hayes, Mr. Patrick Joyce, Mrs. Loren Katsakos, Mrs. Irene LeFebvre, Mr. Matthew Mondino, Mrs. Sandra Vucenovic.

Also present were Mr. Thomas Valle, Superintendent and Mr. Steven Gardberg, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance. Approximately 10 members of the public were in attendance.

**BOARD REORGANIZATION**

Mr. Gardberg took nominations from Board Members for President of the Board.

Mrs. LeFebvre was nominated for Board President by Mr. Cartelli, and the nomination was seconded by Mrs. Doherty. Having no further nominations, Mr. Gardberg closed nominations for President.

On roll call, the nomination was approved. Voting yes were YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Dr. Davis, Mrs. Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Katsakos, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino,

Mrs. Vucenovic. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Mrs. LeFebvre took his/her seat as Board President and accepted nominations for Vice President of the Board.

Mrs. Darling was nominated for Board Vice President by Mr. Cartelli, and the nomination was seconded by Mrs. Katsakos. Mrs. Doherty was nominated for Board Vice President by Dr. Davis, and the nomination was seconded by Mr. Joyce. Having no further nominations, Mrs. LeFebvre closed nominations for Vice President.

On roll call to vote for Mrs. Doherty, Mrs. Darling or both to serve as Vice President, Mrs. Doherty was voted as Vice President. Voting for Mrs. Doherty were Dr. Davis, Mrs. Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Vucenovic. Voting for Mrs. Darling was Mrs. Katsakos. Voting for both were Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino.

With the Board organized, approval of reorganization resolutions #1-42 was moved by Mr. Cartelli and seconded by Mr. Joyce. On roll call, the resolutions were approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Dr. Davis, Mrs. Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Katsakos, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. Vucenovic. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

1. Annual Meeting Calendar: The Board approves to meet on the following Mondays at Boonton High School, 306 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, NJ. Meetings open at 7:30 pm, move immediately into executive session, and resume public session at 8:00 pm, unless noted otherwise. In the event of a public emergency, the meetings will be held virtually, with details published on the district website.  
2023: 1/2 (a,b), 1/23, 2/13, 2/27, 3/13, 3/27, 4/17, 4/24, 5/8, 5/22, 6/12, 6/26, 7/10, 7/24, 8/14, 8/28, 9/11, 9/25, 10/9, 10/30, 11/13, 11/27, 12/11
  - a. Organizational meeting
  - b. Open at 8:00 pm
2. Official Newspapers: The Board approves the Daily Record as the official daily newspaper and The Citizen as the official weekly newspaper.
3. Parliamentary Procedures: The Board meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th Edition, by reference.
4. Code of Ethics for School Board Members: The Board approves the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members.

A school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.

- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
  - d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
  - e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
  - f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
  - g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
  - h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
  - i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
  - j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.
5. Board Attorney: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves James L. Plosia, Jr., Esq. of Plosia Cohen LLC of Chester, NJ, as Board Attorney for January – December 2023 at \$175.00 per hour, estimated at \$120,000 per year.
  6. Approval to Appoint Architect of Record: The Board approves to name DiCara Rubino Architects as the architect of record for January – December 2023, estimated at \$10,000 per year.
  7. Insurance Brokers of Record: The Board approves CBIZ Inc. of New Providence, NJ, as the District's Insurance Broker of Record for property, casualty, liability, auto, worker compensation coverage, and Doyle Alliance Group, Inc. of Woodbridge, NJ, as the Insurance Broker of Record for health insurance and dental insurance coverage, for January – December 2023.
  8. Existing Bylaws, Policies and Regulations: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt all exiting Bylaws, Policies and Regulations for the Board's own operation and the operation of the school system.
  9. Job Descriptions: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt the District's approved Job Descriptions.
  10. Educational Program and Services: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt the Educational Curriculum/Program and Services.

11. Curriculums: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt all existing curriculums in effect at this time.
12. Textbooks: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the annual list of textbooks currently in use, and further, that when new textbooks are needed, a review and approval by the Administration Committee will be done prior to adoption.
13. Evaluation Practice Instrument: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt the approved practice instruments for evaluation of staff: Danielson's Framework for Teaching 2007 edition and New Jersey Principal Evaluation for Professional Learning Observation Tool.
14. Annual Nursing Services Plan: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt the Annual Nursing Services Plan.
15. Emergent Hiring: The Board approves emergent hiring by the Chief School Administrator, with permission from the Board President and Administration Committee Chair, to be ratified at a future Board Meeting.
16. Homeless Liaison Officer: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Director of Special Services as Homeless Liaison Officer for January – December 2023.
17. Substance Awareness Coordinator: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Student Assistance Counselor as Substance Awareness Coordinator for January – December 2023.
18. Title IX Coordinator: The Board approves the Chief School Administrator or designee as Title IX Coordinator for January – December 2023.
19. NCLB Coordinator: The Board approves the Chief School Administrator as ESEA/ESSA Coordinator for January – December 2023.
20. Section 504 Coordinators: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Building Principals as Section 504 Coordinators for January – December 2023.
21. Affirmative Action Officer: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Business Administrator as Affirmative Action Officer for January – December 2023.
22. Public Agency Compliance Officer: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Business Administrator as Public Agency Compliance Officer for January – December 2023.
23. Government Records Officers: The Board approves the Superintendent, or designee, as the Government Records Officer for personnel and student records; and the Board Secretary, or

designee, as the Government Records Officer for all other Board and Business Office records for January – December 2023.

24. Integrated Pest Management Officer: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds, as the Integrated Pest Management Officer for January – December 2023.
25. AHERA Asbestos Program Manager: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds, as the district's AHERA Asbestos Program Manager for January – December 2023.
26. Right-To-Know Coordinator: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds, as the Right-To-Know Coordinator for January – December 2023.
27. Indoor Air Quality Designated Person: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds as the Indoor Air Quality Designated Person for January – December 2023.
28. Standard Operating Procedures: The Board approves to re-adopt the Standard Operating Procedures.
29. School Budgets: The Board approves the Superintendent and Business Administrator to oversee the implementation of the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school budgets.
30. Existing Contracts: The Board approves to re-adopt all existing contracts of the Board in effect at this time and authorized by law.
31. Sale of Surplus Property: The Board approves the Business Administrator to sell used and/or surplus (non-real estate) property not needed for school purposes for January – December 2023.
32. Tax Sheltered Annuity Plans 403(b) Type: The Board approves the following vendors to participate in 403(b) Tax Sheltered Annuity Plans with District employees for January – December 2023: AXA Equitable, Lincoln Investments, Midland, Security Benefits (Turning Pointe), USAA and Valic.
33. Tax Sheltered Annuity Plans 457(b) Type: The Board approves the following vendor to participate in 457(b) Tax Sheltered Annuity Plans with District employees for January – December 2023: AXA Equitable and Lincoln Financial Advisors.
34. Disability Insurance Plans: The Board approves the following vendors to participate in Disability and Life Insurance Plans with District employees for January – December 2023: Aflac, Allstate and Prudential.
35. Purchases on State Contract  
Whereas, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that, “A board of education, without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution

may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property, and Whereas, the Board has the need, on a timely basis, to procure goods and services utilizing state contracts, and Whereas, the Board desires to authorize its purchasing agent, for January – December 2023, to make any and all purchases necessary to meet the needs of the school district throughout the school year, Now, therefore, be it resolved, the Board authorizes the purchasing agent to make purchases of goods and services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property.

36. Bid Threshold—Qualified Purchasing Agent: Whereas the bid threshold is \$44,000 for school districts with a Qualified Purchasing Agent, per the State Treasurer; and whereas Steven Gardberg, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, possesses a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) certificate; the Board establishes its bid threshold amount at \$44,000 and authorizes Steven Gardberg, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, to award contracts, in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A, for those purchases that do not exceed the bid threshold amount in the aggregate.
37. Emergency Checks: The Board approves the Business Administrator to write emergency checks with the permission of the Board President and Operations Committee Chair to be ratified at future Board Meeting.
38. Person Responsible for Investments: The Board approves the Business Administrator or designee as the person responsible for investments, and to make wire transfers between accounts as required.
39. Account Transfers: The Board approves the Superintendent, or designee, to make account transfers as needed between Board meetings.
40. Depository of Funds: The Board approves NJARM as the depository of funds for the referendum bond proceeds.
41. Accounts/Banking: The Board approves Lakeland Bank as depository for the Board funds and that Lakeland Bank be required to be insured by either the SLIC or the FDIC and/or as required by both Federal and State statutes.
42. School Depositories and Signatures: The Board approves that all checks, drafts or other orders for payment or withdrawal of money from said account be signed by the person holding the appropriate title as listed below.

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	SIGNATURES
General	*1246	3 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President, Vice President
Payroll	*1262	1 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President, Vice President
Payroll Agency	*1270	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President
Capital Reserve	*1238	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President
Cafeteria	*1297	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President
SSS Activities	*1386	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, Principal

JHS Activities	*1378	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, Principal
BHS Activities	*1319	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, Principal
Flexible Spending	*9522	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President
Scholarship Deposit Escrow	*1335	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, Principal
Scholarship	*1327	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, Principal
Summer Savings	*6639	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President
Unemployment	*1289	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President
Venmo	*5662	2 of Business Administrator, Superintendent, President

**ORDER OF THE DAY**

On a motion by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Mondino and with all in favor, order of the day was approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Town: Focus group on January 4 about recreation options

**LIAISON REPORTS**

1. John Hill School by Marco DeStefano, student representative: Open gym; basketball; winter dance; TV in cafeteria; spelling bee.
2. Boonton High School by Jackie Martinez, SRA President: Pep rally; basketball teams; girls and boys wrestling; Drama Club for play in March.
3. Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) K-8 by Allison Mania: Continued partnership with the new board; general meeting on January 3; Penny Wars; All Children’s Arts Center; assemblies; Flocking; spirit wear.
4. Home School Association 9-12 by Mrs. Darling: Raffle; clothing sale
5. Town Council: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**SUPERINTENDENT**

- A. District News and Updates: Congratulations to the new board; Thanks to the student reps; Professional Development Day for staff today; SEE curriculum; NJ CAP training; PBSIS; Math; Wellness; Parent night for NJ CAP; HVAC concern-noisy at BHS.

**ITEMS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION**

**A. Minutes**

Approval of minutes from previous meetings was moved by Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Mondino, and approved on roll call. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Dr. Davis, Mrs. Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Katsakos, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. Vucenovic. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

1. Regular and Executive session: December 12, 2022

**B. ADMINISTRATION**

**PK8 Resolutions**

Approval of Admin PK8 resolutions #1-16 was moved by Mrs. Katsakos and seconded by Mr. Cartelli. On roll call the resolutions were approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Dr. Davis, Mrs. Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Katsakos, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

1. Teachers for Parent and Child Title I Nights: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Merrily Van Teyens and Laura Sudak as Teachers for Parent and Child Title I Nights for PreK-5 families, at dates to be determined, for up to 4 hours per night for planning and presentation of program at a rate of \$40 per hour.

2. Field Trip: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following field trip destination for the 2022-2023 school year:

<u>Grade/Group</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Grade 6	Liberty Island and Ellis Island

3. Washington DC Overnight Field Trip: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Washington DC overnight field trip for the John Hill School 8<sup>th</sup> grade class from April 26, 2023 through April 28, 2023.

4. Chaperones for Washington DC Overnight Field Trip: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following staff members and stipends (\$40 per night) to chaperone the Washington DC field trip from April 26, 2023 through April 28, 2023:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Sara Brogan	\$80.00
Amanda Sheehan	\$80.00
Bevin Hughen	\$80.00
Terry O’Dell	\$80.00
Kelli Shiels	\$80.00
Gregg LaPointe	\$80.00

5. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Catherine Bruseo, Preschool Teacher, School Street School, effective end of business day February 9, 2023.

6. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Employee #0148, effective June 30, 2023, for the purpose of retirement.



7. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Su Wieland, Special Education Teacher, John Hill School, effective June 30, 2023, for the purpose of retirement.
8. Appointment of Custodian: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the appointment of Juan Isaza to the position of Custodian, John Hill School, at a salary of \$38,860 (Step 1), prorated from January 16, 2023 (pending clearance of background check) through June 30, 2023.
9. Request to Extend Leave of Absence: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to extend the leave of absence request from Nicole Pollina previously approved on November 7, 2022 from November 16, 2022 through January 1, 2023, to extend through January 16, 2023, utilizing accumulated sick days.
10. Request to Amend Employment Contract for Short Term Leave Kindergarten Replacement Teacher: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to amend the employment contract for Elsie Aurich, Short-Term Leave Kindergarten Replacement Teacher, previously approved on November 7, 2022 from November 16, 2022 through December 23, 2023, to extend through January 16, 2023.
11. Request to Amend Employment Contact for Short-Term Leave Kindergarten Paraprofessional: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to amend the employment contract for Brianna Affinito, Short-Term Leave Kindergarten Paraprofessional, previously approved on November 28, 2022 from November 16, 2022 through December 23, 2022, to extend through January 16, 2023.
12. Leave of Absence Request: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves a leave of absence request from Lacey Mayer, Preschool Teacher, beginning March 27, 2023, utilizing a total of 21 accumulated sick days followed by an unpaid leave of absence through June 30, 2023.
13. Increase Hourly Rates for Bridges to Learning Staff: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to increase the hourly rates for the Bridges to Learning Staff, as follows, effective January 1, 2023:  
  
Adult Support Staff: \$22 per hour  
College Staff: \$16 per hour  
Lead Staff: \$34 per hour
14. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 5740385473-B, for up to 2 hours per week, beginning December 13, 2022, with instruction to be provided by approved home instructors at a rate of \$40 per hour.
15. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board of Education approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 5740385473-B, for up to 8 hours per week, beginning December 19, 2022, with instruction to be provided by Educere at a fee of \$29 per subject per week.

16. Compensatory Education and Services; Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Compensatory Education and Speech Therapy Services, for out-of-district Student State ID#5165378198-B, for up to 2 hours per week for 24 weeks from January 2, 2023 – June 16, 2023, with services to be provided by Michelle Attardi, CCC-SLP, at a rate of \$120 per hour not to exceed \$5,760.

**PK12 Resolutions**

Approval of Admin PK12 resolutions #1-9 was moved by Mrs. Katsakos and seconded by Mr. Mondino. On roll call the resolutions were approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Dr. Davis, Mrs Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Katsakos, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. Vucenovic. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

1. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Tina Londino, Health/Physical Education Teacher, Boonton High School effective February 12, 2023.
2. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Tina Londino, Assistant Softball Coach Boonton High School effective January 3, 2023.
3. Approval of Certified Staff Member: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Holly Settineri to the position of Health/Physical Education Teacher, Boonton High School, at a salary of \$60,000 (Step 5 BA), prorated from March 6, 2023, or sooner if released from current district, for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.
4. Long-Term Leave Replacement School Psychologist: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Lamis Ahmed as the Long-Term Leave Replacement School Psychologist, at a salary of \$63,800 (Step 1 MA), prorated from January 2, 2023 through March 12, 2023.
5. 6<sup>th</sup> Period Stipend for Certified Staff Member: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves a 6<sup>th</sup> period stipend, for Phillip Johnson, in the amount of \$5,500 prorated from December 5, 2022 through June 30, 2023, as per the Agreement Between the BEA and the Board of Education.
6. Field Trips: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following field trip destinations for the 2022-2023 school year:

<u>Grade/Group</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Grades 9-11 (NJAC Student Leadership)	Montville High School
Grades 9-12 (FBLA)	County College Morris Consumer Bowl Competition

7. Safe Return to School Plan for 2022-2023 School Year: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the Department of Education’s Safe Return to School Plan for the 2022-2023 school year, as per the attached.

8. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 8294209010-B, for up to 10 hours per week, beginning December 19, 2022, with instruction to be provided by Aspire Counseling Center at a fee of \$625 per week.
9. Stipulation of Settlement: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves a Stipulation of Settlement Agreement with L.A. on behalf of J.S., dated December 19, 2022.

**B. OPERATIONS**

Mr. Gardberg and Mrs. Darling commented on donations.

Approval of Operations resolutions #1-8 was moved by Mrs. Darling and seconded by Mr. Cartelli. On roll call the resolutions were approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Dr. Davis, Mrs Doherty, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Katsakos, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. Vucenovic. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

1. Payments: The Board approves these Check Journals.
 

\$40,453.95	12/20/2022 (Check Journal)
\$564,002.61	01/02/2023 (Check Journal)
\$85,711.48	01/02/2023 (ACH General)
\$44,378.80	01/02/2023 (ACH Cafeteria)
\$3,341,263.47	11/01 – 11/30/2022 (electronic checks, including payroll)
2. Transfer Reports: The Board approves Transfer Reports for the month ending 11/30/2022.
3. Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer: The Board approves reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer for the month ending 11/30/2022.
4. Payroll Expenses: The Board approves the following payroll expenses.
 

\$1,114,271.39	12/15/2022
\$1,080,340.12	12/30/2022
5. Donation: The Board accepts the donation of Give Back School Supplies bags (356) from Staples, with an estimated value of \$1,780.
6. Donation: The Board accepts the donation of an elliptical machine & recumbent bike, valued at \$600, from Jackie Theriault.
7. Donation: The Board accepts the donation of an exercise bike, valued at \$150, from Diane Sandow.
8. Contract: The Board approves awarding a contract to CDW Government, per ESCNJ contract #AEPA-22G, for \$48,385.00 for Chromebooks, using ARP ESSER III funds.

**D. POLICY**

None

## **E. DISTRICT WIDE HIB REPORT**

None

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

1. HS Committee: None
2. Curriculum by Mrs. Katsakos: NJ CAP to help with PE/Health standards; Parent training on January 10 for PreK-6; May uproot from specific lessons; Parent night for grades 7-8 to be announced.
3. PR/Communications: None
4. Communications/Legislation: None
5. ESC: None
6. MCSBA by Mrs. Darling: Meeting on January 25
7. NJSBA by Mrs. LeFebvre: New Board Member Orientation; Nominating committee for next slate of officers; reaching out to colleges and universities to cooperate and support each other.

## **OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

Anita Awan: Thank you to the Board; Our children should feel welcome in their school district; Education about different religions, reduce racial stigma.

Ameer Soliman: Health and PE meeting on January 10-virtual; Advocating for Muslim holidays.

## **OTHER BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

Mrs. Katsakos: Boonton Historical Society Annual Meeting; Reopening in February as the exhibit changes.

Town meeting focus group

Committee of the whole or generally the current model; Comments by members-VOTE, all voted YES; Request for committee assignments

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Mr. Cartelli and seconded by Mr. Mondino, the following motion was presented for approval to enter Executive Session at 9:04 pm. All present voted in favor.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following portion of this meeting dealing with the following generally described matters shall not be open to the public: Personnel matters; Current or Potential Litigation; and Matters of Attorney/Client Privilege. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that it is anticipated that the matters to be considered in private may be disclosed to the public at a later date when confidentiality is no longer required. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that private consideration is deemed required and is permitted because of the following noted exceptions set for the in the Open Public Meetings Act: Would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy; Related to investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; Related to pending/anticipated litigation

or contract negotiations in which the Public body is or may be a party; and Falls within the attorney-client privilege and confidentiality is required.

**ACTION MAY BE TAKEN**

Having no further business in closed executive session, a Motion was made by Mr. Cartelli and seconded by Mr. Joyce to adjourn executive session at 9:46 pm and return to open session. All present voted in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Cartelli to adjourn at 9:47 pm. All present voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven Gardberg  
Board Secretary

**BOARD APPROVAL:**