

BOONTON TOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION

434 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, NJ 07005

January 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The Boonton Town Board of Education, of Morris County, New Jersey, held a meeting at 8:00 pm on January 8, 2024, 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 8, 2024, 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

RESULTS OF THE ELECTION & OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. Gardberg read the results of the election of November 7, 2023, for vacant Board of Education seats, as certified by the Morris County Clerk.

Name	Term (yr)
Jen Darling	3
Brianna O'Halloran	3
Daniel Piccioni	3

Upon the certification of election results, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. O'Halloran and Mr. Piccioni were sworn in by the Board Secretary attesting to the oath of office.

ROLL CALL

Members present at roll call were Mrs. Dawn Caicedo, Mr. Christopher Cartelli, Mrs. Jennifer Darling, Mrs. Elaine Doherty, Mr. Patrick Joyce, Mrs. Irene LeFebvre, Mr. Matthew Mondino, Mrs. Brianna O'Halloran, Mr. Daniel Piccioni. Absent was Mrs. Loren Katsakos.

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

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 Mr. Joyce. 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, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: Mrs. Caicedo. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

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

On roll call, the nomination was approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: Mrs. Caicedo. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

With the Board organized, approval of reorganization resolutions #1-42 was moved by Mrs. Darling and seconded by Mr. Joyce. On roll call, the resolutions were approved. YES: Mrs. Caicedo, Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

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.
2024: 1/8 (reorg), 1/22, 2/12, 2/26, 3/11, 3/25, 4/8, 4/22, 5/13, 6/10, 6/24, 7/8, 8/12, 8/26 (if needed), 9/9, 9/23, 10/14, 10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9
2025: 1/6 (reorg)
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 2024 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 2024, 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 2024.
 8. Existing Bylaws, Policies and Regulations: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to re-adopt all existing 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 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 2024.
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 2024.
18. Title IX Coordinator: The Board approves the Chief School Administrator or designee as Title IX Coordinator for January – December 2024.
19. NCLB Coordinator: The Board approves the Chief School Administrator as ESEA/ESSA Coordinator for January – December 2024.
20. Section 504 Coordinators: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Building Principals as Section 504 Coordinators for January – December 2024.
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 2024.
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 2024.
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 2024.

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 2024.
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 2024.
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 2024.
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 2024.
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 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 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 2024.
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 2024: 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 2024: 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 2024: 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 2024, 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. Mondino and seconded by Mr. Joyce and with all in favor, order of the day was approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

LIAISON REPORTS

1. John Hill School by Skylar Brady, student representative: Winter dance; Assemblies; Spirit Week; Middle School Choir on the radio; Spelling Bee; Auditions; Urbanization project.
2. Boonton High School: None
3. Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) K-8 by Mr. Bossen: Meeting tomorrow; Family Game Night; Oriental Trading fundraiser; Student art submissions to PTA contest; Penny Wars; January 23 assembly; Date for Jordan Toma assembly.
4. Home School Association 9-12 by Mrs. Darling: Calendar raffle
5. Town Council: Mr. Rob Murray introduced himself as the new liaison and Mayor Lynch introduced himself.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

SUPERINTENDENT

- District News & Updates: Welcome to new Board Members; Weather challenges before winter break; Winter concerts
- Presentation of Student Safety Data Systems (SSDS) submission for September 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023

ITEMS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION

A. Minutes

Approval of minutes from previous meetings was moved by Mrs. Darling, seconded by Mrs. Doherty, and approved on roll call. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: Mrs. Caicedo. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

1. Regular and Executive session: December 11, 2023

B. ADMINISTRATION

PK8 Resolutions

Approval of Admin PK8 resolutions #1-10 was moved by Mr. Cartelli and seconded by Mr. Mondino. On roll call the resolutions were approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

1. Acceptance of Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Melissa McKeown, Paraprofessional, School Street School, effective December 22, 2023.
2. Field Trips: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following field trip destinations for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Grade/Group</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Preschool	Boonton High School small gym
Grades 3-5 (Gifted & Talented)	Morristown Unitarian Fellowship
Grades 3-5 (Gifted & Talented)	Presbyterian Church of Morris Plains
Grades 6-8 (Gifted & Talented)	Morristown Unitarian Fellowship

3. Revise Leave of Absence: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to revise the leave of absence for Jenna Mulcahy previously approved on October 9, 2023, from December 18, 2023 through June 30, 2024, utilizing 28 days of accumulated sick days, to now begin December 12, 2023, utilizing 32 days of accumulated sick days, followed by an unpaid leave of absence through June 30, 2024.
4. Revise Leave of Absence: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to revise the leave of absence for Laura Roeser, previously approved on October 9, 2023, from February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024, utilizing 10 days of accumulated sick days and 3 family illness days, followed by an unpaid leave of absence, to now begin December 23, 2023 utilizing 8 days of accumulated sick days and 1 family illness day, followed by an unpaid leave of absence through June 30, 2024.
5. Revise Employment Contract: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to revise the employment contract previously approved on November 13, 2023 for Corrine Norton, short-term leave replacement elementary teacher, John Hill School,

from November 14, 2023 through December 22, 2023, to short-term leave replacement elementary teacher, School Street School, effective January 2, 2024.

6. Rescind Appointment: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to rescind the appointment of Amy Macaluso, at her request which was previously approved to the position of Preschool Disabilities Teacher, John Hill School on December 11, 2023.
7. Bridges to Learning Before/After School Staff: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following for the Bridges to Learning Before/After School Program at School Street School, John Hill School and Boonton High School for the 2023-2024 school year:

Name	Position	Hourly Rate
Bridget Giordano	College Support Staff	\$17
Olivia Shiel	Adult Support Staff	\$23
Olivia Shiel	Lead Teacher Substitute	\$35

8. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 6752833738-B, for up to 10 hours per week, beginning December 11, 2023, with instruction to be provided by district-approved home instructors at a rate of \$40 per hour.
9. Out-of-District Placement: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following out-of-district placement for the 2023-2024 school year and that transportation be arranged as needed:

Lake Drive School
Student State ID# 5759515210-B
Tuition - \$47,713.36 (beginning 1/2/24)

10. Outside Evaluation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Lake Drive Program to conduct a Specialized Speech/Language Evaluation for Student State ID# 3937809532-B, at a cost of \$875.00.

PK12 Resolutions

Approval of Admin PK12 resolutions #1-18 was moved by Mr. Cartelli and seconded by Mr. Joyce. On roll call the resolutions were approved. YES: Mrs. Caicedo, Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

1. Uniform Memorandum of Agreement Between Board of Education and Law Enforcement Officials: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board adopts the Uniform Memorandum of Agreement Between Board of Education and Law Enforcement Officials for the 2023-2024 school year.
2. Field Trips: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following field trip destinations for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Grade/Group</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Grade 9 (Football Association Luncheon)	Knights of Columbus
Grades 11 & 12 (CBI)	County College of Morris
Grades 9-12 (Criminal Justice Academy)	Fairleigh Dickenson University

3. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Bryan Gallagher, Health/Physical Education Teacher, Boonton High School, effective February 16, 2024 or sooner should a suitable replacement be secured.
4. Letter of Resignation: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Beatrice Beatty, Boonton High School Paraprofessional, effective June 30, 2024, for the purpose of retirement.
5. Resignation of Winter Weight Room Supervisor: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board accepts a letter of resignation from Bryan Gallagher, Winter Weight Room Supervisor, effective December 19, 2023.
6. Addition to Substitute List: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Thuraya Abdelal to the 2023-2024 substitute teacher/aide list, pending receipt of certification.
7. Revise Leave of Absence: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to revise the leave of absence previously approved on October 9, 2023 for Jamie Westergaard, from November 27, 2023 through May 31, 2024, utilizing 37 sick days and 1 personal day, followed by an unpaid leave of absence to now utilize 41 sick days and 2 personal days, followed by an unpaid leave of absence through May 31, 2024.
8. Appointment of Certified Staff Member: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the appointment of Melanie Dibartolo to the position of Social Worker, Boonton High School, at a salary of \$66,325 (Step 4 MA), prorated from March 11, 2024 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.
9. District On-Roll Report: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the District's On-Roll Report for the month of December 2023.
10. Home Instructors: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Laura Sudak and Dean Del Guercio to provide home instruction during the 2023-2024 school year, based on their individual certifications, at a rate of \$40 per hour.
11. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 1100265772-B for up to 10 hours per week beginning January 3, 2024, with instruction to be provided by district approved home instructors at a rate of \$40 per hour.
12. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 8328796113-B for up to 10

hours per week, beginning December 15, 2023, with instruction to be provided by LearnWell Education at a rate of \$57.75 per hour.

13. Home Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the provision of home instruction for Student State ID# 3056688352-B for up to 10 hours per week, beginning December 6, 2023, with instruction to be provided by Center for Children's Behavioral Health at a rate of \$95 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# 1579684123-B, for up to 10 hours per week, beginning December 18, 2023, with instruction to be provided by New Pathway Counseling, Inc. at a rate of \$650 per week.
15. Extracurricular Aide Services for Jr. (TAG) Teen Advocacy Group: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Laura Affinito to assist/supervise Student State ID# 6655209681-B, Student State ID# 4363741727-B and Student State ID# 7295364313-B, for up to 7 evening Jr. TAG (Teen Advocacy Group) events, as needed at John Hill School, for up to 3 hours per event (based on student attendance to events), at a rate of \$29.58 per hour, and further approve Jennifer Coleman to serve as an alternate, as needed, or if multiple students attend, at a rate of \$29.58 per hour.
16. Supplemental Instruction: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Beth Forward to provide supplemental instruction for Student State ID# 2341880031-B for up to 2.5 hours per week beginning January 9, 2024 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year, at a rate of \$40 per hour.
17. Extend Online Course: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to extend the online course previously approved on October 9, 2023, for Student State ID#6140341184-B, for Course #DCFSP5103, Essentials of Business – Basic, provided by Educere, for an additional two weeks at a cost not to exceed \$58.00.
18. Extend Online Course: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves to extend the online course previously approved on March 13, 2023 for Student State ID#6140341184-B, for Course# DCFSP2800, Algebra II (extension is Course #CPDCFUSP2800), provided by Educere, for an additional two weeks at a cost not to exceed \$58.00.

C. OPERATIONS

Approval of Operations resolutions #1-7 was moved by Mr. Mondino and seconded by Mrs. Darling. On roll call the resolutions were approved. YES: Mrs. Caicedo, Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mrs. O'Halloran, Mr. Piccioni NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

1. **Payments:** The Board approves these Check Journals.

\$685,088.18	12/20/2023 (Check Journal)
\$29,255.29	12/20/2023 (ACH General)
\$22,323.31	12/20/2023 (ACH Cafeteria)
\$215,471.81	1/8/2024 (Check Journal)
\$70,367.22	1/8/2024 (ACH General)
\$44,461.81	1/8/2024 (ACH Cafeteria)

2. **Payroll Expenses:** The Board approves the following payroll expenses.

\$1,077,493.81	12/15/2023
\$1,039,211.86	12/30/2023

3. **Professional Development:** The Board approves these professional development expenses, in accordance with OMB Guidelines, State travel regulations and/or employee contracts.

Name	Date (s)	Workshop / Conference	Total Cost
Steven Gardberg	1/16/24	NJASBO: HR Legal, Whippany	\$125.00
Louis Castano	11/12 – 11/15/23	AOPA Stem Symposium Orlando, Florida	\$1227.69
Kara Leenas	12/19/23, 2/9, 4/11, 5/2/24	Conquer Mathematics Pompton Plains, NJ	\$758.73
Angela Lurito- Brown	2/7/24	Realtime User Experience Parsippany, NJ	\$7.00
Tonia Merlino	2/7/24	Realtime User Experience Parsippany, NJ	\$7.00
Linda Mauriello	1/10/24	Transition Coordinators of NJ Holmdel, NJ	\$56.10
Melissa Bialick	2/1/24	Hot Issues in Special Education Virtual	\$125.00
Maribel Martinez	1/19/24	NJAPSA Winter Academy Conference Monroe, NJ	\$206.70
Kristin McGovern	1/19/24	NJAPSA Winter Academy Conference Monroe, NJ	\$256.70
Julie Rienzi	1/19/24	Updates in Assessment and Identification Of SLD, Monroe, NJ	\$257.36
Toni DeCotiis	2/1/24	Hot Issues In Special Education Virtual	\$125.00
Meghan Stratton	5/29/24	Presenter at NJTESOL 2024 Spring Conference, New Brunswick, NJ	\$275.00

4. Use of Facilities: The Board approves the District Facilities Use List of 1/8/2024 to organizations, provided all required documents are submitted. District teams have priority. No activities on days school is closed. Use of all gyms and fields are coordinated with Mr. Hughen, Athletic Director. All permits are pending building administration final approval and receipt of documentation.

Permit #	Requested by / Facility / Dates
2312-0000	Boonton Parks & Recreation: Winter Soccer Clinic JHS Gym Thursdays 1/4 – 2/22/2024 (6:00-8:30 PM)
2312-0003	Lumen Gentium Academy: Spring Play BHS Auditorium Monday - Saturday 4/15 - 4/20/2024 (2:45-9:00 PM)
2312-0004	Boonton Parks & Recreation: Adult Pickleball JHS Gym Tuesdays & Wednesdays 1/30 - 2/28/2024 (6:15-9:00 PM)
2312-0005	Tri-Town Little League: Parade BHS Parking Lot & Covered Walk Saturday 4/13/2024 (9:00 AM- 1:00 PM)
2312-0006	Tri-Town Little League: Picture Night BHS Aux Gym Wednesday & Thursday 4/17 & 18/2024 (4:30 – 8:30 PM)
2312-0007	Tri-Town Little League: Winter Clinic SSS Multipurpose Room Wednesdays 1/10-2/14/2024 (6:15 – 8:00 PM)
2401-0000	Tri-Town Little League: Uniform Pick up JHS Gym, Parking Lot, Upper Field Wednesday 4/10/2024 (4:30 – 8:00 PM)

5. Transportation Agreement: The Board approves the transportation reimbursement for Student State ID# 5759515210-B for transportation to and from Lake Drive School in Mountain Lakes for the 2023-2024 school year, to be paid based on student attendance, not to exceed \$2,353.80.
6. Grant: The Board approves submission of the 2023 National School Lunch Program Equipment Assistance Grant Application to the NJ Department of Agriculture for equipment valued at \$6,028.
7. Grant: The Board approves submission of the KidWind Project Grant to Bluepoint Wind for \$1,000 worth of renewable energy STEM kits.

D. POLICY

None

E. DISTRICT WIDE HIB REPORT

On a motion by Mrs. Darling and seconded by Mr. Mondino, the Board agrees to affirm the findings and recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying complaints: JHS #7-8, SSS #1

On roll call, the motion was approved. YES: Mr. Cartelli, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Doherty, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. LeFebvre, Mr. Mondino, Mr. Piccioni. NO: None. ABSTAIN: Mrs. Caicedo, Mrs. O'Halloran. ABSENT: Mrs. Katsakos.

REPORTS FROM BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

1. HS Committee by Mrs. Doherty: None
2. Curriculum by Mrs. Katsakos: None
3. PR/Communications: None
4. Communications/Legislation by Mrs. LeFebvre: None
5. ESC by Mrs. LeFebvre: None
6. MCSBA by Mrs. Darling: February 18 meeting
7. NJSBA by Mrs. LeFebvre: Ethics/Government/Mandated training

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bossen: Status on Committee-Of-The Whole?

OTHER BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

Mrs. LeFebvre: Committee survey; Challenges that we face in 2024: Town matters, send-receive agreement, BHS academy development, HIB, enrollment growth and space. Next meeting on January 22.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Mondino and seconded by Mr. Cartelli, the following motion was presented for approval to enter Executive Session at 8:35 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 Mrs. LeFebvre and seconded by Mrs. Darling to adjourn executive session at 9:13 pm and return to open session. All present voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mrs. Doherty and seconded by Mrs. Darling to adjourn at 9:13 pm. All present voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven Gardberg
Board Secretary

BOARD APPROVAL: