

## **Regular Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, June 18, 2025**

The Regular Meeting of the Long Branch Board of Education was held in the Long Branch Middle School auditorium, 350 Indiana Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mrs. Peters, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

### **A. ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Peters - President

Mrs. Dangler - Vice President

Mr. Zambrano

Mrs. Youngblood Brown - 6:02 P.M.

Mr. Ferraina

Mr. Garlipp

Mr. Torres

Mr. Zimmerman

Mr. Sama - 6:19 P.M.

Attorney Present - Janice Arellano, Esq.

### **B. STATEMENT OF THE MANNER OF NOTIFICATION OF THE MEETING**

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary stated that adequate notice of the meeting of the Long Branch Board of Education has been provided by a Schedule of Public Meetings published in the Asbury Park Press. Mr. Genovese further stated that a Schedule of Public Meetings has been posted in the Board of Education Office and the Office of the City Clerk, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mr. Genovese made the following announcement: Fire exits are located in the direction indicated. In case of fire, you will be signaled by a bell and/or public address system. If so alerted to fire, please move in a calm and orderly fashion to the nearest smoke-free exit.

### **C. OBJECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE VALIDITY OF THE MEETING**

Mr. Genovese stated that the objecting member must give supporting reasons.

### **D. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Peters, Board President, saluted the flag and led the Pledge of Allegiance

### **E. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC**

Mrs. Peters made the following announcement: Oftentimes it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate Board committee. The members of the Board committee work with the administration and Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. All agenda attachments are available for public review. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

Time may be allocated for public comment at this meeting. Each speaker may be allotted up to five (5) minutes and one (1) opportunity to address the Board when recognized by the presiding officer. Individuals wishing to address the Board shall be recognized by the presiding officer and shall give their names, addresses and the group, if any, that they represent. Although the Board encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through its presiding officer, to terminate remarks to and/or by any individual not in keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. With the exception of those individuals whose names are on the agenda this evening, the Board will not respond to questions during the public participation portion of this meeting involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, negotiations, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplining of any specific, prospective or current employee.

### **F. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS**

No one addressed the Board.

**2. SECRETARY'S REPORT - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

That the Board approve the following minutes:

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Armand Zambrano.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Nay: Joseph M Ferraina

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**B. MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY**

I, Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**C. BUDGET TRANSFER REPORTS – FY2025 APRIL**

That the Board approve the following Budget Transfer Resolution contained herein:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 "Budgetary Controls and Over Expenditures of Funds" states a "district Board of Education or Charter School Board of Trustees shall implement controls over budgeted revenues and appropriations and shall not approve any obligation or payment in excess of the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education in the line item pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1".

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the attached line item transfers FY2025 April as listed be approved for the months ending April 30, 2025.

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Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**D. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT - FY2025 APRIL**

That the Board approve the Board Secretary's Report for the month ending April 30, 2025 contained herein.

**E. REPORT OF THE TREASURER - FY2025 APRIL**

That the Board approve the Report of the Treasurer for the month ending April 30, 2025 contained herein.

**F. MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION**

That the Board approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(4), we, the Members of the Board of Education, after a review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Monthly Financial Reports and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, certify that to the best of our knowledge that as of April 30, 2025 no major account or fund have been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown to approve items 2C - 2F.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**G. BILLS AND CLAIMS - MAY 1- 30, 2025 and JUNE 1-18, 2025 FOR THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH AND VIOLETA PETERS**

That the Board approve the bills and claims for May 1 - 30, 2025 and June 1-18, 2025 for the City of Long Branch and Violeta Peters contained herein.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown.

Yea: Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Abstain: Violeta Peters, Theresa Dangler

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**H. BILLS AND CLAIMS - MAY 1 - 30, 2025 and JUNE 1-18, 2025 EXCLUDING THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH AND VIOLETA PETERS**

That the Board approve the bills and claims for May 1 - 30, 2025 and June 1-18, 2025 excluding the City of Long Branch and Violeta Peters.

**I. RECONCILIATION MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT - SODEXO - MAY 30, 2025**

That the Board approve the monthly operating report for the Sodexo Corporation, Food Service Management Company for the Long Branch School district for May 30, 2025 contained herein.

**J. ATHLETIC FUND & ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FUNDS - MAY 30, 2025**

That the Board approve the monthly reports for the Athletic Fund, Elementary Schools, Middle School and High School Student Funds as of May 30, 2025 contained herein.

Motion by Tasha Youngblood Brown, second by Rick Garlipp to approve items 2H - 2J.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**3. GENERAL ITEMS - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. STUDENT REGISTRATION**

**B. COMMENTS FROM THE INSTRUCTION & PROGRAMS CHAIR - MRS. DANGLER**

**C. COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNANCE CHAIR - MRS. DANGLER**

**D. APPROVAL OF INSURANCE PROPOSALS - 2025 - 2026**

That the Board approve Selective Insurance Company for the 2025 - 2026 school year for coverage for Public Official Bonds at a cost not to exceed \$2,220.00 and Commercial Crime Policy at a cost not to exceed \$1,162.00, represents a 0% increase.

**E. APPROVAL OF STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE - 2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve Bob McCloskey (BMI) for student accident insurance from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 at a cost not to exceed \$117,000, represents a 0% increase.

**F. WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE - 2025 - 2026**

That the Board approve participation with New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG) for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 at a cost of \$841,328 for Worker's Compensation and \$28,825 for a Supplemental Indemnity Policy, an increase of 6.54%.

**G. APPROVAL OF INSURANCE PROPOSALS - 2025 - 2026**

That the Board approve the following insurance coverage for the 2025 - 2026 school year which represents a decrease of 7.85%.

TYPE OF POLICY	2024-2025 PREMIUM	2025-2026 PREMIUM	INSURANCE COMPANY
Commercial Package (Cyber, Boiler and Machinery, Business Auto, Crime, Equipment Floater, Commercial General Liability, Property, Cyber)	\$901,942	\$900,145	NJ School Board Insurance Group
Educator's Legal Liability	\$199,476	\$186,086	NJ School Board Insurance Group
NJUEP Excess Liability \$30M	\$77,973	N/A	Allied /Upland Specialty/Gt. American
Travel Accident-3 year	\$750	\$750	Hartford
Environmental	\$28,362	\$26,651	AXA XL-Greenwich
TOTAL	\$1,208,503	\$1,113,632	

**H. APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL TAX PAYMENT SCHEDULE - 2025 - 2026**

That the Board approve the attached Municipal Tax Payment Schedule for 2025 - 2026 as listed on ATTACHMENT -

**I. APPROVAL TO RENEW SODEXO'S FOOD SERVICES CONTRACT FOR FY2025**

That the Board renew the contract with Sodexo for the 2025-2026 school year with a management fee of \$.3536/meal, which represents a 2.5% increase. Sodexo guarantees that the District shall receive a surplus of five hundred, eighteen thousand dollars and no cents (\$518,000) for the 2025-2026 school year. If the actual surplus for the Food Service program falls short of the aforementioned amount, Sodexo shall pay the difference to district in an amount not to exceed five hundred, eighteen thousand dollars (\$518,000). Sodexo reserves the right to recover any such reimbursement made during the current contract year from that year's surplus on a monthly basis, total contract cost is \$3,622,299.66

**J. APPROVAL OF DEPOSIT INTO CAPITAL RESERVE AND MAINTENANCE RESERVE**

That the Board approve a deposit into the capital reserve in an amount not to exceed \$2 million and a deposit into the maintenance reserve account in an amount not to exceed \$2 million.

Motion by Tasha Youngblood Brown, second by Rick Garlipp to approve items 3D - 3J.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**K. APPROVAL TO RATIFY DOCUMENTATION SUBMISSION**

That the Board ratify the submission to the New Jersey Department of Education for various projects funded through SSB/Clean Energy Grant, using JBA Architecture & Consulting, LLC.

**L. APPROVAL TO GO OUT TO BID FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES**

That the Board approve going out to bid for the sale of medical supplies, equipment and 16 and 24 passenger busses.

**M. APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION JOINTURE WITH OCEAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION**

That the Board approve/ratify the transportation jointure with Ocean Township Board of Education to transport three (3) Long Branch students to/from the Marine Academy of Science & Technology (MAST), Sandy Hook, NJ from September 5, 2024 to June 23, 2025 for a total of 180 days at a cost not to exceed \$3,240.

**N. APPROVAL OF MASTER SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH OCEAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION**

That the Board approve the Master Shared Service Agreement with the Ocean Township Board of Education for bus maintenance services from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 in accordance with the attached.

**O. APPROVAL OF PERFORMANCE OF DISTRICT EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILLS FOR THE 2024/25 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Education in the State of New Jersey requires that two (2) emergency evacuation drills be conducted every school year in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code N.J.A.C. 6A:27-11.2 and,

**WHEREAS**, said drills must be recorded and documented in the Board of Education minutes,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that said drills were performed and documented as per attachment and will be made a part of the permanent minutes upon Board approval.

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Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**P. APPROVAL TO APPLY AND ACCEPT THE 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS PROGRAM, COHORT 21 COMPETITIVE GRANT - FY2025**

That the Board approve the application and acceptance of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program, Cohort 21 Competitive Grant FY2025 in the amount of up to \$600,000.

That the Board authorize Alisa Aquino, Director of Grants & Innovative Programs, or her designee, to serve as the district's contact person for the above actions.

And that, Francisco E. Rodriguez, Superintendent of Schools, be designated the Board's representative to implement the above actions.

**Q. APPROVAL OF CLASSLINK CONTRACT**

That the Board approve the contract with Classlink to house the passwords for all educational technology tools that are used to supplement instructional activities. This allows students to sign on with a single password and have easy access to all of their educational technology tools. The contract will be in effect from October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026 at a cost not to exceed \$23,051.

**R. APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES (iREADY) CONTRACT**

That the Board approve the contract with Curriculum Associates (iReady) which is an assessment and instructional program that allows teachers to utilize data to differentiate instruction to achieve student growth. It will provide in the moment resources that can be used for remediation and reteaching for small group instruction. The ELA and math assessments help pinpoint student strengths and weaknesses to help teachers monitor student growth to achieve grade level proficiency. The contract will be in effect from September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026 at a cost not to exceed \$200,447.

**S. APPROVAL OF LINKIT! SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT**

That the Board approve/ratify the agreement with Link It! Software for the purpose of development and management of K-12 assessments in all subject areas. This agreement will be in effect from July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 at a cost not to exceed \$160,000.

**T. APPROVAL OF TEACHER/PRINCIPAL EVALUATION RUBRICS (McREL)**

That the Board approve the Mid-continent Research for Education and Learning (McRel) evaluation tool for the 2025-2026 school year. This tool is aligned to research based standards which are converted to a numerical score upon summative evaluation. Each year, the numerical rating is categorized accordingly in four defined ratings: 1) Ineffective, 2) Partially effective, 3) Effective, 4) Highly effective

**U. GIFTS TO SCHOOL**

That the Board approve the Gifts to School as listed:

**Mahja Temple# 47 - Noble Kimberly Folks**

Long Branch High School, Science Department  
10 Telescopes  
Value: (\$6,500.00)

**EZ Ride - Lisa Lee**

Audrey W. Clark  
Bicycle and 6 Helmets  
Value: (\$380.00)

**Champions - Lindsay Capatasto**

AAA, GLC and GRE ELeментарy Schools  
500 Books  
Value: (\$1,956.00)

**Dorothy McNee**

Long Branch Middle School  
Fabric  
Value: (\$500.00)

Motion by Tasha Youngblood Brown, second by Violeta Peters to approve items 3K - 3U.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman  
Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama  
Motion Carries

**4. PERSONNEL ACTION - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. RETIREMENT - CONTRACTUAL POSITIONS**

That the Board accept the retirement of the following individuals:

**JOYCE PALMER**, Accounts Payable, effective September 1, 2025. Mrs. Palmer has a total of 31 years of service.  
**ROSEMARY TOFFEL**, Instructional Assistant, effective July 1, 2025. Mrs. Toffel has a total of 28 years of service.

**B. RESIGNATION - CONTRACTUAL POSITIONS**

That the Board accept the retirement of the following individuals:

**KAYLEE APPLE**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**KRYSTAL CASTELLUCCIO**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**KARLEE CHIMENTO**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**JESSICA CUNNEFF**, Principal, effective June 30, 2025.  
**JENNIFER EMERY**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**CARISSA HURST**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**AMANDA MCEWAN**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**JASMIN SAMOL**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.  
**DANIELLE SCHNEIDER**, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.

**C. CHANGE IN TRAINING LEVEL - 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the change in training level for the following individual effective June 1, 2025:

**SHAVANY GONZALEZ**, Teacher, moving from BA to MA on the teacher's salary guide.  
**ELIZABETH MICHELETTI**, Teacher, moving from BA+30 to MA on the teacher's salary guide.  
**THOMAS ODOM**, Teacher, moving from MA to MA+30 on the teacher's salary guide.  
**EVA PALMA**, School Social Worker, moving from MA to MA+30 on the teacher's salary guide.

Motion by Theresa Dangler, second by Armand Zambrano to approve items 4A - 4C.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman



Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama  
Motion Carries

**D. ANNUAL STIPEND POSITIONS - 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the following annual district stipend positions listed below:

LOCATION	STIPEND TITLE	STAFF NAME	RATE
District	Bus Aides	Kylie King	\$18/session
High School	Academic Lab Instructors - Homework Club	Jessica Caruso	\$27/hr.

**E. SUMMER STIPEND POSITIONS - SUMMER 2025**

That the Board approve/ratify the following summer stipend positions listed below:

LOCATION	STIPEND TITLE	STAFF NAME	RATE
District	Adult ESL Summer Class Teachers (Title III Grant Funded)	Alexandra Casares, Melissa Cooper, Janna Montague, Jessica Rodriguez	\$26/hr.
District	Adult ESL Summer Class Parent Assistant (Title III Grant Funded)	Ambar Capurro Rodriguez, Griselda Meneses	\$20/hr.
District	Bus Aides	Thomas Corsentino, Jr., Janette Egan, Johnneece Flemming, Anthony Gizzi, Yoselin Gomez, Katherine Gooch Alcott, Sheila Hoover-Popo, Kylie King, Romina Lujan, Elizabeth Marrin, Sonia Mendez, Shatika Wallace	\$18/session
District	Bus Driver	Donnell Coleman, Carol Emick, Elvia Franco Giron, Christine Hyer, Patrick Johnson, Shannon King, Melanie Rizzo, Shirley Staley, Preston Thrower, Patricia Velasquez	\$29.65/hr.
District	ESL Summer Tutors (Teachers) (Title III Grant Funded)	Karlee Chimento, Jussara Lins, Sabrina Sheerin	\$32/hr.
District	Garden Assistants	(AWC): Daniel Brownridge (LWC): Jennifer Long (MA): Sherrie Robinson (AAA): Marjorie Chulsky (GLC): Kelly Stone (GRE): Edna Newman (MS): Kristie Madson (HS): Kamilah Bergman	\$26/hr.
District	Medical Screener for Central Registration (Nurse)	Margaret Chapman, Bogumila Hout	\$38/hr.
High School	NJGPA Summer Examiners	Tiffani Monroe	\$35/hr.
High School	ELA Teacher	Gina Valentine	\$35/hr.
High School	Physical Education Teacher	Joe Simon	\$35/hr.
High School	Weight Room Supervisors (a.m.)	Ruby Nazon, Darnell Tyler (Substitute): Shawn Brown, Kerin Mejia Alvarado	\$22/hr.

High School	Weight Room Supervisors (p.m.)	Jessica Rodriguez (Substitute): Kerin Mejia Alvarado	\$22/hr.
High School	AP English Teacher	Tara Okun, Gina Valentine	\$35/hr.
High School	AP Human Geography Teacher	Alexander Smiga	\$35/hr.
High School	AP Macroeconomics Teacher	Lianne Kulik	\$35/hr.
High School	AP Psychology Teacher	Jenna Miah	\$35/hr.
Middle School	Bilingual Instructional Assistants	Rute Nunes-Bento, Raphael Silva	\$20/hr.
Middle School	Enrichment Teacher	Claudia Giron	\$35/hr.
Middle School	Grade 6 Experience Teacher	Yessika Moreno	\$35/hr.
Middle School	Safe School	Tygeria Covin, Jeremy Rosa	\$20/hr.
Middle School	Substitute Nurse	Roxanna Santiago, Noreen Schifano	\$38/hr.
Middle School	Substitute Teacher	Michelle Saner	\$35/hr.
Elementary/ECLC	STEAM Lifeguards	Alexandra Muscillo	\$35/hr.
Elementary/ECLC	STEAM Program Director	Samantha Gallo	\$40/hr.
Elementary/ECLC	STEAM Instructional Assistants	Jennifer Adams, Shane Baker, Jennifer Buono, Ambar Capurro Rodriguez, Danisha Clayton, Kayla Cornavaca-Mendez, Juscelina Deresende, Tiffany Encarnacion, Lauren Flynn, Charletta Friday, Travis Kelleher, Erin Kelly, Debra Langel, Shana Linton-Sanderson, Victoria McCormick, Faith Morey, Beatriz Pacheco, Marilyn Reid, JoAnn Sciarappa, Ana Silva, Shatika Wallace, Christina Wells	\$20/hr.
Elementary/ECLC	STEAM Teachers	Jasmin Garcia, Susan Gilday, Ingrid Guzman-Cameron, Monica Holley, Jennifer Long, Mary McGee, Micah McKinney, Rosa Melo, Michelle Newberry, Martha Prieto, Tynekqua Rolfe-Wiggs, Erica Soto, Sydney Stout (Substitute): Kobe Brown, Caitlin Clarke, Kayla Cornavaca-Mendez, Romina Lujan, Griselda Meneses, Faith Morey, Edward Moskal, Alexandra Muscillo, Megan Renzo-Mazza, Arminda Rodrigues, Qimmiq Rosa, Wafaa Sawires, Kevin Schaubert, Robyn Silberstein, Altemise Toon	\$35/hr.
Elementary/ECLC	STEAM Safe School	Tariq Durant, Ciara Hart-Maldonado (Substitute): Kevin Schaubert, Ka'Von Williams	\$20/hr.

\*Teacher: Not to exceed \$7,140 for summer program (34 hrs. per week for 6 weeks)

#### **F. SUMMER STIPEND POSITIONS - SUMMER 2025**

That the Board approve/ratify the following summer stipend positions listed below:

ON	STIPEND TITLE	STAFF NAME	RATE
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Elementary/ECLC	STEAM Teachers	Therese Zambrano	\$35/hr.
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\*Teacher: Not to exceed \$7,140 for summer program (34 hrs. per week for 6 weeks)

#### **G. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES - 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year:\*pending fingerprints

#### **SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIANS 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

Alfredo Alava, Ynmaculada Amepero-Cepeda, Eda Pineda Guzman, Lyda Hernandez Lopez, Luigi Maglione, Gregory Martinez, Jeronimo Munigua, Ramon Leon-Pena, Gloria Torres, Scarlet Vivas

#### **H. EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR STIPEND POSITIONS - SUMMER 2025**

That the Board approve/ratify the following extended school year stipend positions listed below:

STIPEND TITLE	STAFF NAME	RATE
CST Case Conference - Speech Therapist	Amanda Russo	\$75/case
CST Case Conference - General Education Teachers	Melissa Christopher, Felicia Clark, Cheryl Martin	\$75/case
CST Case Conference - Special Education Teachers	Nikita Grinnell	\$75/case
CST Evaluations - LDTC	Fiona McKeon	\$350/case
CST Evaluations - Social Worker	Kerry Santos, Ashley Yerks	\$350/case
CST Evaluations - Speech Therapist	Alexandra Generelli, Marjani Morgan, Amanda Russo, Maria (Mia) Zampelle	\$350/case
ESY Counselors - Related Services	Thaissa Braga, William Potter, Kerry Santos	\$64/hr.
ESY Instructional Assistants	George Alonzo, Batuhan Ates, Ardenia Clayton, Juscelina Deresende, Johneece Flemming, Yoselin Gomez, Mirella Gonzalez, Hailee Gordon, Theresa Henderson, Sheila Hoover-Popo, Erin Kelly, Stephanie Kircher, Sonia Mendez, Mariana Moreno, Rute Nunes-Bento, Sara Ortiz, Kechla Rodriguez, Ivette Sanabria Mendoza, Michelle Saner, Sadie Stout	\$20/hr.
ESY Elementary Special Education Teacher	Carolee Wagner	\$35/hr.
ESY MS Special Education Teachers	Lisa Brosniak, Angela Napoli	\$35/hr.
ESY School-to-Work Teachers	Michelle Petillo	\$35/hr.
ESY Speech/Language Specialist - Related Services	Blair Sliazis	\$64/hr.
ESY Substitute Instructional Assistants	Julianna Crespo, Travis Kelleher, Elizabeth Levano, Keisla Rodriguez, Kelly Wolff	\$20/hr.
ESY Substitute Teachers	George Alonzo, David Amendola, Danielle Apel-Shenko, Burak Ates, Camille Barone-Simon, Quinn Batcho, Emily Bryk, Barbra Costello, Kirsten Coughlin, Julianna Crespo, Rachel Damstra, Beth Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Nisha Khanna, Kylie King, Terrence King, Jason LaViola, Romina Lujan, Elizabeth Marrin, Joanna Napolitano, Ashley Nunez, Frances O'Hare, Lisann Perrulli, Dana Switay, Meredith Weinstein, Rene Yennella	\$35/hr.

#### **I. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend position:

LOCATION	POSITION	STAFF MEMBER	AMOUNT
District	Athletic Event Workers (2025-2026) School Year	Tygeria Covin	Paid Per Athletic Event Fee Schedule

**J. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - FALL 2025**

That the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend position:

LOCATION	CATEGORY	POSITION	STAFF MEMBER	STEP	AMOUNT
High School	1	Varsity Football - Assistant Coaches	Damon Colbert	4	\$6,500
			Robert Kohler	2	\$5,500
High School	1	Freshman Football - Assistant Coaches	William George	4	\$5,000
			Daniel Niederhauser	1	\$3,800
High School	1	Varsity Football- Volunteer Coach	Nicholas Tranchina	-	-
High School	2	Boys Varsity Soccer - Assistant Coach	Raphael Silva	3	\$5,000

**K. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - WINTER 2025-2026**

That the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend positions:

LOCATION	CATEGORY	POSITION	STAFF MEMBER	STEP	AMOUNT
High School	1	Boys Varsity Basketball - Assistant Coach	Damon Colbert	4	\$6,500
High School	1	Varsity Wrestling - Head Coach	William George	3	\$10,000
Middle School	1	Wrestling - Assistant Coach	John Begen	2	\$3,700

**L. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - SPRING 2026**

That the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend positions:

LOCATION	CATEGORY	POSITION	STAFF MEMBER	STEP	AMOUNT
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High School	2	Boys Varsity Lacrosse - Assistant Coach	John Begen	3	\$5,000
High School	2	Boys Varsity Track - Head Coach	Graham Huggins-Filozof	3	\$8,000
High School	2	Boys Varsity Track - Assistant Coach	Cole Dispoto	2	\$4,500
High School	3	Boys Varsity Tennis - Head Coach	William Potter	3	\$6,000

**M. ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES/MEETINGS**

That the Board approve the attendance of staff members at the conferences listed.

**N. FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

That the Board approve/ratify the medical leave of absences listed:

**INTENTION TO RETURN FROM FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

EMP ID 7188, effective May 21, 2025.

EMP ID 4139, effective May 19, 2025.

EMP ID 8427, effective June 2, 2025.

EMP ID 8612, effective May 20, 2025.

**FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING SICK DAYS**

EMP ID 8612, from May 7, 2025 to June 22, 2025.

EMP ID 4424, from February 24, 2025 to June 18, 2025.

EMP ID 5849, from May 29, 2025 to June 18, 2025.

**FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING EXCHANGE DAYS**

EMP ID 5849, for June 19, 2025

**FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING VACATION DAYS**

EMP ID 8612, from June 23, 2025 to June 30, 2025.

EMP ID 5849, from June 23, 2025 to June 30, 2025.

**FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING MINUS SUB PAY DAYS**

EMP ID 8275, from May 14, 2025 and May 15, 2025.

**FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING UNPAID DAYS**

EMP ID. 8254, from May 12, 2025 to June 18, 2025.

EMP ID 8275, from May 16, 2025 to June 18, 2025.

**REQUEST TO EXTEND FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING UNPAID DAYS**

EMP ID 8872, from May 12, 2025 to June 18, 2025.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Theresa Dangler to approve items 4D - 4N.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Abstain: Armand Zambrano

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**5. STUDENT ACTION - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY HIB REPORT P.L. 2010. C. 122 (A-3466)**

That the Board approve the monthly report as required by statute.

**Reporting Period - May 8, 2025 - June 6, 2025**

**Summary:**

Total: Six (6) investigations, (2) two incidents confirmed as HIB

**Gregory School**

One (1) investigation, (0) zero incidents confirmed as HIB

**Joseph M. Ferraina School**

Two (2) investigations, (0) zero incidents confirmed as HIB

**Middle School**

One (1) investigation, (0) zero incidents confirmed as HIB

**High School**

Two (2) investigations, (2) two incidents confirmed as HIB

**B. PLACEMENT OF OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENT FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the following out of district student for the 2024 - 2025 school year:

COLLIER SCHOOL

Wickatunk, NJ

Tuition: \$10,062.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 5/12/25 - 6/18/25

ID#: 110850212, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

**C. PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS ON HOME INSTRUCTION - 2024- 2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the placement of the following students on home instruction for the 2024 - 2025 school year:

**LearnWell**

ID#: 20270679

PHP: 40 hr. mth @ \$68.00/hr = \$2,720.00 mth

ID#: 20267545

PHP: 40 hr. mth @ \$68.00/hr = \$2,720.00 mth

ID#: 202810792

PHP: 40 hr. mth @ \$68.00/hr = \$2,720.00 mth

**Integrated School Base**

ID#: 20270204

PHP: 5 days a week @ \$1,400.00 per week = \$11,200.00

**Home Instruction (district)**

ID#: 20291858

ID#: 20274675

ID#: 110850268

ID#: 110850089

**D. TERMINATION OF STUDENTS ON HOME INSTRUCTION FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the board approve/ratify the termination of Home Instruction for the 2024-2025 school year for the following:

ID#: 2030314

**E. RECOMMENDATION FOR ATYPICAL HOMELESS TUITION-IN STUDENTS FOR PLACEMENT FOR THE 2024- 2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the following homeless tuition-in students for placement for the 2024 - 2025 school year:

**MIDDLETOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Student ID#	203611025
Placement:	Amerigo A. Anastasia School
Tuition Amount:	\$4,013.68
Effective Date:	4/28/2025

**PERTH AMBOY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Student ID#	202811051
Placement:	High School
Tuition Amount:	\$ 3,282.56
Effective Date:	5/7/25

Student ID#	202811052
Placement:	George L. Catrambone School
Tuition Amount:	\$ 3,362.81
Effective Date:	5/7/25

Student ID#	203511057
Placement:	George L. Catrambone School
Tuition Amount:	\$ 2,278.03
Effective Date:	5/19/25

Student ID#	203111055
Placement:	Middle School
Tuition Amount:	\$ 3,549.67
Effective Date:	5/7/25

Student ID#	203611058
Placement:	Middle School
Tuition Amount:	\$ 2,278.03
Effective Date:	5/19/25

Student ID#	203911094
Placement:	Morris Avenue School
Tuition Amount:	\$ 1,223.95
Effective Date:	6/02/25

**HIGHTSTOWN SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

Student ID# 203711084  
Placement: Morris Avenue School  
Tuition Amount: \$ 1,977.15  
Effective Date: 5/19/25

**F. RECOMMENDATION FOR PLACEMENT OF OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENT FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL  
YEAR**

That the Board approve/ratify the following placement of an out of district student for the 2025-2026 school year:

**EAST MOUNTAIN SCHOOL**

Belle Mead, N.J. Tuition: \$27,000.00  
Trans:  
Effective Dates: 3/34/25-6/18/25

ID#: 110850031, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

**CHILDREN CENTER**

Neptune, N.J. Tuition: \$87,114.98  
Trans:  
Effective Dates: 7/1/25-6/16/26

ID#: 20357613, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services  
ID#: 20314455, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services  
ID#: 20269266, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

**CHILDREN WITH HIDDEN INTELLIGENCE**

Lakewood, N.J. Tuition: \$151,200.00  
Trans:  
Effective Dates: 7/1/25-6/18/26

ID#: 01004564, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

Tuition: \$151,200.00  
Extraordinary Aid: \$42,000.00  
Trans:  
Effective Dates: 7/1/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20389889, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

**COLLIER SCHOOL**

Wickatunk, N.J. Tuition: \$68,250.00  
Trans:



Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 120800002, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

Tuition: \$68,940.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 9/3/25-6/18/26

ID#: 110850212, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **CPC HIGH POINT SCHOOL**

Morganville, N.J.

Tuition: \$119,076.30

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20291991, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20313757, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **HAWKSWOOD SCHOOL**

Eatontown, N.J.

Tuition: \$90,098.40

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20367649, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20303180, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20337007, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20304468, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20339150, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20314517, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20291649, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 80100312, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20270768, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

Tuition: \$90,098.40

Extraordinary Aid: \$52,290.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20335519, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20314388, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20303223, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **HARBOR SCHOOL**

Eatontown, N.J.

Tuition: \$90,867.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20266179, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

Tuition: \$90,867.00

Extraordinary Aid: \$44,940.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 121200036, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20263387, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20270273, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20347519, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

ID#: 20336620, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **OCEAN ACADEMY**

Bayville, N.J.

Tuition: \$84,913.50

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/1/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20263281, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **SEARCH DAY**

Ocean, N.J.

Tuition: \$89,277.54

Extraordinary Aid: \$56,680.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/1/25-6/16/26

ID#: 20357253, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

Tuition: \$89,277.54

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/1/25-6/16/26

ID#: 100850428, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **SHORE CENTER**

Tinton Falls, N.J.

Tuition: \$58,000.00

Extraordinary Aid: \$48,000.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 9/1/25-6/30/26

ID#: 20280812, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

Tuition: \$58,000.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 9/1/25-6/30/26

ID#: 111200078, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

### **G. FIELD TRIPS**

That the Board approve the Field Trips indicated below and made part of the permanent minutes upon Board approval.

**6. CORRECTIONS/REVISION TO MINUTES - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. CORRECTIONS/REVISION TO MINUTES**

That the Board approve/ratify the following corrections/revision to minutes;

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown to approve items 5A - 6A.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:16 P.M.**

That the Board approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975) allows for the exclusion from discussion at the public portion of a meeting of certain matters which might endanger the public interest or risk the deprivation of individual rights, and

**WHEREAS**, the Long Branch Board of Education wishes to discuss **personnel matters** with the resulting action being made public when a proper conclusion has been reached and there is no longer a need for confidentiality;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Long Branch Board of Education will hold a closed Executive Session in Room 1086, Middle School, Long Branch, New Jersey. It is anticipated that the closed session will not last longer than 30 minutes. Action may be taken in the public portion of the meeting upon recessing of this Executive Session back into the open public meeting.

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Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman

Not Present at Vote: Dominic Sama

Motion Carries

The Board returned to open session at 7:04 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Peters - President

Mrs. Dangler - Vice President

Mr. Zambrano

Mrs. Youngblood Brown

Mr. Ferraina

Mr. Garlipp

Mr. Torres

Mr. Zimmerman

Mr. Sama

**8. PERSONNEL ACTION - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:**

**A. RE-INSTATEMENT OF EMPLOYEE SUSPENDED WITH PAY - RESOLUTION**

That the Board approve/ratify the re-instatement of suspended employee (#8939), effective June 3, 2025.

**B. RE-INSTATEMENT OF EMPLOYEE SUSPENDED WITH PAY - RESOLUTION**

That the Board approve/ratify the re-instatement of suspended employee (#8558), effective June 12, 2025.

**C. RE-INSTATEMENT OF EMPLOYEE SUSPENDED WITH PAY - RESOLUTION**

That the Board approve/ratify the re-instatement of suspended employee (#4393), effective June 19, 2025.

**D. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION**

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 8558), effective June 10, 2025.

**E. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION**

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 8180), effective June 11, 2025.

**F. EMPLOYEE TRANSFER - 2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

That the Board approve the transfer of the following individual for the 2025 - 2026 school year:

**KRISTEN CIRCELLI**, from High School to Middle School Principal.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown to approve items 8A - 8F.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Jon Zimmerman, Dominic Sama

Nay: Joseph M Ferraina for all

Nay: Jon Zimmerman; Dominic Sama for 8C only.

Motion Carriers

**9. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

No one addressed the Board.

**10. ADJOURNMENT - 7:09 P.M.**

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Dominic Sama.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Motion Carries

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