

LYNDHURST, NEW JERSEY

Thursday, March 16, 2023 Meeting #4

Public Meeting - 7:30 pm High School Auditorium This meeting is being recorded

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD Domenick Abbate, Jr., President

Paul Passamano, Vice President

Chris Andrinopoulos
Michael Carrino
Erin Keefe
Daniel Perrotta
Dr. Anthony Scardino
Elaine Stella
Michael Valvano

Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alma Morel, Assistant Superintendent of Schools James Hyman, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Wayne Demikoff, State Monitor

> Next Meeting April 25, 2023 at 7:30 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE: It may be necessary, from time to time, to remove or make changes in a motion(s) between the time this agenda is prepared and when the Board takes action.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Time:	P.M.
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FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Domenick Abbate		
Chris Andrinopoulos		
Michael Carrino		
Erin Keefe		
Paul Passamano		N N
Daniel Perrotta		
Dr. Anthony Scardino		
Elaine Stella		
Michael Valvano		

NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the following means: Annual notice was sent to The Record Newspaper, Township Clerk and posted in the lobby of the Town Hall & Board Office, setting forthcoming scheduled work meetings and public meetings of the board.

MEETING REGULATIONS

During each regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to ask questions and to make comments. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, the meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing items listed for approval on this agenda only. The second opportunity occurs just prior to adjournment, when citizens may address any subject matter that is pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the school district.

Persons wishing to speak at either of these public hearing segments, are asked to sign in on the speakers' sheet located on the podium. Comments and questions shall be addressed to the Board President or the presiding officer and shall be limited to five minutes per person.

Members of the public who choose to speak during this public session should carefully consider their comments as they could be held personally liable for any statements they make. Members of the public are asked to refrain from reading articles out loud at meetings. If there is an article(s) that you would like the Board to know about, please leave a copy with the Board Secretary who will see to it that it gets distributed to the appropriate persons.

LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION

ANNOUNCEMENT

The terms of School Trustees, Domenick Abbate, Michael Carrino and Erin Keefe will expire, thus three seats, all for three years, will be filled at the Tuesday, November 7, 2023 General Election.

Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A candidate whose name is to appear on the ballot must file his/her petition with the Bergen County Clerk on or before July 31, 2023, by 4:00 p.m. The petition can be found on the Bergen County website:

https://www.bergencountyclerk.org/Content/pdf/Board-of-Education-Petition-for-November-General.pdf

Only those persons who are permanently registered or those who register with the Bergen County Board of Elections, Hackensack, or the Lyndhurst Township Clerk by October 17, 2023 will be permitted to vote.

All judges to open the school elections at 6:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at:

<u>District</u>	<u>School</u>
District 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14	Jefferson School Jefferson School Senior Citizens Building Senior Citizens Building Senior Citizens Building Lyndhurst High School Lyndhurst High School Joseph Carucci Apartments Jefferson School Jefferson School Joseph Carucci Apartments Joseph Carucci Apartments Lyndhurst High School Lyndhurst High School
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting #3, February 28, 2023

	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Carrino	Ms. Keefe	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Perrotta	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion			-	8)					3
Aye									
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Abstain							r)		
Absent									

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

STATE MONITOR'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Recognition:

2023 Seal of Biliteracy Recipients

Thank you to the Lemanowicz and DiGiovanni's Families for their donation of books to the Lyndhurst Middle School Media Center. We are truly grateful for their generosity and the support they have given to our community.

PUBLIC BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

BOARD DISCUSSION & FORMAL BUSINESS AGENDA

FINANCE

Chris Andrinopoulos, Chairperson

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Finance may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the expected actions will be entertained.

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Finance recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote:

Motion made by	second by	_ that the following Finan	ce Committee actions of
the Board numbered	through	be adopted.	

- 1. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lyndhurst Board of Education that it has received and accepts the financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month ended February 2023 and certifies that the reports indicate that no major account or fund is over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year. A copy of the certification shall be included in the minutes.
- 2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached transfers for the month of February 2023.
- 3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the payroll for the month ended February be hereby approved and ordered paid:

February 15, 2023	\$1,567,157.86
February 28, 2023	\$1.576.813.00

4. BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached list of supplies received and services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, March 1, 2023 and ending March 16, 2023 be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Current Expenses (Fund 11)	\$1	,393,799.02
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	\$	24,331.14
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$	103,944.81
Debt Service (Fund 40)	\$	182,375.00
Total	\$1	,704,449.97
Total General Ledger	\$1	,704,449.97 97,008.00

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that Cafeteria services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, for the month of February be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Salaries/Payroll Taxes \$ 14,365.37

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023
11-000-261-610 HS MAINT. SUPPLIES 336.55 | 11-000-261-420 HIGH SCHOOL REPAIRS 336.

57.24

CONTRACTUAL BUS REPAIRS

11-000-270-420

57.24

TRUCK & AUTO REPAIRS

11-000-262-420

INCREASE IN SALARIES

11-140-100-101

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6. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education, County of Bergen, approve the following preliminary 2023-2024 school year budget for submission to the Bergen County Office of Education for technical review:

Current General Expense (Fund 11)	\$49,795,788.00
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	\$ 24,331.00
Transfer to Charter Schools	\$ 134,825.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$49,954,944.00
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$ 1,457,807.00
Debt Service (Fund 40)	\$ 1,170,700.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/ APPROPRIATIONS	\$52,583,451.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GENERAL FUND tax levy \$43,252,126.00 is approved to support Current General Expense and \$955,698.00 to support Debt Service, for the 2023-2024 school year budget.

- 7. BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 6A:23A-10.3(b)1, that the 2023-2024 school year budget includes the automatic enrollment adjustment in the amount of \$356,684.00 to be approved by the Lyndhurst Board of Education.
- 8. BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 6A:23A-10.3(b)1, that the 2023-2024 school year budget includes the automatic healthcare adjustment in the amount of \$483,511.00 to be approved by the Lyndhurst Board of Education.
- 9. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve \$60,000.00 as the maximum travel budget for the 2023-2024 school year. This amount includes reimbursement for conferences, professional development workshops, regular school travel, meals and mileage for conferences/workshops, as well as any other associated costs for school related travel events. The maximum amount approved for the 2022-2023 school year was \$60,982.00. As of March 16, 2023 the total amount spent was \$30,146.99.
- 10. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve a maximum dollar budget limit for the 2023-2024 school year, for the following professional services:

Architect	\$25,000
Auditor	\$65,000
Legal Services	\$80,000
School Doctor	\$10,000
Consultants	\$18,000
Environmental Services	\$10,000

- 11. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the Certification of Implementation of Corrective Action Plan for the fiscal year 2021-2022 audit.
- 12. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education, renew/approve Benecard as its benefits administrator for group prescription drug coverage for one year, effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, with no rate increase.
- 13. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve Dr. Richard Galasso, Nutley, New Jersey for Department of Transportation ("DOT") physicals, at \$80.00 per visit, for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 14. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve a student to attend BCSSD's Brownstone program in Saddle Brook, effective March 20, 2023. Tuition is \$20,635.25 for the remainder of this school year. Transportation will be provided by South Bergen Jointure Commission.
- 15. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve a student to attend Windsor Prep High School in Paramus, effective March 13, 2023. Tuition is \$20,854.68 for the remainder of this school year. Transportation will be provided by South Bergen Jointure Commission.
- 16. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the addendum to extend the Existing Agreement with AlphaBest Education, Inc. for Before and After School Child Care Services, for two (2) additional years, through June 2025.
- 17. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the transfer of \$18,750.00 from Maintenance Reserve to General Fund line account 11-000-261-420-03-73-060, to B&B Improvement Roofing Contractors for Columbus Schools rear flat porch and top roof repair.
- 18. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education award Dell Technologies for the purchase of computer equipment, in the amount of \$265,039.50 through New Jersey State Contract #M0483/19TELE00656.
- 19. WHEREAS, The Board of Education of the Lyndhurst School District in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Board"), desires to proceed with a school facilities project consisting generally of:

Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP) Major Amendment Update

WHEREAS, the board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF LYNDHURST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with the requirements of Section 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Major Amendment Update to its previously approved LRFP and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval.

Section 2. The Board hereby authorizes the amendment to its Long-Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect the proposed Project(s).

Section 3. The School administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board Attorney, Board Counsel and Architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this resolution; including the submission of Information to the New Jersey Department of Education as applicable to the proposed Project.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Finance	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Carrino	Ms. Keefe	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Perrotta	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain		0				×			
Absent		-		10		0		8	

POLICIES AND RULES/REGULATIONS

Elaine Stella, Chairperson

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Policies and Rules/Regulations may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the expected actions will be entertained.

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Policies and Rules/Regulations recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote:					
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1.	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board decision in HIB investigations for the reaso to the students' parents, and directs the Butransmit a copy of the Board's decision to the students.	ns set forth in the Supsiness Administrator/	perintendent's decision Board Secretary to		
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2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following use of school facilities:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Place</u>	Time, Date, Purpose
Franklin School PTA	MS Gym	4:00 pm -9:00 pm 5/12/23 Boots and Beauties: PreK-8th Daughter Dance
Jefferson/Columbus PTA	JS Gym	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm 4/28/23 Mother Son Dance
LMS 8th Grade Class of 2023	MS Cafeteria	5:00 pm - 10:30 pm 3/16/23 Chef's Night/Tricky Tray
Roosevelt School PTA	RS Gym	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm 3/24/23 Bingo for Books
Washington/Memorial PTA	WS Cafeteria	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm 5/3/23 (revised date) PTA Meeting

Coaches Clinic-Little League

Organization Time, Date, Purpose <u>Place</u> Washington/Memorial WS Gym 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm PTA 5/8/23 In Full Color Student Assembly Lyndhurst Parks Dept. **HS Track** 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Wednesdays (revised dates) 3/15/23 to 5/31/23 **Track Practice** Lyndhurst Parks Dept. HS Gym 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 3/18/23

Policy Rules & Regulations	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Carrino	Ms. Keefe	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Perrotta	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion	-								
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain					6				V 2V 5
Absent									

PERSONNEL

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Motion made by numbered tl	second by hrough be a	that the following Personnel actions of the Board adopted.

A. EMPLOYMENT

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointments* of the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1, N.J.A.C. 23A-6.8, and Board Policies 3141 and 4125, effective through for the 2022-2023 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

	Name	Position	Line Account	Salary	Location	Effective Date
а	Elizabeth Martinez	Home Instructor	11-219-100-320-14-00-000	\$55 per hour	District	3/6/23
b	Blanca Guaman	Lunch Aide	11-000-310-930-79-00-000	\$14 per hour	Roosevelt	3/27/23

2) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education rescind board resolution Personnel M.12 from the August 30, 2022 Board meeting, approving Felicia Lott, as the mentor for Molly Nawoichyk. Ms. Nawoichyk has a standard teaching certificate, and did not need to go through the mentoring process.

B. RESIGNATION

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the following employee resignations pursuant to N.J.S.A;18A:28-8; and Board of Education Policy 3141 for the 2022-2023 school year:

	Name Position		Location	Effective Date
а	Vincent Acosta	Assistant Spring Track Coach	High School	3/10/23

C. RETIREMENT

N/A

D. COACHES /ADVISORS/STIPENDS

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity, student activity positions for the 2022-2023 school year. New hires must be fully processed, including the results of a criminal background check prior to employment.

	Name	Position	Line Account	Salary	Location	Effective Date
8	Rich Tuero	Girls Flag Football Coach	To be paid by the NY Jets Grant	\$4,000	High School	23-24 School Year
b	Isaiah Aviles	Spring Track Assistant Coach	11-402-100-100-02-97-050	½ of step 1 \$2,794	High School	22-23 School Year

2) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity, student activity position for the 2022-2023 school year, as listed in the categories below:

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS ADVISORS

Line Account #11-130-100-101-MS-30-302

NAME	POSITION	STIPEND
Steven Arrigoitia	teven Arrigoitia A.M. Detention	
Michelle Novis	A.M. Detention	\$30.00 per hour

E. SUBSTITUTES

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following substitutes for the 2022-2023 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

Merna Awadalla

Substitute Teacher

Alexa Vastola

Substitute Teacher

Ty Vastola

Substitute Teacher Aide

NOTE: These appointments *cannot* exceed 29 hours per week and do not include benefits, vacations, health benefits, sick leave, sabbatical leave, or any other benefits provided by contract between the Lyndhurst Education Association ("LEA") and the Lyndhurst Board of Education.

F. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

G. VOLUNTEER

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year, pending results of fingerprint check:

	Name Position		Location	Effective
а	Vincent Acosta	Spring Track Paraprofessional	High School	22-23 School Year

H. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

	Name	Position	Location	From	То
а	Estefania Archila	Counselor	High School	Revise RTW from RTW on 3/16/23 to RTW on 5/8/23	5/5/23

I. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2022-2023 school year, for the following employees to attend workshops:

Name	Position	Date	Sub Required	Activity	Location	Cost
Christina Bernardo	Principal Washington School	3/31/23 (am only)	No	BCWIEL Inspiration, Health & Wellness workshop	LG Headquarters Inspiration Lab, Englewood Cliffs, NJ	N/C
Christina Bernardo	Principal Washington School	4/21/23	No	NJASA Workshop Becoming Your Best (Global Leadership)	Maggiano's Little Italy, Hackensack, NJ	Registration fee: \$50.00, travel/expenses not to exceed \$9.00
Tiffany DiBenedetto	MC Reading Specialist	3/14/23 (am only)	No	Literacy Coaching Workshop	Calvin Coolidge Elementary, Wyckoff, NJ	N/C, travel/ expenses not to exceed \$7.00
Jennifer Lambert	Middle School Math PreK-6 Teacher	6/26-6/28/23	No	ISTE Live 2023 (Presenter-The International Society for Technology in Education)	Philadelphia Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA	Registration fee \$695.00 2023SY Title II ESEA Grant
Alma Morel	Assistant Superintendent	3/22/23	No	Science-based & equitable literacy instruction workshop	Forsgate Country Club, Monroe Township, NJ	Registration fee N/C, travel/ expenses not to exceed \$60.00

Michael Rizzo	Principal Memorial Campus & Community	5/17-5/19/23	No	NJASA - 41st Annual Spring Leadership Conference	Caesars Hotel & Casino, Atlantic City, NJ	Registration Fee \$299.00, travel/expenses no to exceed \$800.00 per ALA contract
Blake Spence	LHS Social Studies 7-12 Teacher	6/2-6/9/23	Yes	AP World History Exam Scoring	On-line	N/C
Jamie Stevens	Director of Student Services	3/24/23	No	NJPSA Legislative Conference	NJPSA, Monroe, NJ	N/C

J. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the Internship as listed below, pending clearance of required paperwork:

	Name	University	From	То	Teacher	Subject
а	Stephanie Cerrito	Bergen Community	3/20/23	4/17/23	Johnny Vega	Elementary K-3
b	Melanie Costa	Bergen Community	3/8/23	3/9/23	Middle School Math Teachers	Math

K. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

L. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

M. GENERAL

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education *confirm/approve* the following employees tenure:

Fabiana Decorato

4/2/2023

Jena Sedlock

4/17/2023

2) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve additional period coverage at the Middle School, from March 22, 2023 through June 23, 2023 for the following teachers:

Name/Location	Position	1/6 of Salary, not to exceed			
Dawn Egbert	Crackin' the Code/22	\$4,544.39			
Rachel Guzzo	Architecture/22	\$3,366.43			
Ava Ruggier	STEM Sports/11	\$2,869.89			
Justus Deleshaw	Architecture/11	\$2,949.13			
Christine Leonardi	STEM Sports/22	\$5,931.00			
Steven Pi	Crackin' the Code/11	\$4,739.84			

Personnel	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Carrino	Ms. Keefe	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Perrotta	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
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NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC BE HEARD NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MOTION TO ADJOURN Time: _____P.M.

Roll Call	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Carrino	Ms. Keefe	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Perrotta	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye					n				
Absent									