



TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

**WORKSHOP/REGULAR BUSINESS  
MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 21, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The August 21, 2023 Workshop/Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education, Township of Pequannock, County of Morris, was called to order at 7:00 pm in the Pequannock Township High School Auditorium, 85 Sunset Road, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444, by Brian Senyk, Board President. The following statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, notice of this meeting has been properly advertised in the Daily Record and the Suburban Trends, its agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations, and a copy has been filed with the Pequannock Township Clerk.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:	Mr. Joseph Blumert	Mr. Sam Ciresi	Ms. Megan Dempsey
	Mrs. Danielle Esposito	Mr. Timothy Gitin	Mr. Greg MacSweeney
	Mr. Vincent Pompeo	Mr. Brian Senyk	

ABSENT: Mrs. Cara Shenton

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Portas, Ed. D., Superintendent  
Gordon E. Gibbs, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Elizabeth Sheridan, Ed.D., Director of Curriculum  
Jaclyn M. Morgese, Esq., Board Attorney

**FLAG SALUTE**

Board President's Report – Mr. Brian Senyk

Congratulated the baseball team and coaches for the game at Yankee Stadium. Announced that the Nocktaves will perform at Yankee Stadium on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Reported that the Board completed their certification training through NJSBA. Welcomed new teachers.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Michael Portas

Thanked Dr. Sheridan and presenters for a successful staff orientation. Thanked Mr. Andersen and staff for preparing the buildings. Announced that Mr. Lucas and Mr. Reiner will present an important initiative tonight. Reported that we are in the process of providing additional services based upon the DOE high impact tutoring program. Announced the upcoming performance of the Nocktaves at Yankee Stadium. Expressed how special it was to be on the field at Yankee Stadium

School Threat Assessment Team Information – Mr. Ron Lucas and Mr. Matt Reiner

Data Presentation on NJGPA Results – Dr. Portas and Dr. Sheridan

School Business Administrator's Report – Mr. Gordon E. Gibbs

Reported that the Emergency Operations Plan will be approved tonight, the Hillview playground is complete, a new steam table was installed in the PTHS kitchen, the district solar project and Hillview asbestos are near completion, safety film has been ordered and will be installed shortly, scoreboard installation is near completion, sidewalk slabs have been installed at North Boulevard, and there will be another town zoning board meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Thanked the donors for their contributions to the district. Thanked all for support during his mother's passing.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Members of the public may speak once for a maximum period of five minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak on any agenda item during their five minutes. If a member of the public raises a question, all questions should be directed to the Board President. Please state your name and sign in before you begin.

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

July 24, 2023 and August 7, 2023

Motion by: Esposito	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0 Abstain: Senyk on 7/24/23
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## APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

### PERSONNEL, MANAGEMENT, AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Mr. Sam Ciresi, Chair

PMC-31-24	Approval to Rescind Transfer of Staff - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-07-24)
PMC-32-24	Accept Resignations - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-33-24	Approval to Rescind Appointments - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-289-23) (PMC-08-24)
PMC-34-24	Approval to Rescind Additional Period Assignment - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-13-24)
PMC-35-24	Approval to Rescind Transportation Summer Hours - 2023 Summer Session & Athletics (PMC-12-24)
PMC-36-24	Approval to Amend the Appointment of PTPSA Member - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-09-24)
PMC-37-24	Approval to Amend Appointment - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-38-24	Approval to Amend Additional Period Assignments - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-13-24)
PMC-39-27	Approval to Amend the Reappointment & Assignment of Certificated Staff - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-255-23)
PMC-40-24	Approval to Amend the Reappointment & Assignment of Aides - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-257-23)
PMC-41-24	Approval to Amend the Reappointment & Assignment of Facilities Staff- 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-258-23)
PMC-42-24	Approval to Amend the Appointment of District Testing Coordinator - 2023-2024 School Year (PMC-14-24)
PMC-43-24	Approval of Unpaid Absence - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-44-24	Approval of Medical and/or Family Leave of Absence - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-45-24	Approval of Appointments - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-46-24	Approval of Seasonal Custodial Employment - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-47-24	Approval of School Lunch Aides - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-48-24	Approval of Work Based Learning Student Employees - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-49-24	Approval of Movement on the Salary Guide - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-50-24	Approval of Nursing Services Plan - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-51-24	Approval of Additional Period Assignments - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-52-24	Approval of Transportation/Bus Duty Aides - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-53-24	Approval of Coaches - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-54-24	Approval of Substitute Nurse - 2023-2024 School Year
PMC-55-24	Approval of School Counselors' Summer Hours - 2023 Summer Session
PMC-56-24	Approval of IEP/Special Education Meetings - 2023 Summer Session
PMC-57-24	Approval to Amend Child Study Team Summer Hours (PMC-334-23) (PMC-29-24)
PMC-58-24	Approval of School Threat Assessment Teams - 2023-2024 School Year

### RESOLUTION NO. PMC-31-24

#### **APPROVAL TO RESCIND TRANSFER OF STAFF - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-07-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescinds the transfer of the following personnel in Pequannock Township School District:

NAME	FROM	TO	EFFECTIVE DATES (on or about)	SALARY
Jablonski, Greg <i>Replacing James Bermudez</i>	Supervisor Instructional Technology & Data Management Pequannock Township School District	Supervisor Social Studies, World Language & Business PreK-12 Pequannock Township School District	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	Step 10, \$124,976

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-32-24****ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the following resignations:

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Jablonski, Greg	Supervisor Instructional Technology & Data Management Pequannock Township School District	10/4/2023
McKay, Ann	.7 Office Aide Stephen J. Gerace	8/22/2023
Zalewski, Kristen	.7 Office/Special Education Aide Hillview School	8/31/2023

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-33-24****APPROVAL TO RESCIND APPOINTMENTS - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-289-23) (PMC-08-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescinds the appointments of the following personnel in the Pequannock Township School District.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES (on or about)	SALARY
Pinto, Katherine <i>Replacing Karyn Reinhold</i>	Special Education Teacher/MD Pequannock Valley School	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	BA+15, Step 2 \$60,540
Richardson, Tina <i>Replacing Micdalia Pelaez</i>	Bus Driver Pequannock Township School District	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	Step 4, \$38,640

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-34-24****APPROVAL TO RESCIND ADDITIONAL PERIOD ASSIGNMENT - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-13-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, rescinds the following personnel for additional period assignments/supervisory duty for the 2023-2024 school year, prorated, per Negotiated Agreement between the Pequannock Township Board of Education and the Pequannock Township Education Association.

NAME	SCHOOL	FREQUENCY	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE DATES	SALARY
Pinto, Katherine <i>5th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Valley School	60 minutes/day 5 days/week	Life Skills	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$8,300

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-35-24****APPROVAL TO RESCIND TRANSPORTATION SUMMER HOURS - 2023 SUMMER SESSION & ATHLETICS (PMC-12-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescinds the following bus driver to perform services during the summer as needed, between August 1, 2023 and August 31, 2023.

NAME	HOURS	HOURLY RATE
Richardson, Tina	50	\$24.15

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-36-24****APPROVAL TO AMEND THE APPOINTMENT OF PTPSA MEMBER - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-09-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves to amend the appointment of the following personnel in the Pequannock Township School District, \*\*pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria and results from post-offer physical and drug-test as per Policies 3160 & 4160.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES (on or about)	SALARY
Shea, Matthew <i>New Position</i>	Chief Technology Officer Pequannock Township School District	10/2/2023-6/30/2024	Step 10, \$124,976 (prorated)

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-37-24****APPROVAL TO AMEND APPOINTMENT - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-08-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves to amend the appointment of the following personnel in the Pequannock Township School District, \*\*pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria and results from post-offer physical and drug test per Policies 3160 & 4160.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES (on or about)	SALARY
DeStefano, Kathleen <i>Replacing Lisa Crammer</i>	Math Teacher Pequannock Valley School	9/18/2023-6/30/2024	MA, Step 8 \$68,035 (prorated)

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-38-24****APPROVAL TO AMEND ADDITIONAL PERIOD ASSIGNMENTS - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-13-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves to amend the following personnel for additional period assignments/supervisory duty for the 2023-2024 school year, prorated, per Negotiated Agreement between the Pequannock Township Board of Education and the Pequannock Township Education Association.

NAME	SCHOOL	FREQUENCY	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE DATES	SALARY
DeStefano, Kathleen <i>5th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Valley School	60 minutes/day 5 days/week	Math	9/18/2023- 6/30/2024	\$7,885 (prorated)
Leao, Jenna <i>5th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Valley School	60 minutes/day 5 days/week	Wilson Instruction	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$8,300

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-39-24**

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE REAPPOINTMENT & ASSIGNMENT OF CERTIFICATED STAFF - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-255-23)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves to amend the reappointment and assignment of certificated staff members for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed in backup document "Amended Reappointment & Assignment of Certificated Staff for the 2023-2024 School Year" dated August 21, 2023, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-40-24**

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE REAPPOINTMENT & ASSIGNMENT OF AIDES - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-257-23)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves to amend the reappointment and assignment of certificated staff members for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed in backup document "Amended Reappointment & Assignment of Aides for the 2023-2024 School Year" dated August 21, 2023, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-41-24**

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE REAPPOINTMENT & ASSIGNMENT OF FACILITIES STAFF- 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-258-23)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves to amend the reappointment and assignment of certificated staff members for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed in backup document "Amended Reappointment & Assignment of Facilities Staff for the 2023-2024 School Year" dated August 21, 2023, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-42-24****APPROVAL TO AMEND THE APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT TESTING COORDINATOR - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (PMC-14-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, recognizes Elizabeth Sheridan as the District Testing Coordinator at the rate of \$375.00 for the period July 1, 2023 through October 1, 2023 and Matthew Shea as the District Testing Coordinator at the rate of \$1,125.00 for the period of October 2, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-43-24****APPROVAL OF UNPAID ABSENCE - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves unpaid absence for the following personnel for the 2023-2024 school year:

EMPLOYEE ID	DATE
#5266	11/8/2023

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-44-24****APPROVAL OF MEDICAL AND/OR FAMILY LEAVE OF ABSENCE - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the disability medical leave, child care or family leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act and the New Jersey Family Leave Act as follows. Staff using sick leave during the temporary disability period will be paid salary with health benefits coverage. Employee's leave under FMLA running concurrent with NJFLA shall be unpaid; however, health benefits will continue.

EMPLOYEE ID	DISABILITY LEAVE (on or about)	SICK/PERSONAL/ VACATION DAYS TO BE USED	NJFLA/FMLA LEAVE (on or about)	UNPAID (on or about)	RETURN TO WORK DATE (on or about)
#2366	9/18/2023-10/15/2023	19 days	N/A	N/A	10/16/2023
#3829	10/18/2023-11/1/2023	11 days	N/A	N/A	11/2/2023
#4380	10/23/2023-12/31/2023	46 days	N/A	N/A	1/1/2024
#4520	11/6/2023-1/5/2024	35 days	1/6/2024-4/7/2024	4/8/2024-6/30/2024	9/1/2024

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-45-24****APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointments of the following personnel in the Pequannock Township School District, \*\*pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria and results from post-offer physical and drug test per Policies 3160 & 4160.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES (on or about)	SALARY
Bhandari, Shashi <i>Replacing Alexa O'Brien</i>	.7 Special Education Aide Pequannock Township School District	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	Step 10 \$16,814

Chang, Kimberly <i>Leave Replacement for #5314</i>	Leave Replacement - Special Education Teacher Hillview School	9/1/2023-11/29/2023	BA, Step 1 \$58,040
Franke, Kathryn <i>Leave Replacement for #4770</i>	Leave Replacement - Social Worker Pequannock Township School District	9/25/2023-6/30/2024	BA, Step 1 \$58,040 (prorated)
Landy, Sarah <i>Replacing Katherine Pinto</i>	Special Education Teacher Pequannock Valley School	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	MA+15, Step 5 \$67,535
Meier, Victoria <i>Replacing Fiona Matear</i>	.7 Special Education Teacher North Boulevard School	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	BA, Step 1 (prorated) \$40,628
Pompilus, Yvette <i>Replacing Lindsay Corbett</i>	.7 LDT/C Pequannock Township School District	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	MA, Step 14 (prorated) \$55,906
Santangelo, Nicholas <i>Replacing PTHS Guidance Counselor</i>	School Counselor Pequannock Township High School	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	MA, Step 10 \$72,650
Schlesinger, Lisa <i>Replacing Alexa Longano</i>	LDT/C Pequannock Township High School	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	MA+45, Step 20 \$101,255
Seeback, Michael <i>Replacing Bethany Careri</i>	Allied Health Instructor Pequannock Township High School	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	MA+60, Step 16 \$92,850

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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#### **RESOLUTION NO. PMC-46-24**

#### **APPROVAL OF SEASONAL CUSTODIAL EMPLOYMENT - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following personnel in the Pequannock Township School District for temporary summer employment during the period September 7, 2023 through June 30, 2024, \*\*pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria and results from post-offer physical and drug-test as per Policies 3160 & 4160.

NAME	POSITION	SALARY
Gregory, Kyle	Custodial Staff Pequannock Township School District	\$14.13/hour <i>Not to exceed 25 hours a week</i>

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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#### **RESOLUTION NO. PMC-47-24**

#### **APPROVAL OF SCHOOL LUNCH AIDES - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointments of the following school lunch aides on an as needed basis to be determined by each building principal for the 2023-2024 school year at the rate of \$15.00, \*\*pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria and results from post-offer physical and drug test per Policies 3160 & 4160.

HILLVIEW SCHOOL	NORTH BOULEVARD SCHOOL	STEPHEN J. GERACE SCHOOL	PEQUANNOCK VALLEY SCHOOL
Brath, Colin	Barbosa, Iovilanda	Braue, John	Struble, Joselyn
DeNoia, Cathleen	Pittelkow, Donna	Brino, Alissa	Vanaria, John
Donahue, Jennifer	Struble, Joselyn	Dolfi, Marlene	Vanaria, Michelle
Howard, Cynthia	Vanaria, John	Kobylarz, Nicole	
Kazdan, Tara	Vanaria, Michelle	Lucas, Johanna	



Kernan, Meredith		Patti-Semeraro, Renee	
Mistrette, Ellen		Qira-Agolli, Zenepe	
Rodriguez, Julissa		Sole, Rebecca	
Schukalo, Cathy		Struble, Joselyn	
Struble, Joselyn		Tarantino, Robyn	
Vanaria, John		Vanaria, John	
Vanaria, Michelle		Vanaria, Michelle	
Zegler, Deborah			

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-48-24**

**APPROVAL OF WORK BASED LEARNING STUDENT EMPLOYEES - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointments of the following Work Based Learning Student Employees in the Pequannock Township School District. \*\*pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES	SALARY
Bock, Siana	WBL Student Employee - Lunch Aide Elementary Schools	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours
Fahey, Colleen	WBL Student Employee - Lunch Aide Elementary Schools	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours
Garcia, Bryanna	WBL Student Employee - Lunch/Office Aide Pequannock Township School District	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours
Goldberg, Aaron	WBL Student Employee - Lunch Aide Elementary Schools	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours
Kasperzak, Tyler	WBL Student Employee - Sports Broadcasting Pequannock Township High School	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours
Kelly, Braeden	WBL Student Employee - Lunch Aide Elementary Schools	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours
Osmanski, Shayla	WBL Student Employee - Lunch Aide Elementary Schools	9/7/2023-6/30/2024	\$14.13/hour Not to exceed 25 hours

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-49-24**

**APPROVAL OF MOVEMENT ON THE SALARY GUIDE - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves movement on the salary guide for the following personnel, based upon the receipt of applicable documentation that they have earned additional graduate school credits.

**Effective September 1, 2023**

NAME	ASSIGNMENT/SCHOOL	FROM	TO
Avagyan, Olga	School Nurse Pequannock Township High School	MA, Step 10 \$72,650	MA+15, Step 10 \$74,650

Gennarelli, Joseph	Social Studies Teacher Pequannock Valley School	BA+15, Step 9 \$66,320	MA, Step 9 \$70,320
Graff, Nicole	WBL/Academy Coordinator Pequannock Township High School	MA, Step 13 \$77,425	MA+15, Step 13 \$79,425

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-50-24**

**APPROVAL OF NURSING SERVICES PLAN - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Nursing Services Plan on file in the Central Office for the Pequannock Township School District for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as authorized by the school physician, Dr. Borkowski.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-51-24**

**APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL PERIOD ASSIGNMENTS - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following personnel for additional period assignments/supervisory duty for the 2023-2024 school year, prorated, per Negotiated Agreement between the Pequannock Township Board of Education and the Pequannock Township Education Association.

NAME	SCHOOL	FREQUENCY	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE DATES	SALARY
Honig, Elliott <i>7th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Township High School	45 minutes/day 5 days/week	Marketing I	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$6,225
McBurney, Jon <i>6th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Township High School	45 minutes/day 5 days/week	Physical Education/ Health	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$6,225
Twomey, Mary <i>6th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Township High School	45 minutes/day 5 days/week	Digital Arts I	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$6,225
Gallanthen, Gena <i>5th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Valley School	60 minutes/day 5 days/week	Science	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$8,300
Landy, Sarah <i>5th Period Assignment</i>	Pequannock Valley School	60 minutes/day 5 days/week	Special Education	9/1/2023- 6/30/2024	\$8,300

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-52-24**

**APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION/BUS DUTY AIDES - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following aides to be compensated at the hourly rate listed below, not to exceed 5 hours/week, upon submission of timesheets, for transportation to and from school, and bus duty for the 2023-2024 school year.

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	HOURLY RATE
Arena, Susan	AM Bus Duty Aide Stephen J. Gerace School	\$18.84

Esposito, Kelliane	AM Bus Duty Aide Hillview School	\$22.09
Kelly, Natalie	Transportation Aide - Substitute North Boulevard School	\$26.28
Mee, Diane	Transportation Aide North Boulevard School	\$23.70
Morello, Sharon	Transportation Aide North Boulevard School	\$17.98

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-53-24**

**APPROVAL OF COACHES - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following out of district personnel as coaches/volunteers for the 2023-2024 school year, pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria.

**Fall, 2023**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	ASSIGNMENT	SCHOOL	STEP	STIPEND
Blakely	Ethan	Volunteer - Boys Soccer	PTHS	N/A	N/A

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-54-24**

**APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE NURSE - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following personnel in the Pequannock Township School District, \*\* pending full satisfaction of requisite New Jersey Department of Education and District employment criteria and results from post-offer physical and drug-test as per Policies 3160 & 4160:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES	SALARY
DeBell, Susan	Substitute School Nurse Pequannock Township School District	9/1/2023-6/30/2024	\$200.00/day

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-55-24**

**APPROVAL OF SCHOOL COUNSELORS' SUMMER HOURS - 2023 SUMMER SESSION**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves School Counselor personnel to perform approved services, between July 1, 2023 and August 31, 2023 as listed in backup document "School Counselors' Summer Hours" per the 2022-2025 collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-56-24****APPROVAL OF IEP/SPECIAL EDUCATION MEETINGS - 2023 SUMMER SESSION**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves personnel to attend the 2023 IEP/Special Education Meetings, between July 1, 2023 and August 31, 2023 as listed in backup document "Summer IEP/Special Education Meetings" per the 2022-2025 collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-57-24****APPROVAL TO AMEND CHILD STUDY TEAM SUMMER HOURS - (PMC-334-23) (PMC-29-24)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, amends Child Study Team personnel to perform approved services, between July 1, 2023 and August 31, 2023 as listed in backup document "Child Study Team Summer Hours" per the 2022-2025 collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. PMC-58-24****APPROVAL OF SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS - 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the School Threat Assessment Teams for school year 2023-2024, as follows:

ROLE	PTHS	PV	HV	NB	SJG
Principal	Richard Hayzler	John Seborowski	Allison Stager	Elissa Scillieri	Matthew Reiner
Counselor / Psychologist / Social Worker	Kimberly Buscher	Shannon Patti	Nubia Fonseca	Melissa Cohen	Simon Im
Teaching Staff Member	Bryan Rescigno	Michael Zummo	Aileen Esposito	Melissa Barcadepone	Christine Rodeiro
School Safety Specialist	Matthew Reiner	Matthew Reiner	Matthew Reiner	Matthew Reiner	Matthew Reiner
Additional Counselor / Psychologist / Social Worker	Alexandra Blau	Lindsey Toth	Abigail Goff	Misty Lynes	Tamar Vacca
District Security Director	Ronald Lucas	Ronald Lucas	Ronald Lucas	Ronald Lucas	Ronald Lucas
School Resource Officer	William Juliano	William Juliano	William Juliano	William Juliano	William Juliano

Motion by: Ciresi	Second by: Blumert	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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## **CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL SERVICES**

### **Mr. Greg MacSweeney, Chair**

Mr. MacSweeney reported on the committee meeting of August 15<sup>th</sup> where curriculum revisions and the process of curriculum writing were discussed.

CIS-06-24	Approval to Amend Out-of-District Placement of Students 2023-2024 School Year (CIS-103-23)
CIS-07-24	Approval of Professional Day Presenters
CIS-08-24	Approval of Agreement with Inspired Instruction, LLC for Professional Development
CIS-09-24	Approval of Agreement with Conquer Mathematics for Professional Development
CIS-10-24	Approval of Agreement with Adithyan Rajaraman, PH.D. for Professional Development
CIS-11-24	Approval of Out-Of-State Student Field Trip
CIS-12-24	Approval of Student Field Trips
CIS-13-24	Approval of Workshop/Conference Attendance and Reimbursement of Related Travel Expenses
CIS-14-24	Approval of District Mentors for the 2023-2024 School Year
CIS-15-24	Approval of Out-of-District Placement of Students 2023-2024 School Year
CIS-16-24	Approval of New and Revised Curriculum Writing and Payment to Writers

### **RESOLUTION NO. CIS-06-24**

#### **APPROVAL TO AMEND OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (CIS-103-23)**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve to amend the following out-of-district placements for 2023-2024 School Year:

STUDENT	PLACEMENT		FEE
#3021804	Bancroft	ESY September-June	\$19,045.20 \$114,271.20
#700142	New Beginnings - The Gramon School	ESY September-June	\$22,552.20 \$136,816.68
#2550148	New Beginnings - The Gramon School	ESY September-June	\$22,552.20 \$136,816.68
#2820278	New Beginnings - Glenview Academy	ESY September-June	\$21,294.30 \$129,185.42
#3020417	New Beginnings - Glenview Academy	ESY September-June	\$21,294.30 \$129,185.42
#700096	New Beginnings	ESY September-June	\$21,360.00 \$129,584.00
#2820315	Sage Alliance	ESY September-June	\$4,576.00 \$71,656.00

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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### **RESOLUTION NO. CIS-07-24**

#### **APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL DAY PRESENTERS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following staff as workshop presenters for the 2023-2024 school year, as per negotiated Agreement between Pequannock Township Board of Education and the Pequannock Township Education Association, Article 30.A.6.n \$95 for up to four hours and \$190 for more than four hours.

Habermas, Lauren	Brensinger, Lee Ann	Schneider, Nicola	Luppino, Kimberly
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Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-08-24****APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH INSPIRED INSTRUCTION, LLC FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves an agreement with Inspired Instruction, LLC in the amount of \$5,600.00 for professional development to be paid for through the ARP ESSER Grant.

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-09-24****APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH CONQUER MATHEMATICS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves an agreement with Conquer Mathematics in the amount of \$16,920.00 for professional development workshops for 2023-2024 school year to be paid for through the ARP ESSER Grant.

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-10-24****APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH ADITHYAN RAJARAMAN, PH.D. FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves an agreement with Adithyan Rajaraman, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LBA in the amount of \$600.00 for professional development to be paid for through the ARP ESSER.

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-11-24****APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE STUDENT FIELD TRIP**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following out-of-state student field trips:

DATE	DESTINATION	PERSON IN CHARGE	SCHOOL/ GRADE/ # STUDENTS	PURPOSE	COST TO STUDENT	COST TO DISTRICT
10/12/23	Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum NY, NY	George, C.	PTHS/9-12/31	Explore Aircraft and Evaluate Levels of Success	\$60.00	\$150.00 (Sub)

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-12-24****APPROVAL OF STUDENT FIELD TRIP**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following student field trips:

DATE	DESTINATION	PERSON IN CHARGE	SCHOOL/ GRADE/ # STUDENTS	PURPOSE	COST TO STUDENT	COST TO DISTRICT
10/26/23	PTHS Field	Kopp/Graff/ Marrotta	PTHS/9-12/100	Tour Emergency Medical Helicopter	\$0	\$0
11/15/23	Warren County Community College Robotics Center	Graff, N. Kopp, E.	PTHS/10-12/15	Exploration & Application Opportunities	\$50	\$0

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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#### **RESOLUTION NO. CIS-13-24**

#### **APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT OF RELATED TRAVEL EXPENSES**

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated functions was previously approved by the Superintendent of Schools, as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendees and the school district's professional development plan; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the functions was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district and is deemed fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at these functions will be in compliance with state travel payment guidelines established by the Department of Treasury and the Federal Office of Management and Budget; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Pequannock Township Board of Education approves these attendances; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the reimbursement of the related travel expenses shall be in accordance with the above-mentioned guidelines. These are "not-to-exceed" amounts:

DATES	EMPLOYEE	CONFERENCE/ WORKSHOP LOCATION	REGISTRATION	TRAVEL/ LODGING	SUB COST	ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENSE
9/13/23	Kopp, Ed	NJSLS/NGSS Science Raritan College	\$0	\$39.48	\$0	\$39.48
10/12/23 - 10/13/23	Portas, Michael	NJPSA/FEA Fall Conf Atlantic City, NJ	\$375.00	\$254.03	\$0	\$629.03
10/12/23- 10/13/23	Scillieri, Elissa	NJPSA/FEA Fall Conf Atlantic City, NJ	\$375.00	\$383.58	\$0	\$758.58
10/18/23	LaTempa, Lorraine	Annual School Health Conf, Somerset, NJ	\$235.00	\$43.24	\$200.00	\$428.24
10/26/23	Abrams, Oona	Rutgers Center for Literacy Workshop	\$180.00	\$46.34	\$0	\$226.34
11/18/23- 11/21/23	Abrams, Oona	Conf on English Leadership Columbus, Ohio	\$465.00	\$1,209.18	\$0	\$1,674.18

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-14-24****APPROVAL OF DISTRICT MENTORS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following teachers as part of the New Staff and/or Novice Provisional Teacher Program and mentors as assigned for the 2023-2024 school year:

MENTEE	TYPE/CERTIFICATE	MENTOR	SCHOOL
Foglio, Christopher	Standard/Informal	Hayzler, Richard	District
Battista, Kelly	Standard/Informal	Meyers, Anne	HV
Chang, Kimberly	CEAS/Formal	Sycoff, Carly	HV
Matysek, Hannah	Standard/Informal	Sullivan, Katie	HV
Dreher, Kristi	Standard/Informal	TBD	NBS/HV
Gilligan, Kelly	Standard/Informal	Felts, Shannon	NBS
Meier, Victoria	CEAS/Formal	DeMarco, Jenna	NBS
Pompilus, Yvette	Standard/Informal	Shea, Amy	NBS
Zimmerman, Amy	Standard/Informal	Voltarelli, Diana	NBS
Frank, Kathryn	Standard/Informal	Goff, Abigail	SJG
Scalchi, Heather	Standard/Informal	Kypers, Jaqueline	SJG
Benitez, Rebecca	Standard/Informal	Foth, Jeff	PV
DeStefano, Kathleen	Standard/Informal	Schroeter, Stephanie	PV
Komeshok, Adrianna	Standard/Informal	Avagyan, Olga	PV
Krenek, Michael	Standard/Informal	Spezio, Bobbie	PV
Landy, Sarah	Standard/Informal	Quagliana, Susan	PV
Stevens, Kelly	Standard/Informal	McCaffrey, Candace	PV
Ahmed, Lamis	Standard/Informal	Patti, Shannon	PTHS
Butryn, Marlee	CEAS/Formal	Hayzler, Kristen	PTHS
Colaku, Aferdita	CEAS/Formal	Heleneck, Maria	PTHS
George, Chris	Standard/Informal	Rescigno, Bryan	PTHS
Lanzafama, Melissa	Standard/Informal	LaCognata, Heather	PTHS
O'Connor, Kristen	Standard/Informal	Toth, Lindsey	PTHS



Santangelo, Nicholas	Standard/Informal	Praschak, Terri	PTHS
Schlesinger, Lisa	Standard/Informal	Buscher, Kim	PTHS

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-15-24**

**APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following out-of-district placements for 2023-2024 School Year:

STUDENT	PLACEMENT		FEE
#2720271	Sage Alliance	September-June	\$71,656.00
#2800021	Spectrum 360, Academy 360 Lower School	September-June	\$112,629.59

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. CIS-16-24**

**APPROVAL OF NEW AND REVISED CURRICULUM WRITING AND PAYMENT TO WRITERS**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves new and revised curriculum writing, and payment to writers, per PTEA Article 30 6.m. \$183 per diem:

TITLE	TOTAL PAYMENT
Reading - Grade 4	Lyon, Samantha (6 days) \$1,098
Reading - Grade 5	Rentas, Jessica (6 days) \$1,098
Writing - Grade 4	Lyon, Samantha (6 days) \$1,098
Writing - Grade 5	Rentas, Jessica (6 days) \$1,098

Motion by: MacSweeney	Second by: Gitin	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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## **FINANCE, FACILITIES, AND ATHLETICS**

**Mr. Joseph Blumert, Chair**

Mr. Blumert thanked the donors for their generosity.

FFA-20-24	Transfer of Funds for June 2023
FFA-21-24	Payment of Bills - July 25, 2023 to August 21, 2023
FFA-22-24	Approval of Financial Reports/Monthly Certifications for July 2023
FFA-23-24	Monthly Reports from Schools and Programs for July 2023
FFA-24-24	Approval to Accept Donations to the Pequannock Township School District
FFA-25-24	Declaration of Obsolete Equipment
FFA-26-24	Acceptance of Annual Emergency Operations Plans for the 2023-2024 School Year
FFA-27-24	Approval of Non-Resident Student Contract for 2023-2024
FFA-28-24	Approval of Settlement Agreement for Student #2800021

### **RESOLUTION NO. FFA-20-24**

#### **TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR JUNE 2023**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the additional transfer of funds within the 2022-2023 budget from June 2023, in accordance with the attached list, which shall become a part of the record.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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### **RESOLUTION NO. FFA-21-24**

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS – JULY 25, 2023 TO AUGUST 21, 2023**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Bills List, from July 25, 2023 to August 21, 2023, submitted by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as attached:

FUND	AMOUNT
General Funds 10, 20, 40	\$2,882,942.26
Capital Projects Fund 30	\$1,973.75
Food Service Fund 6x	\$0.00

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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### **RESOLUTION NO. FFA-22-24**

#### **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS/MONTHLY CERTIFICATIONS FOR JULY 2023**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the attached Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Monthly Financial Reports for July 2023.

RESOLVED, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 3, the Board Secretary does certify that as of July 2023, no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 4, the Board of Education does certify that as of July 2023, the Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report did not reflect an over expenditure in any Major Account or Fund, and based on the Appropriation Balances reflected on this report and on the advice of District Officials, that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-23-24****MONTHLY REPORTS FROM SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS FOR JULY 2023**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of financial reports for the month of July 2023 for the High School Activities Account, the High School Interscholastic Athletic Account; and the Pequannock Valley School Student Activities Account.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-24-24****APPROVAL TO ACCEPT DONATIONS TO THE PEQUANNOCK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, in accordance with Policy 7230 and upon recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the following donations to the Pequannock Township School District.

DONATION	TO	DONATED BY
\$300.00	PTHS Veterans' Wall	Tastefully British
Field Equipment for Marching Band Value \$9,340.00	PTHS	PTHS Association of Music Parents

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-25-24****DECLARATION OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, to declare the following items to be obsolete and will dispose of them as deemed appropriate. (Attachment)

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-26-24****ACCEPTANCE OF ANNUAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the annual Emergency Operations Plan for each school for the 2023-2024 school year. These plans identify emergency evaluation, emergency sheltering, facilities shutdowns, evacuee reception, media contact information, and school violence, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.1.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-27-24****APPROVAL OF NON-RESIDENT STUDENT CONTRACT FOR 2023-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, authorizes the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, on behalf of the Pequannock Township School District, to enter into parent paid contracts to receive tuition revenue for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:

STUDENT	SENDING DISTRICT	GRADE	ANNUAL TUITION RATE
Student ID TBD	Tuxedo, NY	6	\$11,900

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**RESOLUTION NO. FFA-28-24****APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR STUDENT #2800021**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves and accepts the Settlement Agreement for student #2800021.

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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## **POLICY**

**Ms. Megan Dempsey, Chair**

### **Discussion:**

#### 5530 and 5530R - Substance Abuse

Dr. Portas reviewed revisions to policy and regulations. A discussion ensued among the Board and further discussion will take place in committee.

P-02-24            Approval of Revised Board Policies and Regulations for First Reading

### **RESOLUTION NO. P-02-24**

#### **APPROVAL OF NEW AND REVISED BOARD POLICIES AND REGULATIONS FOR FIRST READING**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the revised Board Policies and Regulations as listed for first reading:

<b>MANUAL SECTION</b>	<b>POLICY/REGULATION(R)</b>
<i>Administration</i>	1642.01 - Sick Leave
	1642.01R - Sick Leave
<i>Program</i>	2419 School Threat Assessment Teams
	2419R - School Threat Assessment Teams
<i>Students</i>	5530.1 - Student Random Alcohol and Drug Testing
	5701 - Plagiarism

Motion by: Dempsey	Second by: Pompeo	Roll Call Vote: 8-0-0
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**BOARD EFFECTIVENESS COMMITTEE**

**Timothy Gitin, Chair**

**Discussion:**

Timing of the BOE retreat and self-evaluation and Proposed calendar of BOE events

Mr. Gitin reported that the retreat will be held on February 13, 2024, a summer retreat will take place on August 12, 2024, and the self-evaluation is slated for July.

## **OPEN TO PUBLIC ANY TOPIC**

Members of the public may speak once for a maximum period of five minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak on any topic during their five minutes. If a member of the public raises a question, all questions should be directed to the Board President. Please state your name and sign in before you begin.

- Sandy LaCorte of Pequannock expressed concern over traffic safety on Sunset Road due to the narrow driveway and large vans at the school across from PTHS. She thanked Dr. Sheridan for the valuable curriculum. She gave her opinion on the substance abuse policy and stated that it benefited her family when her children were in school.
- Larrayne Robertson of Pompton Plains expressed her opinion on the substance abuse policy that 30 days for the first offense is a lot. She also stated that the school is doing a good job. She expressed her concerns regarding traffic safety on Sunset Road.
- Ann Marie Finnen, PTEA President and district music teacher, congratulated the Board for earning their certification and is in support of their efforts.
- John Nacion of Pompton Plains and PTHS Association of Music Parents member thanked the Board for approving the band camp that was attended by 100 students and staff. The feedback was positive and it was a success. He commented that if Nocktaves tickets are purchased through the link, students will receive money back. He announced that the marching band home competition will be held on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and expressed concerns regarding parking for large vehicles and trailers. He asked for support at the district level.

Dr. Portas thanked those who commented on traffic safety concerns and the substance abuse policy. He thanked Mrs. Finnen for the support between the Association and the Board. He said that Mr. Lucas will be a good resource person to help with logistics for the home band competition.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Pompeo asked that the policy committee review the public comment portion of the agenda for revisions so that when there is a large group from the public, they can speak first. Mr. Senyk asked for a status on the Veterans' Wall project. Dr. Portas explained that the Veterans' Wall project is one of the district goals for the upcoming school year and that it would be beneficial to have a community member who would step up to spearhead the project. Mrs. Esposito asked if there was any movement on the ski club. Dr. Portas indicated that there may be interest at the middle school.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Dempsey expressed an interest in bringing Latin back. Dr. Sheridan explained that it is difficult to get Latin teachers. She will look into the possibility of using Duolingo.

**BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. MacSweeney attended the Morris County ESC meeting where transportation issues were discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Motion by: Blumert	Second by: Esposito	Voice Vote: 8-0-0	Time: 8:57 pm
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Respectfully,



Gordon E. Gibbs  
Board Secretary

**FUTURE PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS**

Tuesday, September 5, 2023	Workshop Meeting	7:00 P.M.	PTHS
Monday, September 18, 2023	Regular Business Meeting	7:00 P.M.	PTHS