

**HAWTHORNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY**  
 Tuesday, April 18, 2023  
 Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.  
 Board of Education Meeting Room

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING BEGINS:**

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.

In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on the bulletin board of the municipal building, communicated to The Herald News, The Record, and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Hawthorne.

(Ask for Roll Call)

ROLL CALL:	PRESENT	ABSENT	Time of arrival after meeting has been called to order.
Joseph Carr	X		
Alex Clavijo	X		
Michael Doyle	X		
Jennifer Ehrentraut	X		
Alma Morel	X		
Anthony Puluse	X		
Jay Shortway		X	
Marco Totaro	X		
Abigail Goff	X		

Also Present: Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools  
 Cheryl Ambrose, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
 And approximately 3 members of the public and 7 on YouTube.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**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 must upon being recognized, rise, state their name, address and subject matter. Comments and questions shall be addressed to the Board President or the presiding officer and shall be limited to five minutes per person. The Board may (or may not) respond to issues raised by members of the public at the time they are raised, but will provide a response if and when appropriate.

The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Please note that the Board will not respond to comments regarding students or board employees in light of the privacy rights held by those individuals. Moreover, the Board discourages comments about such individuals, and will not be responsible for such comments. Members of the public who choose to speak during this public session should carefully consider their comments, since they could be held personally liable for any statements they make.

Finally, please note that in accordance with District Policy the Board will not officially comment or respond to any matter mentioned unless it can confirm that the matter has first been brought to the attention of the appropriate school personnel in an attempt to resolve the issue.

**PUBLIC BE HEARD - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

March 6, 2023 – Work Session – Public

March 14, 2023 – Regular Meeting - Public & Private

**Minutes – Moved by Mr. Carr, seconded by Mr. Puluse**

**Ayes - Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut,  
Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Ms. Goff**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**Absent - Mr. Shortway**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Mrs. Goff read a thank you note from Mayor Lane for the Board’s hospitality and support of Hawthorne’s 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- The Board received a letter from the Memorial Day Parade committee requesting confirmation of attendance.
- Invitation to Passaic County Education Association event on May 12, 2023 honoring Jennifer Ehrentraut.
- Passaic County Public Services 2023 Conference Friday April 28, 2023.

**REPORTS:**

Student Council Representative's Report – Paul Duerr – See attached report.

- April 1<sup>st</sup> HHS Marching Band Fish & Chips Dinner was a success.
- Class of 2024 fundraiser tomorrow, April 19, 2023.
- HHS Addams Family Spring Production April 27, 2023 – April 30, 2023.
- May 1<sup>st</sup> is college decision day.

Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Richard A. Spirito

- Congratulated all of the inductees into the National Honor Society, Italian Honor Society, and Spanish Honor Society.
- Spring sports update
- Hawthorne Police Department Leadership Camp – August 14-18, 2023
- Friday, March 24, 2023, the Borough hosted the first of four events celebrating the 125th Anniversary of Hawthorne.
- Revised 2022-2023 school calendar
- Annual 5th Grade TREPS event April 24, 2023 at Roosevelt School.
- Annual Budget hearing Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board meeting room.
- May 9, 2023 Board meeting will recognize GEOY Teachers and Education Support Professionals.
- LMS Spring Drama Production – Lion King on May 5, 2023

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:**

**Alma Morel, Chairperson**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Curriculum and Instruction recommends the following resolutions:

**CI-1. Approval of Field Trips**

Be it resolved, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following in accordance with Policy 2340:

School	Group	Destination	Transportation	Cost Per Student	Outside Funding
WS	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Madame Tussauds/Applebee's	Camila Tours Coach Bus	\$37.00	PTO and Fundraising
LMS	Write on Sports Gr. 6&7	Montclair State University	HPS	\$ 0.00	\$0.00
WS	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Turtle Back Zoo	HPS	\$12.00	\$0.00
WS	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Bergen County Zoo	HPS	\$ 3.00	\$6.00 PTO
RS	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Classes	The Hermitage	HPS	\$10.00	\$0.00
HHS	Business Students	William Paterson	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	Broadcasting 2	Lincoln Middle School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	Peer Leaders	William Paterson University	Provided by County	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Network	Glassworks Studio	HPS	\$35.00	\$0.00
*3 Elem	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Classes	Hawthorne High School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following student out of district placements based upon NJ Department of Education Maximum:

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
CI-2.	New Bridge Middle School/High School	\$445.50 per diem for approximately 45 days \$20,047.50 (plus, out of county fee of \$6,750.00)	N/A	N/A	Student (file# 040123)	4/19/23 - 6/30/23	Change of 22-23 SY Placement

CI-3. Agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District, Educational Enterprises Division, for Psychological Evaluations for one student (file# 040223) for the 2022-2023 school year. Services will not exceed \$790.00.

CI-4. BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board approves the 2022-2023 tuition rate for Elementary Emotional Regulation Impairment (formerly behavioral disabilities) in the amount of \$41,500.00.

CI-5. Agreement with Positive Learning, LLC to provide staffing services for a Behavioral Technician/Paraprofessional from April 19, 2023 through June 21, 2023 at a rate of \$60.00 per hour.

- CI-6. Agreement with TherapyTravelers and 3Chords, Inc. dba TherapyTravelers to provide Paraprofessional services to Hawthorne students from April – June, 2023. Paraprofessional services are on an as needed basis at a rate of \$60.00 per hour.
- CI-7. Agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District, Educational Enterprises Division, for a Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one student (file# 040323) for the 2022-2023 school year. Services will not exceed \$1,485.00.
- CI-8. Agreement with Learn Well to provide one student (file# 040423) with 10 hours of educational services per week at a rate of \$55.00 per hour, beginning March 23, 2023 with estimated end of date of June 18, 2023.
- CI-9. Approval of home instruction for students enrolled in the HOPE program as follows:
  - a. Student (file #040523) — Instruction starting date: 3/22/23  
Home Instructor – Educere
- CI-10. Approval of the Spring and Summer Curriculum Writing as per the attached list at the contracted rate of \$34.77 per hour.
- CI-11. Approval of the revised school calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.
- CI-12. Adoption of the elementary Reading Wonders Program at a total cost of \$394,984.90, to be paid \$225,000 by 06/01/2023, \$84,992.45 by 08/01/2023, and the final payment of \$84,992.45 due by 08/01/2024.
- \*CI-13. Approval of tuition contract for student (file #041323) placement from Prospect Park Board of Education to Hawthorne Board of Education in the Roosevelt Elementary School, emotional regulation impairment class, from March 27 - June 21, 2023 at a rate of \$4,150.00 per month.
- \*CI-14. Approval of revised tuition contract with North Jersey Elks Development Disabilities Agency for student (file #041423) from part time placement to full time placement effective March 29, 2023 through the balance of the 2022-2023 school year at a per diem rate of \$410.83.

**CI-1-14 - Moved by Dr. Morel, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut**

- Ayes - Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel,  
Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Ms. Goff**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - Mr. Shortway**

**PERSONNEL:**

**Jennifer Ehrentraut, Chairperson**

The following resolutions are pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:**

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
P-1.	Ronni Linden	Retire	School Accountant	n/a	n/a	District	7/1/23	Last Day	Retirement

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								on Payroll 6/30/23	
P-2.	James DeKnight	Retire	Head Custodian	n/a	n/a	JS	7/1/23	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/23	Retirement
P-3.	Alexandria Soto	Adjust	Speech Language Specialist	M+30/11	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$72,555	LMS/HHS	4/16/23	6/30/23	Adjustment in Degree
P-4.	Jennifer Jarotski	Leave	Elementary School Teacher	n/a	n/a	RS	8/31/23	6/30/24	Approval of Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence in accordance with the Federal/State Family Leave Act
P-5.	Ryan McMann	Extra Duty	Nat'l Hon Soc Advisor	n/a	Stipend of \$1,946	HHS	2022/23 sy	2022/23 sy	National Honor Society Advisor
P-6.	Anthony Amadeo	Extra Duty	Flag Football – Associate	n/a	Stipend of \$2,000	HHS	2022-2023 Season	End of Season	Flag Football Coach
P-7.	Carrie Parker	Extra Duty	AM/PM Bus	n/a	\$90.67 per hour not to exceed a total of 3 hours	JS	2 days	n/a	BCBA Behavior Plan for student (file #040623)
P-8.	Matthew Trejos	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	HHS	3/3/23	n/a	For student (file #040723) for the Spanish Honor Society Induction
P-9.	Matthew Trejos	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	HHS	3/25/23	n/a	For student (file #040723) for the Spring Concert
P-10.	Kristine Blau	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	3/24/23	n/a	For student (file #040823) for the LMS Dance
P-11.	Cristina Martin	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	3/24/23	n/a	For student (file #040923, file #041023, file #041123, & file #041223) for the LMS Dance
P-12.	Monica Moss	Adjust	Part Time Para	n/a	n/a	LMS	3/27/23	n/a	Return early from FMLA Leave
P-13.	Elizabeth Albanese; Anna Forestiero	Hire	Part Time Paras	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$18,900 per year (5.75 hours per day/5 days per week) +	District	4/19/23 Pending Completion of Criminal History Review	6/21/23	To Fill Vacancies

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					ABA stipend if applicable				
P-14.	Kevin Maphis	Volunteer	Volunteer	n/s	n/a	HHS	4/2023	5/2023	Volunteer with HS Theater Production

*\* All appointments are subject to the satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law and subject to verification of job qualifications and prior experience if necessary. In the event the criminal history checks are not completed, these applications are subject to the approval of the County Superintendent for emergent hiring procedures.*

P-15. Approval of the following person(s) to serve as (a) substitute teacher(s) in the Hawthorne Public School District for the 2022-2023 school year, subject to satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law and subject to verification of job qualifications and prior experience if necessary, with the provision that he/she/they remain on call to serve as (a) daily substitute teacher(s) as the need may arise for which he/she/they will be compensated \$105.00 per full day, no benefits. Substitutes working a half day schedule shall receive \$52.50, no benefits. In the event the criminal history check(s) is/are not completed, this/these application(s) is/are subject to the approval of the County Superintendent for emergent hiring procedures. The employment of this/these individual(s) is/are subject to the determination of the administration as to when he/she/they is/are needed.

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\*P-16. Acceptance of the following student(s) to complete his/her/their student field experience(s) in education in the Hawthorne Public School district during the 2022-2023 school year. This/These placement(s) is/are subject to the satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law. In the event the criminal history check(s) is/are not completed this/these placement(s) is/are subject to the approval of the County Superintendent for emergent hiring procedures. Per this resolution this/these student(s) is/are also approved as (a) substitute teacher(s) in the Hawthorne Public School District contingent upon obtaining a county substitute certificate.

Student	College	Type	Subject Area	Coop. Teacher	Loc
Destiny Rivera	BCC	Observation	General Education	TBD	LMS

**P-1-16 – Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Mr. Totaro**

- Ayes - Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Ms. Goff**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - Mr. Shortway**

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:**

**Alex Clavijo, Chairperson**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Finance and Administration recommends the following resolutions:

F-1. Acceptance of the Secretary's and Treasurer's Report for February, 2023 and March, 2023 and the Board Secretary certifies that no budgetary line item account has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligation.

- F-2. Approval to make the necessary transfers for the period February 1 through February 28, 2023 and March 1 through March 31, 2023, for the budget year 2022-2023 in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11. A list of these transfers is submitted under separate cover and shall be made an integral part of this resolution.
- F-3. Approval of travel to events for Board members and employees in compliance with the travel policy. A list of these events has been submitted under separate cover and shall be made an integral part of this resolution.
- F-4. Approval of the three-year renewal lease for property located at 507 Lafayette Avenue, 1st Floor, Lot 9, Block 131, Hawthorne, New Jersey beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2026 at an annual rate of \$64,200.00.
- F-5. Be it resolved that the Hawthorne Board of Education “SFA” approves the renewal of the Food Service Management contract with The Pomptonian, Inc. “FSMC for the food service operation for 2023-2024.
1. The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, an administrative/management fee of \$0.2218 per reimbursable meal and meal equivalent to compensate the FSMC for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be billed monthly as a cost of operation. The SFA guarantees the payment of such costs and fee to the FSMC.  
  
Total meals are calculated by adding reimbursable meal pattern meals served and meal equivalents. The number of reimbursable meals served to the children shall be determined by actual count. Cash receipts, other than from sales of reimbursable program meals served to the children, shall be divided by \$3.66 to arrive at an equivalent meal count.  
  
The per meal administrative/management fee of \$0.2218 will be multiplied by total meals.
  2. There is no guaranteed financial performance
  3. Total expenses (cost) include food, labor, supplies, other expenses, and FSMC management fee. The Total Estimated Cost of Contract is \$993,581.
- F-6. Agreement between Active Internet Technologies, dba Finalsite and the Hawthorne Board of Education from April, 2023 through June 30, 2028 for website design, implementation and annual software subscription costs. Initial set up fee of \$8,500.00, plus annual payments of \$7,800.00.
- A-1. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: HHS 243588 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-2. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 242606 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.

- A-3. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 242526 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-4. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 242649 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-5. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 243449 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-6. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 243450 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-7. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 243598 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-8. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2022-2023: LMS 243477 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.

**F-1-6, A-1-8 – Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Puluse**

- Ayes - Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Goff**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - Mr. Shortway**

**CLAIMS:**

**Abigail Goff**

*In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2:11(b), (c) 3, and (c) 4;*

- CL-1. Approval of the April 2023 Bill List.

It is recommended that the Board approve the bill list for the month of April 2023.

**CL-1 – Moved by Ms. Goff, seconded by Mr. Clavijo**

- Ayes - Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Ms. Goff**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - Mr. Shortway**

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:**

**Marco Totaro, Chairperson**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Buildings and Grounds recommends the following resolutions:

- BG-1. Approval of applications for use of school property, subject to non-interference with

school activities and the execution of the appropriate releases, including receipt of a Certificate of Insurance.

**JEFFERSON SCHOOL:**

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
Gymnasium	Saturday, June 17, 2023 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	<u>Appletree Preschool</u> Preschool Graduation

BG-2. Approval of the Agreements for the 2023-2024 school year with Sussex County Regional Transportation Cooperative for the coordination of transportation of students.

BG-3. Approval of change order #1 awarded to Nickerson Corporation to upgrade the countertop in the Café of the Media Center from 24” to 30” throughout the “U” shaped café perimeter walls. The cost of this change adds \$1,465.00 to the original contract price

**BG-1-3 – Moved by Mr. Totaro, seconded by Mr. Carr**

- Ayes - Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo,  
Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel, Ms. Goff
- Nays - None
- Abstain - None
- Absent - Mr. Shortway

**POLICY:**

**Alma Morel, Chairperson**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Policy recommends the following resolutions:

PO-1. Second Reading and Adoption of the following Policies and Regulations:

Policy/Reg.	Title
P0152	- Board Officers
P2425	- Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program
R2425	- Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program

PO-2. First Reading of the following Policies and Regulations:

Policy/Reg.	Title
P&R2520	- Instructional Supplies (Revised)
P3217	- Use of Corporal Punishment (Revised)
P5305	- Health Services Personnel (Revised)
P&R5308	- Student Health Records (Revised)
P&R5310	- Health Services (Revised)
P6112	- Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures (Revised)
P6311	- Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants (Revised)
P7440	- School District Security (Revised)
P9100	- Public Relations (Abolished)
P9140	- Citizens Advisory Committees (Revised)
R9140	- Citizens Advisory Committee (Abolished)
*P4217	- Use of Corporal Punishment (New)
*R6115.01	- Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls – Allowability of Costs (New)
*P6115.04	- Federal Funds – Duplication of Benefits (New)

**PO-1-2- Moved by Dr. Morel, seconded by Mr. Totaro**

- Ayes - Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Ms. Goff**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - Mr. Shortway**

**COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:**

**COMMITTEE**

**CHAIRPERSON**

Legislative ..... Joseph Carr  
 April 17, 2023 Governor Murphy signed A4720 regarding instruction on Holocaust and genocides.

Finance & Administration ..... Alex Clavijo  
 Committee did not meet. Public Hearing on the 2023-2024 Budget will be on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

PCSBA ..... Alex Clavijo  
 The next meeting will be a hybrid meeting on May 8, 2023.

Council Liaison ..... Jen Ehrentraut  
 At the April 5, 2023 council meeting the council proclaimed April Autism Awareness month.  
 Municipality’s Budget presentation provided.  
 Resolution approved for filing the COPS grant application.

NJSBA..... Abigail Goff  
 Announced School Boards Annual Convention will be October 23-26, 2023.  
 Letter received regarding increased member dues for 2023-2024 school year.

Policy..... Alma Morel  
 Committee met on April 18, 2023. Discussed Policy 0144 Board member orientation and training.  
 Considering providing a packet for new board members access to regulations and policies as well as copies of Collective Negotiated Agreements.

HEF/SEPAC/PTOs..... Anthony Puluse  
 Pocketbook Bingo was a great success.  
 May 21, 2023 Food Truck Festival at the High School.  
 5<sup>th</sup> annual 5k Color Run Sunday May 7, 2023.  
 Walk for Wellness hosted by the Stigma free community also being held Sunday May 7, 2023.

Curriculum & Instruction ..... Alma Morel  
 Discussed a new technology internship program at HHS similar to a work-based learning experience.  
 Students to shadow technology staff.  
 Update on sheltered instruction strategies.  
 K-5 ELA Wonders Program  
 Possibility of new instructional space in lieu of current HOPE location – requires county approval

Buildings & Grounds..... Marco Totaro  
 Met on April 17, 2023 and discussed referendum updates and other maintenance projects throughout the district.

**PUBLIC BE HEARD:** None

At this time, members of the public may ask questions or make comments on educational issues or school matters.

**GENERAL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD RELATED TO SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

Ms. Ehrentraut thanked Ms. Baber for the opportunity to read to her students. Complemented the students for their performance at the Hawthorne 125<sup>th</sup> celebration. Enthusiastic about the Bears Decision page.

Mr. Totaro expressed excitement about all of the Spring athletic events as well as the college decision page.

Mr. Clavijo encouraged everyone to support the Color Run as well as REPS event.

Mr. Doyle and Mr. Carr congratulated the retirees and students inducted into honor societies.

Mrs. Goff expressed her gratitude for being able to speak at the honor society induction. Reminded everyone about the April 25, 2023 Public Hearing on the budget.

Discussed inviting the Youth in Government for the May 9, 2023 Board meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**PRIVATE SESSION:**

Be it resolved that the Hawthorne Board of Education convenes an Executive Session to discuss exempt matters pertaining to: pending litigation and personnel

1. A matter rendered confidential by federal or state law
2. A matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds
3. Material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy
4. A collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiation related to it
5. A matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds
6. Protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law
7. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege
8. Specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session
9. Deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss

Be it further resolved that it is anticipated that executive session will be for 45 minutes in duration and that public action may/may not be taken:

Be it further resolved that the minutes of the Executive Session will be made available upon a determination by the Board that the disclosure of the minutes will not detrimentally affect any right or interest of the Board and the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

**MOTION TO GO INTO PRIVATE SESSION:**

At 7:47 p.m. Mr. Clavijo moved the board go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Totaro

Ayes - Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle,  
Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Ms. Goff  
Nays - None  
Abstain - None  
Absent - Mr. Shortway

**MOTION TO EXIT FROM PRIVATE SESSION:**

At 8:17 p.m. Dr. Morel moved the board exit executive session, seconded by Mr. Carr

Ayes - Mr. Carr, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut,  
Dr. Morel, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Ms. Goff  
Nays - None  
Abstain - None  
Absent - Mr. Shortway

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

At 8:18 p.m. Dr. Morel moved the board adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

Ayes - Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Dr. Morel,  
Mr. Puluse, Mr. Totaro, Mr. Carr, Ms. Goff  
Nays - None  
Abstain - None  
Absent - Mr. Shortway

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Ambrose  
Board Secretary