

HAWTHORNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY
Tuesday, November 14, 2023
Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.
Board of Education Meeting Room

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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	7:33 p.m.

Also Present: Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
Jenine Murray, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
And approximately 6 members of the public.

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:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

October 17, 2023 – Regular Meeting - Public & Private

Minutes – Moved by Mr. Puluse, seconded by Mr. Totaro

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

REPORTS:

A. Student Council Representative's Report – Brianna Counsellor

B. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Richard A. Spirito

- Governor Educator of the Year Program
- Congratulate Fall Sports teams
- Heroes & Cool Kids
 - Side Kicks Middle School Program
- High School Fall Production
- Winter Concerts
- Referendum Update
 - 21 Classroom Renovations
 - Window
 - Interior Doors
 - HS Elevator
 - Fire alarms
 - Generators
 - Last Remaining Project – pipe replacement and asbestos removal under the high school
- Happy Thanksgiving!

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
RS	Third Graders	Sterling Hill Mine	HPS	\$0.00	PTO
HHS	Enrichment - Network – AP Biology Class	Liberty Science Center	HPS	\$35.00	\$0.00
ELEM	Enrichment – Path – Gr 4	Medieval Times	HPS	\$44.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Network – Gr 8	Haskell Public Schools	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
ELEM	Enrichment – Path – Gr 5	Newark Museum	HPS	\$25.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Network – Gr 7	High Mountain Middle School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment– Network – Gr 6-8	Lakeside Middle School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
ELEM	Enrichment – Path – Gr 5	School #1 Little Falls	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Network – Gr 8	Wanaque El School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Gr 5/6	Lenox Elementary School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Gr 6	Haskell Public Schools	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment – Gr 7&8	Haledon Public Schools	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
ELEM	Enrichment – Path – Gr 3	Liberty Science Center	HPS	\$45.00	\$0.00
*HHS	AP Environmental Science	Hackensack River Keeper	HPS	\$26.00	\$0.00
*HHS	Heroes & Cool Kids	LMS	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
*HHS	Heroes & Cook Kids	Ramapo College	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00

- CI-2. Approval of alternative school for Hawthorne resident pupil as follows:
- Student (file #110123) – Instruction starting date: 10/23/23
Home Instructor(s) – Educere
- CI-3. Approval of home instruction for Hawthorne resident pupil as follows:
- Student (file #110223) – Instruction starting date: 10/31/23
Home Instructor(s) – Alexander Davis, Osvaldo Duran, Lisa Struckus,
Carol Murphy.
- CI-4. Approval of an agreement with Paterson Board of Education for placement of one student (file #110323) into Roosevelt School for the 2023-2024 school year at a tuition rate of \$15,400.00.
- CI-5. Approval of an agreement with Learn Well for 10 hours of educational services per week for one resident student (file #110423) beginning October 31, 2023 at a rate of \$57.75 per hour.
- CI-6. Approval of an agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission for Occupational Therapy Services for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$95.00 per hour.
- CI-7. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for a Teacher of the Deaf Consultation to determine services to be provided during the 2023–2024 school year for one resident student (file #110523) at a rate not to exceed \$495.00.
- CI-8. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for a One to One Assistant for one resident student (file #110623) for the 2023–2024 school year at a rate of \$50,985.00 per year.
- CI-9. Approval of an agreement with Above and Beyond Learning Group for BCBA Services from October 30, 2023 through January 31, 2024 for 13.25 hours per week, at a rate of \$130.00 per hour, plus a one-time Administrative Fee of \$250.00.

CI-10. Approval of an agreement with The Way You Say LLC for speech and language evaluations for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$800.00 per evaluation.

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-11.	Bleshman Regional Day School	\$435.50 per diem for 180 days \$78,390.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #110723)	9/7/2023 - 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-12.	SHIP Midland Park	\$81,360.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #110823)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-13.	Visions Paramus High School	\$63,900.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #110923)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-14.	HIP – MP Godwin	\$81,360.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #111023)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-15.	Washington Elementary School	\$82,620.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #111123)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-16.	Washington Elementary School	\$82,620.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #111223)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-17.	New Bridges Middle School/High School	\$82,620.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #111323)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-18.	SHIP Midland Park	\$81,360.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #111423)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-19.	New Bridges Middle School/High School	\$82,620.00 plus a non-resident fee of \$7,000.00	n/a	n/a	Student (file #111523)	9/2023 – 6/30/2024	23-24 SY
CI-20.	Durand School	n/a	Bus Aide \$140.00 per diem for 140 days \$19,600.00	n/a	Student (file #111623)	9/25/23 – 6/12/2021	23-24 SY

CI-21. Acceptance of the FY 2023 IDEA carryover funds.

IDEA BASIC	
Public	\$115,909.00
Non-Public	\$0.00
Total	\$115,909.00

CI-22. Acceptance of the FY 2023 carryover funds for ESEA grants in the following amounts:

Title IA	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$27,901.00
Title IIA	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$9,923.00
St. Anthony’s	\$841.00
HCA	\$2,193.00
Total Carryover	\$12,957.00
Title III	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$5,347.00
HCA	\$0.00
Total Carryover	\$5,347.00
Title III – Immigrant	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$9,627.00
Title IV	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$9,432.00
St. Anthony’s	\$799.00
HCA	\$2,085.00
Total Carryover	\$12,316.00

*CI-23. Approval for an extension to a previously approved agreement with Silvergate Prep for one resident student (file #110423) for homebound instruction for 10 hours per week at a rate of \$50.00 per hour for an estimated length of 30 – 60 days.

CI-1-23 - Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Shortway

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

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.	Cara Ann Murray	Resign	Long Term Substitute Teacher	n/a	n/a	LMS	11/1/23	Last Day on Payroll 10/31/23	Resignation
P-2.	Jennifer Trentacosta	Resign	Assistant Cheerleading Coach	n/a	n/a	HHS	10/23/23	10/23/23	Resignation

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P-3.	Alexis Bonagura	Leave	Teacher of Mathematics	n/a	n/a	LMS	3/6/24	6/30/24	Approval of Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence in accordance with the Federal/State Family Leave followed by Child Rearing Leave
P-4.	Kayla Aiosa	Hire	Long Term Substitute	n/a	\$282 per diem No Benefits	LMS	12/11/23 Pending Receipt of Certification	3/1/24 or the Return of the Regular Teacher	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Paternity Leave of Garrett Postolakis
P-5.	Kevin Mantel	Extra Duty	Heroes & Cool Kids Club Advisor	n/a	Stipend of \$1,338	HHS	2023-2024 SY	6/18/24	Heroes and Cool Kids Club
P-6.	Lindsay De Groff	Leave	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	JS	1/22/24	4/26/24	Approval of Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence in accordance with the Federal/State Family Leave
P-7.	Chanoska Adames	Hire	Part Time Para	n/a	\$18,900	WS	8/31/23	6/18/24	To Fill a Vacancy
P-8.	Kristine Blau	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	10/27/23	10/27/23	Chaperone for Student (file # 111723) LMS Dance
P-9.	Nicole Rosoline	Extra Duty	AM/PM 1:1 bus aide	n/a	\$15.00 per hour	JS	9/2023	12/2023	1:1 bus aide for Student (file # 111823)
P-10.	Lizette Perez	Extra Duty	AM/PM 1:1 bus aide	n/a	\$15.00 per hour	JS	9/2023	12/2023	1:1 bus aide for Student (file # 111823)
P-11.	Cindy Mierop	Extra Duty	AM/PM 1:1 bus aide	n/a	\$15.00 per hour	JS	9/2023	12/2023	1:1 bus aide for Student (file # 111823)
P-12.	Tonya Barnes	Extra Duty	AM/PM 1:1 bus aide	n/a	\$15.00 per hour	WS	9/2023	12/2023	1:1 bus aide for Student (file # 111923)
P-13.	Melanie De Dios; Chanoska Adames	Extra Duty	Translation Services at Night Events	n/a	\$34.77 per hour	WS	9/2023	6/2024	Paid through Title III Funds
P-14.	Erin Flanagan	Extra Duty	AM and PM Media Center/ Detention Duty	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	HHS	9/5/23	6/18/24	AM and PM Library/Detention Duty
P-15.	Darin Miller	Extra Duty	Lunch Duty	n/a	\$27.73 per lunch period	HHS	9/5/23	6/18/24	Lunch Duty
P-16.	Barbara Mulvey, Amie Ingunza, Wendy Fowler,	Extra Duty	Breakfast Duty	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	9/5/23	6/18/24	Breakfast Duty

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
	Kimberly Bednar								
P-17.	Item Deleted								
P-18.	Nicole Bongiovi	Volunteer	Volunteer Marching Band	n/a	n/a	HHS	2023-2024 Season	End of Season	Volunteer

** 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-19. Approval for the following staff members to plan and deliver workshops at the contractual stipends of \$100.00 to plan the workshops and \$100.00 to deliver the workshops as per the HTA Contract.

Carrie Parker		Lisa Searls	
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- P-20. Approval of part time paras for training with New Jersey Preschool Inclusive Education Project at an hourly rate of \$20.00/hour based on attendance as per the list under separate cover.

- P-21. Approval of contracted staff for training with New Jersey Preschool Inclusive Education Project at their hourly rate of pay after their contracted time based on attendance as per the list under separate cover.

- P-22. Approval of the following person(s) to serve as (a) substitute teacher(s) in the Hawthorne Public School District for the 2023-2024 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.

Kayla Aisoa		Hakeem Kinard		Sean Mulligan
Zouia Stas		David Watts		

- *P-23. 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 2023-2024 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 checks(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
Marisol Arias Delgado	PCCC	Observation	PreK	Kimberly Crecca	HS
Samantha Wickett	Monmouth	Intern	Guidance	Keshia Golding Cooper	HS

Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-24.	Belkys Bonnin	Hire	Part Time Para	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$18,900.00 +ABA Stipend if applicable	District	11/15/23 Pending Criminal History Review	6/18/24	To Fill a Vacancy
*P-25.	Olivia Wagner	Extra Duty	Cheerleading – Head – BB	n/a	Stipend of \$3,849	HHS	2023-2024 Season	n/a	Head Cheerleading Coach
*P-26.	Cassandra Parkin	Extra Duty	Cheerleading – Assistant – BB	n/a	Stipend of \$2,100	HHS	2023-2024 Season	n/a	Assistant Cheerleading Coach

P-1-26 – Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Mr. Totaro

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

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 July, 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 July 1 through July 31, 2023, for the budget year 2023 - 2024 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. Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Hawthorne Board of Education approves Pattman Plumbing, Heating and A/C, Inc. Payment Application #5, in the amount of \$37,485.00 for mechanical replacements at various schools.
- F-5. Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Hawthorne Board of Education approves Apex Enterprises of Union, Inc. Payment Application #8, in the amount of \$241,570.00 for Hawthorne High School Science and Media Center

Renovations.

- F-6. Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Hawthorne Board of Education approves Spartan Construction, Inc. Payment Application #1, in the amount of \$289,958.74 for emergent roof and masonry repairs at Hawthorne High School.
- A-1. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2023-2024: LMS 250604 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 #2023-2024: LMS 251733 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 #2023-2024: LMS 252137 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 #2023-2024: LMS 252022 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 #2023-2024: RES 252396 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- *A-6. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in a HIB Case #251659_HHS_09262023 (Offender #1) and directs the Board Secretary/Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.
- *A-7. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in a HIB Case #251659_HHS_09262023 (Offender #2) and directs the Board Secretary/Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.
- *A-8. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby reverses the Superintendent's decision in a HIB Case #251659_HHS_09262023 (Offender #3) and directs the Board Secretary/Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.

F-1-6, A-1-8 – Moved by Mr. Puluse, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

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

CLAIMS:

Jay Shortway

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

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

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

CL-1 – Moved by Mr. Shortway, seconded by Mr. Totaro

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

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.

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
Cafeteria	Monday, November 13, 2023 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Boys & Girls Club of Hawthorne Program Fair

- BG-2. Award of a transportation contract to the Northern Region Educational Services Commission, 82 Totowa Road, Wayne, NJ, for transportation of Hawthorne students to and from the school indicated in the amount and date listed on the contract:

ROUTE #	School	Contractor	# of Students	Cost + Surcharge	Dates
2917	Chancellor Academy	J & W Financial	1	\$6,801.50 + \$204.05	9/5/23 – 11/30/23

- BG-3. Approval of change order #4 awarded to Post & Kelly Electric Co, Inc. for generator and electrical upgrades at Washington Elementary School. The cost of this change adds \$7,287.00 to the original contract.
- BG-4. Approval of change order #3R awarded to Apex Enterprises of Union, Inc. to cutting of concrete roof openings over the science labs at Hawthorne High School. The cost of this change adds \$2,085.70 to the original contract.
- BG-5. Approval of change order #7 awarded to Apex Enterprises of Union, Inc. for installation of mechanical duct work and carpentry work at Hawthorne High School. The cost of this change adds \$3,836.21 to the original contract.
- BG-6. Approval of change order #9 awarded to Apex Enterprises of Union, Inc. to lower the ceiling to accommodate required clearance for lay-in lights in the science labs at Hawthorne High School. The cost of this change order adds \$1,127.76 to the original contract.
- *BG-7. Approval to accept Professional Services Proposal from Solutions Architecture for District-wide building façade structural assessments at a total cost of \$19,000 plus reimbursable expenses. Additional Services that fall outside the described Professional

Services will be documented by an Additional Service Order (ASO) and approved by the Board if applicable.

BG-1-7 – Moved by Mr. Totaro, seconded by Mr. Shortway

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

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 Polices:

Policy/Reg.		Title
P 1524	-	School Leadership Councils (Abolished)
P&R 1642.01	-	Sick Leave (New)
P 2270	-	Religion in the Schools (Revised)
P&R 2419	-	School Threat Assessment Teams (M) (New)
P 3161	-	Examination for Cause (Revised)
P&R 3212	-	Attendance (M) (Revised)
P 3324	-	Right of Privacy (Revised)
P&R 3432	-	Sick Leave (Abolished)
P 4161	-	Examination for Cause (Revised)
P&R 4212	-	Attendance (M) (Revised)
P 4324	-	Right of Privacy (Revised)
P&R 4432	-	Sick Leave (Abolished)
P&R 5111	-	Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (M) (Revised)
P&R 5116	-	Education of Homeless Children and Youths (Revised)
P&R 5460.02	-	Bridge Year Pilot Program (M) (Abolished)
P 6361	-	Relations with Vendors for Abbott Districts (Abolished)
P 8500	-	Food Services (M) (Revised)
P 8540	-	School Nutrition Program (M) (Abolished)
P 8550	-	Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Bill (M) (Abolished)

PO-1 – Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Shortway

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

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON

Legislative Joseph Carr

Finance & Administration Alex Clavijo
2 Rod Grants
COPS Grant – 3 grants only in NJ

PCSBA Alex Clavijo
Last meeting for 2023 is November 30th. The topic will be school security.

Council Liaison Jen Ehrentraut
Santa Parade and tree lighting is December 1st.
Toys for Tots Collection until December 6th.
The 125th Anniversary Celebration on December 10th.

NJSBA..... Abigail Goff

Policy..... Alma Morel

HEF/SEPAC/PTOs..... Anthony Puluse
Reminder Cinco De Mayo Color Run
There is a virtual presentation on ADHD on January 24th.
Roosevelt School give back is November 18th and 19th
HEF is still selling tickets for a raffle basket. The drawing is December 13, 2023.

Curriculum & Instruction Alma Morel
Department Updates 6 – 12
Humans for Hawthorne
K-5 standards based Report Card
November 7th PD Day focus on de-escalation techniques

Buildings & Grounds..... Marco Totaro
HS Media and Science Labs just down to punch list.
Bricks at high school
A District wide building façade structural assessment was approved tonight.

PUBLIC BE HEARD:

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

Erika Mulkey – Had questions about Side Kicks program and 5th grade orientation at LMS. Also had comments/concerns about LMS, CI 9, 10 and 11. All concerns/comments were addressed by Dr. Spirito.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Shortway congratulated all student athletes and looking forward to winter season. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Doyle congratulations to our athletes and Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Clavijo thanked all the candidates and congratulated those who won.

Mr. Totaro mentioned TREPS on December 19th. Going back to Ms. Mulkey's questions regarding shadowing at LMS, is this something that can be encouraged by guidance. Congratulations to the elected officials and to those who weren't successful this time. Please don't be discouraged. He further went on to congratulate the student athletes.

Dr. Spirito mentioned County Student All Star Soccer Game. Happy Thanksgiving to the community and families. We have a lot to be thankful for.

Ms. Ehrentraut echoed sports and candidate comments. Also, band did well. Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Puluse echoed everyone's comments. Happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. Goff spoke about the junior meeting, December 1st Santa Parade at 6pm. Echoed everyone's comments regarding sports and the election.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Doyle is trying to schedule a meeting with the town about the hockey rink. Maybe the 2nd week of January.

Mr. Clavijo addressed that he neglected to give address of new building.

PRIVATE SESSION:

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

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 ADJOURN:

At 7:50 p.m. Mr. Shortway moved the board adjourn, seconded by Mr. Totaro


Ayes - Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut,
Mr. Puluse, Mr. Shortway, Mr. Totaro, Ms. Goff

Nays - None

Abstain - None

Absent - Dr. Morel, Mr. Carr

Respectfully submitted,



Jenine Murray
Board Secretary