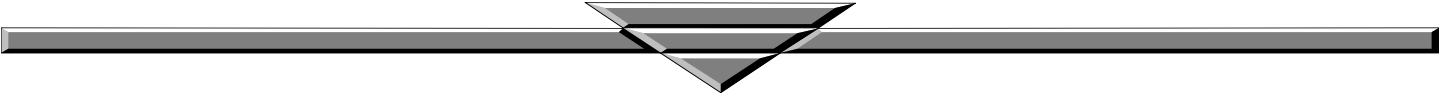


HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY



Tuesday, April 30, 2024
Public Hearing on the 2024-2025 Budget – 7:00 P.M.
Board of Education Meeting Room


This Meeting is Being Recorded

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD


Abigail Goff, President
Alex Clavijo, Vice President

Joseph Carr
Michael Doyle
Jennifer Ehrentraut
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
Anthony Puluse
Jay Shortway
Marco Totaro

Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
Jenine Murray, Business Administrator/Board Secretary



Next Meeting
Regular Meeting
May 7, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.



MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Time: _____

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			
Alex Clavijo			
Michael Doyle			
Jennifer Ehrentraut			
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan			
Anthony Puluse			
Jay Shortway			
Marco Totaro			
Abigail Goff			

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

BUDGET PRESENTATION: 2024-2025 Budget Power Point Presentation by Dr. Spirito

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. APPROVAL OF BUDGET FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

The Board of Education of Hawthorne hereby adopts the following budget for the 2024-2025 school year:

The budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the core Curriculum Content Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

Expenditures

Total General Fund Expenses	\$50,687,547
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 1,465,365
Repayment of Debt	<u>\$ 1,940,418</u>

Total Expenditures \$54,093,330

Revenue

Budgeted Fund Balance – operating	\$ 2,187,905
Budgeted Fund Balance – debt service	\$ 64,786
Local Tax Levy	
Current	\$43,582,206
Debt Service	\$ 1,370,701
Tuition	\$ 122,478
Misc. Revenue	\$ 272,250
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$ 126,311
State Aid	
Current (includes extraordinary aid)	\$ 4,166,397
Debt Service	\$ 504,931
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 1,465,365
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve	\$ 200,000
Withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve	<u>\$ 30,000</u>

Total Revenue \$54,093,330

Be it further resolved, that the district’s general tax requirements to support the 2024-2025 budget, as stipulated by the Hawthorne Board of Education Finance Committee and Hawthorne Borough Municipal Officials, as follows:

General Fund:	\$43,582,206
Debt Service:	<u>\$ 1,370,701</u>
Total:	\$44,952,907

Note: The 2024-2025 School District Budget is tentative pending approval by the Executive County Superintendent.

The Board authorizes the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary to make any adjustments to the budget submission to bring it in conformity with state regulations. Adjustments will be approved by the Board at its Public Budget Hearing.

