

**REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 13, 2024  
MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Sunshine Announcement**

Sarah Schultz, Board President, announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 (Sunshine Law) and that adequate notice of the date, time and location has been sent to the Daily Record and has been posted and filed with the Chester Township and Chester Borough Clerks. The annual meeting calendar has also been sent to each District school and the Chester Post Office. Additionally, the agenda has been posted on the District website prior to the Board meeting.

**3. Roll Call**

Erick Arostegui	Yes	Suzanne Dundon	Yes
John Barounis	Yes	Melissa Mauro-Duffy	Yes
Carolyn Byszewski	Yes	Sarah Schultz	Yes
Adam Colicchio	Yes	Adam Sorchini	Yes-Late
Matthew Downs	Absent	<b>Quorum</b>	Yes

**4. Pledge of Allegiance**

Sara Schultz, Board President, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**5. Presentations**

West Morris Regional High School referendum presented by Dr. Barbara Sargent, Superintendent and Ms. Natasha Chandler, WMRHSD Board Member.

*The Chester BOE had many questions for Dr. Barbara Sargent.*

**6. Administration- Dr. Christina VanWoert**

**6a. Superintendent's Report**

*None*

**6b. Business Administrator's Report**

*None*

**7. President's Comments**

*None*

**8. Public Commentary**

*None*

**9. Approval of Minutes**

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**9a. Approves Meeting Minutes from January 23, 2024**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Regular meeting minutes of the Reorganization meeting held on January 23, 2024

**9b. Approves Executive Meeting Minutes from January 23, 2024**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Executive meeting minutes of the meeting held on January 23, 2024.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski    Seconded by Adam Colicchio

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**10. Committee of The Whole—All.**

*None*

**11. Buildings, Grounds, Transportation/Finance-Carolyn Byszewski (Chair), Adam Sorchini, Adam Colicchio and John Barounis**

**11a. Approves Bills List**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, the Chester Board of Education approves payment of the bills list as approved by the Finance Committee.

Bills List		Totals
Payroll	01/30/2024	\$675,196.90
Bills List	02/13/2024	\$1,627,695.36

**11b. Approves Travel Requests**

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 and N.J.A.C.6A:23A and Board Policy 9250 and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following travel requests:

Date	Employee Conference/Workshop	Registration- Tuition	Travel Misc.	Estimated Total Expense
3/12/2024	Francesca Ragonese NJECC 38 <sup>th</sup> Annual Technology Conference Montclair State University, NJ	\$115.00	\$38.80	\$153.80
3/12-3/13 2024	Jerry Castro NJECC 38 <sup>th</sup> Annual Technology Conference Montclair State University, NJ	\$185.00	\$71.70	\$256.70

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2/24 – 2/25 2024	Dr. Kenneth Piascik Pennsylvania AMLE State Conference King of Prussia, PA	\$359.00	\$0.00	\$359.00
2/22 – 2/23 2024	Dr. Kenneth Piascik NJMES Music State Conference Atlantic City, NJ	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
6/19 – 6/22 2024	Dr. Kenneth Piascik National School to Watch Conference Alexandria, VA	\$499.00	\$1696.35	\$2195.35
2/24 – 2/25 2024	Joseph Pizzo Pennsylvania AMLE State Conference King of Prussia, PA	\$359.00	\$0.00	\$359.00
6/19 – 6/22 2024	Joseph Pizzo National School to Watch Conference Alexandria, VA	\$499.00	\$1174.51	1673.51
3/6/2024	Julia Dorward IXL-Live Morristown, NJ	\$95.00	0.00	\$95.00
2/22 – 2/24 2024	Pierre Lawrence 2024 NJMEA State Conference Atlantic City, NJ	\$195.00	\$408.00	\$603.00
3/12/2024	John Machusky NJECC Annual Convention Montclair State University, NJ	\$115.00	\$39.48	\$154.48
2/09/2024	Michael DeLoreto IPM Training Bergen County Fire Academy, Mahwah, NJ	\$0.00	\$28.20	\$28.20
02/23/2024	Michael DeLoreto IEQ Training Bergen County Fire Academy, Mahwah, NJ	\$0.00	\$28.20	\$28.20
03/11/2024	Sara Kozlowski Ignite your HPE Pro- gram 2024 Conference Brigantine Community School Brigantine, NJ	\$0.00	\$146.30	\$146.30

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**Approves to Table Resolution 11b. two travel requests**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves to table resolution 11b Travel request for 6/19-6/22 -Dr. Kenneth Piascik and 6/19-6/22-Joseph Pizzo.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by John Barounis

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**11c. Approves Renewal of Joint Transportation Trip Agreement (Mendham Twp. BOE)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, the Chester Board of Education approves renewal of Joint Transportation Trip Agreement with Mendham Twp. Board of Education effective July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

**11d. Approves Partial Roof System for Dickerson School Roof**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for the project noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facility Project.

The project number is: DOE Project #: 0820-040-23-R501 SDA Project #: 0820-040-23-G5Do Grant #: G5-6496

And the Scope: Partial Roof System Replacement and Associated Upgrades at the Dickerson Elementary School

**11f. Approves Partial Roof System for Bragg Elementary School Roof**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for the project noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facility Project.

The project number is: DOE Project #: 0820-030-23-R504 SDA Project #: 0820-030-23-G5DN Grant #: G5-6495

And the Scope: Partial Roof System Replacement and Associated Upgrades at the Bragg Elementary School

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**11g. Approves Bragg Elementary School HVAC/Gymnasium**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for the project noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facility Project.

The project number is: DOE Project #: 0820-030-23-R503 SDA Project #: 0820-030-23-G5DM Grant #: G5-6494

And the Scope: Provide new DX Cooling, Gas Fired Heating Roof Top Units for the Gymnasium at the Bragg Elementary School.

**11h. Approves Black River Middle School Roof**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for the project noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facility Project.

The project number is: DOE Project #: 0820-020-23-R505 SDA Project #: 0820-020-23-G5DL Grant #: G5-6493

And the Scope: Partial Roof System Replacement and Associated Upgrades at the Black River Middle School

**11i. Approves Black River Middle School HVAC/Gymnasium**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for the project noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facility Project.

The project number is: DOE Project #: 0820-020-23-R503 SDA Project #: 0820-020-23-G5DK Grant #: G5-6492

And the Scope: Provide New Cooling to The Existing Roof Top Units at The Gymnasium with Existing Cooling Coils at the Black River Middle School.

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**11j. Approves Black River Middle School HVAC/Classroom Wing**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves Authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for the project noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby resolves the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facility Project.

The project number is: DOE Project #: 0820-020-23-R501 SDA Project #: 0820-020-23-G5DJ Grant #: G5-6491

And the Scope: Provide new DX Cooling, Gas Fired Heating Roof Top Units for the Classroom Wing at the Black River Middle School.

**11k. Approves the change of the Annual Election Date**

RESOLVED, the Chester Board of Education's annual election date changed from April to November and the adopted budget is at or below the two percent tax levy cap.

**11l. Approves the Professional Services Agreement-Board Attorney**

RESOLVED, the Chester Board of Education approves a Professional Services Agreement between the Chester Board of Education and Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs LLC as the Board Attorney for the 2024 calendar year.

**11m. Approves the Professional Services Agreement-Bond Attorney**

RESOLVED, the Chester Board of Education approves a Professional Services Agreement between the Chester Board of Education and Wilentz, Goldman, Spitzer, P.A. as the Bond Attorney for the 2023-2024 school year for the purpose of reviewing the Solar Contract.

**11n. Approves Lifespan Psychiatry**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Lifespan Psychiatry, Berlin, NJ to provide psychiatric evaluations at a cost of \$1250 an evaluation.

**11o. Approves SEMI Waiver**

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2024-2025 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having 40 or fewer Medicaid eligible Special Education Students.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Morris an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2024-25 school year.

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Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by Adam Sorchini

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

12. **Curriculum/Governance/Personnel-** Melissa Mauro Duffy (Chair), Erick Arostegui, Suzanne Dundon and Matthew Downs

12a. **Approves Professional Work (2024 Science Fair Judges)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff members to be 2024 Science Judges to be paid the professional hourly rate of \$62 per hour for up to 4 hours each as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

Gretchen Capan	Evelyn Casperson
Danielle Guli	Alexis Carle
Samantha Pepe	Marissa Cumello
Joseph Pizzo	Laura Garrison
Kelly Tompkins	Andrea DeFabrizio

12b. **Approves Professional Work (2024 Science Fair Chaperones)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff members to be 2024 Science Fair Chaperones to be paid \$86 for the first two hours and \$43 per each additional hour for up to four hours total as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

Maritza Ciottariello	Rose Alban
Cynthia Mullen	Victoria Alban
Jennifer Christal	Nicole Callahan
Cheryl Mikos	

12c. **Approves Summer Scholars Program Lead Teacher (Cahill)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following teacher for the **2024 Summer Scholars program**, at the contracted hourly rate from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 for 4 days a week (20 days):

Teacher	Total
Colleen Cahill - Lead Teacher (30 hours advance prep)	\$1,860
Colleen Cahill - Lead Teacher (3.5 hours/day)	\$4,340

12d. **Approves Summer Scholars Program Secretary (Guli)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following staff member for the **2024 Summer Scholars program**, from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 at an hourly rate of \$26.00 for 4 days a week (20 days):

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Teacher	Total
Danielle Guli-Secretary (30 hours advance prep)	\$780
Danielle Guli-Secretary (4 hours daily)	\$2,080

**12e. Approves Summer Scholars Program Teachers/Staff**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following teachers/staff for the 2024 Summer Scholars program, at the professional rate of \$62 for 3.5 hours daily from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 for four days a week (includes one day of prep) for a total of \$4,340:

Linda Blazier	K Math & Reading
Valerie Lemp	1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> Math & Reading
Nicole Polkowski	3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Math
Dana Militante	3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Math
Lauren Allen	3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Math
Kira Steinmark	3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Math
Christa Bedkowski	3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Reading

**12f. Approves Substitute for Summer Scholars**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following substitute teacher for the 2024 Summer Scholars program at the professional hourly rate of \$62:

Sara Kozlowski	Krista Maico
Milli Roskie	Cathleen Matthews

**12g. Approves Horizontal Advancement on Guide**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves advancement on the salary guide for the following staff member effective March 1, 2024.

Name	Current Step/Guide	Advance Step/Guide
Sarlo, Christina	Step 14-15 BA+30 \$72,235	Step 14-15 MA \$72,685

**12h. Approves Staff for 2024 Science Fair Workshop**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following staff members for the 2024 Chester Science Fair workshop at the professional rate of \$62 for up to 4 hours each.

Marisa Cumello	Melissa D'Auria
Katie Strauss	Kelli Dolan
Dani Miller	Christina Sarlo
Christa Bedkowski	Kelly Tompkins
Gretchen Capan	Liz Madinabetia



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**12i. Accepts Resignation (McGrane)**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education accepts the resignation of Bragg 5<sup>th</sup> grade ELA/SS teacher effective February 29, 2024.

**12j. Approves Staff for Home Instruction (student #20935)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff members to provide home instruction for up to 10 hours weekly to be paid \$50 per hour as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

Christa Bedkowski	Alexis Carle
Gretchen Capan	Katie Strauss

**12k. Approves Professional Work (2024 CANDO/ESL 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Transition Meeting)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff members to attend the 2024 CANDO/ESL transition meeting for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for up to two hours each to be paid \$62 per hour as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

Gretchen Capan	John Christie
Brandon Kornbluh	Jennifer Christal
Maryanne Vindici	

**12l. Approves Professional Work (2024 CANDO/ESL 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Meeting)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff members to attend the 2024 CANDO/ESL transition meeting for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade for up to two hours each to be paid \$62 per hour as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

Gretchen Capan	Lauren Marianino	Ashley Wilhite
Brandon Kornbluh	Linda Mayers	Desiree Velez
Nicole Callahan	Jennifer Christal	

**12m. Approves Professional Work (2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success Teachers)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following staff members to teach at the 2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success summer program from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 with one additional prep day for a total of 21 days at up to 4.5 hours daily to be paid \$62 per hour with a total up to \$5,859 each as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between the Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

Kathleen Werner	John Christie
Kelly Dolan	Gretchen Capan
Maryanne Vindici	Nicole Callahan
Sarah Warren	Lisa Pela

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Danielle Saucedo

- 12n. Approves Professional Work (2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success Social Worker)**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Brandon Kornbluh, School Social Worker for the 2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success summer program from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 with one additional prep day for a total of 21 days at up to 4.5 hours daily to be paid \$62 per hour with a total up to \$5,859 each as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between the Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.
- 12o. Approves Teacher for 2024 Camp Achieve/Success Program (Oakes)**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves Kelly Oakes to work as a teacher for the 2024 Camp Achieve/Success program to be paid \$62 per hour for up to 4.5 hours per day from July 8<sup>th</sup> to August 8<sup>th</sup> with one additional prep day for a total of \$5,859.
- 12p. Approves Professional Work 2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success Lead Teacher (Christal)**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Jennifer Christal as the Lead teacher for the 2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success summer program from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 for a total of 20 days at up to 5.5 hours daily to be paid \$62 per hour with a total up to \$6,820 each as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between the Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.
- 12q. Approves Paraprofessionals for 2024 Camp Achieve/Success Program**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following paraprofessionals to work for the 2024 Camp Achieve/Success program to be their contracted hourly rate for up to 6.5 hours (includes 2 hours on bus) per day from July 8<sup>th</sup> to August 8<sup>th</sup>:
- Rose Alban  
Victoria Alban
- 12r. Approves Paraprofessional for 2024 Camp Achieve Preschool Program (Capan)**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves Samantha Capan to work for the 2024 Camp Achieve preschool program to be paid her contracted hourly rate for up to 2.5 hours per day from July 8<sup>th</sup> to August 8<sup>th</sup>.
- 12s. Approves Nurse for 2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success Program (Pape)**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves Anne Pape as school nurse for the 2024 Camp Achieve/Success program to be paid \$62 per hour for up to 5.5 hours daily from July 8, 2024 through August 8, 2024 with one additional prep day for a total of \$7,161.

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**12t. Approves Substitute Nurses 2024 Camp Achieve/Camp Success**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following substitute nurses to work for the 2024 Camp Achieve/ Camp Success program if needed at the contracted rate of \$250 per day:

Lauren Conklin	Jean Farley	Sally Ahmadi
Maïke Height	Veronica Lyfshyts	
Jennifer Rosario	Kelly Strickland	

**12u. Approves BRMS After School Duty (Boy's Locker Room/Gym Hallway Monitor)**

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Sean McQueeney as Boy's Locker room/Gym hallway monitor for afterschool sports activities from 2:30-4:30 to be paid the contracted professional hourly rate of \$62.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.

**12v. Approves Staff for Spring Sports (BRMS)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following staff for the following coaching positions for the 2023-2024 school year with stipends as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association:

Spring Sport	Head Coach/Assistant Coach	
Softball	Taryn Mansolino (Head)	Kevin Cullen (Assistant)
Baseball	Tim Rain (Head)	TBD (Assistant)
Girls' Lacrosse	Laura Garrison (Head)	Milli Roskie (Assistant)
Boys' Lacrosse	Chris Duffy (Head)	Andy Gray (Assistant)
Track & Field	Michael Dougherty (Head)	Tina Sarlo (Assistant)
Unified Track & Field	Melissa D'Auria (Head)	

**12w. Approves Extracurricular Longevity Stipends**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following Coaching staff for extracurricular longevity stipends for the 2023-2024 school year with stipends as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association:

Head Coach	Sport	# of Years Coaching	Stipend Amount
Jim Yankowicz	X-Country	11	\$1,649.00
Jim Yankowicz	Boys 'Basketball	15	\$1,649.00
Terri Meierhofer	Girls' Soccer	16	\$1,649.00
Kevin Cullen	Boys' Soccer	14	\$1,649.00
Chris Duffy	Boys' Lacrosse	17	\$1,649.00
Sean McQueeney	Wrestling	9	\$1,033.00
Sarah Warren	Cheerleading	5	\$516.00
Tim Rain	Baseball	5	\$516.00
Taryn Mansolino	Softball	6	\$516.00

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**12x. Approves Chaperone/Supervisor**

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Maritza Ciottariello to chaperone/supervise student #20882 during extracurricular activities for the 2023-2024 school year with stipends as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

**12y. Approves Professional Work (Vespignani)**

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves professional work for Kathy Vespignani for the 2024 WMMHS district chorus event to be paid \$62 per hour for 2 hours as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

**12z. Approves Professional Work (Piascik)**

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves professional work for Dr. Ken Piascik for the 2024 WMMHS district chorus event to be paid \$62 per hour for 3 hours as determined by Schedule "B" of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.

**12aa. Accepts Resignation (Mayers)**

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education accepts the retirement of Bragg Special Education teacher Linda Mayers effective June 30, 2024 with much gratitude for 17 years of service.

**12bb. Approves Leave Replacement Paraprofessional (Gallagher)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Brian Gallagher as a leave replacement paraprofessional for the Chester School District to be paid \$25,340 annually (prorated) with benefits from February 14, 2024 through May 10, 2024.

**12cc. Approves School Trip (Bragg)**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following school trip for Bragg:

Field Trip	Location	Grade/Group
Rockaway Mall	Rockaway NJ	Grade 5 GIST

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by Melissa Mauro-Duffy

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**13. Policy-Adam Sorchini (Chair), Adam Colicchio, John Barounis and Melissa Mauro Duffy**

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- 13a. Approves Second Reading and Adoption of Policy 2530-Resource Materials and Displays**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of Policy 2530-Resource Materials and Displays.

- 13b. Approves Second Reading and Adoption of Policy 4151.1/4251.1-Sick Leave**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the first reading of Policy 4151.1/4251.1-Sick Leave.

- 13c. Approves Second Reading and Adoption of Policy 5141.8-Sports Related Concussion and Head Injury**  
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the first reading of Policy 5141.8-Sports Related Concussion and Head Injury.

Motion by John Barounis

Seconded by Carolyn Byszewski

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**14. Executive Session**

RESOLVED, that pursuant to NJS.A. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13 the Chester Board of Education holds a closed session on February 13, 2023 at 7:57 p.m. to discuss HIB, personnel, negotiations and items falling under attorney client privilege. It is expected that the minutes will be made public as soon as official action is taken.

Motion by Adam Colicchio

Seconded by Adam Sorchini

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**15. Return to Public Session**

*Upon the motion of Carolyn Byszewski and seconded by Melissa Mauro-Duffy, the Board returned to Public Session at 8:50 pm.*

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**16. Committee of The Whole—All.**

- 16a. Approves Superintendent's Recommendation for HIB Case # 5**  
RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation for HIB Case # 5

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by John Barounis

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Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**16b. Approves Superintendent's Recommendation for HIB Case # 6**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation for HIB Case # 6

Motion by Erick Arostegui

Seconded by Carolyn Byszewski

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**16c. Approves Superintendent's Recommendation for HIB Case # 7**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation for HIB Case # 7

Motion by John Barounis

Seconded by Adam Sorchini

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**16d. Approves Superintendent's Recommendation for HIB Case # 8**

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation for HIB Case # 8

Motion by Erick Arostegui

Seconded by Melissa Mauro-Duffy

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**17. Unfinished Business**

*None*

**18. New Business**

*None*

**19. Adjournment**

*There being no further business to discuss, upon the motion of John Barounis and seconded by Suzanne Dundon the Board considered a motion to adjourn at 8:53 p.m.*

Roll Call Vote	EA	JB	CB	AC	MD	SD	MMD	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Respectfully Submitted,



Peter Frascella  
Board Secretary