

HAWTHORNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY
Tuesday, August 13, 2024
Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.
Board of Education Meeting Room

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Time: 7:01 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		
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan		X	
Anthony Puluse	X		
Jay Shortway	X		
Marco Totaro	X		
Abigail Goff	X		

Also Present: Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
Jenine Murray, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
And approximately 4 members of the public and 4 via 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:

July 16, 2024 –Regular Meeting - Public & Private

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

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORTS:

- A. Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Richard A. Spirito
 - SSDS Report
 - Recognize Ms. Goff for 10 years (13 years) service with Certificate from NJSBA
 - Final 2019 Referendum project completed. Asbestos removal at HHS.
 - Adding another element to our security platform – Officer Vega – SRO
 - Discussed the move to Warburton Avenue
 - 1 to 1 distribution for 6 – 9 new teacher devices
 - Sports practices have begun for fall season
 - Leadership Camp began Monday – 140 Students
 - New Teacher Orientation is August 26th and August 27th
 - SSDS Report (Student Safety Data) numbers are down – 19 down from 25 in the fall

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

Jennifer Ehrentraut, 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
HHS	Marching Band	Norther Regional High School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	Marching Band	West Orange High School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	Marching Band	Midland Park High School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	Marching Band	Robbinsville High School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	Marching Band	Clifton School Stadium	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
JS	Kindergarten	Mayo Performing Arts Center	HPS	PTO	PTO
JS	1 st Grade	Mayo Performing Arts Center	HPS	PTO	PTO

School	Group	Destination	Transportation	Cost Per Student	Outside Funding
JS	4 th Grade	Liberty Hall	HPS	PTO	PTO
BC	Bear Cave Transition House	Retro Fitness Fair Lawn	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
BC	Bear Cave Transition House	Shop Rite Wyckoff	HPS	TBD	\$0.00
BC	Bear Cave Transition House	Work Based Learning Various Locations	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
BC	Bear Cave Transition House	Various Leisure Trips	HPS	TBD	\$0.00
JS	5 th Grade	The Funplex	HPS	\$0.00	PTO
JS	5 th Grade	Liberty Science Center	HPS	\$0.00	PTO

- CI-2. Approval of the QSAC District Improvement Plan (DIP) for the Instruction and Program section of the Quality Single Accountability Continuum for the 2024-2025 school year.
- CI-3. Approval of the Lincoln Middle School Title I School Parental Involvement Plan and School Parent Compact.
- CI-4. Approval of the Roosevelt Elementary School Title I School Parental Involvement Plan and School Parent Compact.
- CI-5. Approval of the Washington Elementary School Title I School Parental Involvement Plan and School Parent Compact.
- CI-6. Approval of the K-12 Textbooks for the 2024-2025 School Year, as per the attached list.
- CI-7. Approval of all existing high school, middle school, elementary school, and preschool curricula as per attachment for the 2024-2025 school year in accordance with 18A:33-1 and the NJSLS for all subjects.
- CI-8. Approval of the District Mentoring Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.
- CI-9. Approval of the District Professional Development Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.
- CI-10. Approval of the District Nursing Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.
- CI-11. Approval of the following observation/evaluation tools for the 2024-2025 school year: Stronge Evaluation System - Teachers and Educational Specialists, Directors, Principals, Vice Principals and Supervisors.
- CI-12. Approval of the district committees as per attached list. A list of these committees has been submitted under separate cover.
- CI-13. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080124) at a rate not to exceed \$13,600.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-14. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080224) at a rate not to exceed \$6,800.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.

- CI-15. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080324) at a rate not to exceed \$5,100.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-16. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080424) at a rate not to exceed \$6,800.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-17. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080524) at a rate not to exceed \$6,800.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-18. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080624) at a rate not to exceed \$3,400.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-19. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080724) at a rate not to exceed \$6,800.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-20. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for one resident student (file # 080824) at a rate not to exceed \$4,080.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- CI-21. Approval of an agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission for Nonpublic School Nursing for the 2024-2025 school year at a rate of \$88,270.00.
- CI-22. Hawthorne Board of Education accepts the Non-Public Aid Entitlement from the State of New Jersey for the 2024-2025 School year as follows:

NON-PUBLIC TEXTBOOK		
	Hawthorne Christian Academy	\$23,576
	St Anthony School	\$9,256
	Total	\$32,832
NON-PUBLIC NURSING		
	Hawthorne Christian Academy	\$64,740
	St Anthony School	\$23,530
	Total	\$88,270
NON-PUBLIC SECURITY		
	Hawthorne Christian Academy	\$102,090
	St Anthony School	\$37,105
	Total	\$139,195
NON-PUBLIC TECHNOLOGY		
	Hawthorne Christian Academy	\$22,589
	St Anthony School	\$8,869
	Total	\$31,458

- CI-23. Approval of an agreement with Data Group Central for BCBA Services for the 2024 – 2025 school year at a total yearly rate of \$103,500.00.
- CI-24. Approval of an agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission for Occupational Evaluations for the 2024 – 2025 school year at a rate of \$400.00 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-25.	N.A. Blesman Regional Day School	\$79,920.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #080924)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24-25 SY
CI-26.	Washington Elementary School	\$85,095.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081024)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-27.	Washington Elementary School	\$85,090.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081124)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-28.	SHIP Midland Park	\$83,790.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081224)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-29.	HIP – MP Godwin	\$68,958.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081324)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-30.	Visions Paramus High School	\$65,817.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081424)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-31.	New Bridges Middle School/High School	\$85,095.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081524)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-32.	New Bridges Middle School/High School	\$85,095.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081624)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-33.	New Bridges Middle School/High School	\$85,095.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081724)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-34.	HIP – MP Godwin	\$83,790.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081824)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
CI-35.	SHIP Midland Park	\$83,790.00 plus non-resident fee of \$7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081924)	9/2024 – 6/30/2025	24 – 25 SY
CI-36.	North Jersey Elks Developmental Disabilities Agency	\$425.83 per diem for 186 days \$79,204.38	\$190.00 per diem for 210 days \$39,900.00	\$425.83 per diem for 24 days \$10,219.92	Student (file #082024)	7/1/2024 – 6/2025	ESY & 24 – 25 SY
CI-37.	North Jersey Elks Developmental Disabilities Agency	\$425.83 per diem for 186 days \$79,204.38	\$190.00 per diem for 210 days \$39,900.00	\$425.83 per diem for 24 days \$10,219.92	Student (file #082124)	7/1/2024 – 6/2025	ESY & 24 – 25 SY
CI-38.	CTC Academy	\$489.82 per diem for 183 days \$89,637.06	N/A	\$489.82 per diem for 20 days \$9,796.40	Student (file #082224)	7/11/2024 – 6/2025	ESY & 24 – 25 SY

CI-1-38 - Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Mr. Shortway

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

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.	Stella Dimatos	Summer Duty	Occupational Therapist	n/a	\$64.86 per hour not to exceed 3 additional hours	District	Summer 2024	Summer 2024	Approval for Additional 3 hours for Summer OT
P-2.	Coral Silfa	Summer Duty	School Social Worker	n/a	\$52.63 per hour not to exceed 30 additional hours	District	Summer 2024	Summer 2024	Approval for Additional 30 hours for Summer Case Management &/or Evaluations
P-3.	Teresa Cassidy-Bennett	Summer Duty	Teacher	n/a	\$66.19 per hour	District	Summer 2024	n/a	Eligibility, IEP and 504 meetings for Summer 2024
P-4.	Christina Lovermi	Leave	Speech Language Specialist	n/a	n/a	JS	1/11/25	4/21/25	Approval of Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
									Absence in accordance with the Federal/State Family Leave Act followed by Child Rearing Leave
P-5.	Deborah Kirschner	Adjust	Full Time Speech Language Specialist	M+30/13* *Subject to adjustment at the end of negotiations	\$81,500 Subject to adjustment at the end of negotiations	RS	8/28/24	6/30/25	Adjustment from 0.5 F.T.E. to 1.0 F.T.E. To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Kerri Oetting
P-6.	Besjana Xhangolli	Hire	0.7 F.T.E. Speech Language Specialist	M+15/5	\$43,655.50 Subject to adjustment at the end of negotiations	RS	8/28/24 Pending Criminal History Review	6/30/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Adjustment in Assignment for Deborah Kirschner
P-7.	Megan Cohn	Hire	Teacher of ELA	MA/13	\$76,850 Subject to adjustment at the end of negotiations	LMS	8/28/24 Pending Criminal History Review	6/30/25	To Fill a Vacancy
P-8.	Gianna Tritto	Hire	School Social Worker	MA/7-8	\$64,010 Subject to adjustment at the end of negotiations	LMS	8/28/24 Pending Criminal History Review	6/30/25	To Fill a Vacancy
P-9.	Ryan Hudson	Hire	Long Term Substitute	n/a	\$298 per diem No Benefits	LMS	8/28/24 Pending Criminal History Review	11/20/24 or the Return of the Regular Teacher	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Leave of Megan Faucett
P-10.	Camille Ellerbrook	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	8/12/24	8/16/24	Chaperone for Leadership Camp
P-11.	Danielle Russo; Ryan McMann	Extra Duty	9 th Grade Orientation	n/a	\$33.66 Per Hour for 4 hours each	HHS	8/26/24	8/26/24	9 th Grade Orientation
P-12.	Teresa Magna Davenport	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 Per Hour from 1-4 p.m.	HHS	8/26/24	n/a	Chaperone for Student (file # 082324) for 9 th Grade Orientation
P-13.	Anjela Aguero	Hire	Part Time Paraprofessional	n/a	\$21,275 plus a stipend of \$1,800 for ABA if applicable	JS	8/28/24	6/30/25	Adjustment in Assignment from Substitute to Part Time Paraprofessional
P-14.	Shorena Gegeshidze	Adjust	Part Time Paraprofessional	n/a	\$21,275 plus a stipend of \$1,800 for ABA if applicable	WS	8/28/2024	6/30/25	Adjustment in Assignment from Non-instructional aide to Part Time Paraprofessional
P-15.	Claire Hoernig	Hire	Part Time Paraprofessional 3 days per week	n/a	\$12,765 plus a stipend of \$1,800 for ABA if applicable	JS	8/28/24	6/30/25	To Fill a Vacancy

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P-16.	Victoria Leonard	Adjust	Part Time Paraprofessional	n/a	\$21,275 plus a stipend of \$1,800 for ABA if applicable	WS	8/28/2024	6/30/25	Adjustment in Assignment from Substitute to Part Time Paraprofessional
P-17.	Thomas Cannon	Resign	Basketball – Ass’t - B	n/a	n/a	HHS	2024-2025 Season	n/a	Resignation from Extra Duty Coaching Position
P-18.	Amy Pollick	Resign	Administrative Assistant	n/a	n/a	Central Office	8/27/24	Last Day on Payroll 8/26/24	Resignation
P-19.	Julia Di Clemente	Hire	Administrative Assistant	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$39,000	Central Office	8/27/24 Pending Criminal History Review	6/30/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Amy Pollick
P-20.	Brian Patmos	Adjust	Night Custodian	CUST/ 14	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$53,719.60	HHS	9/1/24	6/20/25	Adjustment in Assignment from Daytime Custodian at Roosevelt School to Nighttime Custodian at HHS

** 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-21. Approval for the following members of the instructional staff, having satisfied the academic requirements of a higher category on the Teachers' Salary Guide, be approved for reclassification in accordance with their advanced academic training and that their annual salary for the 2024-2025 school year be adjusted to coincide with their new positions on the 2024-2025 salary guide once the contract is settled. Until such time that the contract is settled they will remain on step and adjusted salary from the 2023-2024 salary guide retroactive as of September 1, 2024.

Name	School	New Classification	New Salary Inclusive of Longevity
Ashley Baber	JS	M+45	\$67,015.00
Amanda Bushoven	RS	M+30	\$70,740.00
Stephanie Donatello	LMS	MA	\$66,090.00
Gilda Galvan	RS	MA	\$60,065.00
Aaron Goldstein	RS	M+45	\$31,436.00
Jade Greppo	JS	M+45	\$72,290.00
Rita Klein-Poma	LMS	M+15	\$78,400.00
Alyson LaSpisa	WS	M+15	\$61,615.00
Erin McKeon	JS	M+30	\$72,840.00
Margaret Rainey	JS	M+60	\$99,765.00
Claudia Rossi	WS	M+15	\$65,560.00
*Ewelina Maxwell	RS	M+30	\$70,740.00

P-22. 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 during staff development for the 2024-2025 SY.

Jennifer King	Jill Verrone	Amanda Yale
Erika Len	Irene Yetter	Gilda Galvan
Claudia Rossi	Rachel Shea	Laura Mazzacca
Amy Vertucci	Amanda Bushoven	Kirsten Kral
Ewelina Maxwell	Beslira Bajrami	Alyson LaSpisa
Anne Carlock	Lisa Ruben	Catherine Corry
Jessica Bryan	Julia Waldron	Katie A Diorio
Tara Temprano	Silvana Prell	Lauren Zuravner
Carrie Parker	Meaghan Kelly	

- P-23. Appointment of the persons listed in the report entitled “Extra-Duty Coaching Assignments School Year 2024-205” dated August 13, 2024, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover.
- P-24. Appointment of the persons listed in the report entitled “Extra-Duty Assignments School Year 2024-205” dated August 13, 2024, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover.
- P-25. Appointment of Non-Instructional Aides for the 2023-2024 school year at the rate of \$15.25 per hour for the hours listed per day.

School	Employee	Hours per Day
Washington School	Keri Colon	3
	Sheila Gatti	3
Roosevelt School	Jeanne Bruno	3
	Diane Haverty	2
	Antonietta Porporino	3
	Elizabeth Putz	3
Jefferson School	Denise De Prima	2
	Carol Gatto	2
	Sandra Ritchie	2
	*Carol Glesias	2
Lincoln Middle School	Billie Jean Leitman	5
	Kathleen Meehan	3
	Debra Ponticelli	3

- P-26. Approval of the following person(s) to serve as (a) substitute teacher(s) in the Hawthorne Public School District for the 2024-2025 school year, subject to obtaining substitute teacher certification as well as the 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.

Andrew Chartoff		Jessica Davies		Sara Manzo
Sugeiry Pena				

*P-27. 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 2024-2025 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/Admin.	Loc
Ashley Baber	MSU	Internship	Educational Leadership	Dr. Stephen Droske	JS

*P-28. Approval of summer curriculum work as listed on the report entitled, "Curriculum Writing Mandates" as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover.

P-1-28 – Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Mr. Totaro

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

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 June, 2024 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 June 1 through June 30, 2024, 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 an agreement with ABA Toolbox for a one-year contract at a rate of \$17,000.00.
- F-4. Approval of an agreement with Jonathan Alsheimer as an onsite keynote for August 29, 2024 at a rate of \$6,500.00.
- F-5. Approval to purchase a 2021 Nissan NV200 cargo van from Cars on 15 for the amount of \$15,999. To be paid for out of Cafeteria funds Account #61-910-310-732-00-00.
- F-6. 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 #10, final payment, in the amount of \$10,000.00 for mechanical replacements at various schools.

- A-1. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2023-2024: HHS 267892 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: RS 267719 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board’s decision.
- A-3. BE IT RESOLVED by the Hawthorne Township Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement and Release (hereinafter referred to as “Agreement”) between the Board and the Parent of the students whose names are on file in the Superintendent’s office, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement and Release, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

F-1-6, A-1-3 – Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Puluse

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

CLAIMS:

Joseph Carr

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

CL-1. Approval of the August 2024 Bill List.

It is recommended that the Board approve the bill list for the month of August 2024.

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

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

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
Gym	Thursdays, 9/26/24 to 11/21/24* 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. *Note: Not available 11/7/24	Boys and Girls Club of Hawthorne Youth Volleyball Clinic

ROOSEVELT SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
Gym	Wednesday, October 30, 2024 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Hawthorne Board of Recreation Mayor’s Halloween Parade
Cafeteria	Friday, November 22, 2024 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Hawthorne Soccer Association Instructional Soccer End of Season Party
Gym	Monday – Friday 1/20/25 – 3/28/25* 6:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. *NOTE: Not available the following dates. 1/24/25, 2/21/25 & 3/6/25	Hawthorne Soccer Association Winter Soccer

BG-2. The Hawthorne Board of Education approves a withdrawal from the maintenance reserve in the amount of \$125,000 for use on required maintenance activities for school facilities, as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan.

BG-3. 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
2608	Career Crossroads BCSS/Visions	Omar Transportation	1	\$8,302.50 + \$498.15	7/1/24 – 7/26/24
2666	New Bridges	Omar Transportation	1	\$8,250.00 + \$495.00	6/26/24 – 8/8/24
2802	Washington South BCSS	Ace Transportation	1	\$13,745.40 + \$824.72	6/26/24 – 8/8/24
2938	The Godwin School	American Star Trans	2	\$3,285.00 + \$197.10	7/1/24 – 7/26/24
2978	Shepard Prep-Morristown	Jersey Kids Tarns	6	\$14,700.00 + \$882.00	7/1/24 – 8/13/24
2992	Washington South BCSS	American Star Trans	2	\$9,575.91 + \$574.56	6/26/24 – 8/8/24
3523	Chancellor Academy	J & W Financial	1	\$5,460.00 + \$327.60	7/1/24 – 7/30/24
3530	ECLC	R & May Trans	1	\$2,033.40 + \$122.00	7/1/24 – 7/30/24
3535	EPIC School	FYFA, LLC	1	\$6,888.00 + \$413.28	7/1/24 – 8/9/24
3536	Felician School	American Star Trans	1	\$6,993.00 + \$419.58	7/1/24 – 7/31/24
3539	Gramon/Glenview/ New Beginnings	R & May Trans	2	\$11,700.00 + \$702.00	7/8/24 – 8/16/24
3552	New Alliance	R & May Trans	1	\$1,665.00 + \$99.90	7/8/24 – 7/26/24

ROUTE #	School	Contractor	# of Students	Cost + Surcharge	Dates
3561	NJEDDA	R & May Trans	2	\$6,064.00 + \$363.84	7/1/24 – 8/2/24
3562	Norman Bleshman BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	1	\$3,408.30 + \$204.50	7/1/24 – 7/26/24
3569	Sage Day School	R & May Trans	1	\$4,427.50 + \$265.65	6/24/24 – 7/26/24
3572	Shepard Lower Sch-Kinnelon	American Star Trans	1	\$8,370.00 + \$502.20	7/1/24 – 8/13/24
3607	PG Chambers	Jets Transportation	1	\$14,580.00 + \$874.80	7/8/24 – 8/16/24

BG-1-3 – Moved by Mr. Totaro, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

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

POLICY:

Michael Doyle, Chairperson

ACTION ITEMS:

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

PO-1. First Reading of the following Policies and Regulations

Policy/Reg		Title
R 5600	-	Student Discipline/Code of Conduct

PO-2. Second Reading and Adoption of the following Policies and Regulations

Policy/Reg		Title
P 0141	-	Board Member Number and Term (Revised)
P 0164.6	-	Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency (M) (Abolished)
P 2200	-	Curriculum Content (M) (Revised)
P & R 3160	-	Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
P & R 4160	-	Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
R 5200	-	Attendance (M) (Revised)
P 5337	-	Service Animals (Revised)
P 5350	-	Student Suicide Prevention (M) (Revised)
P 7231	-	Gifts from Vendors (M) (Abolished)
P 8420	-	Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) (Revised)
P & R 8467	-	Firearms and Weapons (M) (Revised)
P 9181	-	Volunteer Athletic Coaches and Co-Curricular Activity Advisors/Assistants (Revised)

PO-1-2 – Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Shortway

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

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON

Legislative Joseph Carr
None

Finance & Administration Alex Clavijo
Now that referendum is over, bond council can sort out numbers and see if any money remains.

Policy Michael Doyle
None

Council Liaison Jennifer Ehrentraut
Gave dates of town various events

Curriculum & Instruction Jennifer Ehrentraut

NJSBA Abigail Goff
Update for the election and candidates

PCSBA Erica Mulkey-Koltzan

HEF/SEPAC/PTOs Anthony Puluse
Nothing to report.

Buildings & Grounds Marco Totaro
New carpet at Bear Cave. HHS railings completed. Main entrance steps and railings at LMS around generators. BOE office – fire and burglar alarms, new drops and painting complete. Move in will be this week.

PUBLIC BE HEARD:

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

Toby Murphy wanted to share information about grant availability and an article. 1. Nita M. Lorey, 21st Century Community Learning Centers; 2. Passaic County Banc Program and 3. Article Welcoming Male Techers of Color into Education.

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

Ms. Goff commented on the referendum being completed through the pandemic.

Mr. Shortway gave his condolences to the Puluse Family and he’s looking forward to another good school year.

Mr. Doyle wished everyone a good rest of their summer.

Mr. Clavijo said don’t let the meeting fool you, there are a lot of things happening over the summer.

Mr. Totaro also extended his condolences to the Puluse Family. He is happy about Officer Vega. Mr. Totaro is a proud parent of a student at Leadership Camp. Wished everyone a good rest of their

summer.

Ms. Ehrentraut congratulated Ethan Ramos for his Olympic qualification. Also, congratulations to the teachers.

Mr. Puluse thanked everyone for their support during this trying time.

Ms. Goff also extended her condolences to the Puluse Family. She went on to thank the town for the SRO, deep gratitude from the Board. Thank you to the IT team for helping with student’s emails to teachers. Football first scrimmage is next week, August 21st at 10am. The first game is September 6th at 6:00 p.m. home vs. Butler. Commented on appreciation for the District she is now seeing as a parent of a rising senior.

Next meeting is September 17th at new location. Most likely at HHS.

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:

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 7:41 p.m. Mr. Totaro moved the board go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

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| Ayes | - | Mr. Totaro, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Ehrentraut, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Shortway, Ms. Goff |
| Nays | - | None |
| Abstain | - | None |
| Absent | - | Mr. Carr, Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan |

MOTION TO EXIT FROM PRIVATE SESSION:

At 8:01 p.m. Mr. Doyle moved the board exit executive session, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

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

Nays - None

Abstain - None

Absent - Mr. Carr, Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

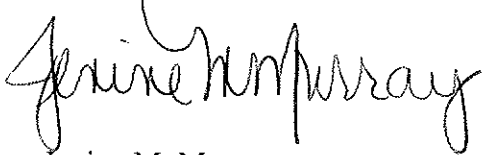
At 8:01 p.m. Mr. Puluse moved the board adjourn, seconded by Mr. Shortway

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

Nays - None

Abstain - Mr. Carr, Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan

Respectfully submitted,



Jenine M. Murray
Board Secretary