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Lawnside Board of Education Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2024  
**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Lawnside Board of Education was called to order at 7:10 p.m. in-person by the Board President, Ms. Forrest. After repeating the Pledge of Allegiance and after observing a moment of silence, the following members answered present to the roll call

Forrest -Y	Hayes - Absent	Arterbridge Y	Catlett Y
Cauthorne - Absent	Harper - Absent	Kittles Y	Still - Y

5 Present  
3 Absent  
1 Vacant

Also present was Ms. Alyssa Miller,-Director of Curriculum , Dr. Carmen Henderson - Director of Special Ed, Karen Willis- SBA, Mark Gordon- ABA, and Darryl Rhone Board Solicitor.

**OPENING STATEMENT**

Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231 PL 1975 has been given by the Board Secretary in the following manner:

- a Posting written notice on the official school bulletin board at the Lawnside Public School and District website
- b Sending notice to the Courier Post and the Retrospect newspapers
- c Position on the district website

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

Regular Meeting - January 11, 2024

Motion: Ms. Still  
Second: Ms. Kittles

Forrest -Y	Hayes - Y	Arterbridge - Abstained	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne - N	Gibson -Y	Kittles Y	Still - Y

Motion: Ms. Still / Second: Ms. Catlett  
Vote - 4 Yes and1 Abstained  
Motion Carried

LAWNSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
426 CHARLESTON AVENUE  
LAWNSIDE, NEW JERSEY 08045

**“Looking Forward To Success”**

Lawnside Board of Education

Dr. Ronn H. Johnson, Superintendent

**Superintendent’s Report**

**(Recommendations)**

**February 8, 2024**

*Informational Items:*

**School Leadership Team Notes- February 1, 2024 Special Education Monitoring Notice**

**Field Experience Request**

**Healthy Kids Before/After School Programs**

***District Goals:***

***The District Goals were established in collaboration with the Lawnside Board of Education members at the Board retreat on Thursday, June 29, 2023.***

*In June, 70% of students will meet their ELA & Math annual growth targets as measured by the iReady diagnostic assessment.*

***Decrease chronic absenteeism by 10%***

*Effectively communicate with parents and community district information, specifically the New Attendance Policy.*

**Student Enrollment - 350**

**ADA-310**

**Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying: 0**

**Suspensions for December~ 3**

*The Superintendent is not in receipt of any parental request for a Board Hearing at this time.*

**School Safety Drills:**

**Fire Drill- 1/11/24 @ 2:00 pm**

**Safety Drill-** Shelter In Place with Instruction 1/8/24 @ 1:30 pm

**PERSONNEL - It is recommended by the Superintendent** items 1-2 be approved as written.

1. It is recommended that Aniyah Nuriddin-Lee's Letter of Resignation as a Long-Term District Substitute Teacher be approved effective February 9, 2024.
2. It is recommended that Ms. Karielys Otero be approved to provide services as the CST Secretary after school up to 8 hours per week for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year at an hourly rate of \$19.31.

**MANAGEMENT-** It is recommended by the Superintendent items 1- 8 be approved as written.

1. It is recommended that School Calendar for the 2024-2025 school year be approved for submission to the NJ Department of Education.
2. It is recommended that Ms. Dionna Rosado (Camden County College) be approved to conduct 15 hours for field experience in 1st Grade during the 2023-2024 school year.
3. It is recommended that Dr. Joseph Hewitt be approved to provide psychiatric evaluations at the rate of \$600 per evaluation for the 2023-2024 school year.
4. It is recommended that Dr. Sarah Woldoff be approved to provide psychological evaluations and autism evaluations for the 2023-2024 school year.
5. It is recommended that Sekini Moore be approved to provide Child Study Team Evaluations on an as needed basis for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$450 per evaluation.
6. It is recommended that REM Audiology be approved to provide Educational Audiological evaluations at a rate of \$550 per evaluation for the 2023-2024 school year.
7. It is recommended that Camden County Educational Services Commission be approved to provide Child Study Team evaluations for the 2023-2024 school year.
8. It is recommended that Cheerful Chatter be approved to provide Speech Language therapy at a rate of \$85 per hour during the 2023-2024 school year. (Maternity)

Field Trip

1. It is recommended that the following field trips be approved for the 2023-2024 school year:

Grade	Location	Date	Cost
Girls Basketball Team	Barclay Center Brooklyn, NY	5/31/2024	No Cost Fundraiser

*Please contact Dr. Johnson at 856-546-4850 ext. 2200 or ronjohnson@lawnside.k12.nj.us if you have any questions prior to the board meeting on Thursday.*

**APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Regular Meeting - February 8, 2024

Motion: Ms. Kittles  
Second: Ms.Catlett

Forrest -Y	Hayes - Absent	Arterbridge - Y	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne - Absent	Harper - Absent	Kittles Y	Still - Y

Vote: Yes-5  
Absent - 3  
Motion: Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE** -None.  
**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution #109- Line Item Transfer - \$10,000.00 - Nursing Service
2. Resolution #110 - Line Item Transfer - \$50,000.00 - Related Services
3. Resolution # 111- Line Item Transfer - \$20,000.00 - Related Services
4. Resolution # 112 - Resolution for SDA Certification - \$7200.00

Forrest -Y	Hayes - Absent	Arterbridge -Y	Catlett - Y
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Cauthorne -Absent	Harper - Absent	Kittles Y	Still - Y
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**Approval of Resolutions 109-112**

**Motion: Still**  
**Second: Kittles**

**Vote - Yes- 5**  
**Absent - 3**

**APPROVAL OF THE BOARD SECRETARY REPORT/ TREASURER'S REPORT**

**December 2023**

**January 2024**

**Motion: Kittles**

**Second: Still**

**Vote - 5 - Yes**  
**3 - Absent**

Forrest - Y	Hayes - Absent	Arterbridge -Y	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne -Absent	Harper - Absent	Kittles - Y	Still - Y

**Motion: Catlett**  
**Second: Kittles**  
**Vote - 5 - Yes**  
**3 - Absent**

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE BILLIS**

**Motion: Ms. Catlett**  
**Second: Ms. Kittles**  
**Vote - Yes- 5**

Forrest -Y	Hayes - Absent	Arterbridge - Y	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne - Absent	Harper - Absent	Kittles Y	Still - Y

**Vote - Yes - 5 Absent : 3**  
**Motion Carried**

BOARD COMMENTS:

Ms. Arterbridge: Please advise if a description of committee chair and members will be provided to the members?  
Mrs. Forrest indicated that she would email out the description of committee members and chair responsibilities prior to the next board meeting.

Motion for adjournment: 7: 23 pm

Motion - Ms. Still

Second by Ms. Catlett

Forrest - Y	Hayes -Absent	Arterbridge - Y	Catlett - Y
Cauthorne - Absent	Harper - Absent	Kittles- Y	Still Y

Vote 5 Yes

Motion Carried

I, Karen Willis, Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board of Education of the Borough of Lawnside in the County of Camden, New Jersey Hereby Certify that the foregoing extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Education duly called and held on February 8, 2024 has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in the Minute Book of the Board of Education and is true complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract

Respectfully submitted



Karen Willis

Business Administration/ Board Secretary