NEW PROVIDENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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AGENDA
November 14, 2024
High School/Middle School Media Center
7:00 p.m.

New Providence Board of Education YouTube Link

I Roll Call:

_____Mrs. Coniglio _____Mrs. Gunderman

_____Mrs. Cuccaro _____Mrs. Killea

_____Dr. Empson Hayden _____Mrs. Marano

_____Mr. Walsh

II Flag Salute

III Opening Statement by the President:

A. This is a public meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of New Providence. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with PL 1975, Chapter 231, in that a notice was made in conformance with Section 13 of the Act.

Whenever the business of the Board requires it to convene to Closed session, the session will begin no later than 9:30 p.m. At the conclusion of the need for Closed Session, the Board will reconvene to the public portion of the meeting. At that time, the Board will complete any other business that may be before it and the public will then be given an opportunity to be heard before the meeting is adjourned.

B. Other comments.

IV Report of the Superintendent of Schools

1. Student Report- Vince Graziano
2. Enrollment
3. General Information

V Strategic Planning Overview --Dr. Lauren Zirpoli, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Stacey Gunderman, Board Member
Mrs. Amanda Marano, Board Member

VI Public Comments:

A. Opportunity for the Public to be heard (on specific agenda items)
B. Public portion of the meeting declared closed

VII Approval of Minutes as follows:

Special Meeting:	October 2, 2024
Closed Meeting:	October 2, 2024
Business Meeting:	October 17, 2024
Closed Meeting:	October 17, 2024

Seconded by:_____
Roll Call Vote:

_____Mrs. Coniglio _____Mrs. Gunderman

_____Mrs. Cuccaro _____Mrs. Killea

_____Dr. Empson Hayden _____Mrs. Marano

_____Mr. Walsh

VIII Action Items

A. Finance Actions – Mrs. Marano

Approve Items 1 through 9 as listed below:

1. After review, we hereby accept the Board Secretary and Treasurer reports for October 2024. No major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2. Approve the payment of bills for November 2024, in the amount of $3,215,532.59.

3. Ratify the action of the Superintendent in making the following transfers for the 2024/2025 school year.

October 2024

From:

Account	Description	Amount
11-000-100-563	Tuition- Vocational	$ 4,000.00
		Total: $ 4,000.00

To:

Account	Description	Amount
11-000-100-564	Tuition- Vocational; Special Ed.	$ 4,000.00
		Total:$ 4,000.00

4. Approve the generous donation from Mr. and Mrs. Natunen to the John R. O'Neill Memorial Scholarship Fund, in the amount of $75.00.

5. Approve the generous donation from the New Providence Athletic Booster Club to the New Providence Athletic Department (Cheer), in the amount of $1,000.00.

6. Approve the generous donation from Mrs. Kyung Lee for robotics t-shirts for the New Providence Middle School Robotics Club, in the amount of $276.00.

7. Approve the Joint Transportation Agreement between the Morris Union Jointure Commission and the New Providence School District for the 2024/2025 school year as stated below:

Route	Per Annum	Aide Per Diem
908	$ 47,712.10	$ 71.49
919	$ 41,798.30	$ 103.05
920	$ 55,826.45	$ 103.05
925	$ 33,969.60	$ 71.49
929	$ 30,865.80	$ 60.11
930	$ 37,985.00	$ 77.21
952	$ 26,120.30	$ 0.00
966	$ 59,257.90	$ 90.17
980	$ 77,907.40	$ 124.52

8. Approve the following voided check:

Voided Check #	Date	Amount	Account	Reason
1726	5/22/2024	$ 32.00	Salt Brook Activities Account	Stop Payment
364808	9/26/2024	$ 888.00	General Account	Cancelation

9. Approve the following Morris Union Jointure Commission trip rates for the 2024/2025 school year.

Service	Rates
Trip Rate 54 Passenger (Mon-Sat)*	$ 92.95 per hour
Trip Rate 54 Passenger (Sun & Holidays)*	$ 120.21 per hour
Trip Rate Small Bus (Mon-Sat)*	$ 88.00 per hour
Trip Rate Small Bus (Sun & Holidays)	$ 106.57 per hour
*Weekend/Holiday trips have four-hour minimum	

Seconded by:_____
Roll Call Vote:

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_____Mr. Walsh

B. Facilities Actions – Mrs. Marano

No facilities items for approval.

C. Education – Mrs. Stacey Gunderman

Approve Items 1 through 8 as listed below:

1. Per the 2011 Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, approve the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools regarding the following 2024/2025 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying investigations:

School	Incident Report Number(s)
Middle School:	1
Allen W. Roberts:	1
District:	1

2. Approve the following additional field trip destination for the 2024/2025 school year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.8:

   a. Universal Technical Institute, trade school campus, Bloomfield, New Jersey

3. Approve the submission and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Every Student Succeeds Act Consolidated Grant Application Amendments for Title I ($33,277.00), Title IIA ($6,527.00.00), and Title III Immigrant funds ($1,551.00) for the period 7/1/24 through 6/30/25. These amendments allow for the addition of rollover funds not utilized during the 2023/2024 school year.

4. Approve the submission of the amended Fiscal Year 2025 Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA-B) Consolidated Grant Application, in the amount of $550,584.00, for the period 7/1/24 through 6/30/25.

5. Approve the contract addendum for student #11912 at ECLC of New Jersey, for the 2024/2025 school year, for one-to-one services at the rate of $28.69 per hour, effective 10/1/24.

6. Approve the enrollment of Student #10824 at Hunterdon Preparatory School, for the 2024/2025 school year, at a tuition cost of $54,015.50, effective 10/10/24.

7. Approve the enrollment of Student #12309 at The Shepard School, for the 2024/2025 school year, at a tuition cost of $47,345.40, effective 10/28/24.

8. Approve the enrollment of Student #13638 at First Children, for the 2024/2025 school year, at a tuition cost of $74,555.00, effective 9/5/24.

Seconded by:_____
Roll Call Vote:

_____Mrs. Coniglio _____Mrs. Gunderman

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_____Dr. Empson Hayden _____Mrs. Marano

_____Mr. Walsh

D. Personnel Action – Mrs. Coniglio

Approve Items 1 through 5 as listed below:

1. Approve the appointment of the following people with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools subject to the requirements of Chapter 116 of P.L. 1986 for the 2024/2025 school year:

   a. Gavin Tripicchio, wrestling (winter), volunteer
   b. Natalia Campione, school counseling practicum placement at New Providence Middle School, effective 1/2/25-6/18/25 (subject to criminal history review procedures)
   c. Grace Kinsella, crisis counselor, $49,668.00 (base $70,955.00), effective 12/1/24
   d. Sean Theis, wrestling (winter), first assistant, $6,614.00 (subject to criminal history review procedures)
   e. Noran Elmahroukey, wrestling (winter), volunteer
   f. Elizabeth Hurrell, substitute teacher, teacher aide, and secretary (subject to criminal history review procedures)
   g. Craig Barclay, winter track, girls, head coach, $8,719.00

h. Craig Barclay, spring track, girls, head couch $9,448.00

2. Accept the resignations of the following employees:

a. Noelle Vallario, long term substitute teacher, effective 12/20/24
b. Pamela Van Nostrand, teacher, effective 10/28/24

3. Accept the following revision for the 2024/2025 school year:

a. Carolyn Macchia, TV Production/Stage Manager, $916.20 (base $3,054.00), effective 9/1/24 through 11/29/24

4. Rescind the following appointments for the 2024/2025 school year:

a. Caitlyn Alongi, HS musical (winter), music director, $3,300.00
b. Carmine DeNicola, spring track, girls, head coach, $9,448.00
c. Paul Irwin, Jr., winter track, girls, head coach, $8,719.00
d. Craig Barclay, winter track, boys and girls, first assistant, $6,103.00
e. Craig Barclay, spring track, boys, first assistant, $6,614.00

5. Approve the request for unpaid maternity leave for Erin Doherty, teacher, under the federal Family Leave Act for a period of six weeks commencing 2/11/25 and ending 3/19/25, and under the state Family Leave Act for a period of twelve weeks commencing 3/20/25 and ending 6/18/25, with continued health insurance benefits pursuant to law. (Based on 2/10/25 due date. Dates subject to adjustment by actual birth.)

Seconded by:_____
Roll Call Vote:

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_____Mr. Walsh

E. Board Policy – Mrs. Coniglio

1. Approve the following Policy on the second reading:

Policy:

Policy 1550 (Mandated)	Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (Coniglio)	Revised

Seconded by:_____
Roll Call Vote:

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IX Committee Reports

1. Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology
2. Finance, Facilities, and Safety/Security
3. Personnel, Management, and Communication

X Old Business

XI New Business – Unofficial School Board Election Results

XII Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

XIII Motion to Recess to Closed Session, if necessary

XIV Adjournment