February 13, 2025

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY

The Board of Education held a Meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2025 beginning at 5:30 PM in the LCJ Summit Middle School Auditorium. Those present: Ms. Justice, presiding, Mr. Cho, Ms. Cohn, Ms. Erday, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Mahecha, and Ms. Stanton. There were approximately 100 members of the public in attendance.

Also present were Mr. Hough, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Jess, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Sarno, Assistant Business Administrator, Mr. Gardella, Director of Human Resources, Ms. Rocco, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Mr. Margolis, Director of Special Services, and Ms. Dickinson, Communications Officer.

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION

The following notice was presented:

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Ms. Justice stated the Board would now go into Executive Session and asked that the appropriate resolution be presented. The following resolution was then presented:

Resolved by the Board of Education of the City of Summit as per Chapter 231 P.L. 1975:

a. That it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session on Thursday, February 13, 2025 to discuss:

   1. Personnel - Matters covered by the attorney-client privilege

b. That the matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.

Motion by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Erday, and carried to move to Executive Session at 5:33 PM.

Motion by Ms. Erday, seconded by Ms. Kelly, and carried to reconvene to public session at 6:37 PM.

PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

A. National Merit Scholars Acknowledgment of Books to their Favorite Teacher ~ Stacy Grimaldi, Principal, Summit High School

William Ard presented to Dan Cummings ~ *The Satyricon - Petronius*
Jade Augustin presented to Brianna Kane ~ *The Heart of It All - Christian Kiefer*
Abigail Bligh presented to Sunita Viswanath ~ *Life of Pi - Yann Martel*
Maya Bofinger presented to Kelly Wright ~ *Pretend We're Dead - Tanya Pearson*
Abigail Cammarano presented to Wendy Donat ~ *The Demon of Unrest - Erik Larson*
Monserrat Chacon presented to Anna Gomez ~ *The Thank You Book - Mo Willems*
Avani Chand NOT PARTICIPATING
Madeleine Chen presented to Elizabeth Mongno ~ *Charlotte's Web - E.B White*
Ellie Curragh presented to Katherine Gallaway ~ *The Nightingale - Kristin Hannah*
Max Eng presented to Kathy Branchflower ~ *The Pushcart War - Jean Merrill*
Lillian Engmann presented to Jackie Mattoon ~ *Outlive - Peter Attia, MD*
Julia Eroles presented to Silvia Vicente ~ *El Reino Del Reves/Poesia Completa*

Sofia Estupinan presented to Lizbeth Contreras ~ *Good Vibes, Good Life - Vex King*
Nicholas Fenelus presented to Mary-Lynn Rhodes ~ *Invisible Man - Ralph Ellison*
Liv Ge presented to Nevena Bojovic ~ *Absolutely On Music - Haruki Murakami*
Lucas Gomez presented to Michael Gleason ~ *Driven By Eternity - John Bevere*
Bella Gulati presented to Chris Miller ~ *To Kill A Mockingbird - Harper Lee*
Gabriella Guzzinati presented to Angelique Bender ~ *Humble Pi - Matt Parker*
Thomas Hamilton presented to Rosaly Kovach ~ *American Moonshot - Douglas Brinkley*
Rebecca Harris presented to Ike Welsh ~ *Baseball, The Turbulent Midcentury Years - Steven Gietschier*
Carter Herman presented to Tina Lee ~ *Where the Sidewalk Ends - Shel Silverstein*
Emily Hickey presented to Laura Kaplan ~ *What You Do Matters - Kobi Yamada*
Eylon Hotam presented to Andrea Laquerre ~ *Nexus - Yuval Noah Harari*
Clare Kwon presented to Dan Gollin ~ *The Little Prince - Antoine De Saint Exupéry*
Ethan Lawton presented to Mrs. Appel ~ *The Ilyiad - Homer*
Meghan Lenis presented to Hannah Rothstein ~ *Constructing A Nervous System - Margo Jefferson*
Jonathan Liang presented to John Ross ~ *1984 - George Orwell*
Samuel Liu presented to Jeremy Morman ~ *The Beginnings of Western Science - David Lindberg*
Julia Mahecha presented to Christina Allian ~ *How Not To Be Wrong - Jordan Ellenberg*
Alexa Malik presented to Elizabeth Buettner ~ *Humankind - Rutger Bregman*
Beatrice Morgan presented to Jack Maranhao ~ *Dune - Frank Herbert*
Saira Patel presented to Abigail Emerson ~ *The Phantom Tollbooth - Norton Juster*
Luca Ramniceanu presented to Joan Lu ~ *The Story of The Stone - Cao Xueqin*
Jason Schwartz presented to Caroline Guinee ~ *Twelve Angy Men - David Mamet*
Emily Sensenich presented to Ashley Wollesen ~ *Undaunted - Brooke Kroeger*
Nikita Shevyakov presented to Alex Gentul ~ *The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy - Douglas Adams*
Calista Shroff presented to Cheryl Adair ~ TBD
Aiden Tapia NOT PARTICIPATING
David Umana NOT PARTICIPATING
Emma Vachal presented to Monika Bartlett ~ *A Nation of Women - Luisa Capetillo*
Jack Vargas presented to Erin Fogarty ~ *Just Add Water - Katie Ledecky*
Alexander Vehap presented to Frank Baragona ~ *Finite & Infinite Games - James Carse*
Ethan Vela presented to Jessica Pietracatella ~ *The Great Gatsby - F. Scott Fitzgerald*
Ava Wallach presented to Christine Stelmach ~ *The Science of Gardening - Dr. Stuart Farrimond*

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Justice spoke about the following:

- Black History events throughout the district
- Thanks to those that attended the Coffee with the President

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Erday moved approval of the following item listed under Superintendent's Report:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Report of New Hires by the Superintendent
   1. Approval to appoint the following new staff, pending criminal history review, background checks are required by law, and ability to obtain appropriate NJ certification:

Name	**Position**	**School**	**Step/Salary**	**Effective**	**Replacing**
Kaitlyn Jones	Health & Physical Education Teacher	LCJSMS	BA+15-Step-4, $64,660	August 27, 2025, for the 2025-2026 school year	Brittany Cuevas

Motion seconded by Ms. Stanton. The roll was called, and all voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

Mr. Hough spoke about the following:

- Events throughout the district including: LH Sweetheart event; 100th day celebrations; school counseling week; 8th grade career day; Super Bowl activities at the Primary Centers; Black History celebrations
- Thank you to Principal Farias for her contributions as she is taking a central office job in another district; Dan Healy has been a successful administrator and we are excited to have him appointed as the interim JES principal
- Congratulations to a BES 4th grader for his success at the Spelling Bee

Ms. Stanton moved approval of the following item listed under Superintendent's Report:

B. Resolve to affirm the Superintendent's recommendation of the HIB investigation(s) for the period of 12/10/2024 - 1/14/2025 and review the Superintendent's recommendation of the HIB investigation(s) for the period of 1/15/2025 - 2/11/2025. These report summaries are outlined in the confidential reports shared with the Board of Education members and on file in the Superintendent's office.

C. Resolve to review the Superintendent's recommendation of the suspensions for the period of 1/01/2025 – 1/31/2025 as outlined in the confidential reports shared with the Board of Education members and on file in the Superintendent's office.

Motion seconded by Ms. Cohn. The roll was called, and all voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Board Representative, Grace Epstein, reported on the following:

- Boys & Girls varsity meets and games are ongoing
- SHS Movie Night regarding the impact of screen time
- Events by the Thrift & Sustainability Club
- Upcoming 9th & 10th grade dance

ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Jess announced the additions/revisions to the agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Education and Student Activities/Services Committee – Ms. Stanton reported on the following: revision to the 2025-2026 school year calendar; discussion of 12-month holiday schedule; iReady mid-year diagnostics; Middle School ERI program impact; inclusion model in Washington School
B. Operations Committee – Ms. Kelly reported on the following: NJQSAC monitoring outcome; Tatlock field house renovation bid; ROD grant update; update on the 2025-2026 budget
C. Policy Committee – Ms. Erday reported on the following: update on policies on tonight's agenda including AI, food services, school security, spectator code of conduct at athletic events
D. Communications Committee – Ms. Cohn reported on the following: IIOF update; Strategic Planning focus group; JES Principal transition
E. Negotiations and Personnel Committee – Did not meet

F. Liaison Reports – Ms. Stanton reported the SEF Spring for Excellence is on March 8th at the Elks; grants cycle will close on March 15th

PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comment on Items on the Agenda
B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Members of the public expressed concerns regarding cell phones in schools.

The following questions were asked during the public comment portion of the meeting:

1. Wouldn't it be easier to have students check-in their phones/watches with the Main Office?
2. How much weight do parents have regarding a policy change to prohibit cell phones in schools?

Motion by Ms. Stanton, seconded by Ms. Erday, unanimously approved by voice vote to close public comment.

Answers to the questions that were asked during the public comment portion of the 1-16-25 meeting are as follows:

1. What protocols are in place to protect the privacy of families when students share family information?
   At the start of the program the program facilitator covers the importance of confidentiality. Students are told to only participate and share to the level they are comfortable with. Students are told that they do not have to share any personal information, including family information.

2. What are the current policies and practices related to residents communicating directly with BOE members?
   Residents can communicate with board members directly. The board member should refer the resident to the appropriate school official that can handle their concern (Principal, Superintendent). Board of Education members should not be answering questions directly as that is not their role. Residents can also contact the Board President to get information to the Superintendent. Board of Education members differ from Common Council members, in that a Board of Education member is only a Board of Education member during a public meeting and they should not be providing answers to members of the public.

3. What is the district doing to address the cell phone topic in schools?
   The administration is monitoring the effectiveness of our current practices and will convene by the end of the school year to make recommendations for a cell phone policy that addresses the needs of our community. The current district policy relative to cell phone usage, policy #5516, can be found on the district website.

4. Is there a way to be informed on the answers to questions asked at the meeting?
   Questions are recorded during the meeting in which they are asked and will be incorporated into those meeting minutes. Questions will be answered at the next board meeting and the superintendent or his designee will provide answers directly to the person who asked the questions prior to the next board meeting.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Ms. Stanton moved approval of the following items listed under Approval of Board Minutes:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Approval of Minutes of the following meeting

1.	January 16, 2025	Regular Meeting
2.	January 28, 2025	Special Meeting

Motion seconded by Ms. Cohn, unanimously approved by voice vote.

CURRICULUM / INSTRUCTION / PROGRAM

Ms. Erday moved the following items under Curriculum/Instruction/Program:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Approval to operate an academic summer school during summer 2025

B. Approval to operate an enrichment summer school (FLASH) during summer 2025

C. Approval of the *revised* 2025-2026 District calendar (attached)

D. Approval of 2025-2026 Holiday Schedule for 12-Month Employees (as per attached)

E. Approval of an out-of-state field trip to Ellis Island for 65 grade 3 students and 16 chaperones from Franklin Elementary School, on June 9, 2025

F. Approval of an out-of-state and and overnight field trip to Quebec Province, Canada, November 5-9, 2025, for a tbd number of Summit High School students from grades 10 -12 French Classes and 3 chaperones

Motion was seconded by Ms. Stanton. The roll was called, and all present voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

FINANCE

Ms. Cohn moved the following items under Finance:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Approval of the February Bills List as listed below:

1.	Regular Bills	Fund 10	$2,163,340.59
2.	Special Revenue	Fund 20	$ 93,139.19
3.	Capital Projects	Fund 30	$1,212,184.09
4.	Enterprise Fund	Fund 60	$ - 0 -
	Sub Total All Funds		$3,468,663.87
5.	Food Service	Fund 61	$ 163,202.37
	Total All Funds		$3,631,866.24

B. Approval of the monthly payroll for January 2025 - $5,667,845.46

C. Approval of budget adjustments and line-item transfers for December 2024

D. Approval of Secretary and Treasurer's Report for December 2024

E. Monthly Budgetary Line-item Status Certification:

Resolved, that the Board Secretary for the Summit Board of Education certifies that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, as of December 2024 that no line-item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line-item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(a); and

Further Be It Resolved, that the Summit Board of Education certifies that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c) 4 that after review of the board secretary's and treasurer's monthly financial reports and the advice of district officials, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10 (b).

F. Approval of travel for staff members (as per attached)

G. Approval of payment to the New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Fund for the quarter ending 12/31/2023 in the amount of $12,909.49

H. Approval to accept a Wellness Grant from the Schools Health Insurance Fund Wellness Committee to the Summit Board of Education in the amount of $49,600

I. Approval to accept an anonymous donation to fund Ellis Island field trips during the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of $18,734

J. Approval of 2023-2024 Per Pupil Costs for Tuition Adjustment Purposes:

Preschool/Kindergarten	$13,584
Elementary Grades 1-5	$16,722
Middle School Grades 6-8	$16,814
High School Grades 9-12	$17,245
LLD Mild to Moderate	$16,016
Preschool Dis - PT	$32,472

K. Approval of the Proposal for Additional Professional Services dated January 15, 2025 from Edwards Engineering Group for the Jefferson Elementary School Playground Reconstruction project in the amount of $2,500

L. Approval of the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program spending plan for the participating schools located within this district as follows:

Kent Place School	$20,983.88

M. Approval of the Nonpublic School Security Aid Program spending plans for the participating schools located within this district as follows:

Oratory Catholic Prep	$ 2,984.43

N. Approval of the following Gottesman Family Foundation Parenting Institute expenditures:

1. Payment to Paola Acosta for $795.99 for October/November 2024 Roadmap to College Meeting Refreshments,12/24/24 Posada Celebration, and 10/04/24 Help Desk refreshments
2. Payment to Paola Acosta for $295.77 for February/March/April 2024 Roadmap to College Meeting Refreshments

O. Approval of Renewal and Amendment of Agreement with AHS Hospital Corporation, 475 South Street, Morristown, NJ 07962 to provide Per Diem Athletic Trainer services, as needed, during the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of $70/hour

P. Approval for David Field to provide CPR training to up to 45 Summit staff members at a rate of $25 per person

Q. Approval for the CPR Certifications with the Red Cross at $40 per person for up to 45 Summit staff members

R. Approval of the Special Education Tuition Contract with Union County Educational Services Commission to include Child Study Team Services during the 2024-2025 school year

S. Approval of Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission, 900 Green Grove Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07712 for participation in coordinated transportation from February 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028

T. Approval for the following transportation arrangements with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission for the 2024-2025 School Year:

Student ID	School	Route	Contractor
#5302980353	Summit High School	ESQ1903	Chris Trans

Approval for the renewal of transportation contracts with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission for the 2024-2025 School Year in accordance and subject to the CPI increase of 5.81% as listed below:

Contractor	Route #	Aide Per Diem Rate	Annual Cost
Chris Trans	ESQ1903	$0.00	$24,032.90

Motion was seconded by Ms. Stanton. The roll was called, and all present voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

SCHOOL BOARD OPERATION

Ms. Stanton moved the following items under School Board Operation:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Approval of Proposal from TMI Education, P.O. Box 922, Madison, NJ 07940 to provide two additional strategic planning sessions at a cost of $6,500

B. Approval of the District Approval Plan for NJQSAC

Motion was seconded by Ms. Erday. The roll was called, and all present voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

PERSONNEL

Ms. Erday moved the following items under Personnel:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Approval of the following Changes of Assignment:
   1. Matthew DeFonzo, from Instructional Aide/Long Term Physical Education Teacher, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, to Leave Replacement Physical Education Teacher, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School for the 2024-2025 school year

2. Leanne Ulrich, from Secretary, Summit High School, to Secretary, Brayton Elementary School, Secretary-VI-Step-T, (prorated to .9167) $55,421.85, effective February 17, 2025, or sooner, for the 2024-2025 school year
3. Jennifer Nagar, Long Term Inclusion Aide Substitute, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, to Long Term Special Education Substitute Teacher, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, effective February 26, 2025 through April 12, 2025
4. Michele Conti, from Inclusion Aide, Summit High School, to Inclusion Aide, Brayton Elementary School, effective January 30, 2025, for the 2024-2025 school year
5. Daniel Healy, from Athletic Director/Supervisor of Health and Physical Education, Summit High School, to Interim Principal, Jefferson Elementary School, no change in pay, effective March 31, 2025 (or sooner) through June 30, 2025
6. Kevin Kostibos, from Social Studies Teacher, Summit High School, to Acting Assistant Principal, Summit High School, no change in pay, effective February 24, 2025 through May 19, 2025
7. Eleanor Mahoney, from Substitute Teacher, District, to Long-Term Special Education Teacher Substitute, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, $265/day, effective February 10, 2025 through February 26, 2025, with one overlap day on February 7, 2025 at $125/day
8. Tara Corigliano, from Inclusion Aide, Wilson Primary Center, to Long-Term Special Education Teacher Substitute, Jefferson Elementary School, $265/day, effective February 10, 2025, end date tbd

B. Approval of maternity leave/family leave for the following staff:
1. Marissa Kaufman, Special Education Teacher, Jefferson Elementary School, paid leave effective, December 16, 2024 through February 3, 2025, unpaid leave effective, February 4, 2025 through May 7, 2025 (*revised* from the September 12, 2024 Agenda)
2. Iris Nunez, Secretary, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, unpaid leave effective, December 4, 2024 through February 28, 2025 (*revised* from the November 14, 2024 Agenda)
3. Caitlin Dasti, Inclusion Aide, Wilson Primary Center, unpaid intermittent leave effective, January 3, 2025 - end date tbd
4. Victoria Stevens, Grade 4 Teacher, Franklin Elementary School, paid leave effective, June 6, 2025 through the end of the 2024-2025 school year, unpaid leave effective, August 27, 2025 through November 26, 2025
5. Alexandra Sullivan, Grade 2 Teacher, Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School, paid leave effective, December 11, 2024 through March 5, 2025, unpaid leave effective, March 6, 2025 through June 5, 2025 (*revised* from the October 10, 2024 Agenda)

C. Approval to appoint the following Leave Replacement Teachers and Long-Term Teacher Substitutes, pending criminal history review, background checks as required by law, and the ability to obtain NJ substitute teacher credentials:

Name	School	Position	Step/Salary	Effective	Covering
Karen Cotter	LCJSMS	Long-Term Science Teacher Substitute	$400/day	February 7, 2025, or sooner, end date tbd	Stephanie Aurilia Miller (Rommel)
Arielle Weinstein	LHES	Leave Replacement Grade 4 Teacher	BA-Step-1, $58,986 (prorated) with 2 overlap days at $125/day	March 4, 2025, end date tbd	Cherylin Fano

D. Approval to appoint the following support staff, pending criminal history review and background checks as required by law:

Name	Position	School	Step	Salary	Effective	Replacing
Vanessa Mayers	Inclusion Aide	WPC	Aide-Step-1	$40,114 (proated)	February 24, 2025, or sooner, for the 2024-2025 school year	Sara Cadiz
Kevin Sekulic	Lunch/Recess Aide/Phone Coverage	JPC/JES	n/a	$38/hour - Lunch/Recess Aide & $16.58 for Phone Coverage	February 28, 2025, or sooner	Melissa Harris
Christine Franz	Secretary to the Assistant Principal	SHS	Secretary V-Step-W	$54,893 (prorated)	March 3, 2025, for the 2024-2025 school year	Leanne Ulrich
Michael Salerno	Part-Time Custodian	WPC	Custodian 1-Step-7	$44,544 (prorated at 72.5% = $32,294)	February 28, 2025, or sooner, for the 2024-2025 school year	Luz Andrade-Potes
Michele Lazzaro	Lunch/Recess Aide	BES	n/a	$38/hour	March 3, 2025, or sooner	Carli Millen
John Mancuso	Custodian	JES	Custodian-1-Step-2	$42,544 (prorated)	March 31, 2025, or sooner	Marvin Petrela

E. Approval to accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of the following staff:

Name	Position	School	Effective
Amy Herber	Student Assistance Coordinator	SHS	July 1, 2025

F. Approval to accept the resignation of the following staff:

Name	Position	School	Effective Date
Carli Millen	Cafeteria/Playground Aide	BES	February 7, 2025
Michele McBride	Substitute Custodian	LHES	January 31, 2025
Gabrielle da Silva	Long-Term Special Education Teacher Substitute	JES	February 14, 2025
Vineeta Bhatnagar	Teacher and Clerical Substitute	District	February 28, 2025
Nataly Farias	Principal	JES	March 31, 2025, or sooner should a replacement be found

G. Approval to appoint the following substitute teachers, pending criminal history review, background checks as required by law, and the ability to obtain NJ substitute teacher credentials:

Name	Pay Rate	Effective Date
Michele Lazzaro	$125/day (prorated)	March 3, 2025, or sooner
Amanda Pittenger	$125/day	February 14, 2025
Cindy Vinueza	$125/day	February 14, 2025
Kristen Wright Starker	$125/day	February 14, 2025
Michaela Reynolds	$125/day	February 10, 2025

H. Approval of Stefanie Jurista, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, for non-athletic co-curricular stipend as Peer Leadership Advisor, for the 2024-2025 school year (Step-3) for a total of $3,738 (*revised* from the June 2024 Agenda)

I. Approval to rescind the appointment of Cristina Casani, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, for non-athletic co-curricular stipend as Peer Leadership Advisor, for the 2024-2025 school year (revised from the June 2024 Agenda)

J. Approval of Cristina Casani, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, Peer Leadership, to be paid $50/hour, up to 70 hours, for a total of $3,500 (funded through SEF Grant S24203-18 months)

K. Approval of Alizea Ramalhosa, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, for Executive Functioning Courses, $50/hour, up to 40 hours (maximum $2,000) (funded through SEF Grant F24212)

L. Approval to adjust the stipend amount on the spring coach 2025 list, for Casey Sink to receive $7,823 (*revised* from the January 16, 2025 Agenda)

M. Approval of the following staff members, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, for At-Risk Mentoring Program, $50/hour for a total 20 hours each at a maximum of $1,000.00 each (funded through SEF Grant F24206)

1. Melissa Brause
2. Matthew Lachman
3. Stefanie Jurista
4. Olympia Balzer
5. Juana Rodriguez
6. Grace O'Brien
7. Dennis Marcantonio
8. John Ross
9. Kate Polles
10. Monica Galasso
11. Tonya Ramsay
12. Jeff Zieleniewski
13. Cristina Colineri
14. Hannah Gallagher-Luca
15. Maureen Francisco

N. Approval to pay Robert Stankwich, Custodian, Wilson Primary Center, $5,211.17 for 22.5 unused vacation days

O. Approval of Lauren Ettinger, LCJ Summit Middle School, for non-athletic co-curricular stipend as Yearbook Advisor for the 2024-2025 school year, Step-3, $4,974 (*revised* from the June 2024 Agenda)

P. Approval to extend the appointment of Caroline McKenna, as the Long-Term Special Education Teacher Substitute, Jefferson Elementary School, to May 7, 2025

Q. Approval to pay Bonnie Weinstein, Brayton Elementary School, for the 2024-2025 Washington Afterschool Enrichment Program - Afternoon of Exploration, effective January 2, 2025 through February 28, 2025, up to 5 hours at the curriculum rate of $50/hour (funded by the Washington PTO)

R. Approval of the *revised* Director of Facilities job description (see attached)

S. Approval to *abolish* the Supervisor of Maintenance job description (see attached)

T. Approval of the *new* job description for Assistant Director of Facilities (see attached)

U. Approval of Melissa Acabou and Marija Landeka, Jefferson Elementary School, for ESL tutoring, up to 10 additional hours each, at the curriculum rate of $50/hour, paid through Title 3 Immigrant and ESSER Beyond the School Day, via timesheet

V. Approval of the following staff for the Washington School 5th Grade Play, at the curriculum rate of $50/hour, effective February 10, 2025 through March 21, 2025 (funded by the Washington PTO):
1. Lou Steele - up to 55 hours
2. Bridget Pietrantuono - up to 36 hours

W. Approval of the following 2025 spring coaching positions:
1. Kevin Cahillane - Freshman Baseball - Step1A - $7,576
2. John Liberato - Freshman Boys Volleyball - Step 2A - $7,987

X. Approval to pay the following Brayton Elementary School staff for the Brayton Spring Disc Golf Afterschool Enrichment Team Advisors, from April 24, 2025 through June 5, 2025, at the curriculum rate of $50/hour (funded by the Brayton PTO)
1. Christopher Miller - up to 25 hours
2. Christopher Wisbeski - up to 14 hours
3. Mary Rodriguez - up to 14 hours
4. Erin Corea - up to 14 hours

Y. Approval to pay the following Summit High School staff for teaching an extra 6th Mathematics period, effective February 19, 2025 through the end of the 2024-2025 school year:
1. Sunita Viswanath - $87.85/per class
2. Elizabeth Mongno - $79.70/per class
3. Christina Patella - $66.35/per class
4. Angelique Bender - $85.60/per class
5. Jackie Mattoon - $60.91/per class

Z. Approval of Kimberly Stephens, Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School, to be appointed as the advisor to the Science Olympiad program, up to 120 hours, at the curriculum rate of $50/hour (funded by SEF Grant 24208) (*amended* from the October 2024 Agenda)

AA. Approval to pay Karen Forgione for an out-of-state and overnight field trip with the Summit High School Music Department on April 24-26, 2025, as a chaperone/administrator in charge, as per the SSA contract, for the following amounts:
- April 24-25, 2025 - $288.63/day = $577.26
- April 26, 2025 - $577.26/day

BB. Approval to pay the following Jefferson Elementary School staff for the Jefferson Afterschool Enrichment Classes, from March 24, 2025 through May 19, 2025, up to 8 hours each, at the curriculum rate of $50/hour (funded by the Jefferson PTO):
1. Natalie Vince - Kindness, Feelings and Fun
2. Alyssa Roncallo - Kindness, Feelings and Fun
3. Deanna Nelson - Soccer
4. Marija Landeka - Arts & Crafts
5. Heidi Pilla - Bracelet Making
6. Christopher Brandon - Drawing

CC. Approval of the following Summit High School staff to teach an extra 6th Social Studies period, effective February 21, 2025 through May 19, 2025:
1. David Howarth - $65.08
2. Elizabeth Berberich - $74.50
3. Frank Harpster - $63.91
4. Christian Simonelli - $55.69
5. William O'Regan - $95.06

Motion was seconded by Ms. Stanton. The roll was called, and all present voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

POLICIES & REGULATIONS

Ms. Cohn moved the following items under Policies & Regulations:

RESOLVED that the Summit Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

First Reading
P 5512 - Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (M) (Revised)
P & R 9320 - Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies (M) (Revised)
P 2365 - Acceptable Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) (New)
R 7440 - School District Security - Internal Update
P 8500 - Food Services (M) (Revised)
P 9163 - Spectator Code of Conduct for Interscholastic Events (M) (New)

Second Reading
P 5460 - High School Graduation (M) Revised
P 5533 - Student Smoking (M) Revised
R 5533 - Student Smoking Revised

Motion was seconded by Ms. Stanton. The roll was called, and all present voted, "Aye". The motion was declared adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Erday, seconded by Ms. Stanton, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Derek J. Jess
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Summit Public Schools