



MAHWAH BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORK SESSION/ACTION MEETING OF THE MAHWAH BOARD OF EDUCATION held on Wednesday, March 5th, 2025, in the Administrative Offices, 60 Ridge Road, Mahwah, New Jersey.

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting of the Mahwah Board of Education is open to members of the public to be physically present. Members of the public that attend will be asked to follow the same procedures as all other visitors to our schools. Those procedures can be found on the agenda page of our website. Additionally, the Board meeting will be live streamed for viewing purposes only. Anyone wishing to view the meeting, may do so via Zoom (<https://zoom.us>).

1. Call to Order

Dr. Moorthy called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

2. Roll Call

PRESENT:

Ms. Daveniero, Ms. Jansen, and Dr. Moorthy
Mr. Dinice, Mr. Galow, Mr. Kezmarsky, and Mr. DeSilva

ABSENT:

Mr. Coplin and Mr. Hughes

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael DeTuro, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Dennis M. Fare, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent
Thomas Lambe, Business Administrator, Board Secretary
Linda A. Bovino-Romeo, Ph.D., Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Lisa Rizzo, Director of Special Services
Alexis Kasparian, Student Representative
4 members of the public attended in-person
0 members of the public attended via Zoom

3. President's Announcement

Adequate notice of the agenda of this meeting has been provided to *The Ridgewood News and The Record* specifying that the Mahwah Board of Education will meet on March 5th, 2025, in the Administrative Offices, 60 Ridge Road, Mahwah, New Jersey. A copy was filed with the Township Clerk.

4. Salute to the Flag

5. Motion to Recess to Executive Session

Moved by Mr. DeSilva, seconded by Mr. Kezmarsky at 6:35 pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

6. Motion to Reconvene to Public Action Meeting

Motion by Mr. Kezmarsky, seconded by Mr. DeSilva at 7:01 pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

7. Agenda Questions

There were no questions about the agenda.

8. Motion to Open the Meeting to the Public for Comments

Motion by Mr. DeSilva, seconded by Mr. Galow, to open the meeting to the public for comments at 7:02 pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

There were no comments from the public.

9. Motion to Close the Meeting to the Public for Comments

Motion by Mr. Galow, seconded by Mr. Dinice, to close the meeting to the public for comments at 7:03 pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

10. Mahwah Student Representative's Report

Student Board Representative Alexis Kasparian reported on the following:

- *The boys' basketball team made it to the semi-finals; presently playing at Glen Rock*
- *Winter Guard will compete this Saturday at Bridgewater Raritan High School*
- *The Robotics team will compete at Mount Olive this weekend*
- *DECA qualified for States, competing in Atlantic city*
- *Female wrestler, Ava Novello, qualified for states and competing this week in Atlantic City*
- *Percussion band won 2nd place; scored 70.79*
- *Art club's "Relationships" Art Exhibit' is now open and ready to view*
- *Drama Club has been rehearsing for their spring play "Anything Goes", which runs March 27th-30th*

11. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Michael DeTuro

Dr. DeTuro reported on the following:

- *Student Safety Data System- collects instances of violence (weapons and substance offenses) and HIB training and programs; collected to fulfill the state mandated reporting requirement; report occurs bi-annually.*
- *Strategic Planning Meet #2 for 2025-2030 will take place on March 12th, 2025.*
- *MHS Students attended the NJ Elks Peer Leadership Conference; thanks to the Mahwah Municipal Alliance and Mahwah Elks for funding this opportunity for our students.*
- *Highlighted the T3 Gallery Exhibition "Relationships"*
- *Congratulated Chirstian Merturi for winning the State title in diving- 1/7 in school's history to do so. He outscored competitors in difficulty and won by a sweeping twenty points.*
- *Congratulated wrestler Ava Novello for qualifying for the States; first female in school's history to do so.*
- *Congratulated Brian Appiah for scoring his '1,000 point' in basketball; 10th male athlete in school's history to do so.*
- *Thanked Dr. Bovino for her tremendous work over her fourteen years of dedication to the Mahwah district (reference item 19a on agenda); she will be missed and congratulations on her new position as Superintendent for Ho-Ho-Kus. Good luck!*

12. Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Report – Mr. Thomas Lambe

Mr. Lambe presented the preliminary 2025-2026 budget:

- *Preliminary Budget 2025-2026; focused on revenue process- tax levy cap, banked cap, and waiver adjustments.*
- *Reviewed State and Federal Aid amounts confirmed for the budget.*
- *Reviewed other revenue sources including Emergency Reserve, Maintenance Reserve, and Capital Reserve; the Unemployment Account deemed not a sustainable revenue source so we will not withdraw funds this year.*
- *Upcoming Budget calendar with presentations on 3/26/2025, 4/9/2025, and 4/30/2025.*
- *The final approval of the 2025-2026 budget will occur at the meeting on 4/30/2025.*

13. Assistant Superintendent's Report – Dr. Dennis Fare

Dr. Fare reported on the following:

- *Congratulated the MHS Girls' Bowling team for winning the Patriot Division.*
- *Highlighted the Gifted and Talented Program. Theo, a student at George Washington Elementary, accomplished a mechanical crane build using 'straw bees'; studying mechanical advantage, the students practice math skills in relation to their build.*
- *MHS Community Problem Solvers created a children's book titled, "The Adventures of Bergen the Bear", as a response to an 80% increase of bear sightings and interactions. This book aims to educate the public on how to handle bear encounters and minimize risk. Available on Amazon for \$1.99.*
- *Mahwah Alumni '07, Kristin Dolan, participated in our Thunderbird Partnership program. Dolan is the Senior Vice President of Growth at Influential. Dolan reported that her Mahwah education prepared her for her role; spoke on the Creator economy, and our ever-evolving world through a tech and social media lens.*
- *Ramapo Ridge Middle School's Project Challenge team placed 1st at the NJSBF Law Fair Competition. The purpose is to promote understanding of the law and educate students of their rights and responsibilities under the law. Congratulations to our 6th grade champs!*
- *Harlem Wizards game will take place on March 8th at 6 PM at Ramapo Ridge Middle School; tickets are available online. All proceeds will support the Class of 2025 project graduation.*
- *Thanked Dr. Bovino and wished her luck and success.*

14. President's Report

Dr. Moorthy reported on the following:

- *Wished the Muslim community a 'Ramadan Mubarak' to those celebrating*
- *Soaring T-BIRDS: T-Trusted B-Brave I-Inspiring R-Resilient D-Determined S-Spirited*
 - *February highlighted for the attribute 'Determined'*
 - *MHS Senior, Tracy Palakunnel*
 - *Biology- Special Education Teacher, Mr. Matthew Domville*
 - *January highlighted for the attribute 'Inspiring'*
 - *MHS Junior, Marissa Jansen*
 - *January highlighted for the attribute 'Trusted'*
 - *Theater Teacher, Jason Nahum*
- *Strategic Planning attendance is not contingent, so if you've missed prior meetings do not let that deter you from participating in future meetings; what you say counts!*
- *Highlighted the tremendous student achievements accomplished across the district; great job to all!*

15. Board Committee and Liaison Reports

There were no board committee or liaison reports.

16. Board Member Remark/s Additional Comments

There were no board member remarks or additional comments.

17. Old Business

Resolutions 17a – 17b were moved by Mr. Galow, seconded by Mr. Jansen.

a. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the minutes of the February 19, 2025, Public Work Session/Action Meeting.

b. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the minutes of the February 19, 2025, Executive Session Meeting.

Motion for resolutions 17a – 17b were approved with 5 ayes, 0 nays; Mr. Kezmarsky and Ms. Daveniero abstained.

18. New Business – Other

Resolutions 18a – 18m were moved by Mr. Kezmarsky and seconded by Mr. Dinice.

a. SECRETARY’S REPORT – NOVEMBER 2024

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the Secretary’s Report for November 2024.

b. TREASURER’S REPORT – NOVEMBER 2024

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the Treasurer’s Report for November 2024.

c. SECRETARY’S REPORT – DECEMBER 2024

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the Secretary’s Report for December 2024.

d. TREASURER’S REPORT – DECEMBER 2024

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the Treasurer’s Report for December 2024.

e. CONFERENCES/ WORKSHOPS

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves attendance at the following conferences/workshops that are deemed to be educationally appropriate and for the benefit of the school district including conference/workshop fees and necessary travel expenses:

First	Last	Conference/Workshop	Date	Amount
Benjamin	Wagman	NJSIAA Girls State Wrestling Tournament	03/06 - 03/08/2025	\$1,911.24
Christina	Natale	New Jersey Speech-Language Hearing Association Convention	03/27 - 03/28/2025	\$355.00

f. FIELD TRIP

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following field trips:

Group/Destination	Date(s)	School	# of Students
Wrestling (10-11) NJSIAA State Tournament Bally's, Atlantic City, NJ	3/6-3/8/25	MHS	2
Gifted & Talented to Don Bosco, Ramsey, NJ	3/26/25	MHS	9
Science & Environmental Clubs (9-12) to Betsy Ross School, Mahwah, NJ	4/25/25	MHS	18
Grade 10 & 12) to Passaic County Technical Institute, Wayne, NJ	4/29/25	MHS	18
Special Ed (12) to Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ	6/5/25	MHS	12

g. 2025-2026 TENTATIVE/PREMLINARY BUDGET

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves submission of the tentative/preliminary 2025-2026 school district budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools, with a total budget of \$83,658,644 with \$73,008,131 to be raised by local tax levy for the General Fund as follows:

2025-2026	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Total
Appropriations	\$82,019,750	\$879,684	\$759,210	\$0	\$83,658,644
Revenues	\$82,099,434	\$800,000	\$759,210	\$0	\$83,658,644
Local Tax Levy	\$73,008,131	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$73,008,131

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the following is also incorporated into the above:

10	Budgeted Fund Balance	\$	2,875,458
40	Fund Balance	\$	0

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.3(b), the FY 2025-26 Budget includes \$1,048,800 of a health waiver and for the purpose of funding costs for benefits, salaries and educational costs that exceed a 2% increase.

h. WITHDRAWAL FROM MAINTENCE RESERVE

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that, as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d) the general fund appropriations for the 2025-2026 tentative/preliminary budget include a \$300,000 withdrawal from the Maintenance Reserve Account for use on required maintenance activities for a school facility as reported in the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP) pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5.

i. WITHDRAWAL FROM EMERGENCY RESERVE

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that, as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.3, the general fund appropriations for the 2025-2026 tentative/preliminary budget include a \$200,000 withdrawal from the Emergency Reserve Account for increases in health benefits.

j. WITHDRAWAL FROM CAPITAL RESERVE

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, that 2025-2026 tentative budget includes on general fund appropriations, budget line 620, a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Other Capital projects - in the amount of \$800,000 for Other Capital Project costs related to HVAC and roofing projects.

k. TRAVEL EXPENDITURES FOR 2025-2026

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12, in each pre-budget year, the Mahwah Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year which may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, the board of education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount includes all travel that is supported by State and local funds; and

WHEREAS, the board of education has not elected to exclude travel expenditures supported by federal funds from the maximum travel expenditure amount;

WHEREAS, the board of education allocated \$58,000 for the 2024-2025 school year travel expenditures and to date the actual travel expenditures are \$40,962;

RESOLVED, that the Mahwah Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2025-2026 school year as \$58,000.

l. 2024 – 2025 DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR- REVISED

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves give-back snow days with a change that all Mahwah Township Public Schools will be closed Friday, May 23, 2025 and Tuesday, May 27, 2025, weather permitting. Adjustments have been made to the 2024-2025 District School Calendar.

m. REIMBURSEMENT

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves student with local identification number 33928 attend a Bergen Community College course “Introduction to Photoshop.” The cost of this program is \$129 and shall be reimbursed to the parent for enrollment.

Motion for resolutions 18a – 18m were approved with 7 ayes, 0 nays.

19. New Business – Personnel**Resolutions 19a – 19bb were moved by Mr. Kezmarsky, seconded by Mr. Galow.**a. RESIGNATION

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education accepts the resignation of Linda Bovino-Romeo, director of curriculum and instruction, for Mahwah Township Public Schools, effective June 30, 2025.

b. RESIGNATION

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education accepts the resignation of Lauren DeCaro, as leave replacement for Employee #4317, for Mahwah Township Public Schools, effective May 4, 2025.

c. APPOINTMENT – LEAVE REPLACEMENT

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Rebecca Freund, as leave replacement for Employee #4870, pursuant to New Jersey Statute 18A:16-1.1, from April 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025; salary to be Column A, Step 2, \$56,973, pro-rated.

d. APPOINTMENT – LEAVE REPLACEMENT

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Lisa Minasian, as leave replacement for Employee #5178, pursuant to New Jersey Statute 18A:16-1.1, from April 7, 2025 – June 30, 2025; salary to be Column A, Step 13, \$76,511, pro-rated.

e. APPOINTMENT – LEAVE REPLACEMENT

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Rebecca Freund, as leave replacement for Employee #5590, pursuant to New Jersey Statute 18A:16-1.1, from March 10, 2025 – March 31, 2025; salary to be Column A, Step 2, \$56,973, pro-rated.

f. APPOINTMENT – MAHWAH EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR/SELF-CONTAINED SUMMER PROGRAM CO-DIRECTOR

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Dawn Savastano, as Director for the 2025 Mahwah Extended School Year (ESY) and self-contained summer program, to be held from June 30, 2025 – July 24, 2025, with no school on Friday, July 4, 2025; to work Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays for this program; stipend to be \$4,901.

g. APPOINTMENT – MAHWAH EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR/SELF-CONTAINED SUMMER PROGRAM CO-DIRECTOR

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Ofeer Kearns, as Director for the 2025 Mahwah Extended School Year (ESY) and self-contained summer program, to be held from June 30, 2025 – July 24, 2025, with no school on Friday, July 4, 2025; to work Wednesdays for this program; stipend to be \$1,000.

- h. APPOINTMENT – BOOSTER CAMP (FORMERLY MAHWAH TITLE 1 SUMMER & ESL SCHOOL) DIRECTOR
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Kalliopi Triantafillakis, to the position of Director of the 2025 Booster Camp (formerly Mahwah Title I and ESL summer school program), to be held June 30, 2025 – July 29, 2025 (staff and students), with no school on Thursday, July 3, 2025 and Friday, July 4, 2025; stipend to be \$5,261.
- i. APPOINTMENT – CAMP INVENTION DIRECTOR
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Courtney Carrelha, to the position of Director of the 2025 Camp Invention, to be held August 4, 2025– August 8, 2025; stipend to be \$2,630.
- j. APPOINTMENT – KINDERGARTEN KICKSTART PROGRAM DIRECTOR
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Jillian Laurice, to the position of Director of the 2025 Kindergarten Kickstart Program, to be held August 4, 2025– August 8, 2025; stipend to be \$2,153.
- k. APPOINTMENT – SELF-SUSTAINING SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM COORDINATOR
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Julianne Correa, as program coordinator for the self-sustaining Summer Music Program to be held June 30, 2025 – July 16, 2025; classes to run Monday to Thursday, from 10 am – 2 pm, with no school on Thursday, July 3, 2025 and Friday, July 4, 2025; at no cost to the district.
- l. APPOINTMENT – SAFETY TOWN PROGRAM COORDINATOR
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Angela Nocito, to the position of coordinator for the 2025 Safety Town Program to be held June 26, 2025 – July 2, 2025; stipend to be \$2,195.
- m. APPOINTMENT – SAFETY TOWN PROGRAM COORDINATOR
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the appointment of Erin Seifert, to the position of coordinator for the 2025 Safety Town Program; to be held June 26, 2025 – July 2, 2025; stipend to be \$2,195.
- n. FMLA/NJFLA/CHILDCARE/MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves a leave of absence for Employee #4870, using FMLA, effective April 28, 2025 – June 20, 2025, taking 3 sick days, from June 23, 2025 – June 25, 2025, and taking NJFLA from September 2, 2025 – November 21, 2025.
- o. FMLA/NJFLA/CHILDCARE/MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE- EXTENSION
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves an unpaid leave of absence extension for Employee #4140, effective September 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.
- p. FMLA/NJFLA/CHILDCARE/MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE- EXTENSION
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves an unpaid leave of absence extension for Employee #5266, effective September 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

- q. FMLA/NJFLA/CHILDCARE/MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE- EXTENSION
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves an unpaid leave of absence extension for Employee #4317, effective September 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.
- r. NJFLA LEAVE OF ABSENCE
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves an unpaid leave of absence for Employee #5590, effective on March 10, 2025 – April 4, 2025, using 20 sick days and NJFLA concurrently, from March 10, 2025 – April 4, 2025.
- s. NJFLA INTERMITTENT LEAVE OF ABSENCE - UPDATE
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves an intermittent leave of absence update for Employee #5396, effective retroactive and during the following dates: October 23, 2024 – October 25, 2024; November 4, 2024; November 6, 2024; January 17, 2025; January 22, 2025 – January 24, 2025; February 19, 2025 – February 21, 2025; March 5, 2025; March 10, 2025; March 14, 2025; March 18, 2025.
- t. ADDITIONAL TEACHING PERIOD
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following staff members to provide internal class coverage; effective March 28, 2025 – June 25, 2025, at 1/5th of their salary; pro-rated, per diem, to teach assigned periods to cover Employee #4315; to be paid via submitted voucher:

Teacher	# of Periods
Timothy Adase	31 periods
Gwenael Calvez	25 periods
William Hix	41 periods
Catherine Schwartz	41 periods
Stephanie Delpiu	53 periods
Jaclyn Nelson	13 periods
Bryan Oldewurtel	13 periods

- u. EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (ESY) PROGRAM AND SELF-CONTAINED PROGRAM-UPDATE
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the extended school year program and self-contained summer program update, for grades K-12, beginning June 30, 2025 – July 24, 2025; from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and all Thursdays except Thursday, July 24, 2025, and 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on all Tuesdays and Thursday, July 24, 2025, **with no school on Friday, July 4, 2025**. All program staff appointments will be adjusted to the program dates outlined in this resolution.
- v. APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS SERVICES
RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following staff to provide applied behavioral analysis (ABA) services, after school, as per individualized education plan requirements; to be paid \$70/hour, the district’s home instruction rate; payment to be made through voucher.

Name
Rosa Cabrera

w. APPOINTMENT – EXTRA SERVICE POSITIONS REVISED

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the extra service positions for the 2024-2025 school year at the negotiated stipend rate, as shown on Schedules L of the MEA contract.

Joyce Kilmer School

Name	Dates	Position	Stipend
Sarah Schlett	9/5/24 – 4/25/25	PM Dismissal	\$1,909 – Pro-rated for time of service
Kristen Cavallo	5/1/25 – 6/24/25	PM Dismissal	\$1,909 – Pro-rated for time of service

x. APPOINTMENT – WINTER GUARD VOLUNTEERS

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following individuals, as volunteers, to assist with equipment for Championship MAIN Winter Guard event; at no cost to the district.

First Name	Last Name
Jessica	Cherimond
Kaitlin	Gullow

y. APPOINTMENT – WINTER GUARD VOLUNTEER

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves Julian Miron, as a volunteer, to assist with winter guard practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays; at no cost to the district.

z. PARENT VOLUNTEERS

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following individuals, as volunteers, to assist Mahwah Township Public Schools for 2024-2025 school year

Lenape Meadows School

First Name	Last Name
Dilip	Bellara

Betsy Ross School

First Name	Last Name
Dawn	Mazzucca

aa. JOB DESCRIPTION

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following job description:

- Director of Guidance
- Supervisor, 6-12

bb. PARAPROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTES

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Mahwah Board of Education approves the following paraprofessional substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	CITY
Covello	Kari	Mahwah
Kovalsky	Lisa	Mahwah

Motion for items 19a- 19bb were approved with 7 ayes, 0 nays.

20. Public Questions or Comment

Public participation at Board meetings is in accordance with Bylaw 0167.

At this time, members of the public may ask questions or make a comment on educational issues or school matters of community interest. As a matter of fairness, you are asked to limit your questions to no more than one, and your remarks to no longer than three minutes. If you are here representing a group, please identify yourself, the group, and your position in the group. If you are here as an individual, please give us your name and address.

Note: This section of public participation will be limited to fifteen minutes.

21. Motion to open meeting for public comments

It was moved by Ms. Jansen, seconded by Mr. DeSilva to open the meeting for public comments at 7:41 pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mrs. Azizza Graziul spoke about concerns by a recent text-message exchange among students, which pertains to the safety of students. Dr. DeTuro responded and assured the public that the district addressed the situation, using the district’s threat assessment protocol and assured the community that this matter was taken seriously.

22. Motion to close the meeting for public comments

It was moved by Mr. Galow, seconded by Mr. Kezmarsky to close the meeting to the public at 7:52pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

23. Motion to Adjourn

It was moved by Mr. Galow, seconded by Mr. Kezmarsky to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Upcoming Events

3/11	Joyce Kilmer HSO Zoom meeting 7:30 p.m.
3/12	George Washington HSO Zoom meeting 6:00 p.m.
3/18	Lenape Meadows HSO meeting
3/20	Ramapo Ridge HSO Zoom meeting 9:00 a.m.
3/26	Mahwah Board of Education meeting 7:00 p.m.
3/28	Betsy Ross HSO meeting 2:00 p.m.
4/7	Mahwah High School HSA meeting 7:00 p.m.
4/8	Betsy Ross HSO Zoom meeting 7:00 p.m.
4/8	Joyce Kilmer HSO Zoom meeting 12:00 p.m.
4/9	George Washington HSO meeting 6:00 p.m.
4/9	Mahwah Board of Education meeting 5 p.m. Strategic Planning meeting 6:00 p.m.
4/10	Lenape Meadows HSO meeting 2:30 p.m.
4/24	Ramapo Ridge HSO Zoom meeting 7:00 p.m.
4/30	Mahwah Board of Education meeting/Budget Hearing 7:00 p.m.
5/6	Lenape Meadows HSO meeting 7:00 p.m.
5/13	Joyce Kilmer HSO meeting Zoom 12:00 p.m.
5/14	George Washington HSO meeting 11:30 a.m.
5/16	Betsy Ross HSO meeting 12:15 p.m.
5/19	Mahwah High School HSA meeting 7:00 p.m.
5/21	Mahwah Board of Education meeting 7:00 p.m.
6/5	Joyce Kilmer HSO meeting Zoom 12:00 p.m.
6/11	Mahwah Board of Education meeting at Lenape Meadows 7:00 p.m.
6/11	George Washington HSO meeting 6:00 p.m.
6/11	Lenape Meadows HSO meeting 2:30 p.m.
6/12	Ramapo Ridge HSO Zoom meeting 9:00 a.m.
6/17	Betsy Ross HSO meeting 9:00 a.m.
7/9	Mahwah Board of Education meeting (Personnel Only 9:00 a.m.)
7/23	Mahwah Board of Education meeting 7:00 p.m.
8/6	Mahwah Board of Education meeting (Personnel Only 9:00 a.m.)
8/27	Mahwah Board of Education meeting 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Lambe
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