

Union County Educational Services Commission

Board of Directors Meeting

April 2, 2025

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER:

This meeting was posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings act PL 1975 Chapter 231.

1. Attendance Roll Call
2. Salute to the flag
3. Recognize the public and ask for comments on agenda items only
4. Introduction of the 2024-2025 school year Union County Teacher Recognition Award recipients:

Crossroads School: Dina Brigandi, Occupational Therapist
Hillcrest Academy North: Lilian Flores, Teacher of Spanish
Hillcrest Academy South: Regina Fernandez-Siejack, Teacher of Mathematics
Lamberts Mill Academy: Suzanne Schneider, Teacher of Music
Non-Public Services: Pat Cero, Special Education Teacher
Westlake School: Asher Kurtz-Freilich, Special Education Teacher

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

5. Motion to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing a HIB case and a legal matter. Any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as practicable

MINUTES:

6. Motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of March 5, 2025
(Att. 1)

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

7. Motion to approve the Report of the Superintendent for March, 2025
(Att. 2)

FINANCE:

8. Motion to approve the Secretary's Financial Report:
Board Secretary's Report dated February 28, 2025 (Att. 3)
Detailed Budget Report dated March 31, 2025 (Att. 4)
Check Register for the month ended in 3/31/25 the amount of \$8,603,104.03 (Att. 5)
Budget adjustments and line-item transfers for March 2025 (Att. 6)
9. WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 6:30-213, over expenditure of funds requires certification from the Board Secretary on the status of account and fund balances

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Board of Directors does hereby acknowledge that there are no line item accounts showing a deficit balance for the month of March 2025

AND FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby acknowledges that a deficit balance does not exist in any major category
10. Motion to approve the attached March 2025 check register for the School Lunch Account (Att. 7)
11. Motion to approve Tenant Option in Lease of 970 Suburban Road, Union, NJ for the extension of the lease period to 6.20.27 (Att. 8)

PROGRAMS:

12. Motion to move the May 7, 2025 board meeting to May 14, 2025 at the same time and location
13. Motion to approve Perez Landscaping for our landscaping needs at 45 Cardinal Drive, 1571 Lamberts Mill Rd and 2630 Plainfield Ave for the 2025 school year not to exceed \$20,000
14. Motion to approve a contact for Patrick Cerria of TumbleJam Music to provide enrichment instruction in the Extended School Year Program at Crossroads School, Lamberts Mill Academy and Westlake School at the rate of \$125.00 per hour for 6 hours per week from June 30 - August 8, 2025 (closed July 4)
15. Motion to approve a contract for Paul Del Sordo of Del Martial Arts to provide enrichment instruction in the Extended School Year at Crossroads School and Westlake School at the rate of \$135.00 per hour for 5 hours per week from June 30 - August 8, 2025 (closed July 4)
16. Motion to approve the KultureCity Sensory Inclusive Certification Agreement (Att. 9)

TRANSPORTATION:

17. Motion to approve the attached Emergency/Negotiated contracts dated April 2, 2025
(Att. 10)
18. Motion to approve Amendments to Existing Transportation Contracts dated April 2, 2025
(Att. 11)
19. Motion to approve the attached penalty deductions
(Att. 12)
20. Motion to approve the results of Special Education & Vocational Transportation bid dated March 19, 2025
(Att. 13)
21. Motion to approve Emergency Contractor payments for the month of March 2025
(Att. 14)

POLICIES AND REGULATIONS:

22. Motion to approve the following new and/or revised bylaws, policies, or regulations for a second reading and adoption:

R 8600A Standard Specifications for Union County Coordinated Special Education
Transportation

TRAVEL AND RELATED EXPENSES:

23. Motion to authorize in advance, as required by statute and Commission policies and regulations, attendance at the specified professional development conferences/workshops/programs by the employees listed for the dates and costs indicated on the attached Travel and Related Expense Related Expense Reimbursement Form
(Att. 15)

PERSONNEL:

24. Motion to approve the Personnel Agenda dated April 2, 2025 as recommended by the Superintendent.
(Att. 16)
25. Motion to approve the ESY Personnel Agenda (Internal & External) dated April 2, 2025 as recommended by the Superintendent.
(Att. 17)
26. Motion to approve the 2025 Summer Transportation Staff
(Att. 18)
27. Motion to approve the revised 2024-2025 school calendars for Work Readiness Academy, Non-Public Schools and the UCESC District Calendar.
(Att.19-21)

SUSPENSION REPORT:

28. Motion to approve the Suspension Report for March 2025

(Att. 22)

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RECOGNIZE THE PUBLIC:

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 7, 2025 in the second floor conference room at 45 Cardinal Drive, Westfield, N.J.

ADJOURNMENT: