ANDOVER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

LONG POND SCHOOL
707 LIMECREST ROAD, NEWTON, NEW JERSEY 07860
APRIL 30, 2025 at 7:30 pm

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Brian Hertenstein	**James Fetcho**	**William Porter**
Jane Byron	**Robert Koroski**	**Lena Sciroppo**
Maria Dunbar	**Steven Minnick**	**Margaret Widgren**

Mission Statement

Andover Regional Schools prepare students to successfully meet the challenges of today and tomorrow by fostering a love of learning. Our safe, supportive, and stimulating environment encourages students to reach their full potential. It is an expectation that all students shall achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels. In Andover Regional, every child catches the learning spirit!

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- •Call Meeting to Order
- •Pledge of Allegiance
- •The District Mission Statement and Notice of Public Meeting are listed for the Board and the public:

Notice of Public Meeting

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. The Board has fully complied with the notice requirements by advertising in the New Jersey Herald, posting publicly and by notifying the Municipal Clerks of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

Roll Call:

_____Ms. Byron	_____Mrs. Dunbar	_____Mr. Fetcho
_____Mr. Hertenstein	_____Mr. Minnick	_____Mr. Porter
_____Mrs. Sciroppo	_____Ms. Widgren	_____Dr. Koroski

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (if needed)

The Andover Regional Board of Education, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey will adjourn into closed session meeting to discuss item(s) which fall within an exception of our open meeting policy and permits the Board to have private discussion, since it deals with specific exceptions contained in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b.

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Be it resolved that the Andover Regional Board of Education will now go into private session to discuss matters rendered confidential according to the aforementioned specific exceptions.
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All Those in Favor: Ayes _____ Opposed: No _____

1. **RECONVENE**: Time: _____

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All Those in Favor: Ayes _____ Opposed: No _____

III. PRESENTATION(S):

- Superintendent Roundtable Student of the Year (J. Fritzky/B. Fleming)
- Breath 4 Change (Ms. Dilkes)
- 24-25 Audit Presentation, Mr. Anthony Ardito
- Ms. Kelly Mitchell, Superintendent Evaluation Training

Motion by:_____ Second by: _____ Final Call Vote: _____

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approve the minutes of the following Board of Education meetings, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

January 6, 2025 Re-org Minutes
March 12, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2025 Executive Session Minutes

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V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board Committees:

Personnel/Policy	Finance/Operations	Curriculum/Instruction
Mr. Porter (Chair)	Mr. Fetcho (Chair)	Mrs. Dunbar (Chair)
Mrs. Sciroppo	Mr. Hertenstein	Dr. Koroski
Ms. Widgren	Mr. Minnick	Ms. Byron

Special Committees/Ad Hoc Assignments:

WHAT	DELEGATE	ALTERNATE(s)
Sussex County School Boards Association	Dr. Koroski	Ms. Byron/Ms. Widgren/Mrs. Dunbar
NJSBA Delegate Assembly	Mr. Minnick	Ms. Widgren/Mrs. Dunbar
Newton Board of Education Rep.	Mr. Porter	Mr. Hertenstein/Ms. Widgren
Sussex County Educational Services	Ms. Byron	Ms. Widgren/Mr. Hertenstein
Andover Regional PTA	Mrs. Sciroppo	Ms. Widgren/Mrs. Dunbar
Township Liaison	Ms. Widgren	Mrs. Dunbar
Negotiations/Sick Bank	Dr. Koroski	Mr. Fetcho/Ms. Widgren
QSAC Committee	Dr. Koroski	Mr. Minnick/Ms. Widgren
Tri-District Consortium	Dr. Koroski	Ms. Widgren/Mrs. Dunbar/Mrs. Sciroppo

SEPAG Liaison	Mr. Hertenstein	Dr. Koroski/Mr. Fetcho/Ms. Widgren
Andover Regional Education Foundation	Mrs. Dunbar	Mr. Minnick

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

A. Thank you to the town for meeting with us to better understand our budget.
B. Thank you to the Andover PD for playing in our Student vs. Staff Floor Hockey Game.
C. Congratulations to all the students and staff who participated in Newsies our Spring Musical.
D. Thank you to our AREF for hosting the Easter Egg Hunt Event, we had approximately 150 students attend, many with their families.
E. Parent - Teacher conferences were held at the end of March, thank you to all who attended.
F. Thank you to Becky Morrell for hosting the 4th grade state parade.
G. Thank you to all who attended our grading meetings that were held in March and April.
H. The last day of school is June 16th with graduation for our 8th graders on Thursday, June 12th.
I. March Book Madness bracket was a hit.
J. Thank you to the PTA for a very successful book fair.
K. Book swap is being conducted at FMB as a way to utilize our resources more efficiently.
L. Announcing 25-26 calendar and 26-27 calendar updates.
M. School Performance Reports released.
N. Suspension/HIB Report - Approval of HIB Report (Monthly)

Motion by:_____ Second by: _____ Final Call Vote: _____

Resolve that the Board of Education accepts the attached HIB Report**,** as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

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B. Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment: Listed below is the report from **Jennifer Reynolds,** Coordinator of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

- Completed Engagement Walks with the Administrative Team
- Attended two math workshops: Math is Power, Not Punishment and Giving Every Student a Voice in Math
- Attended IXL LIVE for Administrators workshop
- Worked with Mr. Petersen and Mrs. Myers to plan and deliver two different demonstration lessons in each classroom
- Organized an Adaptive PE workshop in May for our PE teachers

- Completed data collection on the performance reports and county wide NJSLA scores
- Participated in an in-class resource PD workshop for staff at LPS
- Completed WIDA testing. A very special thank you to Ms. Torres and Ms. Ross for their hard work.
- Trained the staff for upcoming NJSLA testing
- Worked with CST on accommodations/modifications for state testing
- Completing NJSLA state testing preparations
- Attended Chester Schools on an Administrative Visit

C. Technology Report: Listed below is a report from Joseph DeLuca, Technology/Network Systems Administrator.

- Met with Ms. Reynolds and the CST team to review NJSLA testing accommodations.
- Assisted with software and programming of the stage lighting for the Newsies play.
- Attended a webinar for the Realtime Service Interruption Follow-Up.

D. Child Study Team Report: The updates below regarding the District CST and Special Services are prepared by **Suzanne Ross**, Supervisor of Special Services/LDTC.

- Ongoing collaboration with the administrative team regarding operations and programs.
- Continued planning with both the administrative team and individual principals on coordination of the budgeting process for the 25/26 school year.
- Ongoing budgetary discussions regarding personnel and programs.
- Attended the LEA Directors webinar presented by the State of NJ, Office of Special Education.
- Attended the Sussex/Warren Special Education Directors group. Updates were provided in regards to NJDOE paperwork and processes.
- Completion of formal staff evaluations and post conferences
- Worked with Nicole Sylvester to complete the required budget workbook for the Preschool Expansion funding.
- Conducted paraprofessional interviews
- Attended Session #5 Enhancing Engagement with Parents and Families (SEPAG's), which was organized by the NJ Department of Education
- Participated in the Administrative Walkthroughs in both school buildings
- Conducted multiple preschool program tours for parents
- Participation in a full day Intervention and Referral Services meeting at FMB for several students
- Ongoing preparations for the preschool program for the 25/26 school year.
- Met with Ms. Reynolds and the technology department to finalize NJSLA testing accommodations.
- Ongoing coordination of programming for the Extended School Year program.

Be it resolved that resolution E. be adopted, as presented:

Motion by:_____ Second by: _____ Final Call Vote: _____

E. HIB Findings: Resolved that the Andover Regional Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, affirm the Superintendent's findings on HIB(s) FMB-2425-4 and FMB-2425-5.

Roll Call:

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F. Principal's Reports

VII. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT:

- Breakfast/lunch prices for the 2025-2026 school year to not increase
- Safety grant for $3,000 which will help offset costs for recess/lunch equipment

VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

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IX. ACTION ITEMS:

A. PERSONNEL/POLICY:

Be it resolved that resolution numbers 1-12 be adopted, as presented:

Motion by:_____ Second by: _____ Final Call Vote: _____

Roll Call:

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_____Mr. Hertenstein	_____Mr. Minnick	_____Mr. Porter
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1. **New Hire**: Approve, retroactively, the following Paraprofessional staff member(s) for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

NAME	START DATE	SCHOOL	ASSIGNMENT**	HOURS	STEP	SALARY
Anthony Grant	4/28/25	LPS	1:1 ParaProfessional	26.85	5	$26,529 (prorated)

** Assignments subject to change.

2. **New Hire**: Approve Kristin VanBenschoten, Science Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year with a start date of September 2, 2025, at a salary of $84,909 MA+15 Step 12, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

3. **New Hire**: Approve Claudia Collins, Special Education Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year with a start date of September 2, 2025, at a salary of $67,243 BA Step 5, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

4. **Resignation**: Approve and accept with best wishes the resignation of Richard Medwin, Building & Grounds Supervisor, effective June 30, 2025, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

5. **New Hire:** Approve Robert Riffel as 12-month B&G Supervisor with start date of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 with a salary of $95,000 pending receipt of all required paperwork, including criminal history clearance, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

6. **Leave of Absence**: Approve Employee ID #659 paid leave from April 10, 2025 through TBD, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

7. **Additional Pay**: Approve, retroactively, Leo LaBarge to cover two periods per day in the absence of Employee #659 until employee returns from leave and paid ¼ of his salary per year prorated based on start date of April 10, 2025 as per the AREA contract, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

8. **Curriculum Writing**: Approve the following staff members to write FMB ELA curriculum at an hourly rate of $50 not to exceed 12 hours each to be completed by June 30, 2025, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Jennifer Bogert-Grade K
Liz Sarka-Grade 1
TBD-Grade 2
Jennifer Moriarty-Grade 3
Rebecca Morrell-Grade 4

9. **Rescind Merit Goals**: Rescind P/P motion number 7 from October 16, 2024 Board meeting as follows:

> *7. **Merit Goal:** Approve $1,684 merit goal for Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator, to consult, evaluate and build relationships to improve the culture and climate for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.*

10. **Merit Goal:** Approve $1,684 merit goal for Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator, to attend events supported by the AREF along with overseeing that fundraising procedures are in place for proper approval at District level, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

11. **Volunteers**: Approve the attached volunteers for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

12. **Substitutes:** Approve the following substitute(s) for the 2024-2025 school year pending receipt of all required paperwork, including criminal history clearance, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Anthony Grant - Substitute Teacher Cert & CE Teacher's Cert
Casey Gibbons - Substitute Teacher Cert & CE Teacher's Cert
Cassie Bouvier - Substitute Teacher & Substitute Secretary

B. FINANCE/OPERATIONS:

Be it resolved that resolution numbers 1-31 be adopted, as presented:

Motion by: Second by: Final Call Vote:

Roll Call:

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_____Mr. Hertenstein	_____Mr. Minnick	_____Mr. Porter
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1. **Treasurer & Board Secretary's Certification and Report**: Approve the March 2025 Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, we certify that as of March 2025 after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

2. **Petty Cash**: Approve/accept the Petty Cash Checking Account Report for March 2025, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

3. **Transfers**: Approve/accept the Transfer Report for March 2025, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

4. **Bills List**: Approve/accept the Bills List from March 13, 2025 through April 30, 2025 for a total of $2,650,767.34 as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

5. **Building Use for 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 School Year**: Approve the following building use for the Long Pond and/or Florence M. Burd schools, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION	PURPOSE	DATE REQUESTED	INSURANCE CERTIFICATE	BUILDING

AREF	Family PhotoShoot	May 17 & 18, 2025	Yes	FMB
AREF	Tricky Tray	Sept. 26, 2025	Yes	LPS
Newton Braves Softball	Practice & Games	March 31, 2025 - July 1, 2025	Yes	LPS/FMB

6. **Maintenance Reserve Proposals:** Approve the following project(s) to be paid out of maintenance reserve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Project	Amount not to exceed:
Server (CDW-G)	$15,733.25

7. **Surplus Sale:** Approve the Business Administrator be authorized to conduct a sale of surplus equipment and technology equipment, as attached in accordance with Board policy, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

8. **Tuition Contract with Sandyston Walpack School District**: Approve the contract with Sandyston Walpack School District for tuition and services for student ID#7605842618 to attend Andover, with a tuition cost to Sandyston Walpack of $6,609.54, including additional costs for services per the student's IEP for April 28, 2025 through June 2025, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

9. **Maschio's Food Service Contract**: Approve the 2nd year contract renewal with Maschio's Food Service Inc. as the cafeteria food service vendor for the 2025-2026 school year. The management fee will be $14,162.53 and the guarantee subsidy will be a guaranteed return of $1,000 for a period from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, at a total cost of the contract at $199,299.95 stated on Form 23, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

10. **School Lunch Price Increase:** Approve the 2025-2026 school student lunch price to remain at $3.75, with no increase, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

11. **School Breakfast Prices:** Approve the 2025-2026 school student breakfast price remain at $2.25 and adult breakfast price to remain at $2.75, with no increase, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

12. **SOP Manual**: Approve the Standard Operating Procedures Manual for the implementation of Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls for the Andover Regional School District for the 2025-2026 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

13. **2025-2026 Tuition Rates:** Approve the following tuition rates for the 2025-2026 school year as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Regular Education	Tuition Rate

Preschool/K	$31,175
Grades 1-5	$24,511
Grades 6-8	$23,868
LLD	$62,041
MD	$111,805
F/T PSD	$21,364

14. **Bus Evacuations**: Approve the attached Spring 2025 bus evacuations, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

15. **2025-2026 Final Budget**: Approve the following motion for the 2025-2026 budget information to be submitted to the County Office, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

A. **WHEREAS**, the Andover Regional Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of $1,500 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with the N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), to a maximum expenditure of $25,000 for all staff and board members.

B. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the final budget be approved for the 2025-2026 School Year using the 2025-2026 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following final budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	General Fund	**Special Revenues**	**Debt Service**	**Total**
2025-2026 Total Expenditures	$20,947,633	$195,547	$336,501	$21,479,681
Less: Anticipated Revenues	$4,151,288	$195,547	$0	$4,346,835
Taxes to be Raised	$16,796,345	$0	$336,501	$17,132,846

This Budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction, which will enable all students to achieve the Core Curriculum Content Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

This Budget includes programs and services in addition to the Core Curriculum Standards as adopted by the State Board of Education.

C. Be it resolved that the Andover Regional Board of Education, hereby approves the professional services maximum costs for the 2025-2026 school year:

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.2 provides that a school district must establish a maximum dollar limit prior to budget preparation for public relations and professional services fees, and;

Whereas, the Andover Regional Board of Education has established the following maximum dollar limits as required, and;

Whereas, if these professional services exceed the maximum amount listed, the Andover Regional Board of Education will consider another motion to increase amounts listed:

Architects	$180,000	Attorneys	$150,000
Auditors	$40,000	School Physician	$10,000

16. **Withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve**: Whereas the Andover Regional Board of Education has included in the 2025-2026 budget, line 630, budgeted withdrawal from maintenance reserve, in the amount of $437,000, for purposes such as cleaning of univents, HVAC maintenance, boiler services, new lunch tables and painting, where the final eligible costs listed below are within the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Project	Cost
Univent cleaning	$50,000
HVAC Maintenance	$150,000
Boiler Services	$50,000
Lunch Tables	$175,000
Painting	$12,000

17. **Tuition Reserve:** Approve the use of tuition reserve in the amount of $372,846 for use in the 2025-2026 school year budget, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

18. **Enrollment Adjustment:** Approve the enrollment adjustment for the 2025-2026 budget in the amount of $101,032, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

19. **Healthcare Adjustment:** Approve the healthcare adjustment for the 2025-2026 budget in the amount of $179,149, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

20. **NJSIG Safety Grant:** Approve the submission of the 2025 NJSIG Safety Grant application and submission in the amount of $3,000, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

21. **Lead Testing Program SOA:** Approve the submission of the 2024-2025 Lead Testing Program Statement of Assurance, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

22. **Contract with SHAPE America**: Approve the contract with SHAPE America at a cost of $2,500 for the professional development workshop, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

23. **Contract with Performance Pediatrics**: Approve, retroactively, the contract with Performance Pediatrics at various hourly rates based on the service provided per the contract for various therapy services as needed, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

24. **Contract with PSA**: Approve the proposal from Parette Somjen Architects for Phase 1 of the FMB septic system at a cost of $18,500, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

25. **Transportation Contract with Paterson Public Schools**: Approve the contract with Paterson Public Schools for transportation provided to student with N.J. Spirit Identification No.

15689631 for the 2022-2023 school year to be reimbursed to Andover School District at a cost of $15,050, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

26. **Donation**: Approve the donation of $1,000 to help fund in district special education needs from the Hopatcong Elks Club, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

27. **Donation**: Approve the anonymous donation of eight $25 ShopRite gift cards and twelve $25 Visa gift cards that will be distributed to the families on the free and reduced lunch, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

28. **Revised School Calendar**: Approve the revised school calendar for the 2024-2025 school year (attached), as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

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30. **Safety Town Program**: Approve the Safety Town program for the summer of 2025 from July 14-17 and 21-24, 2025, from 9:00-11:00 am (staff hours will be 8:45-11:15 am), as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

31. **Kindergarten Boot Camp**: Approve the Kindergarten Boot Camp program for the summer of 2025 from July 28-31, 2025, from 9:00-11:00 am (staff hours will be 8:45-11:15 am), as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

C. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION:

Be it resolved that resolution numbers 1-5 be adopted, as presented:

Motion by:_____ Second by: _____ Final Call Vote: _____

Roll Call:

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_____Mr. Hertenstein	_____Mr. Minnick	_____Mr. Porter
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1. **Professional Development Workshops:** Approve the following professional development, registration fees and mileage reimbursement, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Name	Program/Location	Date	Fees/Mileage
Richard Medwin	ESCNJ Expo CEFM Classes Edison, NJ	May 21, 2025	Mileage: 47 ¢ / mile
Stacey Mehrkens	CDK User-Accounting Washington, NJ	May 9, 2025	Mileage: 47 ¢ / mile
Alison DelDuca	SLPs: Enhance Therapy Effectiveness for APD,	TBD (Online)	Registration: $169.00

	Memory Deficits, ADD & LPD, Grades K-12 Online		
Rebecca Burrows	Orton Gillingham Revisited FDU/Center for Dyslexia Studies	May 21, 2025 (Virtual - Evening)	Registration: $45.00

2. **Activities/Trips**: Approve the following student activities/class trip, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Grade/ Teacher	Date/Destination/Purpose	Student Cost	Board Cost
Stephanie Posser LLD Students	May 14, 2025 Shop Rite of Sparta/Pizza One Sparta, NJ Students will plan and create list and shop for items for weekly cooking group and coffee cart. Then they will order and pay for their lunch at Pizza One.	$0	Bus $173.50

3. **Digital Student Resources**: Approve the attached updated list of Board-Approved Digital Student Programming, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

4. **Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser**: Approve Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser to run May 1, 2025 through May 15, 2025 for 4th grade for the American Heart Association, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

5. **Home Instruction**: Approve homebound instruction for Student #7705433799, starting March 10, 2025, for up to 5 hrs./wk, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

COMMUNICATIONS TO BOARD: None

OLD and NEW BUSINESS:

A. OLD BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

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2. **ADJOURNMENT**: Time: _____

M _____ 2nd _____

All Those in Favor: Ayes _____ Opposed: No _____