

HAWTHORNE BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY

YOUTH NIGHT

Tuesday, May 6, 2025
Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.
Hawthorne High School

This Meeting is Being Recorded

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Marco Totaro, President
Alex Clavijo, Vice President

Joseph Carr
Michael Doyle
Jennifer Ehrentaut
Abigail Goff
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
Anthony Puluse
Gisselle Vega

William Goff, Student Representative

Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary



Next Meeting
Tuesday, June 10, 2025
Regular Meeting - 7:00 P.M.
Hawthorne High School

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Time: _____

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING BEGINS:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted at the municipal building, communicated to The Herald News, The Record, and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Hawthorne.

(Ask for Roll Call)

ROLL CALL:	PRESENT	ABSENT	Time of arrival after meeting has been called to order.
Joseph Carr			
Alex Clavijo			
Michael Doyle			
Jennifer Ehrentraut			
Abigail Goff			
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan			
Anthony Puluse			
Gisselle Vega			
William Goff			
Marco Totaro			

Also Present: Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
 Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary
 And approximately _____ members of the public.

FLAG SALUTE:**ADMINISTRATION:****Alex Clavijo, Chairperson**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Administration recommends the following resolution:

- A-1. Whereas, in the observance of Youth in the Community Week, students have been designated in the place and stead of the respective members of the Hawthorne Board of Education, and

Whereas, the said students shall conduct the business of the said Board under direction of the duly elected Board members, and

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Hawthorne Board of Education of the Borough of Hawthorne in Passaic County, that any and/or all actions on behalf of the said Board are hereby and herewith ratified and confirmed as the official actions of the Board of Education as if the same were acting directly and in person.

Board Members and their Participating Student Counterparts:

Board of Education:**Student Counterpart**

Marco Totaro, President	Emma Olah
Alex Clavijo, Vice President	Tori Tricoli
Joseph Carr	William Gerhardstein
Michael Doyle	Mackenzie Doyle
Jennifer Ehrentraut	Natalie Wolfe
Abigail Goff	Lauren Cabrera
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan	Savannah Barry
Anthony Puluse	Diego Navarro
Gisselle Vega	Ema Bengu
Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools	Thomas Gantalis
Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee, Interim Business Administrator/Bd. Secretary	Sebastian Gill

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CORRESPONDENCE:**REPORTS:**

- A. Student Council Representative Report– William Goff
- B. Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Richard A. Spirito/Thomas Gantalís

- Youth Night – HHS Students
- **Recognition of the Student Representative to the Board:**

William Goff has served as Student Representative to the Board during the 2024-2025 school year. It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution of appreciation in honor of William.

WHEREAS, William Goff has served as the student representative to the Board of Education during the 2024-2025 school year; and

WHEREAS, it has been his responsibility to voice the student perspective to the Board at their public meetings; and

WHEREAS, he has been diligent and conscientious in attending the Board of Education meetings; and

WHEREAS, he has conducted himself with poise and courtesy while listening attentively to many lengthy discussions pertaining to the governance of the school district; and

WHEREAS, he has presented thoughtful and informative reports to the Board of Education on issues and events at the high school; and

WHEREAS, he has a GPA of 4.0/97 and a class rank of 22/134; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the HHS Student Council Executive Board, Heroes & Cool Kids Mentor Program, HHS Peer Leader, S.H.A.R.E Club, HHS Student Council, HHS Italian Club and the HHS Lacrosse team; and

WHEREAS, he is a volunteer of the Hawthorne Ambulance Corp as a certified EMT, and a volunteer coach of Hawthorne Recreational Youth Lacrosse; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Hawthorne Board of Education express their gratitude and appreciation to William Goff for his service to the student body and Board of Education and send him their best wishes for success in all future endeavors.

TEACHER RECOGNITION:

The Governor’s Educator of the Year Program was developed for the purpose of acknowledging teachers who exhibit outstanding performance. The rationale for this program is based on the premise that teaching excellence is one of the most significant factors impacting student achievement and the quality of public schools. Further, acknowledging excellence encourages teachers to continue to strive towards that goal.

The Hawthorne Board of Education hereby recognizes the following recipients for the 2024-2025 Governor’s Educator of the Year Program.

Hawthorne High School: Michele Phibbs, Teacher of Mathematics

Hawthorne High School: Allison Banca-Ross, Guidance Counselor

Lincoln Middle School: Toni Naugle, Language Arts Teacher

Lincoln Middle School: Erin Harney, Guidance Counselor

Jefferson School: Teresa Cassidy-Bennett, Pre-K Teacher

Jefferson School: Christine Bischoff, Paraprofessional

Roosevelt School: Amanda Lembo, Kindergarten Teacher

Roosevelt School: Jean Estes, Paraprofessional

Washington School: Melanie Krzeminski, 2nd Grade Teacher

Washington School: Margaret Tamburro, School Nurse

The Hawthorne Board of Education hereby recognizes the following teachers and paraprofessionals upon their retirement.

Washington School: Diane Heffernan, Teacher of Students with Disabilities

Washington School: Suzanne Hesse, Paraprofessional

Hawthorne High School: Michele Phibbs, Teacher of Mathematics

Washington School: Lori Stroh, Paraprofessional

**Washington School: Debra Frega, Paraprofessional*

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

Abigail Goff/Lauren Cabrera

ACTION ITEMS:

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Curriculum and Instruction recommends the following resolutions:

CI-1. Approval of Field Trips

Be it resolved, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following in accordance with Policy 2340:

School	Group	Destination	Transportation	Cost Per Student	Outside Funding
HHS	Trades Class	UTI – Bloomfield, NJ	UTI	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	STEM Capstone Class Grade 12	New Jersey School Boards Association Headquarters	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	HS ARCH ESY	Louis Bay 2 nd Library	Walking	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	HS ARCH ESY	Hawthorne Police Department	Walking	\$0.00	\$0.00
HHS	HS ARCH ESY	Hawthorne Movie Theater	Walking	\$0.00	\$15.00
HHS	HS Marching Band	Hoboken near City Hall	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00

CI-2. Authorize the district's development and submission of the Comprehensive Equity Plan for school years 2025-2026 through 2027-2028, based on those identified district needs, as per required by the New Jersey Department of Education.

CI-3. Approval of home instruction for Hawthorne resident pupil(s) as follows:

- a. Student (file #050125) – Instruction starting date: 5/2/25
Home Instructor(s) – Kristen Segreto

CI-4. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for Speech and Language Evaluation for one resident student (file #050225) during the 2024 – 2025 school year, at a rate not to exceed \$790.00.

CI-5. Approval of a tuition contract for student (file #050325) placement from Paterson Board of Education to Hawthorne Board of Education in the half day preschool program at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School from December 9, 2024 - June 18, 2025 at a prorated total tuition of \$20,859.19 plus a One to One Paraprofessional at a rate of \$9,960.72.

- CI-6. Approval of an agreement with Silvergate Prep for one resident student (file #050425) beginning April 25, 2025 at a rate of \$50.00 per hour, for a total of 10 hours per week.
- CI-7. Approval of an agreement with New Hope I.B.H.C. for one resident student beginning April 21, 2025 at a monthly rate of \$650.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following student out of district placements based upon NJ Department of Education Maximum:

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
CI-8.	Allegro School	\$589.25 per diem plus \$185.00 per diem for extra services for 39 days \$30,195.75	n/a	n/a	Student (file #050525)	4/25/25 – 6/2025	24 – 25 SY

- CI-9. BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board approves the following tuition rates for the 2025-2026 school year.

PreK Disabled – Full Time	\$147,500.00
PreK Disabled – Part Time	\$48,559.00
Preschool/Kindergarten	\$18,181.00
Grade 1-5	\$18,824.00
Grade 6-8	\$19,304.00
Grade 9-12	\$19,116.00
LLD Mild to Moderate	\$44,739.00
Bear Cave –18-21 Transition Program	\$125,707.00
Emotional Regulation Impairment (formerly Behavioral Disabilities)	\$44,397.00
Resource Room	\$100.00 per hour
Speech and Occupational Therapy	\$100.00 per hour
Counseling	\$138 per hour individual /\$72.00 per hour group

- CI-10. Approval of an agreement with Above and Beyond Learning Group for BCBA Services at a rate of \$120.00 per hour, plus a one-time Administrative Fee of \$250.00 for the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed basis throughout the year.
- CI-11. Item Removed
- CI-12. Approval of a joint purchasing agreement with Region V Council for Special Education/River Edge Board of Education from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 to provide direct services and evaluations in the areas of Occupational, Physical & Speech therapist, Audiologist, Behaviorist, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant, Psychologist, Psychiatrist, Social Worker, Teacher of the Deaf, Transition Services, Reading Teacher, Nursing, Certified Health Aides, 1-1 Aides, Home Instructor, Home Supports, Parent Training, Translators, Education Equipment and other educational services on an as needed basis throughout the year.

- CI-13. Approval of an agreement with Supreme Consultants to provide Child Study Team and staffing services for the 2025-2026 school year, per the attached fee sheet on an as needed basis throughout the year.
- CI-14. Approval of an agreement with Starlight Homecare Agency, Inc. d/b/a Star Pediatric Home Care Agency to provide in school nursing services at a rate of \$65.00 per hour for RN services and \$55.00 per hour for LPS services from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 on an as needed basis throughout the year.
- CI-15. Approval of an agreement with ProCare Therapy d/b/a/ New Direction Solutions, LLC for paraprofessional services at a rate of \$50.00 - \$65.00 per hour for the 2025–2026 school year on an as needed basis throughout the year.
- CI-16. Approval of an agreement with Super Kids Speech Therapy and Educational Services LLC for Speech/Language Pathologist Services for the 2025-2026 school year, at the following rates on an as needed basis throughout the year.

Preschool: Monolingual Initial Speech/Language Evaluation	\$550.00
Preschool: Bilingual Initial Speech/Language Evaluation	\$600.00
Elementary/HS Grades: Monolingual Comprehensive Speech and Language Initial/Reevaluation/Triennial Evaluation	\$600.00
Elementary/HS Grades: Bilingual Comprehensive Speech and Language Initial/Reevaluation/Triennial Evaluation	\$700.00
Elementary/HS Grades: Single area testing – Speech/Articulation/Phonology/Motor Speech Evaluation	\$550.00

- CI-17. Approval of an agreement with Positive Aspired Learning for Behavior Technician – Paraprofessional Staffing at a rate of \$60.00 per hour for the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed basis throughout the year.
- CI-18. Approval of the following service providers for Hawthorne resident students, during the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed basis throughout the year.

Vendor	Service Provided	Rate per Session
Delta T Group	See attached Fee Sheet	See attached Fee Sheet
DC Fagan Psychological Services, LLC	See attached Fee Schedule	See attached Fee Schedule
Dr. Esther Fridman	Psychological Evaluation	\$700.00 per evaluation
Dr. Morton Fridman	Psychiatric Evaluation	\$950.00 per evaluation \$950.00 per hour for additional services, if needed
Karen Koabaki	Speech/Language Therapy	\$90.00 per half hour
Dr. Michael Katz	Neurological Evaluation	\$750.00 per evaluation
Karen Noble	Educational Evaluation – Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students	\$1,000.00 per evaluation \$0.65 per mile, plus tolls \$100.00 meeting attendance
Dr. Sameh Ragheb	Psychiatric Evaluation	\$750.00 per evaluation
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Home Instruction	\$75.00 per hour
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Occupational Therapy	\$105.00 per hour
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Speech Language Therapy	\$105.00 per hour
Northern Region Educational	Physical Therapy	\$105.00

Vendor	Service Provided	Rate per Session
Services Commission		
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	ABA Therapy	\$100.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Nursing Services	\$70.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Psychological Evaluation	\$400.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Social Evaluation	\$400.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Educational Evaluation	\$400.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Speech/Language Evaluation	\$400.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$400.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	Physical Therapy Evaluation	\$400.00
Northern Region Educational Services Commission	BCBA	\$105.00 per hour
*Bergen County Special Services	See attached Fee Sheet	See attached Fee Sheet

- *CI-19. Approval of agreement with Claudia L. Williams OTR/L, MSHS, LLC on an as needed basis for Occupational Therapy Services pending criminal background check, at the rate of \$100.00 per hour

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
	Mackenzie Doyle	Natalie Wolfe	Lauren Cabrera	Savannah Barry	Diego Navarro	Ema Bengu	William Gerhardstein	Tori Tricoli	Emma Olah
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

PERSONNEL:

Jennifer Ehrentraut/Natalie Wolfe

The following resolutions are pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

ACTION ITEMS:

Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/Account
P-1.	Joseph Higgins	Resign	Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds	n/a	n/a	District	7/1/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/25	Resignation
P-2.	Rita Klein-Poma	Resign	Teacher of Mathematics	n/a	n/a	LMS	6/19/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/25	Resignation

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
P-3.	Jennifer Coakley	Resign	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	n/a	n/a	LMS	6/19/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/25	Resignation
P-4.	Robyn Crawford	Leave	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	WS	4/23/25	6/30/25	Unpaid Leave of Absence
P-5.	Katherine Loaiza	Adjust	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	n/a	n/a	RS	5/16/25	6/30/25	Adjustment in leave dates approved on the 1/21/25 board agenda.
P-6.	Julia Waldron	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	n/a	n/a	WS	1/2/25	1/2/26	Adjustment in leave dates approved on the 10/15/24 board agenda.
P-7.	Terry Audino	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	M+15/17	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$97,890	RS	Increase in Longevity Payable 6/15/25 Retroactive as of 5/1/25	6/30/25	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2024-2025 negotiated contract
P-8.	Debra Torres	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	BA/17	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$91,765	RS	Increase in Longevity Payable 6/15/25 Retroactive as of 5/1/25	6/30/25	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2024-2025 negotiated contract
P-9.	Irene Yetter	Adjust	Academic Coordinator	MS/17	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$96,315	RS	Increase in Longevity Payable 6/15/25 Retroactive as of 5/1/25	6/30/25	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2024-2025 negotiated contract
P-10.	Heather Di Serio	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	MA/17	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$94,915	RS	Increase in Longevity Payable 6/15/25 Retroactive as of 6/1/25	6/30/25	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2024-2025 negotiated contract
P-11.	Michele Mc Erlean	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	BA/16A	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$90,865	RS	Increase in Longevity Payable 6/15/25 Retroactive as of 6/1/25	6/30/25	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2024-2025 negotiated contract
P-12.	Faiza Jaktar	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	HHS	5/15/25	6/18/25	Chaperone for Student (file# 050625) for Art Club

** All appointments are subject to the satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law and subject to verification of job qualifications and prior experience if necessary. In the event the criminal history checks are not completed, these applications are subject to the approval of the County Superintendent for emergent hiring procedures.*

P-13. Renewal of Contracts – Administrators and Supervisors

Appointment of administrative and supervisory staff for the 2025-2026 school year as listed in reports entitled “Renewal of Administrator and Supervisor Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” dated May 6, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

P-14. Renewal of Contracts – Tenured and Non-Tenured Teachers

Appointment of certificated staff for the 2025-2026 school year as listed in reports entitled “Renewal of Tenured Teacher Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” and “Renewal of Non-Tenured Teacher Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” dated May 6, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

P-15. Renewal of Contracts – Paraprofessionals and Part Time Paras

Appointment of paraprofessional staff for the 2025-2026 school year as listed in reports entitled “Renewal of Paraprofessionals Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” and “Renewal of Part Time Para Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” dated May 6, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

P-16. Renewal of Contracts – Central Office Staff, Director of SACC, Transition Coordinator, Technology Department Staff, Bus Aides, Security Personnel and Non-Instructional Aides

Appointment of staff for the 2025-2026 school year as listed in a report entitled “Renewal of Non-Union Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” dated May 6, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contracts on file in the Board Office.

P-17. Renewal of Contracts – Administrative Assistants

Appointment of paraprofessional staff for the 2025-2026 school year as listed in report entitled “Renewal of Administrative Assistant Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” dated May 6, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

P-18. Renewal of Contracts -Custodians, Maintenance, and Bus Drivers

Appointment of paraprofessional staff for the 2025-2026 school year as listed in reports entitled “Renewal of Custodial, Maintenance and Bus Driver Contracts for the 2025-2026 School Year” dated May 6, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office.

Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-19.	Tanina Habib	Hire	Teacher of Italian	BA/12	\$71,675	HHS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy
*P-20.	Debra Frega	Retire	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	WS	6/30/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/25	Retirement
*P-21.	Jessica Santos	Resign	Teacher of Art	n/a	n/a	JS/WS	6/19/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/25	Resignation

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-22.	Kristine Blau	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	5/30/25	n/a	Chaperone for Student (file# 050725) for 5 th Grade Fun Night
*P-23.	Laura Almanzar	Adjust	Part Time Para	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$21,275 plus a stipend of \$1,800 for ABA if applicable	RS	5/12/25	6/18/25	Adjustment from 3 days per week to 5 days per week
*P-24.	Erin Flanagan	Resign	Teacher of English	n/a	n/a	HHS	6/30/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/30/25	Resignation

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
	Natalie Wolfe	Lauren Cabrera	Savannah Barry	Diego Navarro	Ema Bengu	William Gerhardstein	Tori Tricoli	Mackenzie Doyle	Emma Olah
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:

Alex Clavijo/Tori Tricoli

DONATIONS:

- Acceptance of a donation from the LMS PTO to Lincoln Middle School of a projector and screen for the gymnasium at a cost of \$14,642.15.
- Acceptance of a donation from the Gulmy Family to Lincoln Middle School for a used baby grand piano at an estimated value of \$2,500.00 with a cost to the district of \$300.00 to remove the old piano.
- Acceptance of a donation from the LMS PTO to Lincoln Middle School for moving in the new baby grand piano and removing the old piano at a cost of \$1,250.00.
- Acceptance of a donation from the LMS PTO to Lincoln Middle School for the 7th grade field Trip – Project Soar at a cost of \$1,500.00.
- Acceptance of a donation from the LMS PTO to Lincoln Middle School for graduation t-shirts for the 8th grade students at a cost of \$1,290.00.
- Acceptance of a donation from the LMS PTO to Lincoln Middle School for graduation gowns for the 8th grade students at a cost of \$3,202.55.

ACTION ITEMS:

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Finance and Administration recommends the following resolutions:

- F-1. Approval of travel to events for Board members and employees in compliance with the travel policy. A list of these events has been submitted under separate cover and shall be made an integral part of this resolution.
- F-2. Approval of an agreement with RealTime for the 2025 – 2026 school year a total cost of \$66,227.54.

F-3. **APPROVAL OF PURCHASING COOPERATIVES:**

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Hawthorne Board of Education approves and authorizes participation in the following purchasing cooperatives for 2025 – 2026 school year:

- Educational Data Services
- TIPS-USA (National Cooperative)
- Hunterdon County Educational Services
- Peppm Cooperative Purchasing (National Cooperative)
- Educational Service Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ)
- Bergen County Cooperative
- NJ School Boards Assoc. Cooperative Pricing System
- Omnia Partners National Cooperative (National Cooperative)
- Sussex County Regional Cooperative
- Northern Regional Services Commission

- F-4. Approval of an Affiliation Agreement with Teachers College, Columbia University for 6 University Teacher Assistants at a yearly rate of \$27,000.00 with personal/sick time for the 2025-2026 school year.

- F-5. Approval of the continuation of the Renewal Agreement with Delta Dental of New Jersey effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2026 at the following rates:

Coverage	Monthly Charges
One Party	\$47.70
Two Party	\$90.67
Three Party	\$143.13

- F-6. Approval of a renewal Agreement with Computer Solutions, Inc. for the 2025-2026 school year at an annual fee of \$16,008.00.
- F-7. Approval for the School Business Administrator to advertise for proposals for substitute nurse services.

F-8. **AWARD OF FOOD SERVICE CONTRACT FOR 2025-2026**

WHEREAS, the Hawthorne Board of Education (“Board”) utilized competitive contracting procurement procedures to procure food service management services in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1 et seq.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education

approve and award a contract for School Food Service Management Services for the 2025-2026 school year to Pomptonian Food Service., 155 Passaic Ave, Fairfield, NJ, and it is the recommendation of the Business Administrator that the Hawthorne Board of Education award the contract to Pomptonian Food Service, (Food Service Management Company hereinafter referred to as the "FSMC") subject to the following contractual provisions:

The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, a fee of \$0.2712 per reimbursable meal and meal equivalent to compensate the Food Service Management Company for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be billed monthly as the cost of operation. The district guarantees the payment of such costs and fees to the FSMC. The 2025-2026 Total Cost of the Contract is projected to be \$1,082,338, as found on the Response and Projected Operating Statement (Form 23)

The number of National School Lunch Program, and if applicable, Breakfast Program, At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program and After School Snacks Programs, meals served to children shall be determined by actual count. A "Meal Equivalent" provided by the FSMC is determined by dividing the total of cash receipts, other than from sales of National School Lunch Program, and if applicable, Breakfast Program, At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program and After School Snacks Programs, meals, or Cash Equivalents, by the Equivalency Factor. The Equivalency Factor used to determine the number of Meal Equivalents served by the FSMC shall be the amount of \$4.70.

The per meal management fee of \$0.2712 will be multiplied by total meals.

The FSMC guarantees that the return to the District from the Food Service Program for the school year will be no less than \$20,000. If the annual operating statement shows a return of less than \$20,000, the FSMC will pay the difference between the actual and the guaranteed amount. Financial terms of the Contract are based upon the assumptions as stated in Section II A, Paragraph 8 (Guarantee Conditions and Assumptions) in the Contract. If there is a change in conditions, including, without limitation, changes to the preceding assumptions, the parties agree to enter negotiations concerning the impact of such changes, and the financial terms of the Contract, including any guarantee, shall be adjusted accordingly.

*F-9. Approval of the renewal amendment to the School Physician and Sports Medicine Services Agreement with the Trustees of Columbia University for the 2025-2026 school year for a total cost of \$27,592.00.

*F-10. WHEREAS, a number of Boards of Education in Bergen County have joined together to form a Joint Insurance Group as permitted by N.J. Title 18A-.18B and;

WHEREAS, said Group was approved effective July 1, 1985 by the New Jersey Commissioner of Insurance and has been in operation since that date and;

WHEREAS, the Bylaws and regulations governing the creation and operation of this Insurance Group contain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of the public interest entrusted to such a Group, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Hawthorne has determined that membership in the Northeast Bergen County School Board Insurance Group is in the best interest of the District;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Education of

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:**Michael Doyle/Mackenzie Doyle****ACTION ITEMS:**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Buildings and Grounds recommends the following resolutions:

- BG-1. Approval of applications for use of school property, subject to non-interference with school activities and the execution of the appropriate releases, including receipt of a Certificate of Insurance.

HAWTHORNE HIGH SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
HHS Track and Field and Walk through Baseball Field	Sunday, May 18, 2025 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	<u>Hawthorne Stigma Free Committee</u> Mayor's Walk for Wellness
Track	Saturday, June 7, 2025 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	<u>Boys and Girls Club of Hawthorne</u> Youth Track and Field
Football Field and Football Practice Field	Monday – Sunday 7/1/25 – 11/30/25* 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.* *Whenever available as scheduled with HHS Athletic Director	<u>Hawthorne Cubs Organization</u> Football Practice, Camp and Games if needed

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	<u>Mr.</u> <u>Puluse</u>	<u>Mrs.</u> <u>Vega</u>	<u>Mr.</u> <u>Carr</u>	<u>Mr.</u> <u>Clavijo</u>	<u>Mr.</u> <u>Doyle</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Ehrentraut</u>	<u>Mrs.</u> <u>Goff</u>	<u>Ms.</u> <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	<u>Mr.</u> <u>Totaro</u>
	Diego Navarro	Ema Bengu	William Gerhardstein	Tori Tricoli	Mackenzie Doyle	Natalie Wolfe	Lauren Cabrera	Savannah Barry	Emma Olah
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:**COMMITTEE**

Legislative	Joseph Carr/William Gerhardstein
Finance & Administration	Alex Clavijo/Tori Tricoli
Buildings & Grounds.....	Michael Doyle/Mackenzie Doyle
Policy	Michael Doyle/Mackenzie Doyle
Council Liaison	Jennifer Ehrentraut/Natalie Wolfe
Personnel	Jennifer Ehrentraut/Natalie Wolfe
Curriculum & Instruction	Abigail Goff/Lauren Cabrera
Superintendent Search Committee	Abigail Goff/Lauren Cabrera
NJSBA.....	Erica Mulkey-Koltzan/Savannah Barry
PCSBA	Erica Mulkey-Koltzan/Savannah Barry
HEF/SEPAC/PTOs.....	Anthony Puluse/Diego Navarro

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	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion Aye Nay Abstain Absent	Ema	William	Tori	Mackenzie	Natalie	Lauren	Savannah	Diego	Emma
	Bengu	Gerhardstein	Tricoli	Doyle	Wolfe	Cabrera	Barry	Navarro	Olah

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MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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