

MISSION STATEMENT: To foster a safe and equitable learning environment that celebrates our diverse learners, and provides the necessary resources and supports to prioritize the social-emotional and academic development of all students.

REGULAR ACTION MEETING on January 23, 2025, Cliffwood Elementary School, 422 Cliffwood Ave., Cliffwood, NJ.

I. CALL TO ORDER

President, Ms. Werneke called the Regular Action Meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

II. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Ms. Ascoli read the following statement:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law 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 interest is discussed or agreed upon. In accordance with the provision of this act, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education advertised this meeting on June 5, 2024 in the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger. This notice was sent to the Municipal Clerks of the Borough of Matawan and the Township of Aberdeen, and the Matawan-Aberdeen Joint Free Public Library. The notice was also placed on the district’s web site.”

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

| | | |
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| Present: | Ms. Werneke - President | Ms. Martinez - Vice President |
| | Ms. Ascoli | Ms. Feiles |
| | Mr. McGovern | Mr. Montone |
| | Ms. Pell | Ms. Skop |
| | Ms. Spruell | |

Absent:

Also Ms. Perez, Superintendent of Schools
Present: Ms. Case, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Liebmann, Assistant Superintendent for School Administration PreK-12
Dr. Rawls-Dill, Director of Personnel

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION I

Be It Resolved, that a closed session be convened for the purpose of discussing Privacy and Personnel Matters. The subject matter of these discussions will be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality subsides. Although the Board cannot guarantee it, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be 30 minutes after which the public meeting of the Board shall reconvene and proceed with business. Action will not take place.

It was moved by Ms. Feiles, seconded by Ms. Ascoli that the Board convene in Executive Session and approved by a unanimous voice vote at 6:33 pm.

It was moved by Ms. Skop, and seconded by Ms. Ascoli that the Board return to Open Session at 7:09 pm.

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT – Lindsay Teubner

Good evening, and Happy New Year! To begin, the high school's Husky Touchdown Club held a 'give back' night at Court Jester on January 16th, supporting our MRHS football team. Coming up, the high school PTO is hosting a Pocketbook Bingo Night on Saturday, February 8th in the high school cafeteria. Doors will open at 5:30 PM, and the calling will start at 7 PM. Any questions can be directed to the PTO via email at matawanregionalhspto@gmail.com. The Matawan Regional High School Student Personnel Services Department is excited to offer their College Planning Series for Parents and Students. Please join them on Tuesday, January 28th for an Understanding Financial Aid Workshop and Tuesday, March 11th for a FAFSA Assistance & Information Workshop. Both sessions will take place at the high school beginning at 7:00pm. Tomorrow night, the MRHS Thespian Society presents the annual Student Faculty Variety Show. In this student-led show, both students and faculty take the stage with exciting dance numbers, funny skits, and songs. Come out for a night of fun and to support the Thespian Society! Additionally, on February 7th, come out to see Mr. Matawan, an entertaining show and competition among senior boy contestants, raising funds for the senior class.

The cold weather has not slowed down the Ravine Drive Roadrunners, who are off to a fast start in the New Year! They want to thank Mrs. Morrissey's students who wrote letters to Operation Gratitude, an organization that sends care packages to deployed troops, veterans, military families, and first responders. Ravine is also happy to announce that their engineering club is off to a great start. Recently, Kindergarten students at Ravine have transformed their classrooms into an eighteenth-century Caribbean village as they enjoy the Pirates Past Noon novel from the Magic Treehouse series. This weekend, on Saturday January 25th, all are invited to Ravine's first student-led cupcake bakeoff from 12:00-2:00 PM. The first preschool family event will follow this Friday, January 31st! Stay tuned to hear which team will be the marking period winner for the most good job tickets and a visit from the Roadrunner mascot which will be announced at the end of the second marking period!

Cliffwood is thrilled to share some of the latest happenings and exciting updates from their school. Students, staff, and families have been working together to create memorable experiences and make meaningful contributions to the school community. First, a huge thank you to the amazing Cliffwood PTO for their continued support. Their recent family dinner fundraiser at Viva Margarita was a tremendous success, raising \$600! This generosity goes a long way in supporting students and enhancing their educational experience. Mark your calendars for the upcoming Title I Family Night, which will take place on Thursday, February 13th. This year, they are hosting a Cosmic Space Math Night! To make the evening even more special, the PTO is funding a Planetarium Assembly that will coincide with the event. Cliffwood's PTO can't wait to see students and families come together for a night of learning and exploration under the stars. They are also excited to announce the start of the WIZ FIT Challenge at Cliffwood! As part of this initiative, the Cliffwood staff will face off against the Harlem Wizards in a fun-filled basketball game on March 6th. This event aims to raise funds toward their goal of installing a new sponge floor bottom for their playground. Adding to the excitement, Mr. Wyman, one of Cliffwood's dedicated first-grade teachers, has volunteered to have his head shaved in February to help in reaching their fundraising goal. They greatly appreciate his spirit and willingness to inspire our students! Speaking of inspiration, Cliffwood is incredibly proud to celebrate the accomplishments of their students. 44 Cliffwood students have achieved 100% attendance so far this school year. This remarkable dedication to learning exemplifies the commitment and pride that make our school community so special. Thank you to everyone for your continued support and enthusiasm. We are Cliffwood Proud!

Happy New Year from the students and staff at Cambridge Park Elementary. The students at Cambridge Park had two amazing visitors to start the new year! Frosty the Snowman came for a dance party and Elsa from Frozen sang and danced with students for the day. Elsa was able to visit each classroom and answer the students' questions...and they had a lot. They are hopeful that Elsa will be able to come back again soon, and maybe bring her sister Anna! Cambridge Park has moved into the Medical Theme in the Tools of the Mind Curriculum. Up next is the Pet Vet Theme. At Cambridge, they are planning the next parent buddy reading event which will take place in February! They will keep you posted on the date and time to be determined.

MAMS recently held its annual student-faculty basketball game. It was a fun event run by the school's National Junior Honor Society and Student Council. These groups raised \$1,000 which will be donated to the Make a Wish Foundation. Thank you to the Aberdeen Police department and their officers for playing in this year's event and supporting our school community. For the second semester, MAMS will be rolling out a new attendance initiative. Administrators will be tracking attendance for homerooms and individual students. These "scores" will be visible on bulletin boards in the Commons area. Classes and students will have the opportunity to earn various rewards for quality attendance at school. MAMS admins are excited to recognize middle schoolers who demonstrate good attendance and make every day count!

Finally, Lloyd Road Elementary School held parent-teacher conferences on Monday, January 13th through Thursday, January 16th. They appreciate all of the parents and guardians who came out and participated in these important meetings. Lloyd Road Elementary School is gearing up for their grade level school Spelling Bees. The winners of classroom spelling bees will have the opportunity to participate in the School Spelling Bee that will take place by grade level on January 30th. The final winner of the Lloyd Road School Spelling bee will have the opportunity to participate in the Scripps Regional Spelling Bee later this spring. The Lloyd Road PTO is gearing up for their Popcorn fundraiser event which is now underway. They encourage all families to participate and help the PTO earn valuable funds to support their school community. Lloyd Road Elementary School appreciates your support! They are also gearing up for Random Acts

of Kindness Week which will take place on Monday, February 10th through Friday, February 14th. The purpose of this week is to engage in activities and conversations focused on promoting kindness and working together to foster a kind, caring, and accepting learning environment to appreciate diversity and celebrate everyone's individuality. This concludes my report. Thank you, and have a wonderful evening.

VIII. MINUTES

Motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Ascoli to approve the following minutes:

- Regular Action Meeting Minutes, December 19, 2024
- Executive Session Meeting I and II Minutes, December 19, 2024

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | X | | Abstain from travel portion |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | | | |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | | | |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent one (1) member abstained from the travel portion of the Dec 19, 2024 minutes.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD

Motion by Ms. Skop, seconded by Ms. Ascoli to approve the following correspondence:

Email received Jan 3, 2024, 8:07 am, smpitta74@yahoo.com, regarding, "Parking strathmore/drop off pick up"

Email received Jan 3, 2025, 8:10 am, smpitta74@yahoo.com, regarding "Strathmore Parking issues"

Email received Jan 3, 2025, 8:15 am, smpitta74@yahoo.com, regarding "Parking lot drop off/ dismissal /busing Strathmore"

Email received Jan 3, 2025, smpitta74@yahoo.com, regarding "Parking lot drop off/ dismissal /busing Strathmore"

Email received Jan 10, 2025, kerikoo22077@gmail.com, regarding "Bus 76 - incident walking home"

Email received Jan 11, 2025, kerikoo22077@gmail.com, regarding "Re: Bus 76 - incident walking home"

Email received Jan 13, 2025, kerikoo22077@gmail.com, regarding "Re: Bus 76 - incident walking home"

Email received Jan 21, 2025, brennagreer@verizon.net, regarding "Concern Regarding Student Transportation Safety"

Email received Jan 21, 2025, jessjones528@gmail.com, regarding "Concerns About Student Protections Under New Administrations Policies"

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|----------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | | | |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | | | |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | | | |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent

VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Ms. Perez

On tonight’s agenda we are recommending the board approval of Praetorian Agency for school security funded through School Security Aid. We have shown our work and collaboration with the towns and the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District is committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment for all students and staff. The Board of Education has been supportive as we have upgraded and continue to upgrade our security cameras, infrastructure, and communication systems. The partnership with Praetorian allows us to have daily, consistent school security officers in our district.

There will be one full-time officer assigned to Matawan Aberdeen Middle School, one full-time officer shared between Lloyd Road Elementary and Strathmore Elementary, one full-time officer shared between Cliffwood Elementary and Ravine Drive Elementary, and one part-time truancy/security officer for the district who will be housed at Matawan Regional High School. Cambridge Park and MRHS will be covered by our School Resource Officers.

Our relationships with the Aberdeen Township Police Department and Matawan Police Department remain strong. Our private security, however, allows us an additional layer of security while still being fiscally responsible as this is being funded through our Security Aid from the NJ Department of Education in our local budget.

Praetorian Officers will work a 7.25-7.50-hour Monday-Friday week. They can provide support for extracurricular activities at the same hourly rate. The security officers will be dressed in clothes identifying them as school security, will drive marked vehicles, and will carry armed open/unconcealed weapons. All of the Praetorian Agency security officers have law enforcement experience, they are licensed through the New Jersey State Police under the Security Officer Registration Act, and have undergone an extensive vetting and training process. They will be monitoring the interior and exterior of our buildings, and they will offer additional security in our hallways and cafeterias as we strive to create the safest learning environment possible.

X. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Ms. Werneke

- The annual audit is a state requirement, and the district had zero audit findings
- Ms. Pell provided a testimony about funding concerns for our community
- Cell phones in school - we have good feedback about our policy
- Board receives a schedule of events

XI. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Mr. Liebmann presented the Curriculum and Instruction Agenda on which the Board will take action this evening.

Motion by Ms. Skop, seconded by Ms. Feiles to approve the following resolution(s):

A. TRAVEL

Pursuant to travel policy #6471, the following staff is approved for travel related to training and workshops. This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent, and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member’s current responsibilities and the district’s Professional Development Plan. ([Curriculum & Instruction Attachment #1](#))

Policy: #6471 Travel/Reimbursable Expenses

Rationale: Required estimates to abide by law and policy

B. OTHER

1. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the Corrective Action Plan - Addressing Student Chronic Absenteeism. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-25.1, in the event that 10 percent or more of the students enrolled in a public school are chronically absent, the school(s) shall develop a corrective action plan to improve absenteeism rates. A student is considered chronically absent if the student misses 10 percent or more of the school days in session for which the student was enrolled.

Matawan Regional High School, Matawan Aberdeen Middle School, Lloyd Road School, Cliffwood Elementary, Ravine Drive Elementary, Strathmore Elementary and Cambridge Park Elementary School.

2. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following field trips for the 2024-2025 school year.

| Location | Date(s) | School/Grade | Purpose | Funding |
|---|--------------------------------|---|---|---------------|
| NEW - Grounds for Sculpture, Hamilton Twp., NJ | June 3, 2025 | HS Gr. 9-12 Students & Staff of the Latin Club | View works of art that coincide with their unit on Roman art | Club Funds |
| NEW- Wayne Hills HS, Wayne, NJ | January 25, 2025 | HS Gr. 9-12 Physics Clubs Students & Staff | Physics Olympics - Competition | School Budget |
| NEW - Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ | February 26, 2025 | HS Gr. 9-12 Entrepreneurship Classes & Staff | Students will pitch their startups at the Diamond Challenge Competition, an international hs entrepreneurship pitch competition. | School Budget |
| REVISED - Freehold Twp. High School, Freehold, NJ | February 1, 2025 (new date) | HS Students Gr. 9- 12 in Speech & Debate and Staff | To compete in NJSDL Tournaments | School Budget |
| REVISED - Colts Neck HS, Colts Neck, NJ | March 7, 2025 (new date) | HS Students Gr. 9- 12 in Academic Challenge Team & Staff | Competition for Academic Challenge Team | School Budget |

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|----------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | | | |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | | | |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | | | |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent

XII. STUDENT SERVICES

Mr. Liebmann presented the Student Services Agenda on which the Board will take action this evening.

Motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Ascoli to approve the following resolution(s):

1. REVISION (Student was previously approved on 10/17/24) The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve bedside instruction for the following student(s):

| Student | Program | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|-----------------|------------|------------------|
| 163847 | Silvergate Prep | \$2,800.00 | 11/15/24-1/15/24 |

Rationale: Homebound Instruction Extension

Cost: \$2,800.00

Account #: 11-219-100-320-09-0000-0

2. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following student to attend an out of district placement for the 2024-2025 school year.

| Student | Program | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 170694 | Regional Achievement Academy | Tuition \$62,000.00 | 12/16/24-6/30/25 |

Rationale: Per Student's IEP

Cost: \$62,000.00

Account #: 11-000-100-562-09-0000-0

3. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following student to attend an out-of-district placement for the 2024-2025 School Year

| Student | School | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 163619 | Collier School | Tuition \$35,991.00 | 1/22/25-6/30/25 |

Rationale: Per Student's IEP

Cost: \$ 35,991.00

Account #: 11-000-100-566-09-0000-0

4. REVISION (Student was previously approved on 6/27/24). The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following student to attend an out of district placement according to student attendance 9/5/24-11/14/24

| Student | School | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|------------------------------|--|---|
| 157011 | Center for Lifelong Learning | \$27,784 (Tuition \$16,192.00, 1:1 Aide \$11,592.00) (Previously approved amount \$121,767.00) | 9/5/24-11/14/24 (Previous Dates 6/26/24-6/30/25) |

Rationale: According to Student's IEP

Cost: \$27,784.00

Account #: 11-000-100-562-09-0000-0

5. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve bedside instruction for the following student(s):

| Student | Program | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|-----------|------------|------------------|
| 161255 | LearnWell | \$2,900.00 | 1/14/25-2/13/25 |
| 170052 | LearnWell | \$2,900.00 | 12/23/24-1/31/25 |

Cost: \$2,900.00

Account #: 11-219-100-320-09-0000-0

Cost: \$2,900.00

Account #: 11-219-100-320-09-0000-0

6. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education accept the grant provided by the New Jersey Department of Education in the amount of \$ 12,012.66 for the Learning Ally Audiobook Solution licenses listed below and to abide by the Learning Ally Terms of Service. This Learning Ally Audiobook subscription is funded through June 30, 2026.

| Schools | Amount Received Per School |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Cliffwood Elementary | \$2,002.11 |
| Strathmore Elementary | \$2,002.11 |
| Ravine Drive Elementary | \$2,002.11 |
| Lloyd Road Elementary | \$2,002.11 |
| Matawan Aberdeen Middle School | \$2,002.11 |
| Matawan Regional High School | \$2,002.11 |

Total Grant Amount Received: \$12,012.66

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|----------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | | | |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | | | |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | | | |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent

XIII. PERSONNEL

Dr. Rawls-Dill reviewed the Personnel Agenda to include a Walk-In Item on which the Board will take action this evening.

Motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Spruell to approve the following resolution(s):

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following:

A. Resignations/Retirements - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc | Position | Reason | Hire Date | Effective Date |
|------------------------|-----|--------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|
| Garcia Colon, Gabriela | CO | Transportation Assistant | Resignation | 9/30/2024 | 1/15/2025 |

B. Leave of Absence - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc | Position | Type of Leave | With/Without Pay | Effective Dates |
|-------------------|-----|--------------------------|---|--|---|
| Boehler, Kris | CO | Confidential Secretary | Medical | With Pay | 11/22/24-1/24/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 11/14/24 |
| Califano, Shannon | HS | Teacher | Maternity Maternity/FMLA FMLA/NJFLA | With Pay Without Pay Without Pay | 3/5/25-4/3/25 4/4/25-5/13/25 5/14/25-10/10/25 |
| DeGennaro, Sara | CO | Transportation Assistant | Medical | With Pay | 2/4/25-3/4/25 |
| Furman, Jessica | MS | Teacher | Medical | With Pay | 11/18/24-6/30/25 |
| Lyttle, Amanda | MS | School Counselor | Maternity Maternity/FMLA FMLA/NJFLA | With Pay Without Pay Without Pay | 1/29/25-3/5/25 3/6/25-4/9/25 4/10/25-6/30/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 12/19/2024 |
| Meany, Karen | RD | Teacher | Medical | With Pay | 11/11/24-1/31/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 12/19/2024 |
| Melikhova, Julia | HS | Teacher | Personal | Without Pay | 11/12/24-12/6/24 Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 10/17/24 |
| Thiel, Alycia | CL | Teacher | Maternity Maternity/ FMLA/NJFLA | With Pay Without Pay | 4/4/25-6/13/25 6/16/25-11/7/25 |

| Name | Loc | Position | Type of Leave | With/Without Pay | Effective Dates |
|---------------------|-----|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Trischitta, Jessica | ST | Teacher | Maternity Maternity/FMLA Personal | With Pay Without Pay Without Pay | 12/18/24-2/12/25 2/13/25-5/15/25 5/16/25-6/30/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 11/14/2024 |
| Tyburczy, Philip | MS | Assistant Principal | Medical | With Pay | 1/24/25-2/27/25 |
| Wishnick, Jennifer | HS | Teacher | Medical | With Pay | 1/2/25-2/26/25 |

C. Appointments - 2024/2025 School Year**1. New Hires**

| Name | Loc | Position | Step | Salary/Stipend | Replace/Reason | Effective Dates |
|---------------------|-----|----------------------------|----------|--|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Dorney, Heather | MS | 12-Month Secretary | Step 1 | \$31,420.00 + BA Stipend \$1,485.00 = \$32,905.00 | DiPalma Transfer | 2/3/25- 6/30/25 |
| Fineran, Heather | CO | Trainer/ Lead Driver | Step 1-3 | \$64,608.00 | New Position | 2/3/25- 6/30/25 |
| Osipowitz, Beth | ST | Special Education Teacher | F 12 | \$86,325.00 | McNamara Vacancy | 3/25/25- 6/30/25 or sooner |
| Paone-Hurd, Krysten | MS | Acting Assistant Principal | N/A | \$300/Per Diem | Tyburczy LOA | 1/24/25- 2/27/25 |
| Sandner, Nicole | CO | LDTC | E 12 | \$83,975.00 (Prorated) | DeNardo Resignation | 2/10/25- 6/30/25 or sooner |

Note: The law on background checks requires ultimate clearance prior to any employment becoming final, in addition to pre-employment paperwork.

2. Salary Adjustments - 2024/2025 School Year (Mid-Year Adjustment February - June)

| Name | Location/Position | From Step/Salary | To Step/Salary |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Cacciatore, Julia | High School/Teacher | C 4, \$57,725.00 | E 4, \$64,755.00 |
| Carnovsky, Sharon | Lloyd Road/Teacher | C 14, \$88,825.00 | D 14, \$93,725.00 |
| Colonna, Julianna | Ravine Drive/Teacher | C 3, \$57,275.00 | E 3, 64,325.00 |
| DiLonardo, Kristi Dr. | MAMS/Teacher | F 4, \$67,125.00 | G 4, \$71,625.00 |
| Paone-Hurd, Krysten, Dr. | Ravine Drive/Teacher | F 7.5, \$72,600.00 | G 7.5, \$77,100.00 |
| Posyton, Emily | MAMS/Teacher | D 5, \$63,375.00 | E 5, \$65,525.00 |
| Taite, Nicole, Dr. | Strathmore/Teacher | F 11, \$81,425.00 | G 11, \$85,925.00 |
| Zupkus, Emily, Dr. | Strathmore/ School Psychologist | F14, \$98,225.00 | G 14, \$102,725.00 |

3. Extra-Curricular Activities - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc | Activity | Position | Step/Stipend | Effective Date |
|----------------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Athletic Activities | | | | | |
| Carnovsky, Robert | HS | Boys Baseball | Head Coach | Step 3 \$8,460/00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Mejia, Eddie | HS | Boys Baseball | Assistant Coach | Step 1 \$5,920.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Esposito, Matthew | HS | Boys Baseball | Co Assistant Coach | Step 1 \$2,960.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Meola, Michael | HS | Boys Baseball | Co Assistant Coach | Step 2 \$3,210.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Vasilenko, Nicholas | MS | Boys Baseball | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,200.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Coppola, Joseph | HS | Softball | Head Coach | Step 1 \$6,920.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Dellert, Deirdre | HS | Softball | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,950.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Leonard, Keelyn | HS | Softball | Assistant Coach | Step 1 \$5,920.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Williams, Devenn | MS | Softball | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,200.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Lasko, Andrew | HS | Boys Tennis | Head Coach | Step 3 \$6,090.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Turner, Samuel | HS | Boys Track | Head Coach | Step 3 \$8,460.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Kalieta, Thomas | HS | Boys Track | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,950.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Grigoli, Jeremy | MS | Boys Track | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,200.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Mergner, Suzanne | HS | Girls Track | Head Coach | Step 3 \$8,460.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Suckow, Kristyn | HS | Girls Track | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,950.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Acosta, Alicia | MS | Girls Track | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$6,200.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Tarrazi, Dylan | HS | Girls Flag Football | Head Coach | \$3,000.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Baumert, Deana | HS | ESPORTS | Head Coach | Step 3 \$6,090.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |

| Name | Loc | Activity | Position | Step/Stipend | Effective Date |
|--------------------------------|-----|---|------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Conceicao, Brandon | HS | ESPORTS | Assistant Coach | Step 2 \$5,830.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Dayo, Jennifer | MS | ESPORTS | Assistant Coach | Step 3 \$5,600.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Acosta, Alicia | MS | Intramural Volleyball | Coach | \$1,045.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| McCabe, Kenneth | MS | Intramural Volleyball | Coach | \$1,045.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Non-Athletic Activities | | | | | |
| Walker, Julianna | HS | Advanced American Sign-Language Club | Advisor | N/A First Year Club | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Walling, Linda | HS | Spring Musical Production | Production/Director | \$6,570.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Mackey, Latiefa | HS | Spring Musical Production | Production Assistant | \$1,490.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Wells, Garard | HS | Spring Musical Production | Musical Director | \$3,340.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Wells, Michael W. | HS | Spring Musical Production | Technical Director | \$2,580.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Wells, Michael W. | HS | Spring Musical Production | Production/Design/ Construction | \$4,020.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Mosley, Remoh | HS | Spring Musical Production | Vocal Director | \$3,340.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Dacas-Johnson, Ngelama | HS | Spring Musical Production | Choreographer | \$2,970.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Wells, Gerard | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Director/Producer | \$6,100.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Ryder, Kayla | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Vocal Director | \$3,130.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Mosley, Remoh | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Musical Director (Band) | \$3,140.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Armenti, Christine | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Choreographer | \$2,930.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Wells, Michael W. | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Production/Design/ Construction | \$2,990.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Amorino, Jessica | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Technical Director | \$2,580.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |

| Name | Loc | Activity | Position | Step/Stipend | Effective Date |
|-----------------------|-----|--|----------------------|--------------|--|
| Hynes, Gina | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Production Assistant | \$1,490.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| San Martin, Stephanie | MS | Theater Arts Spring Musical Production | Consultant | \$1,490.00 | 2024/2025 School Year |
| Burlew, Brianna | RD | Environmental Club | Co Advisor | \$565.00 | 2024/2025 School Year Amended - Previously Approved on 6/27/24 |
| Viola, Danielle | RD | Environmental Club | Co Advisor | \$565.00 | 2024/2025 School Year Amended - Previously Approved on 6/27/24 |
| Meany, Karen | RD | Safety Patrol | Co Advisor | \$510.00 | 2024/2025 School Year Amended - Previously Approved on 6/27/24 |
| Murray, Paula | RD | Safety Patrol | Co Advisor | \$510.00 | 2024/2025 School Year Amended - Previously Approved on 6/27/24 |

4. Instructional Assistants as Substitute Teachers - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Position | Loc | Salary | Account # | Effective Dates |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Yemi-Forli, Maria | IA as Substitute Teacher | CL | Per MAREA Contract* | 11-120-100-101-11-0004-9 | 1/02/25-6/30/25 |

*IA as Substitute Teacher - \$114.00 Full-Day Rate; \$57.00 Half-Day Rate; \$16.29 Hourly Rate per MAREA Contract

5. Home Instruction - 2024/2025 School Year

| Student ID | Subject/ Class | Loc | Home Instruction Teacher | Hrs/per Week | # of Weeks | Total Hrs/per Subject | Effective Dates |
|---------------|---------------------|-----|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <u>160374</u> | American Literature | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/21/25-1/31/25 |
| 160374 | Chemistry | HS | Robert Carnovsky | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/21/25-1/31/25 |
| 160374 | Geometry | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/21/25-1/31/25 |
| 160374 | US History 2 | HS | Robert Carnovsky | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/21/25-1/31/25 |

| Student ID | Subject/ Class | Loc | Home Instruction Teacher | Hrs/per Week | # of Weeks | Total Hrs/per Subject | Effective Dates |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| <u>160832</u> | English 3 | HS | Robert Carnovsky | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/19/24 |
| 160832 | Lab Environmental Science | HS | Canandrino, Samantha | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/19/24 |
| 160832 | Algebra 2 Honors | HS | Canandrino, Samantha | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/19/24 |
| 160832 | US History 2 | HS | Heather Walsh | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/19/24 |
| 160832 | Strength & Conditioning | HS | Brian Dean | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/19/24 |
| <u>160840</u> | US History 2 | HS | Robert Moller | 2 | 1 | 2 | 12/16/224-12/20/24 |
| 160840 | Grade 11 Health & Physical Education | HS | First Children's Services | 2 | 1 | 2 | 12/16/224-12/20/24 |
| 160840 | English 3 | HS | First Children's Services | 2 | 1 | 2 | 12/16/224-12/20/24 |
| <u>161152</u> | English 2 | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161152 | Geometry | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161152 | Grade 10 Health & Physical Education | HS | Michael McGowan | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161152 | World Cultures | HS | Robert Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| <u>161270</u> | Grade 10 Health & Physical Education | HS | Andrew Lasko | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161270 | Lab Chemistry | HS | First Children's Services | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161270 | US History 1 | HS | David Miller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161270 | Geometry | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| 161270 | English 2 | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/2/25-1/14/25 |
| <u>161537</u> | Science | MS | First Children's Services | 2 | 4 | 8 | 1/2/25-1/31/25 |
| 161537 | Social Studies | MS | First Children's Services | 2 | 4 | 8 | 1/2/25-1/31/25 |
| 161537 | Language Arts | MS | First Children's | 2 | 4 | 8 | 1/2/25-1/31/25 |

| Student ID | Subject/ Class | Loc | Home Instruction Teacher | Hrs/per Week | # of Weeks | Total Hrs/per Subject | Effective Dates |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
| | | | Services | | | | |
| 161537 | Math | MS | First Children's Services | 2 | 4 | 8 | 1/2/25-1/31/25 |
| 161867 | US History 2 | HS | Robert Carnovsky | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/18/24 |
| 161867 | Grade 11 Health & Physical Education | HS | Brian Dean | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/18/24 |
| 161867 | Algebra 2 | HS | Julia Cacciatore | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/18/24 |
| 161867 | Lab Environmental Science | HS | First Children's Services | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/18/24 |
| 161867 | English 3 | HS | First Children's Services | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12/6/24-12/18/24 |
| <u>163580</u> | Science | HS | Julia Cacciatore | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/15/25-1/31/25 |
| 163580 | Math | HS | Julia Cacciatore | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/15/25-1/31/25 |
| 163580 | Social Studies | HS | Brian Duffy | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/15/25-1/31/25 |
| 163580 | English | HS | Jennifer Moller | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/15/25-1/31/25 |
| 163580 | Grade 9 Physical Education | HS | Shannon Claudio | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1/15/25-1/31/25 |
| <u>164197</u> | Science | MS | First Children's Services | 2 | 6 | 12 | 12/9/24-2/15/25 |
| 164197 | Social Studies | MS | Heather Walsh | 2 | 6 | 12 | 12/9/24-2/15/25 |
| 164197 | Language Arts | MS | Beth Chodkiewicz | 2 | 6 | 12 | 12/9/24-2/15/25 |
| 164197 | Math | MS | Kristi DiLonardo | 2 | 6 | 12 | 12/9/24-2/15/25 |
| <u>164866</u> | Math | ST | Melissa Cullen | 2.5 | 22 | 55 | 9/12/24-2/21/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved 11/14/24 |
| 164866 | Science | ST | Melissa Cullen | 2.5 | 22 | 55 | 9/12/24-2/21/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved 11/14/24 |
| 164866 | ELA | ST | Melissa Cullen | 2.5 | 22 | 55 | 9/12/24-2/21/25 Amended Dates - |

| Student ID | Subject/Class | Loc | Home Instruction Teacher | Hrs/per Week | # of Weeks | Total Hrs/per Subject | Effective Dates |
|------------|----------------|-----|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
| | | | | | | | Previously Approved 11/14/24 |
| 164866 | Social Studies | ST | Melissa Cullen | 2.5 | 22 | 55 | 9/12/24-2/21/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved 11/14/24 |

6. Staff Array Changes - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc/Fte | Current Assignments | Loc/Fte/O/L | New Assignment | Effective Dates/Reason |
|----------------------|------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Feidler, Charnell | CL: 1.00 | Instructional Assistant | MS: 1.00 | Instructional Assistant | 12/9/24-2/13/25 |
| Walsh, Nancy | LR: 1.00 | Instructional Assistant | LR: 1.00 | Personal Aide | 1/9/25-6/30/25 |
| Hall, Sharen | HS: .60 .20 .20 | Chemistry POR Chemistry ICR Science | HS: .60 .20 .20 .20 O/L | Chemistry POR Chemistry ICR Science Intro Environmental Science | 11/1/24-2/26/25 Wishnick LOA Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 10/17/24 |
| Kacen, Pamela | HS: .20 .20 .20 .40 | Intro Algebra 1A Intro Algebra 1 B World Cultures US History | HS: .20 .20 .20 .40 .20 O/L | Intro Algebra 1A Intro Algebra 1 B World Cultures US History LLD English | 11/1/24-2/26/25 Wishnick LOA Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 10/17/24 |
| McMillan, Marloudiza | HS: .40 .40 .20 | Environ. Sci. POR Environ Sci. ICR AP Environ. Sci. | HS: .40 .40 .20 .20 O/L | Environ. Sci. POR Environ Sci. ICR AP Environ. Sci. Intro Biology | 11/1/24-2/26/25 Wishnick LOA Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 10/17/24 |
| Whitney, Alexis | HS: .40 .40 .20 | English 3 ICR English 4 ICR English 4 CCR | HS: .40 .40 .20 .40 O/L | English 3 ICR English 4 ICR English 4 CCR LLD English | 11/1/24-2/26/25 Wishnick LOA Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 10/17/24 |
| Harrington, Meghan | HS: 1.00 | Social Studies Teacher | HS: 1.00 .20 O/L | Social Studies Teacher Freshman Seminar | 11/15/24-4/11/25 Frisina Transfer Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 11/14/24 |
| Mancuso, Kathleen | HS: 1.00 | English/Special Ed Teacher | HS: 1.00 .20 O/L | English/Special Ed Teacher Freshman Seminar | 11/15/24-4/11/25 Frisina Transfer Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 11/14/24 |
| O'Neill, Michelle | HS: 1.00 | Social Studies Teacher | HS: 1.00 .20 O/L | Social Studies Teacher Freshman Seminar | 11/15/24-4/11/25 Frisina Transfer |

| Name | Loc/Fte | Current Assignments | Loc/Fte/O/L | New Assignment | Effective Dates/Reason |
|----------------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|--|---|
| | | | | | Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 11/14/24 |
| Walsh, Heather | HS: 1.00 | Social Studies Teacher | HS: 1.00 .40 O/L | Social Studies Teacher Freshman Seminar | 11/15/24-4/11/25 Frisina Transfer Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 11/14/24 |

7. College Student Observers/Teachers/Interns - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Cooperating Staff Member | Assignment |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Alli, Noah | Nicole Saviano, General Education Teacher Melissa Falciglia, Special Education Teacher | Cliffwood Elementary School Student Observer Spring 2025 Brookdale Community College |
| Bennici, Isabella | Susan Silano, General Education Teacher Laura Buchanan, Special Education Teacher | Ravine Drive Elementary School Student Observer Spring 2025 Brookdale Community College |
| Capobianco, Alexis | Jamie Zibbell, School Social Worker | Matawan-Regional High School School Social Worker Internship Monmouth University |
| De Vito, Stepanie | Alyssa LaPlaga, Speech Language Specialist | CO Student Services Speech Language Specialist Externship Spring 2025 Monmouth University |
| Gilfillan, Erin | Alexis Mizenko, General Education Teacher Cecilia Lacovara, Special Education Teacher | Strathmore Elementary School Clinical Practice Grades 1-5 Spring 2025 Full-Time Student Teaching Fall 2025 Georgian Court University |
| Goldberg, Joshua | Amanda Longo, School Counselor | Matawan-Regional High School School Counseling Practicum Spring 2025 NJCU |
| McGovern, Claire | Alexis Fischer, General Education Teacher Tara Perchuck, Special Education Teacher | Lloyd Road Elementary School Student Observer Spring 2025 Brookdale Community College |
| Montalvo, Yolanda | Sheryl Preiser, General Education Teacher Maureen Coakley, Special Education Teacher Michelle, Gilbert, Preschool Teacher | Cliffwood Elementary School Student Observer Spring 2025 Brookdale Community College |
| Nelson, Matthew | Melissa Torres, Teacher | Ravine Drive Elementary School Student Observer Spring 2025 Georgian Court University |
| Schultz, Lisa | Christine Charence, Principal | Cliffwood Elementary School Administrative Internship Spring 2025 Monmouth University |
| Vicari, Danielle | Sheri Borchers, General Education Teacher Sheryl Kish, Special Education Teacher | Matawan-Regional High School Student Observer Spring 2025 Brookdale Community College |

8. District Translators - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Location | Language |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| Yemi-Forli, Maria | Cliffwood | Spanish |

As needed for CST and IEP Meetings, Back-to-School Nights, Parent Conferences, etc.

\$30/Hr for Translators - Account # 20-241-200-100-04-0000-0

\$50/Hr for Sign-Language Interpreter - Account # 11-240-100-101-90-0000-1

D. Other**1. HIB - 2024/2025 School Year**

- The Superintendent recommends the approval of the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Report as reported during the Executive Session of the Matawan-Aberdeen Board of Education Meeting of January 2, 2025:

| Incidents Reported | Confirmed Incidents |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 0 | 0 |

2. Nursing Services Plan - 2024/2025 School Year

- Nursing Services Plan Preschool through Grade 12

3. College & Career Planning Night at MRHS - 2024/2025 School Year

- Adrian Bennett, Florence DeCosta, Amanda Longo and Daryl McKurth
Up to 2 hours each at \$30/hr
Account # 20-361-200-100-30-0000-0

4. Additional Pay - 2024/2025 School Year

- Dominique Jimenez, School Social Worker, Up to 20 hours at Employee's Hourly Rate
- Gianna Maretta, School Psychologist, Up to 20 hours at Employee's Hourly Rate

5. Substitute District Danielson Observer/Evaluator - 2024/2025 School Year

- Michele Ruscavage, Up to 35 Evaluations at \$300.00/Evaluation

PERSONNEL WALK-IN ITEMS

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following:

1. Appointments - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc | Position | Step | Salary/Stipend | Replace/ Reason | Effective Dates |
|------------------|-----|---|-------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Montague, Andrea | MS | School Counselor Replacement Position | E 1-2 | \$64,050.00 (Prorated) | Lyttle LOA | 2/6/2025-6/30/2025 |

Note: The law on background checks requires ultimate clearance prior to any employment becoming final, in addition to pre-employment paperwork.

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|------------------------------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | | | |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | X | | Abstained - page 13, item #3 |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | X | | Abstained - page 12, line 2 |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent

XIV. POLICY

Dr. Rawls-Dill reviewed the Policy Agenda on which the Board will take action this evening.

Motion by Ms. Pell, seconded by Mr. McGovern to approve the following resolution(s):

Ms. Martinez provided an update on the work in progress to the PTO policy. Next policy will be on lunch balances.

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following:

1. First Reading

| Series | Category | Policy/ Regulation | Title | First Reading |
|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------|
| 2000 | Program | R 2460.1 (M) | Special Education - Location, Identification, and Referral | January 23, 2025 |
| 2000 | Program | P & R 2622 (M) | Student Assessment | January 23, 2025 |
| 3000 | Teaching Staff Members | P & R 3212 (M) | Professional Staff Attendance Review and Improvement Plan | January 23, 2025 |
| 4000 | Support Staff | P & R 4212 (M) | Support Staff Attendance Review and Attendance | January 23, 2025 |

2. Second Reading-Approval and Adoption

| Series | Category | Policy/ Regulation | Title | Second Reading |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 2000 | Program | P & R 2417 (M) | Student Intervention and Referral Services | January 23, 2025 |
| 9000 | Community | P & R 9320 (M) | Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies | January 23, 2025 |
| 9000 | Community | P 9181 | Volunteer Athletic Coaches and Co-Curricular Activity Advisors/Assistants | January 23, 2025 |
| 6000 | Finances | P 6220 (M) | Budget Preparation | January 23, 2025 |

(M) indicates mandated by state law

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | | | |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | | | |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | | | |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent

XV. FINANCE

Ms. Case reviewed the Finance Agenda on which the Board will take action this evening.

Motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Feiles to approve the following resolution(s):

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification – December 2024

PURSUANT TO NJAC 6A:20-2.13(D), we certify that as of November 30, 2024, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriation section), and open consultation with appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:20-2(B), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

I, Lindsey Case, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that for the month of November 2024 no line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year."



School Business Admin/Board Secretary

Payroll Certification

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary reported, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1B, has certified the December 13, 2024 in the amount of \$2,271,968.16 and the December 20, 2024 in the amount of \$2,240,980.76.

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following:

1. Receipt and Acceptance of December 2024 Board Secretary's Report

Recommend the receipt of the Board Secretary Financial Reports as of December 31, 2024, be accepted as filed, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10@3 that no major account of Fund has been over expended as of December 31, 2024 based upon the Board Secretary's Certification and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2. Treasurer's Report – December 2024

PURSUANT TO NJAC 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2024.

3. Approve Appropriation Transfers

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the transfers attached.

4. Approve Bills

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the bills paid and checks issued at the Board meeting in the amount of \$4,100,333.42.

5. Acceptance of 2023-2024 Annual Audit

The Superintendent recommends the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education accept the Audit Report for the 2023-2024 school year prepared by Suplee, Clooney & Company with no findings per the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the Auditor's Management Report (AMR), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the audit has been forwarded to the Monmouth County Executive County Superintendent.

6. School Board Recognition Month in New Jersey January 2025

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2025 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time when all residents can acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education is one of 580 local school boards in New Jersey, which sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local school boards help determine the educational goals for approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's 5,000 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation's best in key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Educational Progress scores, and the preparation for college through advanced placement offerings and SAT assessments; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2025 as School Board Recognition month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the advancement of our children's education.

7. Out of District Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve a student from the Brick Township Public School District to attend the Matawan-Aberdeen KEYS Program (7400937110) at a cost of \$34,516.20 beginning January 2, 2025 through June 25, 2025.

8. Out of District Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve a student from the Hazlet Township Public School District to attend the Matawan-Aberdeen KEYS Program (7225051789) at a cost of \$34,516.20 beginning January 2, 2025 through June 25, 2025.

9. Out of District Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve a student from the Jersey City Public School District to attend the Matawan-Aberdeen KEYS Program (47882600638) at a cost of \$16,527.79 beginning December 12, 2024 through June 25, 2025.

10. Out of District Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve a student from the Middletown Township Public School District to attend the Matawan-Aberdeen KEYS Program (2576598467) at a cost of \$33,237.84 beginning January 8, 2025 through June 25, 2025.

11. Routine Travel Reimbursement for 2024-2025

Policy: # 6471 School District Travel

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education pursuant to Travel policy # 6471, approve the following staff for travel related to routine business for the 2024-2025 school year:

| Name | Position | Total |
|-------------|------------------|----------|
| Joanna Ross | Teacher, HS/KEYS | \$250.00 |

12. Approval Praetorian Agency to provide security

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve Praetorian Agency to provide security for the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District to include staffing for the period beginning February 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025.

13. Fire and Evacuation Drills

The following Fire and Evacuation Drills occurred during **December 2024**:

| School Name | Security Drill Type | Date & Time |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Cambridge Park Pre-school | Lockdown | 12/11/24 @ 9:50 am |
| Cambridge Park Pre-school | Fire Drill | 12/12/24 @ 9:03 am |
| Cliffwood Elementary School | Lockdown | 12/11/24 @ 10:30 am |
| Cliffwood Elementary School | Fire Drill | 12/17/24 @ 11:05 am |
| Matawan Regional High School | Fire Drill | 12/9/24 @ 7:45 am |
| Matawan Regional High School | Active Shooter | 12/18/24 @ 9:20 am |
| Lloyd Road Elementary School | Fire Drill | 12/12/24 @ 1:38 pm |
| Lloyd Road Elementary School | Lockdown | 12/19/24 @ 10:10 am |
| Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School | Active Shooter/Lockdown | 12/5/24 @ 8:58 am |
| Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School | Fire Drill | 12/12/24 @ 9:00 am |
| Ravine Drive Elementary School | Fire Drill | 12/12/24 @ 9:50 am |
| Ravine Drive Elementary School | Lockdown | 12/13/24 @ 2:50 pm |
| Strathmore Elementary School | Fire Drill | 12/2/24 @ 9:55 am |
| Strathmore Elementary School | Lockdown | 12/16/24 @ 9:45 am |

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|----------|
| Ms. Ascoli | X | | | | |
| Ms. Feiles | X | | | | |
| Mr. McGovern | X | | | | |
| Mr. Montone | X | | | | |
| Ms. Pell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Skop | X | | | | |
| Ms. Spruell | X | | | | |
| Ms. Martinez | X | | | | |
| Ms. Werneke | X | | | | |

On a roll call vote, nine (9) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, zero (0) member were absent

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS & ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Stared at 9:18 pm

- C. Barilka (Union President) – Vehicles will be where?
- Ms. Perez – There will be a security vehicle when a security office shares buildings. The collaboration will still continue with our policy department for drills, walk throughs, and programs such as LEAD.
- J. Corlie (Matawan) – Attendance – does it take account for every student?
- Mr. Liebmann – In that specific benchmark, yes, it is counted.

- J. Corlie (Matawan) – The biggest problem in the high school is that the kids aren't held accountable and provided examples.
- Mr. Liebmann – Challenge of motivation and listed examples of what will be done and how it will be addressed. Creating a true partnership with parents, students and teachers.
- Ms. Perez – Appreciate feedback and how credit recovery is being used. Last year we retained students who far exceeded 20 absences. We want to start good habits early on.
- Ms. Martinez – The new company can assist with truancy.
- Ms. Perez – It is an option so we can aid our families and ensure residency.
- Ms. Martinez – How does seat time apply for the high school?
- Mr. Liebmann – Explained seat time and how it impacts attendance.
- Ms. Werneke – We are trying to get back to normal and enforce retention and seeing how important and held accountable.

Ended 9:30 pm

XVII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Ms. Pell – Update on Central Office sign
- Ms. Case – variance was approved, updated drawings requested from vendors that are at the building department and waiting for permit approval to begin installation.
- Ms. Ascoli – Has met with Matawan Borough
- Mr. McGovern – Working with Aberdeen Township at the liaison

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS - None

XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION II

Be It Resolved, that a closed session be convened for the purpose of discussing Privacy and Personnel Matters. The subject matter of these discussions will be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality subsides. Although the Board cannot guarantee it, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be 60 minutes after which the public meeting of the Board shall reconvene and proceed with business. Action will not take place.

It was moved by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Pell that the Board convene in Executive Session II and approved by a unanimous voice vote at 9:35 pm.

It was moved by Ms. Spruell, and seconded by Ms. Ascoli that the Board return to Open Session at 10:23 pm.

XX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Ms. Spruell, seconded by Ms. Ascoli and a unanimous roll call vote the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:24 pm.