

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING was held on June 5, 2025, Matawan Regional High School, 450 Atlantic Ave., Aberdeen, NJ.

I. CALL TO ORDER

President, Ms. Werneke called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

II. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

“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 on the district’s website. 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’ website.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

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| Present: | Ms. Werneke - President | Ms. Martinez - Vice President |
| | Ms. Ascoli | Ms. Pell |
| | Ms. Skop | Ms. Spruell |

Absent: Ms. Feiles, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Montone

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

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION I

Be It Resolved, that a closed session be convened for the purpose of discussing Privacy, Personnel Matters and Legal Services. 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 if necessary. Action will not take place.

It was moved by Ms. Martinez seconded by Ms. Skop that the Board convene in Executive Session and approved by a unanimous voice vote at 6:34 pm.

It was moved by Ms. Skop, seconded by Ms. Martinez that the Board return to Open Session at 7:02 pm.

VI. MINUTES

- None

VII. CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD

Motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Pell to approve the following correspondence:

Email received June 2, 2025, thass1@yahoo.com, regarding “Urgent Concerns”

Email received June 3, 2025, aaron.mcduffy@gmail.com, regarding “Student”

Email received June 3, 2025, RobertsDeniseM@gmail.com, regarding “Graduate Class of 1984”

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Ms. Perez

- 2024-2025 Governor’s Educator of the Year Recipients
- Demographer Presentation - Mr. Hejazi, Citygate

IX. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT - Ms. Werneke

- Donations for the HS Fitness Court

X. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT - None

XI. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Mr. Liebmann reviewed the Curriculum & Instruction Agenda requesting the Board take action on Item A. The remainder of the items will be presented for action at the June 16, 2025 meeting.

B. OTHER

1. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan Aberdeen Regional School District approve new courses for Matawan Regional High School for the 2025-2026 school year.

| School | Course | Description |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Lloyd Road School | STEAM Elective (Full year) | “Husky STEAM Ahead” which will encompass various, targeted units of study that focus on Science, Technology, Arts, Engineering, and Math and will align to the 4th and 5th grade standards for these areas. The focus will be on Science and Engineering through hands-on projects/experiences. |
| Matawan Regional High School | Work Based Learning (Semester/Full Year) | MRHS WBL Program is a semester based program aimed at rising Seniors. It would offer students an opportunity for hands-on learning in a variety of disciplines offered at the high school. Under the tutelage of a teacher, students would take on any number of projects ranging from laboratory setups in Science to running skills based groups in ASL. Students will develop leadership skills and face practical challenges, all while being mentored by a trusted faculty member who can guide and support them. |

| School | Course | Description |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Matawan Regional High School | History of Rock/Pop (Semester) | Rock/pop music history class will teach students how this musical form flourished - influencing culture, fashion, style and history. Students will also have the opportunity to perform and create music through accessible technologies and recording equipment. |
| Matawan Regional High School | Music Industry (Semester) | Music Business will present a broad overview of the music industry, and explain how various segments operate on a day-to-day basis. The class will discuss the new developments in digital technology that are changing the way that music is marketed, promoted, distributed, and heard, as well as present career opportunities. |
| Matawan Regional High School | Design, Engineering & Entrepreneurship (Full Year) | The proposed course is designed to equip students with vital entrepreneurship skills necessary in a rapidly changing job market. By emphasizing evidence-based entrepreneurship, students will enhance their interpersonal skills, emotional intelligence (EQ), and creativity to develop effective solutions. The Engineering Design Process will allow students to create products and services that address public needs while exploring their interests. |
| Matawan Regional High School | Mindfulness II: The Mind Body Connection (Semester) | This mindfulness & self discovery course is designed to help students cultivate a stronger mind/body connection. Focus will be on meditations, yoga, and advanced breathing techniques. Students will gain the tools & confidence to navigate life’s challenges with calm, clarity & purpose. |

2. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following non-resident student enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year pursuant to Policy 5111.

| Staff Member ID | Student ID | Grade in 2025-2026 | School |
|-----------------|------------|--------------------|--------|
| 2330 | N/A | Grade 9 | MRHS |

3. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the district’s participation in the *Monmouth County Teen Arts NJ*, formerly Arts & Education Program for the 2025-2026 school year for any middle and high school student that is selected. Classes for Arts High (9-12) run once per week for 14 weeks and Arts High (6-8) run for 12 weeks beginning in January 2026.

Rationale: Arts High is a special release time program for gifted and talented students, particularly in the area of the arts in grades 6-12. Students interested in joining the program must audition to participate. Arts High is administered by the Arts & Education Center, which has been operating in Monmouth County since 2004.

Cost: No cost to the district. If a student is selected, all fees, including transportation, will be funded by the parent/guardian. Transportation will be provided by the Monmouth County Arts & Recreation Program.

4. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Tools of the Mind (TOM)*** for Pre-K for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Tools of the Mind is an early childhood education curriculum that focuses on both cognitive skills and academic skills. Tools of the Mind gives teachers the tools to ensure every child becomes a successful learner, developing the underlying cognitive, social and emotional skills needed to reach his or her highest potential.

Cost: \$55,000.00 Pre-K **Account #:** 20-218-100-500-09-0000-0

5. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the contract with ***Tools of the Mind (TOM)*** for Kindergarten for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Tools of the Mind for Kindergarten is an early childhood education curriculum that builds on academic and self-regulation skills in every activity. Tools of the Mind gives Kindergarten teachers the tools to ensure every child becomes a successful learner, continuing to develop the underlying cognitive, social and emotional skills needed to reach his or her highest potential. TOM is used to bridge instruction from Pre-K to Kindergarten.

Cost: \$72,750.00 Kindergarten **Account #:** 20-218-100-500-09-0000-0

6. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Teaching Strategies GOLD® (TS Gold)*** for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Teaching Strategies GOLD® is an authentic, observational assessment system for early childhood students that are fully aligned to the NJ Student Learning Standards / Preschool Teaching and Learning Standards. The system is designed to be implemented with any developmentally appropriate curriculum and blends observational assessment with performance tasks for predictors of school success in the areas of literacy and numeracy. Teaching Strategies GOLD® is inclusive of children with disabilities, children who are English Language Learners (ELL) and children who demonstrate competencies beyond typical developmental expectations. The primary purpose of Teaching Strategies GOLD® is to document children’s learning over time, inform instruction, identify at-risk children, and facilitate communication with families and stakeholders. Teaching Strategies GOLD® is not intended as a screening or diagnostic measure. The information obtained will be used as one part of a larger system of data collection for decision making. Teaching Strategies GOLD® provides professional development training, materials, and print/digital resources for preschool teachers.

Cost: \$7,129.75 **Account #:** 20-218-100-600-09-0000-0 (PEA)

Cost: \$9,239.00 PD **Account #:** 20-218-100-500-09-0000-0 (PEA)

7. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Atlas Curriculum Mapping Software*** for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Atlas is a web-based, completely customizable application designed to manage the curriculum mapping process and facilitate collaboration among teachers across subjects, grades, schools, and districts. This software will support educators and administrators in making complex curriculum decisions in order to advance and improve the student learning experience.

Cost: \$17,300.00 **Account #:** 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

8. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Gizmos*** for a period of 12 months, from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: Gizmos provides 24/7 access to on-line simulations for math and science to support students, teachers, and parents in grades 4-12.

Cost: \$6,760.00 **Account #:** 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

9. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Advanced Systems Inc.***, doing business as ***LinkIt!***, to provide data management and assessment for students and teachers for the 2025- 2026 school year.

Rationale: Linkit provides a K-12 data warehouse platform for all students. For grades 9-12, Linkit provides standards based benchmark assessments that are based on the NJ Student Learning Standards. These assessments are used to monitor student growth, standards mastery, and skill development in the areas of math and language arts. Additionally, grades 9-12 utilize the common assessment writing item analysis and reports.

Cost: \$74,191 (NTE) **Account #:** 11-000-218-590-04-0000-0

10. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Mystery Science* for grades K-3 for the 2025- 2026 school year.

Rationale: Mystery Science provides ready-made science mystery investigation lessons for elementary school students. Each lesson contains a central mystery, discussion questions, supplemental reading, and a hands-on activity. Mystery Science will be utilized as an NSLS-aligned supplemental instructional resource to support science instruction.

Cost: \$6,780.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

11. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Raz Plus (Learning A-Z)* for grades K-5 and select special education classes at MAMS for the 2025- 2026 school year.

Rationale: Raz Plus (Learning A-Z) provides guided reading materials and lesson plans to support small group instruction and independent reading practice. The resources from Learning A-Z can be printed for at-home use by students and is available 24/7 to students and teachers.

Cost: \$23,471.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

12. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *IXL* for grades K-12 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: IXL is the leading online program for NJSLs aligned mathematics, language arts, science, and social studies, and spanish standards and skill reinforcement. The program features unlimited, algorithmically generated questions in thousands of topics, as well as insightful reporting and data analysis through IXL analytics. All students begin with a level-set diagnostic assessment that creates a personalized learning pathway for each student. It is available to teachers and students 24/7 from school, home, or any other Internet-enabled location. This program will be utilized to support targeted instructional remediation and skill-focused online review and practice.

Cost: \$25,200.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

13. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *i-Ready* Online Reading and Math Diagnostic and Instructional Programs for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: i-Ready Diagnostic is an adaptive assessment designed to provide teachers with actionable insight into student needs. It offers a complete picture of student performance and growth. i-Ready Diagnostic pinpoints student ability level, identifies the specific skills students need to learn to accelerate their growth, and charts a personalized learning path for each student, ensuring they're working on instruction that matches their unique learning needs for grades K-8. The iReady Instructional component is the personalized instructional pathway driven by insights from the i-Ready Diagnostic, i-Ready's online lessons in Reading and Mathematics provide tailored instruction that meets students where they are in their journey and encourages them as they develop new skills. achieve proficiency and growth. These programs will be used for K-5 students. This program will also be used for select students in grades 6-8 (100 licenses for Math and 100 licenses for Reading).

Total Cost: \$37,408.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

14. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Newsela* for grades 4-12 for a period of 12 months, from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: Newsela is a database of current event stories tailor-made for classroom use to differentiate nonfiction reading. Indexed by broad themes (e.g. War and Peace, Arts, Science, Health, Law, Money), stories are both student-friendly and can be accessed in different formats by reading level. Parent access is included in the cost.

Cost: \$23,600.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

15. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Studies Weekly* for grades K-5 for a period of 12 months, from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: Studies Weekly supports the implementation of the NJ Student Learning Standards (NJSLs) for Social Studies instruction in grades K-5, and also supports the integration of Social-Emotional Learning (S.E.L.) for grades 4-5.

Cost: \$18,973.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

16. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Regional Professional Development Academy (RPDA)*** for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: A district membership to RPDA will allow Pre-K-12 staff to attend professional development on a wide array of topics to support the implementation of the NJSLs as well other non-academic professional development opportunities.

Cost: \$2,200.00 **Account #:** 11-000-221-320-04-0000-0

17. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Monmouth County Curriculum Consortium (MC3)*** for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: This membership will provide continuing professional development for district level administrators on topics related to curriculum, instructional, assessment, and professional development. This comprehensive membership includes attendance for up to five administrators at each of the three professional development summits, and attendance for up to three district administrators at each of the monthly MC3 meetings that will be held during the 2025-2026 school year.

Cost: \$500.00 **Account #:** 11-000-221-890-04-0000-0

18. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***Baydin, Inc.*** for a subscription to Boomerang licenses for all administrators, principals, and assistant principals district-wide in the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Boomerang is an extension for Gmail that enables users to postpone email sending, arranges email reminders, snoozes received messages, and tracks already sent emails. It is an email management tool.

Cost: \$2,500.00 **Account #:** 11-000-221-610-04-0000-0

19. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with ***The Children's Health Market for The Great Body Shop*** subscription in grades K-5 for a period of 12 months, from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: The Great Body Shop supports the Health instruction in grades K-5, including Wellness for grades 4-5.

Cost: \$13,481.00 **Account #:** 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

20. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the licenses with ***Cengage Big Ideas*** Math for middle school, including Algebra and Geometry for the 2025 - 2026 school year.

Rationale: Cengage offers math instructional support including Algebra and Geometry for students at the middle school.

Cost: \$21,582.00 **Account #:** 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

21. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education purchase the consumables for the ***Cengage Big Ideas*** Math for the high school (grades 9-12) for the 2025- 2026 school year.

Rationale: Big Ideas is a Math instructional support for students at the high school.

Cost: \$22,979.00 **Account #:** 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

22. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the licenses for high school Latin 1, 2, and 3 through ***Latin Alive!*** for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Latin Alive! offers Latin instructional support for students at the high school.

Cost: \$2,500.00 **Account #:** 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

23. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the ***Central Jersey Consortium for Excellence & Equity (CJCEE)*** for staff and student participation in both virtual and in-person sessions for the 2025-2026 school year at Monmouth University.

Rationale: The Central Jersey Consortium for Excellence and Equity (CJCEE) is an evolving collaboration of administrators, teachers, support staff, parents, and elementary and secondary students that are collectively committed to learning and working together to enhance the achievement and well-being of all students, as well as increasing the academic performance, engagement, and future success of traditionally underachieving students. CJCEE is a separate membership and no longer part of a complete membership package, as each Academy is being handled independently.

Cost: \$2,800.00

Account #: 11-000-221-890-04-0000-0

24. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve for multiple staff members to attend the **Leadership Academy** for staff in-person sessions for the 2025-2026 school year at Monmouth University.

Rationale: The purpose of the Leadership Academy is to create a forum for dialogue and an exchange of ideas and experiences.

Cost: \$475.00

Account #: 11-000-221-890-04-0000-0

25. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the **Special Services Academy** for three staff members for three in-person sessions for the 2025-2026 school year at Monmouth University.

Rationale: The purpose of the Special Services Academy is to create an opportunity for dialogue and an exchange of ideas and experiences for Directors of Special Services, Learning Disabilities Teachers Consultants, School Psychologists, School Social Workers, and Speech Language Specialists.

Cost: \$300.00

Account #: 11-000-221-890-04-0000-0

26. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the renewal of licenses and textbooks with **Cengage Learning** for middle school Social Studies Grade 8 Civics and Citizenship for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Cengage Learning offers Civics and Citizenship instructional support for students at the middle school.

Cost: \$10,780.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

27. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the renewal of **Foundations Wilson Language** Training subscription and supplies for grades K-2 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: The purpose of Foundations is to utilize a structured literacy approach grounded in the science of reading to pave the groundwork for lifelong literacy.

Cost: \$40,150.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

28. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with **Generation Genius** for Matawan Aberdeen Middle School for a period of 12 months, from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: Generation Genius provides video lessons made in partnership with the National Science Teaching Association (NSTA) to support the implementation of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science and Mathematics. Generation Genius provides teacher access to lesson plans, activities, and covers all major topics in grades 4-8. Each video covers a topic from the new standards. The supplementary resource allows for a deeper dive into Science & Engineering Practices and Crosscutting Concepts. Generation Genius comes fully equipped with videos; lesson Plans, teacher guides, as well as vocabulary and discussion questions.

Cost: \$ 2,095.000

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

29. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with **EAB Global Leadership Forum** for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: The district leadership forum provides district leaders and their staff innovative solutions to strategic management challenges.

Cost: \$28,000.00

Account #: 11-000-221-320-04-0000-0

30. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Bitwixt Software Systems LLC* for the renewal of the Atomsmith Classroom Online Chemistry Software for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Atomsmith is a platform that uses 3D models and interactive tools to help students visualize and understand chemistry concepts. Atomsmith is a suite of tools for chemistry that offers interactive learning experiences, such as virtual labs and model building.

Cost: \$370.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

31. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the textbooks from *Cengage for AP Chemistry* at Matawan Regional High School for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Textbooks to support the AP Chemistry curriculum at Matawan Regional High School.

Cost: \$5,577.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

32. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the textbooks from *MPS for AP Biology* at Matawan Regional High School for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Textbooks to support the AP Biology curriculum at Matawan Regional High School.

Cost: \$4,600.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

33. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the textbooks from *MPS for AP Psychology* at Matawan Regional High School for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Textbooks to support the AP Psychology curriculum at Matawan Regional High School.

Cost: \$1,650.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

34. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the textbooks from *MPS for American Government* at Matawan Regional High School for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Textbooks to support the American Government curriculum at Matawan Regional High School.

Cost: \$3,300.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

35. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education purchase consumables for the *Savvas myView Literacy* program for students in grades K-5 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: The Savvas myView consumables are write-in, interactive student worktexts designed to complement the myView Literacy program. They provide practice and reinforcement of the literacy skills alongside the curriculum's other resources.

Cost: \$5,431.00

Account #: 11-190-100-640-04-0000-0

36. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve *Activate Learning for OpenSciEd* as the Matawan Aberdeen Middle School Science program for grade 6 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: OpenSciEd is a NGSS-aligned science curriculum that will be used in grade six at MAMS. The program includes print and digital curriculum contents, including teacher guides with lesson plans, student materials, and professional development.

Cost: \$22,697.00

Account #: 11-190-100-610-04-0000-2

37. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve *Amplify for Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS)* Assessment for Literacy for K-3 students for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: The purpose of DIBELS is to provide procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of literacy skills. The universal screener and teacher professional development is included. Partial cost offset by FOCUS grant.

Cost: \$39,169.00 Purchased Services **Account #:** 11-000-218-590-04-0000-0
Cost: \$10,000.00 Professional Development **Account #:** 11-000-221-320-04-0000-0

XII. STUDENT SERVICES

Mr. Liebmann reviewed the Student Services Agenda on which the Board will take action at the June 16, 2025 Regular Action Meeting.

1. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following provider for the Matawan Regional High School Graduation taking place on 6/19/25 (rain date 6/21/25).

| Provider | Services | Effective Dates |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Language Solutions Team | American Sign Language Interpretation | 6/19/25 (rain date 6/21/25) |

Cost: NTE \$380.00

2. 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 |
|---------|-----------|------------|-----------------|
| 165437 | LearnWell | \$2,320.00 | 5/17/25-6/17/25 |

Cost: \$2,320.00

Account #: 11-150-100-320-09-0000-0

3. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following students to attend an out of district placement for the 2025-2026 School Year.

| Student | School | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|---------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 160155 | The Deron School of NJ | \$141,380.40 (Tuition \$90,980.40, 1:1 Aide \$50,400.00) | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 160656 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 158134 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 161939 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 161940 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 158107 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 161118 | Hawkswood School | \$142,388.40 (Tuition \$90,098.40, Aide \$52,290.00) | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 160316 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 164305 | Hawkswood School | \$142,388.40 (Tuition \$90,098.40, Aide \$52,290.00) | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 170837 | Hawkswood School | Tuition \$90,098.40 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 157588 | Alpha School | Tuition \$88,322.00 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 170787 | Neptune School District | Tuition \$64,999.80 | 9/4/25-6/30/26 |
| 160566 | The Center School | Tuition \$99,066.00 | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| 161537 | Coastal Learning Center | TBD | TBD |
| 170170 | Coastal Learning Center | TBD | TBD |
| 160071 | Coastal Learning Center | TBD | TBD |
| 160565 | Cornerstone Day School | Tuition \$106,084.00 | 7/7/25-6/30/26 |
| 158860 | New Road School of Parlin | Tuition \$89,100.00 | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| 159456 | New Road School of Parlin | \$134,400.00 (Tuition \$103,950.00, 1:1 Aide \$30,450.00) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| 161091 | Collier School | Tuition \$68,940.00 | 9/3/25-6/30/26 |
| 159946 | Collier School | Tuition \$80,565.00 | 7/8/25-6/30/26 |
| 160042 | Collier School | Tuition \$68,940.00 | 9/3/25-6/30/26 |
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| Student | School | Cost | Effective Dates |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 162815 | Collier School | TBD | TBD |
| 163619 | Collier School | TBD | TBD |
| 161255 | Collier School | Tuition \$68,940.00 | 9/3/25-6/30/26 |
| 162403 | CPC High Point School | Tuition \$119,076.30 | 7/8/25-6/30/26 |
| 162249 | Bayshore Jointure Commision | TBD | TBD |
| 158071 | Rock Brook School | TBD | TBD |
| 158065 | Children's Center of Monmouth County | TBD | TBD |
| 170895 | Children's Center of Monmouth County | TBD | TBD |
| 158659 | Children's Center of Monmouth County | TBD | TBD |
| 158861 | Harbor School | TBD | TBD |
| 164686 | Harbor School | TBD | TBD |
| 163211 | Harbor School | TBD | TBD |
| 163064 | Lakeview School | TBD | TBD |
| 170224 | Lakeview School | TBD | TBD |
| 165772 | Lakeview School | TBD | TBD |
| 157785 | Newgrange School | TBD | TBD |
| 159163 | Newgrange School | TBD | TBD |
| 158098 | Future Foundations Academy | \$72,077.50 (Tuition \$69,218.00, Additional Services \$2,859.50) | 6/30/25-6/30/26 |
| 161647 | MOESC Regional Achievement Academy | TBD | TBD |
| 170694 | MOESC Regional Achievement Academy | Tuition \$83,000.00 | 9/8/25-6/30/26 |
| 170060 | Audrey W.Clark | TBD | TBD |
| 164197 | Audrey W.Clark | TBD | TBD |
| 162311 | Audrey W.Clark | TBD | TBD |

Rationale: Per Student's IEP

4. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the agreements with the following providers for the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed basis.

| Service Provider | Cost | Effective Date |
|--|--|----------------|
| Dr. Lewis Milrod, M.D. Pediatric Neurologist, 732-548-2724 | \$800.00 Neurological Evaluation | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Dr. Kelly Wilder-Willis, Ph.D. 621 Shrewsbury 732-618-4950 | \$3,000.00 Neuropsychological Evaluation \$3,600.00 Neuropsychological and Educational Evaluation | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Dr. R. Worth 732-935-9600 | \$700.00 Psychiatric Evaluation | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Dr. Julie Tropeano 888-244-5373 | \$600.00 Psychiatric Evaluation \$600.00 Crisis Clearanc \$300.00 Follow Up Appointments \$1,000.00 ADOS (Autism Testing) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Beech Tree Psychiatric Services | \$500.00 Psychiatric Evaluation | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |

| Service Provider | Cost | Effective Date |
|--|---|----------------|
| 732-444-1330 | | |
| In-Home Assessments, LLC Anthony Ferruggiaro, MA, LAC Aferruggiaro@gmail.com 732-865-0298 | \$250.00 Clearance Evaluation \$350.00 Fit to Return \$700.00 Psychiatric Fit to Return | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Assistive Tek LLC 908-852-3460 | \$1,800.00 For Evaluation and Report \$250.00 Assistive Technology Consulting \$1,500.00 Assistive technology ½ day Training \$3,000.00 Assistive Technology Training | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Advancing Opportunities 609-882-4182 | \$1250.00 AT Evaluation \$1450.00 AAC Evaluation \$200.00 per hour AAC Support and Training \$180.00 per hour AT Support and Training | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Summit Speech School 908-508-0011 | \$225.00 Itinerant Teacher of the Deaf \$225.00 Consultative Services \$250.00 Review/Observation/Intake All rates are per hour \$225.00 Staff/Students In-service | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Pier Phillips Teacher of the Deaf Pierphillips@yahoo.com | \$125.00 per hour (emailed) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Karen Noble 609-334-9356 | \$1,100.00 Educational Evaluation Services for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing \$100.00 per hour – Meeting Attendance \$0.65/mile to/from plus tolls- Travel Expense | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Ann Marie Lusquinos MS CCC-SLP amslp2004@gmail.com | \$600.00 - 2 Hour AAC Evaluation w/ Report \$140.00 Hourly Consult Fee \$900.00 Full Day (5 hours) In-Service \$650.00 Half Day (3 hours) In-Service \$40.00 Per Half hour Travel | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |

| Service Provider | Cost | Effective Date |
|---|--|-----------------------|
| <p>Donna Merchant edaudresources@gmail.com 732-458-5050</p> | <p><u>Diagnostic</u> \$350.00 Audiological Evaluation w/ Tympanometry Report included \$850.00 Central Auditory Processing Evaluation w. AE Educational Based Report Included \$1,250.00 Classroom Acoustic Evaluation (per classroom) \$700.00 Classroom Observation for Auditory Interventions \$600.00 Amplification Evaluation w/o A/E/Functional Assessment & Electroacoustic Verification between equipment A/E not included \$650.00 Functional Hearing Aid/CI/BAHS Evaluation with Electroacoustic Verification of Amplification if appropriate, A/E not included</p> <p><u>Consultation Fees:</u> \$195.00 Educational Audiologist Hourly rate - On-site and/or in office- Includes FM/DM determination and Programming; Billable rate pro-rated for email and phone Consultations; Includes meeting requests (IEP, 504, I&RS, Staffing) \$350.00 Report/Record Review \$950.00 Half Day Workshop Fee (3.5 hours) \$2,500.00 Full Day Workshop Fee (6 hours)</p> <p><u>Other Services:</u> \$175.00 each Custom Earmolds for Hearing Aids, \$350.00 pair</p> | <p>7/1/25-6/30/26</p> |
| <p>The Bilingual Child Study Team 973-952-2850</p> | <p>\$1,100.00 Bilingual Speech Evaluation \$1,100.00 Educational Evaluation \$1,100.00 Speech Evaluation \$1,100.00 Social Evaluation \$1,100.00 Battelle (BDI) Evaluation</p> | <p>7/1/25-6/30/26</p> |
| <p>Learning Tree Multi-Cultural/Multilingual Evaluation and Consulting, Inc. office@learningtreenj.org 908-754-8593</p> | <p>\$830.00 Spanish Evaluations \$880.00 Other Language Evaluations Provides – Learning, Speech, Psychological and Social History Evaluations</p> | <p>7/1/25-6/30/26</p> |
| <p>Integrated Translation Services 908-688-2237 mail@itstranslation.com</p> | <p>\$0.25 per word Spanish Evaluation \$0.30 per word Other Foreign Language \$150.00 Sign Language interpretation (min 2 hours) (emailed)? \$1.65 per minute for over-the-phone translation</p> | <p>7/1/25-6/30/26</p> |
| <p>Integrated Care Concepts</p> | <p>\$48.00 per hour - Bedside Instruction \$65.00 per hour - Home Instruction</p> | <p>7/1/25-6/30/26</p> |

| Service Provider | Cost | Effective Date |
|---|---|----------------|
| Beautiful Minds Psychological Services 973-710-5039 beautifulmind468llc@gmail.com | \$350.00 Monolingual Psychological Evaluation (English) \$600.00 Psychological Evaluation (Polish) \$100.00 CST Meeting (initial, re-evaluation) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| The Speech Tree 732-617-1500 Harla.Rudolph@speechnreecenter.com | \$88.00 Speech and Language Therapy \$500.00 Speech and Language Evaluation | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Medscreen Laboratories 973-320-3237 | \$48.50 - Fees10 Panel + Alcohol w/ Adulterants Instant Drug Test \$68.50 - 10 Panel+Alcohol w/Adulterants Lab Based Drug Test \$30.00 - per half hour - On-Site Waiting Fee \$12.00 - per review for Laboratory Confirmation/MRO Review | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Grace Recovery Wellness 848-216-5809 | \$400.00 Individual Assessment with urine screen \$145.00 Individual Counseling Session (50 minutes) with urine screen \$125.00 Individual Counseling Session (50 minutes) without urine screen \$20.00 Urine Screen only \$100.00 Consultation | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| MOESC NJ Virtual School 732-695-7827 | \$350.00 per student- Credit Recovery Course \$350.00 per student -Semester Course \$650.00 per student -Comprehensive Course \$800.00 per student -Advanced Placement-Comprehensive Course \$350.00 per student -Health - Credit Recovery \$650.00 per student -Health - Semester Course \$80.00 per wk./stud/course -Short-Term Instruction (min 2 wks., school year only) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| MOESC NJ Nursing Services 732-695-7827 | \$85.00 - Public School Certified Nurse \$75.00 - Registered Nurse \$60.00 - Licensed Practical Nurse \$95.00 - 1:1 Student Nurse RN \$85.00 - 1:1 Student Nurse LPN All costs are per hour | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| MOESC NJ Home Instruction 732-695-7827 | \$75.00 per hour | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| MOESC NJ Child Study Team Services 732-695-7827 | \$400.00 per evaluation Social Worker/ Psychologist/LDTC, Report Only, No Meeting \$540.00 per evaluation - Functional Behavioral Assessment \$95.00 per hour -Social Worker \$105.00 per hour - Counseling Services \$695.00 per evaluation -Bilingual Full Testing: Social Worker/Psychologist/LDTC, Report Only, No Meeting \$165.00 per hour Bilingual Social Worker/Psychologist/LDTC \$105.00 per hour Psychologist / LDTC | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |

| Service Provider | Cost | Effective Date |
|---|---|----------------|
| | \$400.00 per hour Speech - Evaluations \$145.00 per hour Speech Services \$695.00 Bilingual Speech Evaluation \$165.00 per hour Bilingual Speech Services \$400.00 per evaluation -Occupational Therapy Evaluations \$145.00 per hour Occupational Therapy Services \$400.00 per evaluation Physical Therapy Evaluations \$145.00 per hour Physical Therapy Services \$165.00 per hour Behaviorist - Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) \$83.00 per hour Behaviorist - Registered Behavior Technician (RBT must be supervised by a BCBA) | |
| Kathleen Pennington Stonaker, LDTC Access Learning Educational Assessments kathleenstonaker@gmail.com | \$475.00 - Evaluation and Report \$65.00 ph - CST meetings, parent/teacher meetings | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Joanna Sisk, Learning Consultant jsisk@eatontown.org | \$475.00 Per Evaluation(emailled) | 7/1/25-6/30/25 |
| On The Curve LLC Tara Jaeger 732-687-7480 tarajaeger27@gmail.com | \$450.00 Psychological/ Educational Evaluation & Report \$60.00 per hour Meetings(CST, Parent. Teacher, Team Pre-Meet) \$100.00 per hour Consultation/Counseling \$100.00 per hour Social skills instruction \$400.00 half day, \$ 750.00 full day Professional Development/ Workshop | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Jenny McCann Educational Assessments LLC 201-993-5736 rizzolojenn@yahoo.com | \$420.00 Educational Evaluation \$360.00 YCAT/Preschool Evaluation \$85.00 Case Management (per hour) \$515.00 Case Management (per day) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| New Age Behavioral Consultants LLC | \$75.00 Home Instruction (per hour) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Kevin Colwell, Ph.D. Licensed Psychologist Professor of Psychology | \$1,900.00 Full Diagnostic Testing (emailled) | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |
| First Children Services 856-888-1097 | \$75.00 Home Instruction \$64.00 RBT \$54.00 Behavior Technician \$118.00 BCBA Consultation \$80.00 Mental Health Counseling All costs are per hour | 7/1/25-6/30/26 |

Rationale: Per student's IEP/504 and/or student need.

5. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve an agreement with Hackensack Meridian Health and the American Heart Association, through the Create a Community of Life Savers program, to provide training for students grades 6-9 and K.E.Y.S. Academy students in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) during the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: Hackensack Meridian Health has partnered with the American Heart Association in a landmark initiative to Create a Community of Life Savers. Sudden cardiac arrest is more common than you might think. It can happen to anyone, at any time, including our youth. About 100 student athletes will die from sudden cardiac arrest each year. The American Heart Association estimates that when ordinary people are equipped with the skills to perform CPR, survival rate can double or even triple. By-stander CPR can save a life. Hackensack Meridian Health has committed to train 5th grade through High School students in hands only CPR following the American Heart Association Family and Friends Guidelines.

Cost: No cost to the district.

6. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the contract with *TeachTown enCore* for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: enCORE is a standards-based, adapted core curriculum based on Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) that provides students grades K-8, with moderate and severe disabilities access to the general education curriculum. The solution is designed to utilize adapted grade-aligned content, high-quality, differentiated literature, and integrated technology for teaching children with autism, as well as other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Cost: \$29,718.75

Account #: 11-000-219-320-09-0000-0

7. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the contract with *Ori Learning* for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Ori Learning adapted curriculum based on Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) that provides students in High School through Transition (18-21), with moderate and severe disabilities access to career and employment readiness skills, social-emotional and behavioral well-being skills, as well as Skills for Independence. The program is designed to utilize adapted content, high-quality lessons, and integrated technology for teaching children with autism, as well as other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Cost: \$5,500.00

Account #: 11-000-219-320-09-0000-0

8. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen School District Board of Education renew the memorandum of Understanding between the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District and The Community YMCA which will provide counseling and social services for students at MARSD Effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Rationale: The Community YMCA will work in collaboration with Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District in supporting the children's families served by our mutually agreed upon programs that emphasize skill building and development of healthy coping skills to facilitate positive behavior and growth in school, home and the community.

Cost: No cost to the district.

9. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the Agreement between Matawan-Aberdeen Regional High School and MOCEANS Center for Independent Living Inc., Long Branch, NJ which will provide the RISE program for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Rationale: The RISE program assists students who live with disabilities in acquiring skills and experience to guide their transition to postsecondary employment and education. Students who participate in this program will explore the world of work through classroom based, community based and interactive activities.

Cost: No cost to the district.

10. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education re-approve one staff member to receive retraining in the Handle with Care Behavior Management System for the 2025-2026 school year. The two staff members will be certified to train additional staff members in the district. After staff members receive training they will be certified to implement the Handle with Care Behavior Management System.

Rationale: The district requires staff to receive appropriate training to intervene effectively when students are in crisis. The district previously used the Crisis Prevention Institute Behavior Management System. Handle with Care is a similar system that focuses on verbal de-escalation of crisis situations. Handle with Care also provides staff training with situations that may require physical restraint to ensure the safety of students and staff. By having 1 staff member retrained to be a trainer, the district can train additional staff members more efficiently. The Handle with Care training

program is a federally approved vendor and is in full compliance with: Children’s Healthcare Act of 2000; Health and Human Services Departmental Appeals Board rulings; Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regulations; Federal case law; Americans With Disabilities Act; No Child Left Behind Act; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act, and including various other federal and state laws.

Cost: NTE: \$1,525.00 **Account #:** 11-000-219-580-09-0000-0

11. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the following service contract for the 2025-2026 School Year.

| Provider | Cost | Services | Effective Dates |
|----------------------------|--------------|--|------------------------|
| Effective School Solutions | \$370,000.00 | In district therapeutic services @ MAMS and HS | 7/01/2025- 6/30/2026 |

Rationale: Effective School Solutions will provide therapeutic mental health services, crisis interventions and teacher coaching for students identified as in need of Tier 1 or Tier 2 levels of support through licensed clinical professionals in Middle School and High School. Extended School Year will be at no cost to the district. Effective School Solutions will also provide professional development workshops, at no cost to the District.

Cost: NTE: \$370,000.00 **Account #:** 11-000-219-490-09-0000-1

12. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the following online PD *Platform, Video Continuing Education- Speech Therapy PD*, for the 2025-2026 school year.

Rationale: This platform will be used by our in district speech pathologists to continue to obtain their CEU's as needed.

Cost: \$1,014.00

13. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Learning Ally* District Wide for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Learning Ally is a 24/7 online resource to support struggling readers achieve success in the classroom by providing access to grade level audio books, textbooks and resources. Learning Ally is a research based program proven to improve reading comprehension, boosts confidence and saves time on schoolwork.

Cost: No cost to the district

14. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Read and Write* District Wide for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Read and Write is a 24/7 online resource to support struggling writers, it is a tool designed to help individuals with diverse learning needs. It offers a range of features such as text-to-speech, dictionaries, highlighting and word prediction.

Cost: \$1,500.00

15. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with *Rethink* for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Rethink is a proprietary web-based training, curriculum, and data tracking platform for children with special needs that offers teaching staff a comprehensive curriculum that addresses the needs of special education students across functioning and grade levels with four main pedagogical focuses: core development skills, inclusive practices, transition planning, and behavior. Rethink curriculum makes it easy for teachers to address common core standards while helping students make progress on IEP goals and objectives. It includes data analysis which makes it easy for teachers to evaluate student IEP progress and engage in evidence based practices. By using Rethink to input and track data, teachers will have access to automatically generated data graphs and progress reports in Realtime, providing beautiful, accessible, and easy to understand evidence of student progress that can lead to more effective classroom interventions. The program is also inclusive of parent training and programs to help transfer skills to the home. Rethink will target students in our Autism Programs in grades PK-through age 21.

Cost: \$9,410.00 **Account #:** 11-000-219-320-09-0000-0

16. The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education renew the contract with **Relias** for the 2025–2026 school year.

Rationale: Relias offers online course work to staff members who are interested in learning and obtaining a certification as a registered behavioral technician. The training will provide research based applied behavior analysis teaching strategies to enhance student success. Through staff development the goal is to improve student behavior, skill attainment and strengthen overall progress within the district. The registered behavioral technician practices under close ongoing supervision of a BCBA, BCaBA, and/or administrator.

Cost: \$1,452.33

Account #: 11-000-219-320-09-0000-0

XIII. PERSONNEL

Dr. Rawls-Dill presented the Personnel Agenda requesting the Board take action on Items 1 through 6. The remainder of the items will be presented for action at the June 16, 2025 Regular Action Meeting.

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 |
|------|-----|----------|--------|-----------|----------------|
| | | | | | |

B. Leave of Absence - 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 School Years

| Name | Loc | Position | Type of Leave | With/Without Pay | Effective Dates |
|------------------|-----|----------|----------------|------------------|---|
| Anderson, Sonali | CL | Teacher | Medical | With Pay | 5/19/25-6/30/25 |
| Giannone, Tara | CL | Teacher | Personal | Without Pay | 9/1/25-2/27/26 |
| Natale, Gloria | LR | Teacher | Personal | Without Pay | 9/1/25-12/19/25 |
| Nilsen, Olivia | MS | Teacher | Maternity/FMLA | Without Pay | 9/1/25-9/10/25 |
| | | | FMLA/NJFLA | Without Pay | 9/11/25-12/4/25 |
| Winchel, Wendy | ST | Teacher | Medical | With Pay | 4/24/25-6/30/25 Amended Dates - Previously Approved on 5/22/25 |

C. Appointments - 2025/2026 School Year

1. New Hires

| Name | Loc | Position | Step | Salary/Stipend | Replace/Reason | Effective Dates |
|------|-----|----------|------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | |

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

2. Extra-Curricular Activities - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Loc | Activity | Position | Step/Stipend | Effective Date |
|----------------------------|-----|----------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| Athletic Activities | | | | | |

| Name | Loc | Activity | Position | Step/Stipend | Effective Date |
|--|----------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Non-Athletic Activities | | | | | |
| Marino, Michael | District | Videographer | Videographer | \$25.91/Hr. | 2025-2026 School Year |
| Walker, Julianna (Replace Portee-Wells) | HS | Student Council | Co-Advisor | \$1,734.41 | 2025-2026 School Year |
| Fischer, Nicole | LR | Garden Club | Co-Advisor | \$585.62 | 2025-2026 School Year |
| Hourly Activities | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

3. Curriculum & Instruction - Summer Curriculum Developers - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Position | Staff | Activity | Max Hours | Cost/Hr | Total Cost |
|------|----------|-------|----------|-----------|---------|------------|
| | | | | | | |

4. Instructional Assistants as Substitute Teachers - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Position | Loc | Salary | Account # | Effective Dates |
|------|----------|-----|--------|-----------|-----------------|
| | | | | | |

*IA as Substitute Teacher - \$119.00 Full-Day Rate; \$59.50 Half-Day Rate; \$17.00 Hourly Rate per MAREA Contract

5. District Translators - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Location | Language |
|------|----------|----------|
| | | |

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

\$31.10/Hr for Translators - Account # 11-421-100-178-11-0000-1

\$51.83/Hr for Sign-Language Interpreter - Account # 11-240-100-101-90-0000-1

6. Visual Impairment Instructor - 2025/2026 School Year

Jacqueline Kruzik, \$5,130.68 Annual Stipend

Additional Translator Rate of \$31.10/Hr for work done outside of the contractual hours -

Up to 20 hours per month

7. Substitute School Nurses - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Position | Location | Salary | Account # | Effective Dates |
|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| De Bari, Anna | Substitute School Nurse | District | \$225/Day | 11-000-213-104-11-0000-9 | 2025/2026 School Year |
| Fischer, Ashley | Substitute School Nurse | District | \$225/Day | 11-000-213-104-11-0000-9 | 2025/2026 School Year |

11. Staff Array Changes - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Loc/Fte | Current Assignments | Loc/Fte/O/L | New Assignment | Effective Dates/Reason |
|--------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------------|
| Cacciatore, Julia | HS: 1.00 | Math Teacher | HS: 1.00 .20 O/L | Math Teacher KEYS Academy Math Teacher | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Califano, Shannon | HS: 1.00 | Chemistry Teacher | HS: 1.00 .04 O/L | Chemistry Teacher Chemistry Lab | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Melikova, Julia | HS: 1.00 | Physics Teacher | HS: 1.00 .04 O/L | Physics Teacher Physics Lab | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Walker, Julianna | HS: 1.00 | Biological Science Teacher | HS: 1.00 .04 O/L | Biological Science Teacher Biology Lab | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Ciambrushini, Dina | LR: 1.00 | Special Ed Teacher | MS: 1.00 | Special Ed Teacher | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Toomey, Joanne | MS: 1.00 | Math Teacher | RD: 1.00 | Elementary Teacher | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |
| Lacovara, Cecelia | ST: 1.00 | Elementary Special Education Teacher | MS: 1.00 | Math Teacher | 9/1/25-6/30/26 |

12. College Student Observers/Teachers/Interns - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Cooperating Staff Member | Assignment |
|------|--------------------------|------------|
| | | |

13. Volunteers - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Location | Activity | Effective Date |
|------|----------|----------|----------------|
| | | | |

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

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 May 22, 2025:

| Incidents Reported | Confirmed Incidents |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 2 | 1 |

2. Comprehensive Equity Plan - School Years 2025/2026 through 2027/2028

3. Annual Appointment of Treasurer of School Monies - 2025/2026 School Year

- Boyce, Sean - \$6,344.00 Annual Stipend - 07/01/2025 through 06/30/2026

4. Abolish Position - 2025/2026 School Year

- Abolish Full-Time Benefit Coordinator Position

5. Job Description - 2025/2026 School Year

Part-Time Benefit Coordinator - New

6. High-School Mid-Term Exam Proctors - 2024/2025 School Year

- Kathleen Casserly, Katelyn Kinneman, Sheryl Kish, Louise Wegrzyn
Up to \$450.00 each to proctor January 2025 mid-term exams (Grievance #25-396 Settlement)

7. Salary Adjustment - 2025/2026 School Year

- Shiri Engel, School Psychologist,

8. Matawan-Regional High School - Perkins Grant - 2024/2025 School Year**XIV. POLICY**

Dr. Rawls-Dill presented the Policy Agenda requesting the Board adopt the second reading of the policies listed.

XV. FINANCE

Ms. Case reviewed the Finance Agenda on which the Board will take action at the June 16, 2025 Regular Action Meeting.

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification - May 2025

PURSUANT TO NJAC 6A:20-2-2.13(D), we certify that as of May 31, 2025, 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 May 2025 no line item has been over expended in violation of NJAC 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 Administrator/Board Secretary

Payroll Certification

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary reported, in compliance with NJSA 18A:1919-1B, has certified the May 15, 2025 in the amount of \$2,323,605.84 and the May 30, 2025 in the amount of \$2,356,156.43 payroll.

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

1. Receipt and Acceptance of the May 2025 Board Secretary's Report

Recommend the receipt of the Board Secretary Financial Reports as of May 31, 2025, be accepted as filed, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16(c)3 that no major account of fund has been over expended as of May 31, 2025 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 - May 2025

PURSUANT TO NJAC 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2025.

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 \$XXXXX.

5. Final Bills List and Transfers – 2024-2025 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education authorize the Business Administrator to prepare a final bills list for the 2024-2025 school year for bills to be paid between June 16, 2025 through June 30, 2025, to be confirmed at the Board meeting to be held on Thursday, July 21, 2025. Further, to authorize the Business Administrator to employ line item transfers as necessary in order to bring all accounts into balance as of June 30, 2025.

6. Transfer of Unexpended Appropriations and/or Excess Revenue to Capital Reserve

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:21-2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14 etc. permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated excess current revenues and/or unexpended appropriations into the Capital Reserve account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education has determined that up to \$5,000,000 is available for such purposes to transfer into the Capital Reserve account,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's Business Administrator to establish this account if necessary and make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

7. Transfer of Unexpended Appropriations and/or Excess Revenue to Maintenance Reserve

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14 etc. permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated excess current revenues and/or unexpended appropriations into the Maintenance Reserve account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education has determined that up to \$5,000,000 is available for such purposes to transfer into the Maintenance Reserve account,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district’s Business Administrator to establish this account if necessary and make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

8. Transfer of Unexpended Appropriations and/or Excess Revenue to Emergency Reserve

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14 etc. permit a Board of Education to establish and deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated excess current revenues and/or unexpended appropriations into the Emergency Reserve account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education has determined that up to \$1,000,000 is available for such purposes to transfer into the Emergency Reserve account,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district’s Business Administrator to establish this account if necessary and make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

9. Adoption of Tax Levy Schedule

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education adopt the tax levy schedule for the 2025-2026 school year and authorize the Business Administrator to submit the schedule to the Municipal Clerks of both Aberdeen Township and Matawan Borough for the collection of the local school district taxes for school district purposes as follows:

10. Tax Payment Schedule for the 2025-2026 School Year

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the payment schedule to receive the general fund tax levy and the debt service fund tax levy for the 2025-2026 school year.

| Township of Aberdeen Tax Payment Schedule | | | |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | 10-1210-000-1 | 40-1210-000-1 |
| Date Due | Amount Due | General Fund | Debt Service |
| July 3, 2025 | \$953,250.42 | \$953,250.42 | - |
| July 10, 2025 | \$1,157,768.92 | \$953,250.42 | \$204,518.50 |
| July 17, 2025 | \$1,157,768.92 | \$953,250.42 | \$204,518.50 |
| July 24, 2025 | \$1,362,287.42 | \$953,250.42 | \$409,037.00 |
| August 5, 2025 | \$3,813,001.67 | \$3,813,001.67 | - |
| September 4, 2025 | \$3,813,001.67 | \$3,813,001.67 | - |
| October 3, 2025 | \$953,250.42 | \$953,250.42 | - |

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| October 10, 2025 | \$953,250.42 | \$953,250.42 | - |
| October 17, 2025 | \$953,250.42 | \$953,250.42 | - |
| October 24, 2025 | \$953,250.42 | \$953,250.42 | - |
| November 5, 2025 | \$3,813,001.67 | \$3,813,001.67 | - |
| December 3, 2025 | \$3,813,001.67 | \$3,813,001.67 | - |
| Total Calendar Year 2025 | \$23,696,084.00 | \$22,878,010.00 | \$818,074.00 |

| | | 10-1210-000-1 | 40-1210-000-1 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Date Due | Amount Due | General Fund | Debt Service |
| January 6, 2026 | \$893,030.75 | \$893,030.75 | - |
| January 13, 2026 | \$1,093,548.25 | \$893,030.75 | \$200,517.50 |
| January 21, 2026 | \$1,093,548.25 | \$893,030.75 | \$200,517.50 |
| January 27, 2026 | \$1,294,065.75 | \$893,030.75 | \$401,035.00 |
| February 4, 2026 | \$3,572,123.00 | \$3,572,123.00 | - |
| March 4, 2026 | \$3,572,123.00 | \$3,572,123.00 | - |
| April 3, 2026 | \$893,030.75 | \$893,030.75 | - |
| April 10, 2026 | \$893,030.75 | \$893,030.75 | - |
| April 17, 2026 | \$893,030.75 | \$893,030.75 | - |
| April 24, 2026 | \$893,030.75 | \$893,030.75 | - |
| May 5, 2026 | \$3,572,123.00 | \$3,572,123.00 | - |
| June 3, 2026 | \$3,572,123.00 | \$3,572,123.00 | - |
| Total Calendar Year 2026 | \$22,234,808.00 | \$21,432,738.00 | \$802,070.00 |
| Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Total | \$45,930,892.00 | \$44,310,748.00 | \$1,620,144.00 |

| Borough of Matawan Tax Payment Schedule | | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| | | 10-1210-000-2 | 40-1210-000-2 |
| Date Due | Amount Due | General Fund | Debt Service |
| July 3, 2025 | \$2,111,030.83 | \$1,738,327.83 | \$372,703.00 |
| August 5, 2025 | \$1,738,327.83 | \$1,738,327.83 | - |
| September 4, 2025 | \$1,738,327.83 | \$1,738,327.83 | - |
| October 3, 2025 | \$1,738,327.83 | \$1,738,327.83 | - |
| November 5, 2025 | \$1,738,327.83 | \$1,738,327.83 | - |
| December 3, 2025 | \$1,738,327.83 | \$1,738,327.83 | - |
| Total Calendar Year 2025 | \$10,802,670.00 | \$10,429,967.00 | \$372,703.00 |

| | | 10-1210-000-2 | 40-1210-000-2 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Date Due | Amount Due | General Fund | Debt Service |
| January 6, 2026 | \$2,054,155.17 | \$1,677,497.17 | \$376,658.00 |
| February 4, 2026 | \$1,677,497.17 | \$1,677,497.17 | - |
| March 4, 2026 | \$1,677,497.17 | \$1,677,497.17 | - |
| April 3, 2026 | \$1,677,497.17 | \$1,677,497.17 | - |
| May 5, 2026 | \$1,677,497.17 | \$1,677,497.17 | - |
| June 3, 2026 | \$1,677,497.17 | \$1,677,497.17 | - |
| Total Calendar Year 2026 | \$10,441,641.00 | \$10,064,983.00 | \$376,658.00 |
| Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Total | \$21,244,311.00 | \$20,494,950.00 | \$749,361.00 |

11. Allocation of Nonpublic Technology, Textbook, Nursing, and Security Aid Services

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education accept the following allocation of Nonpublic Technology, Textbook, Nursing and Security Aid Services for fiscal year 2025-2026.

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Nonpublic Technology | \$TBD |
| Nonpublic Textbook Aid | \$TBD |
| Nonpublic Nursing Aid | \$TBD |
| Nonpublic Security Aid | \$TBD |

12. Approval Praetorian Agency

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 July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 at a cost not to exceed \$TBD.

13. Funding for Optimal Comp Univ Screen (FOCUS) Comp Discretionary Grant for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education accept the funding in the amount of \$10,720 for the purpose of supporting LEA’s to adopt and implement high-quality universal literacy screeners that align with the Universal Literacy Screening Criteria for the 2025-2026 school year.

14. Agreement between St Clements Parish and MARSD for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the agreement between St Clements Parish and Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District for the purpose of the REACH Program beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

15. Shared Service Agreement between MARSD and New Jersey Statewide Recruitment of Diverse Educators (NJ STRIDE) for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the Shared Service Agreement for the 2025-2026 school year between MARSD and New Jersey Statewide Recruitment of Diverse Educators (NJ STRIDE) as participating Boards of Education that are parties to an agreement to recognize the need to recruit highly-qualified educators for the 21st century, particularly educators who can add diversity to their respective faculties. This consortium is designed to implement strategies that help participating schools meet district goals for equity and access.

16. Acceptance of Donation from MARSD Student Parents

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education accept a donation from MARSD Student Parents in the amount of \$175 be used for student(s) negative meal balance(s).

17. Acceptance of Donation from Maschio’s Food Services, Inc.

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education accept a donation from Maschio’s Food Services, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000 to be used for sponsorship for the Outdoor Fitness Court.

18. Agreement between ESCNJ Master Special Education Tuition and MARSD for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the agreement between ESCNJ Master Special Education Tuition and Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District to provide educational services when needed for the 2025-2026 school year.

19. Agreement between St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church and MARSD for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the agreement between St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church and Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District for the use of the parking lot beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

20. Agreement between the Lightbridge Academy and the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 Preschool Education Program Contract between Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District and the Lightbridge Academy. This agreement provides funding for the six-hour comprehensive preschool educational program for TBD school calendar days during the 2025-2026 school year.

21. Insurance Renewal Premium Rates for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following Insurance Renewal Premium Rates

| Vendor | Coverage | Premium |
|----------------------------------|---|---------|
| NJSIG | Property | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Environmental Breakdown | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Terrorism (Property/APD) | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | RESTART (Demolition & Rebuild) | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Crisis Management | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Cyber Liability | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Equipment | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Crime | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | General Liability (w- Student Accident) | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Auto Liability | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Auto Physical Damage | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Worker’s Compensation | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | Supplemental Indemnity Workers Comp | \$TBD |
| NJSIG | School Leaders Errors and Omissions Liability | \$TBD |
| Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company | Excess Liability | \$TBD |
| Beazley | Pollution | \$TBD |
| BMI | Student Accident | \$TBD |
| Travelers/Selective | Bonds | \$TBD |

22. 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 |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------|
| Samantha Calandrino | HS Science Teacher/KEYS | \$750 |
| Brian Dean | HS Physical Education Teacher/KEYS | \$300 |
| Scott Taylor | Special Ed Teacher, MAMS/KEYS | \$600* |

* Previously approved on Jul 25, 2024 (\$300)

23. Fire and Evacuation Drills

The following Fire and Evacuation Drill occurred during April 2025

| School Name | Security Drill Type | Date & Time |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Cambridge Park Elementary School | Fire Drill | 4/22/25 @ 9:44 am |
| Cambridge Park Elementary School | Table Top - Building Emergency Procedures | 4/28/25 @ 2:00 pm |
| Cliffwood Elementary School | Medical Emergency | 4/9/25 @ 3:00 pm |
| Cliffwood Elementary School | Fire Drill | 4/22/25 @ 2:40 pm |
| Matawan Regional High School | Non Fire Evacuation | 4/3/25 @ 1:25 pm |
| Matawan Regional High School | Fire Drill | 4/28/25 @ 1:23 pm |
| Lloyd Road Elementary School | Fire Drill | 4/8/25 @ 2:18 pm |
| Lloyd Road Elementary School | Evacuation | 4/24/25 @ 2:21 pm |
| Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School | Fire Drill | 4/9/25 @ 11:15 am |
| Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School | Shelter in Place/Medical Emergency | 4/22/25 @ 2:10 pm |
| Ravine Drive Elementary School | Fire Drill | 4/22/25 @ 2:00 pm |
| Ravine Drive Elementary School | Lockdown | 4/28/25 @ 10:27 am |
| Strathmore Elementary School | Fire Drill | 4/22/25 @ 2:33 pm |
| Strathmore Elementary School | Medical Emergency - Shelter in Place | 4/28/25 @ 10:41 am |

24. Bus Evacuation Drills:

The Superintendent recommends that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education approve the following bus evacuation drills as scheduled below

| School | Date | Location | Supervised by |
|----------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Cambridge Park Elementary School | 5/27/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | Maggie Lazar |
| Cliffwood Elementary School | 5/20/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | Christina Cherence |
| Lloyd Road Elementary School | 6/4/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | John Bombardier |
| Matawan Regional High School | 6/12/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | Mike Wells |
| Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School | 5/19/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | Mark Van Horn |
| Ravine Drive Elementary School | 5/16/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | Sean Cronin |
| Strathmore Elementary School | 5/20/25 | Bus Driveway for all routes | Lauren Kelly |

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS & ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Started 8:52 pm

- A. Burke Matawan - What do we do once they are full? What does it do to our budget? Could district buy 160 Main?
- Ms. Werneke - Those preliminary points are being done. Aberdeen is working on Glassworks for Phase I then when it gets into Phase 2, will have 2 bedrooms.
- C. Santora - Disappointed it goes to 2020 when we came after and our preschool is attractive. Who was at the meeting you had today?
- Ms. Perez - The state determined the district had 500 preschoolers and why we were selected for the preschool expansion grant. We had a DOE preschool person here today. Today’s meeting was Board Leadership; Aberdeen Mayor, and both town administrators.
- A. Burke - Professional development question and physical education. The elective teachers feel left out. There is a rule at the HS, if you use your phone then you get a punishment. Cell phones create high amounts of

in school suspensions. Issue had with changing your address and it was a nightmare. Great job with CPR classes.

- Mr. Liebmann - It is a challenge for PD for them so in October we are doing A.I. and with the new fitness court is top of mind. Cell phone usage follows code of conduct and the process. It got better this year. Central registrar is important feedback. You are welcome about CPR and good luck babysitting.
- M. Figure - Children in the district and there are always budgetary constraints. Academic excellence should not be where we cut and 127 families signed the petition. You don;t want to pit one student over another. The Board doesn’t get to micromanager a principal. I have nothing to say but keep vision and thank you for all your doing.
- Ms. Werneke - The cut wasn't due to budget.
- Mr. Liebmann - It had nothing to do with budget cuts. It was looking at multiple measures and the students in the right spot and provide challenging opportunities.
- Ms. Skop - At the school I work in they can off on the rigor than the parent can.
- Mr. Liebmann - We do have this available at the HS.
- M. Figure - Students who are in the program are being asked to leave. The metrics changed, in turn cutting students.
- Ms. Perez - Thank you for your words and we want to ensure clarity. There will be revisions and changes that will come out next week.

Ended 9:37 pm

XVII. VOTE/ROLL CALL ON AGENDA ITEMS

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Motion by Ms. Skop, seconded by Ms. Spruell 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

| | 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, six (6) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, and three (3) members were absent.

PERSONNEL

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

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

1. Staff Array - 2025/2026 School Year

- [25-26 Staff Array](#)

2. Resignations/Retirements - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc | Position | Reason | Hire Date | Effective Date |
|----------------|-----|---------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| Lozano, Marcus | RD | Special Education Teacher | Resignation | 04/30/2025 | 06/03/2025 |

3. Leave of Absence - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Loc | Position | Type of Leave | With/Without Pay | Effective Dates |
|-------------|-----|-------------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Amir, Sadaf | RD | Instructional Assistant | Personal | Without Pay | 06/06/2025 & 06/19/2025 |

4. Appointments - 2025/2026 School Year

| Name | Loc | Position | Step | Salary/Stipend | Replace/Reason | Effective Dates |
|-----------------|-----|--|-------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Fischer, Nicole | LR | Special Education Teacher ICR/Grade 5 | C 2-3 | \$58,850.00 | New Position | 09/01/2025 - 06/30/2026 |

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

5. Instructional Assistant as Substitute Teacher - 2024/2025 School Year

| Name | Position | Loc | Salary | Account # | Effective Dates |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Williams, Devonn | IA as Substitute Teacher | ST | Per MAREA Contract* | 11-130-100-101-11-0000-7 | 09/01/2024 - 06/30/2025 |

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

6. 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 |
|---------------|-----------------|------|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 170384 | Algebra 2 | KEYS | Scott Taylor | 2 | 3 | 6 | 03/12/2025 - 04/02/2025 |
| 171451 | Psychology | HS | Heather Walsh | 2 | 8 | 16 | 04/24/2025 - 06/19/2025 |
| 171451 | Grade 12 Health | HS | Heather Walsh | 2 | 8 | 16 | 04/24/2025 - 06/19/2025 |
| 171451 | English 4 | HS | Heather Walsh | 2 | 8 | 16 | 04/24/2025 - 06/19/2025 |

| | 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, six (6) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, and three (3) members were absent.

POLICY

Motion by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Ms. Ascoli to approve and adopt the following Policies:

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

1. Second Reading - Adoption

| Series | Category | Policy/ Regulation | Title | Second Reading |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 5000 | Students | R 5111 (M) | Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students | 6/5/25 |
| 5000 | Students | P&R 5751 (M) | Sexual Harassment of Students | 6/5/25 |
| 5000 | Students | P 5842 | Equal Access of Student Organizations | 6/5/25 |
| 2000 | Program | P 2415 (M) | Every Student Succeeds Act | 6/5/25 |
| 2000 | Program | P 2421 | Career and Technical Education | 6/5/25 |

(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, six (6) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, and three (3) members were absent.

XVIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Ms. Ascoli - Honors Society and Senior Recognition Night were phenomenal
- Ms. Skop - Thank you to the community for the scholarships

XIX. NEW BUSINESS

- None

XX. EXECUTIVE SESSION II

Be It Resolved, that a closed session be convened for the purpose of discussing Privacy, Personnel Matters and Legal Services. 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 90 minutes after which the public meeting of the Board shall reconvene and proceed with business if necessary. Action will not take place.

It was moved by Ms. Martinez seconded by Ms. Pell that the Board convene in Executive Session and approved by a unanimous voice vote at 10:00 pm.

It was moved by Ms. Ascoli, seconded by Ms. Martinez that the Board return to Open Session at 11:22 pm.

XXI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Ms. Spruell, seconded by Ms. Pell and a unanimous roll call vote the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:23 pm.