

HAWTHORNE BOARD OF EDUCATION

HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Regular Meeting - 7:00 P.M.

Hawthorne High School

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Time: 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING BEGINS:

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

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

(Ask for Roll Call)

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

Also Present: Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary
And approximately 20 members of the public and 34 via YouTube.

FLAG SALUTE:

MEETING REGULATIONS:

During each regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to ask questions and to make comments. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, the meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing items listed for approval on this agenda only. The second opportunity occurs just prior to adjournment, when citizens may address any subject matter that is pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the school district.

Persons wishing to speak must upon being recognized, rise, state their name, address and subject matter. Comments and questions shall be addressed to the Board President or the presiding officer and shall be limited to five minutes per person. The Board may (or may not) respond to issues raised by members of the public at the time they are raised, but will provide a response if and when appropriate.

The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Please note that the Board will not respond to comments regarding students or board employees in light of the privacy rights held by those individuals. Moreover, the Board discourages comments about such individuals, and will not be responsible for such comments. Members of the public who choose to speak during this public session should carefully consider their comments, since they could be held personally liable for any statements they make.

Finally, please note that in accordance with District Policy the Board will not officially comment or respond to any matter mentioned unless it can confirm that the matter has first been brought to the attention of the appropriate school personnel in an attempt to resolve the issue.

PUBLIC BE HEARD - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: Mr. Costello questions on finance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 6, 2025 – Regular Meeting - Public

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on approval of minutes.

Moved by Mr Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Carr

	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion	2	1							
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

CORRESPONDENCE:

REPORTS:

A. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Richard A. Spirito

- Congratulations to Seniors and Athletes. Much appreciation to coaches.
- Congratulations to Valedictorian and Salutatorian Grace DiSerio and Joel Eshuis.
- Vape sensor installation ahead of schedule.
- New PA System, Eastern Datacom, will be installing the system this summer, including programming new handheld radios and installing antennas.
- District programs were highlighted including the “No Place for Hate” National Program for which we have achieved Gold Status. Our Life Skills program has also received recognition.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

Abigail Goff, Chairperson

ACTION ITEMS:

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

- CI-1. Submission of the NJDOE LEAR Focus Grant for K-3 literacy practices through the use of high-quality universal screeners and professional learning.

CI-2. Approve the dual enrollment agreement with William Paterson University for the 2025-2026 school year at no cost to the District for the following courses:

1. SMED 2200 Introduction to Sports Medicine (3 credits)
2. ARTS 1050 Drawing Studio (3 credits)
3. COMM 1020 Acting I (3 credits)
4. MATH 1600 Calculus I (4 credits)
5. COMM 1160 Multimedia Storytelling (3 credits)

Students meeting William Paterson admissions criteria and enrolled in these courses will be charged a special tuition and fees rate of \$110.00 per credit by William Paterson.

CI-3. Approval of Partnership Agreement Ramapo College's Teacher Education Program in the School of Social Science and Human Services (SSHS) and the Hawthorne School District are entering into the partnership to improve the preparation opportunities for aspiring teachers through teacher residencies (student teaching).

CI-4. Approval of home instruction for Hawthorne resident pupil(s) as follows:

- a. Student (file #060125) – Instruction starting date: 5/20/25
Home Instructor(s) – Kristen Segreto
- b. Student (file #060225) – Instruction starting date: 5/30/25
Home Instructor(s) – Kristen Segreto
- c. Student (file #060325) – Instruction starting date: 6/3/25
Home Instructor(s) – Educere
- d. Student (file #060425) – Instruction starting date: 6/3/25
Home Instructor(s) – Educere
- e. Student (file #060525) – Instruction starting date: 6/4/25
Home Instructor(s) – Educere

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

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
CI-5.	High Point School of Bergen County	\$364.81 per diem for 185 days for a total fee of \$67,489.85	n/a	\$364.81 per diem for 23 days for a total fee of \$8,390.63	Student (file # 060625)	7/7/2025 - 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI-6.	The Felician School for Exceptional Children	\$371.48 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$67,980.84	\$240.00 per diem for 205 days for a total fee of \$49,200.00	\$371.48 per diem for 22 days for a total fee of \$8,172.56	Student (file #060725)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI-7.	The Felician School for	\$371.48 per diem for 183	n/a	\$371.48 per diem for 22	Student (file	7/1/2025-	25-26 SY

	School	SY Tuition	Addition al Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discu ssion
	Exceptional Children	days for a total fee of \$67,980.84		days for a total fee of \$8,172.56	#060825)	6/30/2026	
CI- 8.	The Forum School	\$485.00 per diem for 180 days for a total fee of \$87,300.00	\$265.00 per diem for 198 days for a total fee of \$52,470.00	\$485.00 per diem for 18 days for a total fee of \$8,730.00	Student (file #060925)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 9.	Allegro School	n/a	\$225.00 per diem for 30 days for a fee of \$6,750.00	\$599.00 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$17,970.00	Student (file #061025)	7/7/2025- 7/31/25	25-26 SY
CI- 10.	Shepard Preparatory High School	\$357.02 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$65,334.66	n/a	\$357.02 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$10,710.60	Student (file #061125)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 11.	Shepard Preparatory High School	\$357.02 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$65,334.66	n/a	\$357.02 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$10,710.60	Student (file #061225)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 12.	Sage Alliance	\$498.11 per diem for 210 days for a total fee of \$104,603.10	n/a	n/a	Student (file #061325)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 13.	Shepard Preparatory High School	\$357.02 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$65,334.66	n/a	\$357.02 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$10,710.60	Student (file #061425)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 14.	ECLC of NJ, Ho-Ho-Kus Campus	\$455.60 per diem for 180 days for a total fee of \$82,008.00	\$280.00 per diem for 200 days \$56,000.00	\$455.60 per diem for 20 days for a total fee of \$9,112.00	Student (file #061525)	7/1/2025- 6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI- 15.	Educational Partnership for Instructing Children (EPIC)	\$678.00 per diem for 182 days for a total fee of \$123,396.00	n/a	\$678.00 per diem for 28 days for a total fee of \$18,984.00	Student (File #061625)	7/1/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 16.	Sage Alliance	\$436.79 per diem for 180 days for a total fee of \$78,622.20	n/a	n/a	Student (File #061725)	9/2/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 17.	Sage Alliance	n/a	n/a	Total fee \$6,573.36	Student (File #061725)	6/23/25-7/25/25	25-26 SY
CI- 18.	Chancellor Academy	\$473.00 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$86,559.00	n/a	\$473.00 per diem for 20 days for a total fee of \$9,460.00	Student (File #061825)	9/3/2025- 6/30/2026	25-26 SY
CI- 19.	Bergen County	n/a	Total fee \$6,600	Total fee \$8,525.00	Student (File	6/30/2025- 8/6/2025	Summer 2025

	School	SY Tuition	Addition al Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discu ssion
	Special Services (BCSS)				#061925)		
CI- 20.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	Total fee \$6,600	Total fee \$8,525.00	Student (File #062025)	6/30/2025- 8/6/2025	Summer 2025
CI- 21.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	n/a	Total fee \$8,525.00	Student (File #062125)	6/30/2025- 8/6/2025	Summer 2025
CI- 22.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	Total fee \$6,600	Total fee \$8,525.00	Student (File #062225)	6/30/2025- 8/6/2025	Summer 2025
CI- 23.	Chancellor Academy	\$473.00 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$86,559.00	n/a	\$473.00 per diem for 20 days for a total fee of \$9,460.00	Student (File #062325)	7/1/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI- 24.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	Total fee \$4,400.00	Total fee \$5,850.00	Student (File #062425)	7/1/25-7/25/25	25-26 SY
CI- 25.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	Total fee \$4,400.00	Total fee \$5,850.00	Student (File #062525)	7/1/25-7/25/25	25-26 SY
CI- 26.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	n/a	Total fee \$5,850.00	Student (File #062625)	7/1/25- 7/25/25	25-26 SY
CI- 27.	Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)	n/a	n/a	Total fee \$5,850.00	Student (File #062725)	7/1/25- 7/25/25	25-26 SY
CI- 28.	P. G. Chambers School	\$509.90 per diem for 180 days for a total fee of \$91,782.00	n/a	\$509.90 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$15,297.00	Student (File #062825)	7/7/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI- 29.	New Beginnings	\$484.97 per diem for 182 days for a total fee of \$88,264.54	\$305.00 per diem \$for 212 days for a total fee of \$64,660.00	\$484.97 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$14,549.10	Student (File #062925)	7/7/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-	The CTC	\$492.01 per	n/a	\$492.01 per	Student	7/7/25-6/30/26	25-26

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
30.	Academy, Inc.	diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$90,037.83		diem for 23 days and a total fee of \$11,316.23	(File #063025)		SY
CI-31.	Shepard Preparatory High School	\$357.02 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$65,334.66	n/a	\$357.02 per diem for 30 days for \$10,710.60	Student (File #063125)	7/1/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-32.	Shepard Preparatory High School	\$357.02 per diem for 183 days for a total fee of \$65,334.66	\$209.07 per diem for 213 days for a total fee of \$44,531.91	\$357.02 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$10,710.60	Student (File #063225)	7/1/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY

- CI-33. Agreement with Bergen County Special Services to provide teacher of the deaf services for students (file #063325, #063425 and #063525) for a maximum of two sessions per month per student for the 2025-2026 school year for a total of fee not to exceed \$3,400.00 per student.
- CI-34. Agreement with Bergen County Special Services to provide teacher of the deaf services for students (file #063625, #063725, #063825 and #063925) for a maximum of one session per week per student for the 2025-2026 school year for a total of fee not to exceed \$6,800.00 per student.
- CI-35. Adjustment to resolution CI-7. on the May 6, 2025 board agenda to correct the rate to \$650.00 per week.
- CI-36. Approval of services from Dr. Jo Ann Pereira Delgado PH. D, to provide consultation and training services to Special Education and Child Study Team staff for the 2025-2026 School Year one day per week at \$175 per hr. (5 hr. day). Day of the week to be determined by the Director of Special Services, District Behavior Analysts and Dr. Delgado.
- CI-37. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District, Educational Enterprises Division, to provide Audiology services as needed for a maximum of 30 hours during the 2025-2026 School Year at a rate not to exceed \$5,850.00.
- CI-38. Approval of an agreement between Best of You Therapy and Hawthorne Board of Education for the provision of Speech Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist, and Physical Therapist services during the 2025-2026 School Year including the extended school year at a fee of \$105 per hr., billed in 15 min increments.
- CI-39. Approval of an agreement with Hybridge Learning Group to provide the following Applied Behavior Analysis services from July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026

Service Type and Description	Number of hrs. per week	Rate
Report Writing	As needed or requested by the school district	\$142/hour
Program Coordination and Supervision of BCBA	As needed or requested by the school district	\$142/hour
Functional Behavior Services	As needed or requested by the school district	\$2,100 (Flat Fee)

- CI-40. Approval of an agreement between Bergen County Special Services School District, Educational Enterprises Division. and Hawthorne Board of Education for one Full Time Occupational Therapist to provide direct student therapy for five days weekly during the 2025-2026 school year at a rate not to exceed \$158,600.00. The agreement requires a 60 day cancel.
- CI-41. Approval of an agreement with Learners' Compass LLC for the 2025-2026 School Year including the extended school year to provide School based Behavioral Consultation as needed and home program coordination and instruction for ABA based interventions. Fees for these services are at the following hourly rates: \$125.00 for School Based Behavior consultation, \$125.00 for School Based Behavior Teaching, \$70.00 for School Based Behavior Provider/Support, and \$130.00 for Home based Behavior consultation from the BA and ABA Coordination.
- CI-42. Approval of an agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission to provide Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy services for the 2025 ESY Program from July 1, 2025 - July 31, 2025 at a rate of \$105.00 per hour.
- CI-43. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District for the provision of professional services of CST coverage with a Psychologist for a maximum of (20) twenty hours weekly during July and August 2025 for a fee not to exceed \$21,354.00.
- CI-44. Approval of an agreement with The Way You Say LLC for speech and language evaluations for the 2025-2026 school year at a rate of \$1,000.00 per evaluation.
- CI-45. Approval of an agreement with Peace of Mind Psychological Services, LLC for the provision of psychological services by Dr. Brett Bersano for the 2025-2026 school year at the following rates: \$1,800.00 for psychological evaluations, \$180.00 per hour (one-hour minimum) for virtual attendance at an IEP meeting, \$45.00 per 30 minutes of travel time for testing. Any fingerprinting fees will be assumed by the district.
- CI-46. Approval of an agreement with Hillmar, LLC, Educational Specialists, for speech-language, psychological, educational, social, occupational, and physical therapy evaluation/testing, therapy services, counseling and interpreting services for the 2025-2026 school year at fees per test/evaluation of \$550.00 to \$1,175.00 per test/evaluation and \$100.00/hr. to \$200.00/hr. for therapy/counseling/interpreting services.
- CI-47. Approval of an agreement with Learners' Compass LLC for the 2025-2026 School Year including the extended school year to provide School based Behavioral Consultation as needed. Home program coordination and instruction for ABA based interventions. Fees

and Implementation of Services: 1. The hourly rate is \$125.00 for School Based Behavior consultation. 2. The hourly rate is \$125.00 for School Based Behavior Teaching. 3. The hourly rate is \$70.00 for School Based Behavior Provider/Support. 4. The hourly rate is \$130.00 for Home based Behavior consultation from the BA and ABA Coordination

- CI-48. Approval of an agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission to provide occupational-physical-speech therapy and evaluation services for the 2025-2026 Extended School Year Program from July 1, 2025 to July 31, 2025 at rates of \$105.00 per hr. for BCBA services and \$400.00 per psychological evaluation.
- CI-49. Approval of an agreement with Access Communications & Therapy for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) services for the 2025-2026 School Year. Service fees are as follows:
- AAC Evaluations: \$1350.00 includes full evaluation and report with recommendations.
 - AAC Training, ongoing therapeutic and technical support: \$170.00 per hr.
- CI-50. Approval of an agreement with Shore O & M LLC for services/evaluations/therapy/training/and interpreting for individuals who meet the qualification of legal blindness for July 1, 2025 - June 18, 2026. Rates for the 25-26 School year range from \$75.00 to \$1,500.00 for services/evaluations/therapy/training/ and interpreting.
- CI-51. Approval of agreement with Prospect Park Board of Education for the purchase of educational services from the Hawthorne Board of Education for a Prospect Park resident pupil for 2025-2026. Total costs of tuition and additional services is \$105,863.00 for September 4, 2025-June 18, 2026 and \$11,174.47 for July 1-July 31, 2026.
- *CI- 52. Approval of an agreement with Learn Well Student Services and Hawthorne Board of Education for instructional services 6/2/25 thru 7/2/25 at a rate of \$60.75 per hr. for 10 hrs. per week plus an additional 33% for administrative and preparation time for student (file # 064225).
- *CI-53. Approval of an agreement with Learn Well Student Services and Hawthorne Board of Education for instructional services 6/2/25 thru 7/2/25 at a rate of \$60.75 per hr. for 10 hrs. per week plus an additional 33% for administrative and preparation time for student (file # 064325).

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

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
*CI - 54.	Benway School	\$468.33 per diem for 10 days for a total fee of \$4,683.30	n/a	n/a	Student (File #064425)	6/11/25-6/30/25	24-25 SY

	School	SY Tuition	Addition al Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discu ssion
*CI - 55.	Benway School	\$483.21 per diem for 184 days for a total fee of \$88,910.64	n/a	\$483.21 per diem for 30 days for a total fee of \$14,496.30	Student (File #064425)	7/7/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY

***CI-56. Approval of Field Trips**

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

S c h o o l	Group	Des tina tion	Trans porta tion	Cost Per Stude nt	Outside Funding
HHS	HHS Fine Arts Department	Boston	Sunshine Travel Co., Inc.	\$931.00	Fall/winter fundraising, parent payments and \$1,000.00 will be paid with district funds.

- *CI-57. Approval of contract with Sunshine Travel Company, Inc. of Burnsville, MN 55337, to provide two hotel nights' accommodation, motor coach transportation to and from Boston, admission to two clinics and one-two performances, 2 breakfast meals, and 2 dinner meals for 3 days in March 2026 for 40 students, 8 adults (and 2 adults at no charge) for a total cost estimated to be \$50,000.00.

ATH-1. MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION NEW JERSEY STATE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION:

The Board of Education of School District No. 2100, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as provided for in Chapter 172 Laws 1979 (N.J.S.A. 18A:113, et seq.) herewith enrolls Hawthorne High School as a member of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association to participate in the approved interschool athletic program sponsored by the NJSIAA for the 2025-2026 school year.

Member school voluntarily agrees to join the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA), which is a non-profit association of public and non-public high schools in the State of New Jersey and is authorized to participate in the approved athletic activities sponsored by the NJSIAA. The Board of Education (of a public school) or Chief School Administrator (of a non-public school) hereby adopts as its own policy and agrees to be governed by the Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the NJSIAA.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions CI-1 - CI-57 and ATH-1

Moved by Mrs. Goff, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion			2	1					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

PERSONNEL:**Jennifer Ehrentraut**

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

ACTION ITEMS:**Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:**

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
P-1.	Lindsay De Groff	Leave	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	JS	5/24/25	6/30/25	Unpaid Leave of Absence
P-2.	Kayla Leiton	Leave	Administrative Assistant	n/a	n/a	LMS	9/1/25	2/27/26	Approval of Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence in accordance with the Federal/State Family Leave Act followed by Child Rearing Leave
P-3.	Emanuele Vittorioso	Hire	Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$125,000	District	8/12/25 or sooner	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Joseph Higgins
P-4.	Irene Yetter	Extra Duty	Academic Coordinator	n/a	\$478..08 per Diem	RS	Summer 2025	n/a	5 Days of Summer Work
P-5.	Cassandra Parkin	Resign	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	n/a	n/a	JS/WS	2025 - 2026 SY	Notice Date 5/22/25	Resignation – Not Returning from Child Rearing Leave
P-6.	Chelsea Perrone	Resign	Elementary School Teacher	n/a	n/a	RS	2025 - 2026 SY	Notice Date 5/14/25	Resignation – Not Returning from Child Rearing Leave
P-7.	Ashley Baber	Transfer	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	M+45/7	\$73,630	JS/WS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Retirement of Cassandra Parkin
P-8.	Mackenzie Friedman	Adjust	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	MA/4	\$64,010	JS	9/1/25 Pending Receipt of NJ State Certification	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Transfer of Ashley Baber
P-9.	Tricia Collova	Hire	Teacher of Art	BA/ 9-10	\$68,210	JS/WS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Jessica Santos
P-10.	Jessica Ioime	Hire	Elementary School Teacher	BA/ 5-6	\$62,330	RS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Chelsea Perrone
P-11.	Sara Osmani	Hire	Teacher of Students with	MA/11	\$74,875	HHS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
			Disabilities – English						
P-12.	Abigail Poleway	Hire	Teacher of Mathematics	MA/ 5-6	\$65,530	LMS	9/1/25 Pending Receipt of NJ State Teacher Certification	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Rita Klein-Poma
P-13.	Lillian Wolsk	Hire	Teacher of English	MA/4	\$64,010	HHS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Erin Flanagan
P-14.	Denise DeMarco	Adjust	Long Term Substitute Elementary School Teacher	n/a	\$300 per diem	WS	9/2/25	Last Day on Payroll as a Long-Term Substitute 12/23/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Child Rearing Leave of Julia Waldron
P-15.	Laura Mazzacca	Volunteer	Volunteer Volleyball Coach	n/a	n/a	HHS	2025-2026 Season	End of Season	Volunteer
P-16.	Frank Tomasini Joseph Tower	Volunteers	Volunteer Golf Coaches	n/a	n/a	HHS	2025-2026 Season	End of Season	Volunteers
P-17.	Alexa Dichio	Adjust	Part Time Para	n/a	n/a	WS	9/2/25	6/18/26	Declined Part Time Para Contract. Staying on as Substitute Para/Teacher
P-18.	Claire Hoernig	Declined	Part Time Para	n/a	n/a	HHS	6/19/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/18/25	Declined Contract for the 2025-2026 School Year
P-19.	Matthew Trejos	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	HHS	5/20/25	n/a	Chaperone for Student (file# 064025) for Chorus Concert
P-20.	Robert Schumody	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$20.00 per hour	LMS	5/30/25	n/a	Chaperone for Student (file# 064125) LMS Fun Night
P-21.	Jonelle Genberg; Natasha Saavedra; Garrett Postolakis	Extra Duty	Chaperones	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	5/30/25	6/18/25	Chaperones for LMS Events
P-22.	Lillian Carnero; Stephanie Donatello; Breda Snee	Extra Duty	Chaperones	n/a	\$33.66 per hour	LMS	6/2/25	6/18/25	Chaperones for LMS Events
P-23.	Jeanne Bruno	Adjust	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	n/a	RS	9/2/25	6/18/26	Declined Non-Instructional Aide Contract. Staying on as Substitute
P-24.	Antonietta Porporino	Declined	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	n/a	RS	6/19/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/18/25	Declined Contract for the 2025-2026 School Year

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
P-25.	Ethel Rojas	Hire	ABA Para in ESY Program	n/a	\$26.00 per hour not to exceed 3.5 hours per day	District	7/1/25 Pending Completion of Criminal History Review	7/31/25	To Serve as an ABA Para in the Extended Year Program Monday – Thursday, 7/1/25 – 7/31/25
P-26.	Olivia Wegrowski; Diamon Gillespie; Cameron Boudreau; Shannon Cunningham; Elizabeth Marsh; Emma Chivily	Hire	Teacher Assistants	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$27,000 depending on actual starting date	WS	9/2/25 Pending completion of criminal history review and receipt of NJ Substitute Certificate	6/18/26	Per Contract with Columbia University

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

P-27. Approval of Employment Agreement with Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee as full-time Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary in the Hawthorne Public School District for the term of July 1, 2025, through August 31, 2025 or the date on which the permanent School Business Administrator commences employment, at a per diem rate of \$650.00. The terms of the employment agreement with Ms. Ratcliff-Lee has been approved by the Passaic County Executive County Superintendent. The contract is on file in the Board of Education Office.

P-28. Approval of summer curriculum work as listed on the report entitled, "Curriculum Writing Mandates" as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover.

P-29. Approval of 2025 summer employment for the following guidance counselors for the allocated number days at their per diem rate:

Employee	Loc	Days	Per Diem
Allison Banca-Ross	Hawthorne School	High 5	\$456.45
Jackson Cianciulli	Hawthorne School	High 5	\$343.73
Michael Galluccio	Hawthorne School	High 5	\$392.28
Erin Harney	Lincoln Middle School	5	\$357.38
Natasha Saavedra	Lincoln Middle School	5	\$332.50
Tamara Kipkeeva	Roosevelt School	5	\$291.88
Olivia Wagner	Jefferson/Washington	5	\$320.50

P-30. Appointment of the following staff to serve as needed during the summer 2025 extended year program as follows:

Employee	Position	Hourly Rate
Ryan Dockray	Security	\$29.75
James Garrison	Security	\$29.75
Scott Verrone	Security	\$29.75
Brian Vanderhook	Security	\$29.75

P-31.Appointment of the following staff to serve as needed during the summer 2025 extended year program as listed below in accordance with the contract on file in the Board of Education office.

Employee	Position	Hourly Rate
Blanca Garcia	Bus Driver	\$30.82
Ismet Mefail	Bus Driver	\$35.02
Mireya Perez	Bus Driver	\$30.82
Diane Haverty	Bus Aide	\$15.49
Holly Knepper	Bus Aide	\$15.49
Brandi Shortway	Bus Aide	\$15.49

P-32. **Approval of Summer Contracts – Extended Year Special Education Program**

Appointment of staff for the 2025 summer program as listed in reports entitled “Extended Year Special Education Program – Summer 2025” dated June 10, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover, and in accordance with the contract on file in the Board Office. The program runs Monday through Thursday, from July 1, 2025 through July 31, 2025.

P-33. Appointment of the following child study team members and related service providers for case management &/or evaluations as listed below, to serve during the summer 2025, as follows, per their hourly rates:

Employee	Position	Hours	Hourly Rate
Jennifer Stier	LDTC	Not to exceed 100 hrs.	\$69.28
Dawn Torpey	LDTC	Not to exceed 50 hrs.	\$68.64
Diana Evans	LDTC	Not to exceed 100 hrs.	\$58.92
Shakira Adkins	LDTC	Not to exceed 100 hrs.	\$69.28
Alicia Nunziato	Occupational Therapist	Not to exceed 10 hrs.	\$68.64
Irene Miroshnik	Occupational Therapist	Not to exceed 10 hrs.	\$63.65
Kathryn Galarosa	Physical Therapist	Not to exceed 10 hrs.	\$63.65
Sarah Morgan	Physical Therapist	Not to exceed 10 hrs.	\$65.90
Elaine Jorgensen	School Psychologist	Not to exceed 75 hrs.	\$71.96
Fabio Simao	School Psychologist	Not to exceed 100 hrs.	\$58.92
Nicole Matano	School Psychologist	Not to exceed 100 hrs.	\$71.53
Debbie Kinney Chen	Social Worker	Not to exceed 40 hrs.	\$69.89
Coral Silfa	Social Worker	Not to exceed 50 hrs.	\$53.30
Alexandria Soto	Speech Therapist	Not to exceed 10 hrs.	\$56.04
Deborah Kirschner	Speech Therapist	Not to exceed 10 hrs.	\$61.94
Margaret Rainey	Speech Therapist	Not to exceed 20 hrs.	\$72.14
Shari Shepetofsky	Speech Therapist	Not to exceed 20 hrs.	\$72.80

Employee	Position	Hours	Hourly Rate
Melissa Gonzalez	Speech Therapist	Not to exceed 20 hrs.	\$49.55

P-34.Appointment of the following persons to serve in Eligibility, IEP and 504 meetings as needed in the summer of 2025 per their hourly rates:

Employee	Hourly Rate
Anne Carlock	\$53.79
Mary Roca	\$47.68
Danielle Sico	\$67.80
Ashley Baber	\$50.23
Kimberly Crecca	\$51.05
Jade Greppo	\$54.43
Kathleen Huffman	\$49.93
Erin McKeon	\$56.04
Kerri Casey	\$61.03
Pamela Kraus	\$65.26
Darin Miller	\$44.66
Philip Schneider	\$71.01
Kaylee Seiders	\$42.82
Nicole Rosoline Peterson	\$46.94
Allison Testa	\$47.68
Teresa Cassidy-Bennett	\$65.90
Jennifer Trentacosta	\$68.64
Kristen Segreto	\$67.03
Susan Hahn	\$63.65
*Amanda Bushoven	\$53.30
*Susan DiRoma	\$69.06
*Daria Kotlarchuk	\$65.26

P-35. Appointment of the following staff to serve in the positions listed below for the Summer of 2025 and the 2025-2026 School Year in accordance with rates listed in Appendix D of the teachers' contract on file in the Board office, subject to adjustment at the conclusion of negotiations between the Hawthorne Teachers' Association and the Hawthorne Board of Education.

Home Therapy	Coordinator
Tonya Barnes	Tonya Barnes
Kristine Blau	
Amy Phiefer	
Hila Sela	

- P-36. Appointment of the persons listed in the report entitled “Extra-Duty Coaching Assignments School Year 2025-2026” dated June 10, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover.
- P-37. Appointment of the persons listed in the report entitled “Extra-Duty Assignments School Year 2025-2026” dated June 10, 2025, as submitted by the Superintendent of Schools under separate cover.
- *P-38. WHEREAS, the Hawthorne Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") and Richard A. Spirito, Jr. are parties to an Employment Agreement for the period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2027 (hereinafter referred to as the "Employment Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of revising the Employment Agreement to modify the tuition reimbursement provision; and

NOW, THEREFORE, Article IV shall be revised as per the attached contract amendment and all other terms and conditions contained in the Employment Agreement and not specifically addressed in this Amendment shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Richard A. Spirito, Jr., which Amendment is attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Amendment to the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Richard A. Spirito, Jr.

Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-39.	Billie Jean Leitman	Declined	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	n/a	LMS	6/19/25	Last Day on Payroll 6/18/25	Declined Contract for the 2025-2026 School Year
*P-40.	Jennifer Amoroso	Hire	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	B+15/5-6	\$63,930	JS/WS	9/1/25	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy
*P-41.	Hila Sela	Adjust	Long Term Substitute Teacher of Students with Disabilities	n/a	\$299 per diem	WS	9/2/25	Last Day on Payroll as a Long-Term Substitute 12/23/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Maternity Leave of Nicole Rosoline-Peterson
*P-42.	Carlos Castillo, Ziad Barsik	Hire	Part Time Technology Interns	n/a	\$18 per hour maximum 20 hours per week, Not to Exceed \$6,000 for the group	District	7/17/25	10/15/25	Part Time Technology Interns

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-43.	Rachel Shea	Volunteer	Volunteer Cheerleading	n/a	n/a	HHS	2025-2026 Season	End of Season	Volunteer
*P-44.	Ariton Mimini	Volunteer	Volunteer Soccer - G	n/a	n/a	HHS	2025-2026 Season	End of Season	Volunteer

***P-45. APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT**

BE IT RESOLVED: That Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee, Interim School Business Administrator be Appointed as Qualified Purchasing Agent for the period from July 1, 2025 through August 31, 2025 or the date on which the permanent School Business Administrator commences employment.

*P-46. Appointment of Sandy Vicale to the position of School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the term starting August 12, 2025 or sooner, through June 30, 2026,

1. The terms of the employment agreement with Sandy Vicale have been approved by the Passaic County Interim Executive County Superintendent.
2. Sandy Vicale is appointed School Business Administrator/Board Secretary pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary \$164,800.00. The contract is on file in the Board of Education Office.

Board Comments: Welcome to new hires and thank you to all chaperones who are chaperoning the year end events. Thank you also to the volunteer coaches.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions P-1 - P-46

Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Mrs. Vega.

	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion		1				2			
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:

Alex Clavijo, Chairperson

ACTION ITEMS:

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Finance and

Administration recommends the following resolutions:

F-1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the tax payment schedule to receive the current expense tax levy and the debt service tax levy for the 2025-2026 school year as indicated below.

SCHOOL LEVY 2025-2026

2025-2026 LEVY DETAILS

Local Tax Levy	\$45,385,346.00
Debt Service	1,381,683.00
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Total Levy	<u>\$46,767,029.00</u>

Payments 7/1/25-6/30/26

Jul-25	\$5,163,795.17	*	Jan-26	\$3,782,112.17
Aug-25	\$3,782,112.17		Feb-26	\$3,782,112.17
Sep-25	\$3,782,112.17		Mar-26	\$3,782,112.17
Oct-25	\$3,782,112.17		Apr-26	\$3,782,112.17
Nov-25	\$3,782,112.17		May-26	\$3,782,112.17
Dec-25	<u>\$3,782,112.17</u>		Jun-26	<u>\$3,782,112.17</u>
	<u>\$24,074,356.00</u>			<u>\$22,692,673.00</u>

* INCLUDES ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE AMOUNT

F-2. Approval of travel to events for Board members and employees in compliance with the travel policy. A list of these events has been submitted under separate cover and shall be made an integral part of this resolution.

F-3. Approval of an agreement with Curriculum Associates to purchase i-Ready Math and Reading Assessment and Personalized Instruction site licenses for all schools and Professional Learning for the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of \$74,891.50 for the i-Ready site licenses and \$13,800 for the Professional Learning. This contract was exempt from bidding as an extraordinary unspecifiable service N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 (a) (10) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.1 et seq

- F-4. Approve the agreement with Harris Education Solutions for the 2025-2026 renewal of the software license for Realtime student information system with components for special education, IEP management, 504, response to intervention, food service management/POS, and parent/student apps. The total fee for the 2025-2026 year will be \$66,227.54 which includes \$6,326.29 for the food service management/POS system.
- F-5. Approval of an agreement with Hunter Technologies for Avaya IPO Server Edition Support & Equipment Warranty covering support, monitoring and equipment for the period July 1, 2025-June 30,2026 at an annual fixed cost of \$7,727.20.
- F-6. Agreement with Lakeland Regional High School District and Stronge and Associates Educational Consulting, LLC for Stronge Annual Interrater Reliability Training and Recertification one day workshop for a total cost of \$4,500. during the 2025-2026 school year.
- *F-7. WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A.18A:18A-37(a), having requested proposals for the provision of substitute nursing services and on May 30, 2025 received (3) proposals from the following:
- BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc., 299 Market St, Ste 210, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
Health Source Group, Inc., 25 Newbridge Rd, Ste 312, Hicksville, NY 11801
Homecare Therapies LLC/dba Horizon Healthcare Staffing, 198 Rte 9 North, Ste 107, Manalapan, NJ 07726
- And,
- WHEREAS, on June 6, 2025 the Evaluation Committee members (Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Director of Special Programs reviewed all responses and scored the proposals: and
- WHEREAS, the weighted scores of the proposals were as follows (highest to lowest):
- Homecare Therapies LLC – score 92 out of 100
Health Source Group Inc. – score 87.5 out of 100
BAYADA Home Healthcare, Inc. – score 83 out of 100
- WHEREAS, based on the scoring and review of the proposals it has been determined that Homecare Therapies LLC is the firm that has the necessary qualifications and acceptable fee rates to provide substitute nursing services to the District.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Hawthorne Board of Education approves the award of contract for substitute nurse services to Homecare Therapies LLC/dba Horizon Healthcare Staffing based upon the fee schedule based on a 4-hour minimum per day:
- Registered Nurse - \$72.00/hr.
Certified School Nurse - \$85.00/hr.
Licensed Practical Nurse - \$65.00/hr.
Other nursing services – fees as included in the submitted proposal.

- *F-8. WHEREAS N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2 & 14.3 permits 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 permits 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 Hawthorne Board of Education would like to deposit anticipated current year surplus into a Maintenance Reserve account and into a Capital Reserve account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the Hawthorne Board of Education has determined that up to \$2,000,000.00, after the 2% unreserved surplus calculation, may be available for the purpose of transferring up to \$1,000,000.00 into the Maintenance Reserve account and up to \$1,000,000.00 into the Capital Reserve account,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Hawthorne Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's Interim School Business Administrator to make these transfers consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

- A-1. WHEREAS, the law firm of Fogarty, Hara, LaPira & Cherry, LLC has the expertise and experience to provide professional services to the Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of appointing the law firm of Fogarty, Hara, LaPira & Cherry, LLC, to provide professional services to the Board finding that the proposal submitted by this law firm is most advantageous, experience, qualifications, price and other facts considered;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board appoints the law firm of Fogarty, Hara, LaPira & Cherry, LLC as Board Attorney until the next organization meeting in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement and any and all other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution. The Board Secretary is hereby directed to publish a notice of this Award in the official newspaper of the Board.

- A-2. Whereas, in recent years the proliferation and widespread access to and use of social media among public school students has expanded dramatically, leading to significant risks of anxiety, depression, thoughts of self-harm and suicidal ideations;

Whereas, students have been part of this phenomenon by engaging with social media in school and on school grounds in addition to outside of school;

Whereas, the district student's widespread adoption, consumption, and use of social media has caused the district incur costs in the form of staff time, disciplinary proceedings, emotional and social counseling, medical services, and other costs, with the expectation that these costs will only increase unless and until students use the social media is reduced or the social media platforms reform their practices in attracting students;

Whereas, the district has become aware of litigation against meta platforms Inc, Facebook holdings LLC, snap inc, TikTok inc, alphabet inc. And other parties responsible for the creation, design, marketing, and proliferation of social media platforms, with this litigation now involving more than 1,000 US public school districts across more than 32 states and being led by Frantz Law Group, APLC of California; and

Whereas, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the district has determined that is necessary, advantageous, desirable, and in the public interest and the best interest of the district that it participate in this litigation by filing a lawsuit seeking monetary and non-monetary damages against the above referenced media companies and other parties responsible for the harm caused by social media platforms approving the attorney-client fee contract with Frantz Law Group, APLC (the “Contract”) attached as Exhibit A.

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved by the Board of Education of Hawthorne as follows:

1. The board finds that all of the recitals contained above are true and correct, and the same are hereby incorporated herein by reference;
2. The board authorizes the filing of a lawsuit against meta platforms, inc. Facebook Holdings LLC, Snap Inc, TikTok Inc., Alphabet Inc. and other parties consistent with the recitals set forth above.
3. The contract is hereby approved and substantially the form reviewed by the board and attached as Exhibit A, together with such minor modifications as are deemed necessary by the board's attorneys and administrators to protect the best interests of the district.
4. The Superintendent is hereby authorized to sign and enter into the contract on behalf of the district.
5. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

A-3. Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act Title 59:8-6, the attached Notice of Claim for Damages form is adopted as the official form for the filing of claims against the Hawthorne Board of Education.

- A-4. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2024-2025: HHS 291777 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-5. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2024-2025: HHS 292181 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-6. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2024-2025: HHS 292341 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.
- A-7. Be it resolved that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision on HIB #2024-2025: LMS 292406 and authorizes the Superintendent to notify the parents of the Board's decision.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions F-1 - F-8 and A-1 - A-7

Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Puluse

	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion				2			1		
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

CLAIMS:**Abigail Goff***In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2:11(b), (c) 3, and (c) 4;*

CL-1. Approval of the June 2025 Bill List.

It is recommended that the Board approve the bill list for the month of June 2025.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on claims*Moved by Mrs. Goff, seconded by Mr. Clavijo*

	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion	1					2			
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain								PCTI	
Absent									

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:**Michael Doyle, Chairperson****ACTION ITEMS:**

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

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

HAWTHORNE HIGH SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
Gym	Mondays and Wednesdays 6/23/25 – 7/31/25* 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	<u>Hawthorne Junior Wrestling</u> Summer Wrestling Practice

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
	*To be coordinated with the Athletic Director	

BG-2.Award of a transportation contract to the Northern Region Educational Services Commission, 82 Totowa Road, Wayne, NJ, for transportation of Hawthorne students to and from the school indicated in the amount and date listed on the contract:

ROUTE #	School	Contractor	# of Students	Cost + Surcharge	Dates
Q3740	Allegro School	FYFA, Inc.	1	\$12,810 + \$768	5/1/25 – 6/25/25

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions BG-1 - BG-2

Moved by Mr. Carr, seconded by Mrs Vega.

	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mrs. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion			2	1					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON

Legislative.....Joseph Carr
No Report

Finance & Administration.....Alex Clavijo
Recap of 2025-2026 Budget

Buildings & Grounds.....Michael Doyle
As Dr. Spirito shared in his update

Policy.....Michael Doyle
No Report

Council Liaison.....Jennifer Ehrentraut
Hawthorne EMS is offering training

Personnel.....Jennifer Ehrentraut
Welcome new staff

Curriculum & Instruction.....Abigail Goff
No meeting, IReady will be partially funded by the Focus Grant

NJSBA..... Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
Workshop in October

PCSBA.....Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
Honored Mr. Puluse for his 10 years of service and Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan received the New Board Member Boardmanship Certification.

HEF/SEPAC/PTOs..... Anthony Puluse
Local businesses are supporting our PTO's with donations of portions of profits from patronage by Hawthorne school supporters.

Mr. Totaro explained the athletic facility survey and said 600 responses were received.

PUBLIC BE HEARD:

At this time, members of the public may ask questions or make comments on educational issues or school matters.

- Members of the public commented on the roller rink and its value to the community, and thanked the district for its cooperation with the town concerning the rink.

GENERAL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD RELATED TO SCHOOL DISTRICT:

NEW BUSINESS:

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Welcome to the new hires.
- Board members expressed the commitment to the community, children, and support for providing space for the children's recreational use.
- Thank you to all the teachers, board members and school workers as we look forward to the end of the year activities.
- Scholarship night was a wonderful, lovely evening. Thank you to all the scholarship donors.
- Great job by the Bear Cave students in their cafe.
- Congratulations to the Valedictorian and Salutatorian.
- Appreciation for the parents and guardians who advocate for their children.
- Comments on the expense of PCTI which Hawthorne taxpayers fund.
- Thank you to all the members of the public who spoke, the Board appreciates hearing the comments.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: at 8:27 p.m.**Board of Education Roll Call Vote*****Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Carr***

	Mr.	Mr.	Mr.	Ms.	Mrs.	Ms.	Mr.	Mrs.	Mr.
	<u>Carr</u>	<u>Clavijo</u>	<u>Doyle</u>	<u>Ehrentraut</u>	<u>Goff</u>	<u>Mulkey- Koltzan</u>	<u>Puluse</u>	<u>Vega</u>	<u>Totaro</u>
Motion	2	1							
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Ratcliffe-Lee
Interim Board Secretary