# Agenda July 30, 2025

# **Swedesboro-Woolwich Board of Education**

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Gov. Charles Stratton School 15 Fredrick Boulevard Woolwich Township, NJ 08085 6:00 P.M. Meeting Opening

# 1. Opening

#### A. Call to Order

<u>Open Public Meeting Act</u>. Adequate notice of this meeting of the board of education of the Swedesboro-Woolwich School District has been provided in accordance with the certification of notice by the secretary of the board, which shall become part of the minutes of this meeting.

# B. Roll Call

| Gina Azzari, School Board President        | All Committees                                    |
|--|---|
| Natalie Baker, School Board Vice President | (Chair) Curriculum, (Chair) Negotiations          |
| Julie Dickson                              | (Chair) Operations Committee                      |
| Erin Carroll                               | Operations Committee                              |
| Laurie Cecala-Read                         | Operations Committee                              |
| Tamara McGovern                            | Curriculum Committee                              |
| Alfred Beaver                              | Curriculum Committee, Personnel/Finance Committee |
| Kenneth Riley                              | Personnel/Finance Committees, Negotiations        |

| Quorum |  |
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C. Board Member Vacancy Candidate Interviews

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# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

# **RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – If Needed**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes boards of education to meet in closed executive session under certain circumstances, and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Swedesboro-Woolwich School District Board of Education (the "Board") to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into closed executive session; now therefore:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board that it is necessary to meet in closed executive session to discuss certain items, including the following:

|         | •  | nal confidentiality rights, includin<br>rs, and specifically:  | g but not limited to, staff and/or student  |
|---------|--|--|---|
|         |  |  | ld impair the right to receive government   |
| _       | funds, and spec  |  |   |
|         | Matters which, i   | f publicly disclosed, would consti   | tute an unwarranted invasion of individual  |
|         | Matters concern  | ing negotiations, and specifically   |   |
|         | specifically:  |  | nd/or the investment of public funds, and   |
|         |  | g the real tactics and techniquoublic, and specifically:   | es utilized in protecting the safety and  |
|         |  | g anticipated or pending litigation pecifically:   | , including matters of attorney-client  |
| ☑       | Matters involving appointment, ter of performance, Personnel, Boar | g personnel issues, including but<br>rmination of employment, terms a<br>promotion or discipline of any pu<br>d Vacancy, Superintendent Sear | not limited to, the employment, nd conditions of employment, evaluation blic officer or employee, and specifically: ch, Board Self-Evaluation, Board Goals_ |
|         | Matters involving  | ງ quasi-judicial deliberations, and  | specifically:   |
| confide | ential will be mad   | · ·  | ld by the Board which need not remain e minutes of the executive session will not xists.  |
| approx  |  | tes. The Board will return to o  | icipates the executive session to last pen session to conduct business at the   |
|         | ′ –  | ecommendation: To enter into E   | xecutive Session for the purpose of ed above.   |

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Recommendation: Return to Regular Session.
 Board action needed: Yes

Time

- D. Flag Salute
- E. Adoption of Agenda

Recommendation: Adoption of the agenda, as presented.

Board action needed: Yes

- F. Recommendation: Approve the newly elected board member for the unexpired term vacancy
  - TBD

# **Approval of Minutes**

<u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the regular and/or executive session minutes dated **June 11, 2025**, as submitted.

Board action needed: Yes

# 2. Communication

A. Superintendent

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- 1) Superintendent Updates
- 2) Correspondence.
  - Thank you- Stephanie Shainline

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# 3) OPRA Log

| Document (s) Requested   | Who Requested    | Date Received | Date Completed |
|--|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1- Records of the total cost incurred by the SWSD for providing  | Kelly Hansbury   | 7/16/2025     | 7/24/2025      |
| transportation (excluding special education) during the 24-25  | Religitions buty | 1/10/2023     | 1/24/2023      |
| school year for students residing in Auburn Chase, Balsam  |                  |               |                |
| Estates, The Ridings, Strawberry Fields, Reserve at Weatherby, Fields of Woolwich, Oaks at Weatherby, Villages at Weatherby, |                  |               |                |
| Weatherby Meadows, Pepper Farm Towns and Courts at   |                  |               |                |
| Woolwich   |                  |               |                |
| 2-Seeking anticipated or projected cost of providing courtesy busing   |                  |               |                |
| for the 25-26 school year to students residing in neighborhoods  |                  |               |                |
| that are more then one mile but less then two miles from Harker  |                  |               |                |
|  |                  |               |                |

# **Public Comments/Visitors**

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting will now be open to members of the public who wish to speak or make comment on agenda items. Any person who wishes to speak must wait to speak until they have been recognized by the presiding Board Officer.

Any person who wishes to speak is requested to give their name, municipality of residence, and group affiliation, if any, at the beginning of their comments. Comments shall be limited to five minutes in total length. It is the intention of the board to listen to public comments, and to respond if possible. If questions cannot be immediately answered the Board asks that you pose the question to the Board Secretary via email.

If questions or comments pertain to litigation, student or personnel matters, the Board asks that you email the Superintendent after the meeting since the Board does not, pursuant to Open Public Meetings Act, discuss or respond to these items in public.

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# 3. Action Items

# Personnel/Finance/Negotiations Committee Personnel & Finance Committee Meeting Report Negotiations Committee Meeting Report, (Chairperson) Natalie Baker

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following Personnel Matters are presented for Board Approval:

# A. **Personnel**- Recommendation: Approve the following personnel items, as listed:

| Name                   | Position/     | Salary   | Budget                            | Action                                       | Effective Date  |
|------------------------|---------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|---|
|                        | Cert          |  | Acct #                            |  |   |
| 1-Olivia Denson        | Teacher       | BA/Step 1<br>\$56,316                          | 11-212-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>080 | SWSD Teacher<br>New Hire                     | September 1, 2025- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                     |
| 2-Isabella Muchler     | Teacher       | BA/Step 1<br>\$56,316                          | 11-120-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>080 | SWSD Teacher                                 | September 1, 2025- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                     |
| 3-Kayley Klehamer      | Teacher       | \$56,316                                       | 11-130-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>060 | SWSD Teacher<br>New Hire- 1<br>Year Contract | September 1, 2025- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                     |
| 4-Ashley Dua           | Long Term Sub | \$135/day for day<br>1-20/\$200/day<br>for 20+ | 11-120-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>050 | SWSD Long<br>Term Sub                        | September 1, 2025-March25, 2025-<br>pending completion of ALL state<br>required paperwork |
| 5-Marisol Busco        | Long Term Sub | \$135/day for day<br>1-20/\$200/day<br>for 20+ | 11-120-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>070 | SWSD Long<br>Term Sub                        | September 1, 2025-March25, 2025-<br>pending completion of ALL state<br>required paperwork |
| 6-Megan Kinney         | Long Term Sub | BA Step<br>1/\$56,316                          | 11-130-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>060 | SWSD Long Term Sub- 1 Year Sub contract      | 2025-2026 school year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                 |
| 7-Jennifer Aiken       | Substitute    | \$135/day                                      | 11-190-100-<br>320-000-070        | SWSD Daily<br>Substitute                     | 2025-2026 school year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                 |
| 8-Usha Hebbar          | Substitute    | \$135/day                                      | 11-190-100-<br>320-000-070        | SWSD Daily<br>Substitute                     | 2025-2026 school year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                 |
| 9-Tameeka Outtene      | Substitute    | \$135/day                                      | 11-190-100-<br>320-000-070        | SWSD Daily<br>Substitute                     | 2025-2026 school year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                 |
| 10- Pulomja Singh      | Substitute    | \$135/day                                      | 11-190-100-<br>320-000-070        | SWSD Daily<br>Substitute                     | 2025-2026 school year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                 |
| 11- Olivia Ancone      | Building Perm | \$135/day                                      | 11-120-100-<br>101-000-01-<br>080 | SWSD Building<br>Perm                        | 2025-2026 School Year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork                 |
| 12- Elizabeth Cheshire | Building Perm | \$135/day                                      | 11-110-100-<br>101-000-07-<br>070 | SWSD Building<br>Perm 2 days per<br>week     | 2025-2026 School Year   |
| 13- Elizabeth Cheshire | Daily Sub     | \$135/day                                      | 11-110-100-<br>101-000-01-        | SWSD Daily<br>Substitute                     | 2025-2026 School Year   |

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| 14- Courtney Slusarski  | Substitute<br>Cafeteria Aide | \$15.49/hour | 60-910-310-<br>100-000-00 | SWSD<br>Substitute<br>Cafeteria Aide                               | 2025-2026 School Year   |
| 15- Janelle Jackson   | Substitute<br>Cafeteria Aide | \$15.49/hour | 60-910-310-<br>100-000-00 | SWSD<br>Substitute<br>Cafeteria Aide                               | 2025-2026 School Year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork   |
| 16- MaryBeth Rambler  | Cafeteria Aide               | \$15.49/hour | 60-910-310-<br>100-000-00 | SWSD Cafeteria<br>Aide   | 2025-2026 School Year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork   |
| 17- Kathy Thornton  | Cafeteria Aide               | \$15.49/hour | 60-910-310-<br>100-000-00 | SWSD Cafeteria<br>Aide   | 2025-2026 School Year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork   |
| 18- Alice O'Brien   | Cafeteria Aide               | \$15.49/hour | 60-910-310-<br>100-000-00 | SWSD Cafeteria<br>Aide   | 2025-2026 School Year- pending completion of ALL state required paperwork   |
| 19- Julie Donahue   | Teacher                      | -            | -                         | Resignation  | August 18, 2025   |
| 20- Dr. Kristin Kellogg   | Superintendent               | -            | -                         | Resignation  | November 13, 2025   |
| 21- Staff ID# 4885  | Teacher                      | -            | -                         | Medical Leave  | On or about October 20, 2025- on or about March 2026- Requesting to utilize10 sick days prior to birth and 15 sick days after birth |
| 22- Staff ID# 4947  | Teacher                      | -            | -                         | Medical Leave  | On or about November 28, 2025-on our about April 2026   |
| 23- Siena Branch  | Student<br>Teacher           | -            | -                         | Full Year Clinical Practice under the direction of Elisa Bitterman | Fall 2025 & Spring 2026   |
| 24- LaTasha Pittman & Sidney<br>Astwood                                     | Bus Driver                   | \$32/hour    | 11-000-270-<br>515-000-00 | SWSD Bus<br>Driver   | 2025-2026 School Year   |
| 25- Theresa Sisca, Nicole<br>Higginbotham, Rylee<br>Oswald, Diedre Robinson | Bus Aide                     | \$25/hour    | 11-000-270-<br>515-000-00 | SWSD Bus Aide  | 2025-2026 School Year   |
| 26- Korey Jeffries  | Business<br>Administrator    | -            | -                         | Revised Contract- Changes highlighted                              | 2025-2026 School Year   |
| 27- Edward Bancroft   | Maintenance/<br>Custodial    | \$47,895     | 11-000-261-<br>100-000-01 | Salary<br>Adjustment   | July 1, 2025  |
| 28- Danielle O'Donnell  | Teacher                      | MA/Step 1    |                           | Lane change to MA  | September 1, 2025   |
| 29- Staff ID# 4315  | Teacher                      | -            | -                         | Leave of Absence utilizing sick time                               | 2025-2026 School Year   |

# B. **Stipends**- Recommendation: Approve the following stipends for the 2025-2026 school year, as listed:

| Name              | School   | Stipend Position                         | Amount |
|-------------------|----------|--|--------|
| 1- Laura Hubbard  | District | District Yearbook Coordinator            | \$1500 |
| 2- Deanna Mazzuca | Harker   | Community Hero (Replacing Julie Donahue) | \$950  |

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C. **Workshops**- Recommendation: Approve the following workshops for the 2024-2025 school year, as listed:

| Name  | Workshop   | Date & Time                       | Cost         | Estimated<br>Travel Cost |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| 1- Diane Thomas   | Comprehensive Training for the Zones of Regulation | 9/25-2025 Virutal<br>8am-3pm      | \$220        | \$0                      |
| 2- Cristina D'Amelio,<br>Alayna Pasztalaniec,<br>Diane Thomas, Rachelk<br>Ryman | Handle with Care- Instructor Re- Certification     | October 3, 2025-<br>8:30am-4:30pm | \$525/person | \$0                      |

D. <u>Recommendation:</u> Approve the <u>Board Secretary's Report</u> in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of **May 2025.** The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year, and

Approve the <u>Treasurer Report</u> in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of **May 2025**. The Treasurer Report and Board Secretary's Report are in agreement for the month of **May 2025**.

Whereas, the Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c) 2 certifies that there are no changes in revenue amounts or revenue sources, and

Whereas, the Board of Education certifies- pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4 that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C 6A: 23A-16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

- E. <u>Regular, Payroll, Cafeteria & Addendum Bills</u>

  <u>Recommendation:</u> For payment of <u>June 2025</u> regular and addendum bills in the amount of \$1,496,317.78, <u>July 2025</u> in the amount of \$1,912, 124.12 and payment of **June 2025** payroll in the amount of \$1,668,654.11, as submitted.
- F. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the <u>Line-Item Transfer</u> for **June 2025** in the amount of \$999,648.99, as submitted.
- G. <u>Recommendation</u>: Be it resolved that the Board approves the attached request to <u>void prior year checks</u>, as submitted.

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- H. <u>Recommendation</u>: Retiree, Susan Manning, requesting reimbursement for unused sick time, to be paid in January 2026, no to exceed \$8000, as per contract.
- I. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the 5-year lease for KDI as the district's copier services for 2025-2026 through 2029-2030, at a per month lease rate of \$6,955.
- J. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve morning bus supervision for the shuttle route at \$38/hour, as per contract, not to exceed \$1800.
- K. Recommendation: Approve Alvini & Associates to provide 403B Professional Services for the 2025-2026 school year.

(Please note: was originally approved in June 2025 as Lakeview Financial)

L. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the submission of the IDEA Grant Application for the 2025-2026 school year:

Basic \$332,180PreK \$19,071

M. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the school lunch and breakfast costs for the 2025-2026 school year, as listed:

Student \$ 3.35
 Reduced \$ 0.00
 Staff \$ 5.00
 Breakfast \$ 1.70

Board action needed: Yes (Roll Call Required)

Natalie Baker Julie Dickson Erin Carroll Laurie Cecala-Read Tamara McGovern Alfred Beaver

Kenneth Riley Gina Azzari

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# <u>Curriculum, Policy, Community Relations Committee</u> Committee Meeting Report, (Chairperson) Natalie Baker

- A. Recommendation: Approve Board Goals for the 2025-2026 School Year.
- B. HIB Reports

Recommendation: Approve HIB, as submitted.

- C. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the following Out of District placements for the 2025-2026 school year, as listed:
  - 3866962890- Holydell
  - 8484560324- LARC
  - 1259483185- Bancroft
  - 3188017814- Archway Cooper's Poynt
  - 8781449809- Bankbridge Development Center
  - 9810440169- Bankbridge Development Center
  - 7300464046- Brookfield
  - 4527900127- Bancroft
  - 5352339092- Archway
  - 5180110767- LARC
  - 3626297962- Bankbridge Elementary
  - 9290827059- Bankbridge Middle School
  - 7181905175- Hollydell
- D. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the <u>Annual Contract for the 2025-2026</u> school year with Aveanna Health Care to provide nursing support for (#7181905175), as <u>submitted</u>.
- E. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the <u>Annual Contract for the 2025-2026</u> school year with Cooper Hospital- Neurological Evaluation Services, **as submitted**.
- F. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve Meghan Green to substitute for ESY 2025 on an as needed bases, at \$38/hour, as per contract.
- G. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve <u>Beth Laube for LDT/C Services</u> for the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed bases, at the rate of \$428.09/day, **as submitted**.
- H. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, as needed for children with IEP/504.

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- I. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the <u>Wellness Program Year End Report</u> for the 2024-2025 school year, **as submitted.**
- J. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the <u>Interlocal Services Agreement between</u> <u>Woolwich Township</u> and the Swedesboro-Woolwich School District to prove Class III/II Officers for the 2025-2026 school year, as submitted.
- K. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve the <u>Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan for the 2025-2026</u> school year, as submitted.
- L. <u>Recommendation</u>: Approve Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) to present to staff in grades K-5 on Getting Ready for Into Reading on September 3, 2025 in the amount of \$4,200.

Board action needed: Yes (Roll Call Required)

Natalie Baker Julie Dickson Erin Carroll
Laurie Cecala-Read Tamara McGovern Alfred Beaver

Kenneth Riley Gina Azzari

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# **Operations**

# Buildings and Grounds, Long Range Plans, Technology, Transportation Committee Meeting Report, (Chairperson) Julie Dickson

# A. Facility Usage Requests

<u>Recommendation</u>: Approve Facility Usage Requests, as listed. (Subject to submission of Insurance Certificate, and 501 documentation, and no conflict with school district activities)

|    | Organization                      | School/Location     | Date & Time         | Activity                                   |
|----|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| 1- | Woolwich Twp<br>Police Department | Harker School Field | July 29, 2025 1-3pm | Police Academy Helicopter<br>Demonstration |

Board action needed: Yes (Roll Call Required)

Natalie Baker Julie Dickson Erin Carroll
Laurie Cecala-Read Tamara McGovern Alfred Beaver

Kenneth Riley Gina Azzari

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# **Public Comments**

Any person interested in making comments on any agenda item or other school district related topic is requested to give their name and address. Comments shall be limited to five minutes in total length. It is the intention of the board to listen to public comments, and to respond if possible. If questions cannot be immediately answered the Board asks that you pose the question to the Board Secretary via e-mail. If your questions or comments pertain to litigation, student or personnel matters, the Board asks that you see the Superintendent after the Meeting since the Board does not, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, discuss or respond to these items in public. This portion will end at the conclusion of the public comments.

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# A. 2025 Board Retreat- NJ School Boards

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION - If Needed

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes boards of education to meet in closed executive session under certain circumstances, and

**WHEREAS,** the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Swedesboro-Woolwich School District Board of Education (the "Board") to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into closed executive session; now therefore:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board that it is necessary to meet in closed executive session to discuss certain items, including the following

| Ш            | Matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to, staff and/or student                          |
|--------------|---|
|              | discipline matters, and specifically:   |
|              | Matters in which the release of information would impair the right to receive government                                |
|              | funds, and specifically:  |
|              | Matters which, if publicly disclosed, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, and specifically: |
|              | Matters concerning negotiations, and specifically:  |
|              | Matters involving the purchase of real property and/or the investment of public funds, and                              |
|              | specifically:   |
|              | Matters involving the real tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and                                 |
|              | property of the public, and specifically:   |
|              | Matters involving anticipated or pending litigation, including matters of attorney-client                               |
|              | privilege, and specifically:  |
| $\checkmark$ | Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment,                                       |
|              | appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation                                  |
|              | of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically:                            |
|              | Personnel, Board Vacancy, Superintendent Search, Board Self-Evaluation, Board Goals                                     |
|              | Matters involving quasi-judicial deliberations, and specifically:   |

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board anticipates the executive session to last approximately 30 minutes. The Board † will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

Recommendation: To enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing/reviewing items as noted above.

Board action needed: Yes Time

Recommendation: Return to Regular Session.

Board action needed: Yes Time

# Delegates:

- a. NJSBA Mrs. Gina Azzarib. GCSBA Mrs. Natalie Baker
- 6. Adjournment

Recommendation: Approve the adjournment of meeting.

Board action needed: Yes

Time:

Respectfully submitted,

Thorey Jeffries

Mr. Korey Jeffries Board Secretary/SBA

Next Meeting(s).
August 13, 2025

**Board/Committee Meetings as scheduled**