TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AGENDA
October 8, 2025

7:00 PM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - Open to Public
Old Turnpike School Library

If members of the public wish to attend the meeting virtually, meetings are streamed Live over Youtube via the following link: https://www.youtube.com/live/GCDnWltpmqY

During public comment, public participants are invited to address the Board with questions or comments.

District Goals

1. To create a learning environment that promotes creative and independent thinking with a focus on academic excellence; that is also adaptable to each student.
2. To create a financial framework so that the school district is fiscally responsible while supporting learning environments.
3. To create a welcoming and supportive learning environment to foster a lifelong love of learning for all students; This includes a robust connection to their school and wider community.

Board Goals

1. To support a learning environment that promotes creative and independent thinking with a focus on academic excellence; that is also adaptable to each student.
2. To create a financial framework so that the school district is fiscally responsible while supporting learning environments.
3. To encourage a welcoming and supportive learning environment to foster a lifelong love of learning for all students; This includes robust connection to their school and wider community.

I. CALL TO ORDER Time:_____

II. SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT

Welcome to a meeting of the Tewksbury Township Board of Education. The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Tewksbury Township Board of Education has caused notice of the time and place of this meeting to be published in the Courier News and the Hunterdon Democrat and notice of the meeting has been posted on the Tewksbury Township School District website. www.tewksburyschools.org.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

Mr. Charniga	Ms. Dorcus	Mr. Infusino	Mrs. Jardinella	Mrs. Munoz
Mr. Schwartz	Dr. Simon	Mrs. Wygera	Dr. Shouffler Ms. Goguen	

V. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

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Motion to close public comments _____ 2nd_____

All in Favor:
Roll Call:
Mr. Charniga____Ms. Dorcus____Mr. Infusino____Mrs. Munoz____Mr. Schwartz____Dr. Simon____
Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____

VI. PRESENTATION

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

IX. MINUTES

- September 10, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting
- September 10, 2025 Executive Session
- September 24, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- September 24 2025 Executive Session

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Curriculum

Discussion

- OTS Clubs

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve the following field trips for the 2025-2026 school year:

Grade	Destination	Date (month/year)	Cost per Student (cost of attendance not paid by district)	Staff Member(s) Coordinating the Trip
PK	Califon Island Park (New)	6/2026	0	Kouzis
PK	Ort Farm Pumpkin Picking (New)	10/30/2025	$13	Kouzis
K	Tewksbury Police Dept	Late March-Mid April 2026	0	Gentile
K	Food for America at Warren Hills HS (New)	5/1/2026	0	Kindergarten Team
1	RVCC Planetarium	3/6/2026	$11	Picardo
1	Crayola Factory (New)	11/15/2025	$15	Picardo
2	Doyle's Farm	4/28/2026	$25.00	Strange
2	Morris Museum	5/13/2026	$16.39	Saksa
3	Liberty Science Center (New)	3/2026	$28.00	Emge
3	Echo Hill	Spring 2026 Date TBD	$3.63	Nichols
4	Franklin Mineral Mines (New)	Spring 2026 Date TBD	$18	4th grade team
5	Biztown	10/30/2025	0	5th grade team
5	Bronx Zoo	5/1/2026	$112.00	Mendralla
7	Philadelphia Trip (New)	Spring 2026	$210.00	Jennings
8	Broadway Show	November 2025	$125.00	Krowl
8	DC Trip	May 27-29, 2026	TBD	Krowl

2. Approve the February, 2025, Tooth Fairy Tales assembly (oral health for young children) at Tewksbury Elementary School for grades Pre-K/Kindergarten conducted by Hunterdon County Board of Health Nurse Amanda Norman. There is no charge for this program and it is not affiliated with any dental practice.

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Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____

B. Policy
Discussion

C. Finance
Discussion

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve the following workshop/travel requests for the 2025-2026 school year.

Workshops/Travel Requests				
Staff Member	**Date**	**Registration**	**Other Expenses***	**Event/Destination**
Katherine Royer	10/29/25	-0-	Mileage = $20.77	Taking the Lead: Comengno's Top 20 Strategies to Empower Case Managers - Cornerstone Day School, Somerset, NJ
Yahna Fiscarelli	10/21/25	$220.00	Mileage = $17.20	New Jersey Science Convention, Princeton NJ
Lisa Moore	10/16/25 - 10/17/25	$430.00	Mileage = $107.16 Tolls/Parking = $5.50	New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association Fall Conference, Atlantic City, NJ

*Mileage will be reimbursed according to board policy.

2. Approve the following funding requests from the Tewksbury Education Foundation:

Requestor/ Contact	School/ Grade	Description	Amount of Grant/Donation
Liz Gentile	K	Super Structure Program from Mad Science. Discover the strengths of triangles, cylinder and arches.	$700
Nicola Hall	1	Nature Kelly - Science Plant Residency, a three day plant focused education program. Plant Pollinators, Seed Seekers and Nature Engineers will be the topics discussed.	$1,500
Aimee Emge	2/3	BJ Ward Poetry Residency - NJ Poet, engaging workshop teaching students how to write poetry	$3,000
Alyssa Forsythe	4	Hunterdon County Parks Naturalist to provide a hands-on residency including physics in nature	$210
Patsy DelGrande	4	1 day residency with author Nicoline Evans. Ms. Evans will read one of her books and meet with each student to provide guidance on their writing.	$800

Nicola Hall Camille Bristow Yahna Fiscarelli	1 2 5	Astronomy Residency John Miller of the Pearl Observatory. Programs tailored for each grade.	$5,500
OTS Schoolwide	5-8	I'm Just a Kid with an IEP	$5,500

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D. Technology
Discussion

E. Facilities
Discussion
- M1 and Comprehensive Maintenance Plan
- QSAC Walkthrough
- Food Advisory Committee Meetings

F. Transportation
Discussion

G. Communication
Discussion

H. Other
Discussion
- Referendum Update

Motion to approve the following:

1. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the letter of resignation from Andrea Stein, Board Member, effective October 1, 2025.

Motion _____ 2nd _____
Roll Call:
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Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____

XI. LEGISLATIVE REVIEW
Discussion

XII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

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I. Personnel
Discussion

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve the following fundraisers and stipends for the 2025-2026 school year:

Staff Member	Event	Date	Hours	Stipend
Dee Krowl	Trunk or Treat Haunted Hallway and Pizza Sale	October, 2025	Up to 6 hours	$40/hour
Bonnie Mendralla	Trunk or Treat Haunted Hallway and Pizza Sale	October, 2025	Up to 6 hours	$40/hour
Dee Krowl	Pie Sale	Oct. 15 - Nov. 15, 2025	0	0
Bonnie Mendralla	Pie Sale	Oct. 15 - Nov. 15, 2025	0	0
Dee Krowl	8th Gr. End of Year Social	June, 2026	Up to 5 hours	$40/hour
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2. Approve Laurie Taylor as a 1:1 aide for monthly Safety Patrol Meetings at Tewksbury Elementary School at the student supervision rate of $40/hour for up to 10 hours.

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XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion _____ 2nd _____ Enter closed session at _____p.m.

WHEREAS, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and:
WHEREAS, said law required the Board of Education to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Tewksbury that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session at this time to discuss personnel and legal matters for approximately thirty minutes. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting. Action may be taken.

Motion _____ 2nd _____ Enter open session at _____p.m.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion _____ 2nd _____ Time of Adjournment:_____p.m.

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Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____