HAWTHORNE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Hawthorne, New Jersey
Tuesday, August 19, 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 meeting has been called to order.
Joseph Carr	**X**		
Alex Clavijo	**X**		
Michael Doyle	**X**		
Jennifer Ehrentraut	**X**		
Abigail Goff	**X**		
Erica Mulkey-Koltzan		**X**	
Anthony Puluse	**X**		
Gisselle Vega	**X**		
Marco Totaro	**X**		

Also Present: Matthew Mignanelli, Superintendent of Schools
Sandy Vicale, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
And no members of the public and 32 online.

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: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

July 15, 2025 – Regular Meeting - Public and Private
July 29, 2025 – Budget Meeting/Work Session/Superintendent Transition – Public

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Approval of Minutes

Moves by Mr. Puluse, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

REPORTS:

A. Superintendent's Report – Matthew Mignanelli
- Mr. Mignanelli reported on meetings with the PTO members, fall sports, summer building projects, teacher orientation, opening days for staff, admin retreat, district newsletter, and the SSDS report will be moved to the next meeting.

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

COMMITTEE **CHAIRPERSON**

B. Legislative…….Joseph Carr
No Report

C. Finance & Administration……..Alex Clavijo
No report and welcomed new Business Administrator.

D. Building & Grounds…….Michael Doyle
No Report

E. Policy……Michael Doyle
Policy audit update. Dr. Vega to facilitate this.

F. Council Liaison……..Jennifer Ehrentraut

Hockey rink to be completed by the end of August, Hawthorne Volunteer Ambulance dinner on September 4, food pantry donations, library events, Hawthorne Day, and the next council meeting will be Sept. 3rd.

G. Personnel……Jennifer Ehrentraut
Welcomed new hires.

H. Curriculum & Instruction……..Abigail Goff
Reviewed new courses at LMS, professional development days for staff on September 2nd and September 3rd, and summer curriculum update.

I. NJSBA…….Erica Mulkey-Koltzan

J. PCSBA……Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
Mrs. Goff reported on behalf of Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan that the next meeting will be in Sept in Clifton.

K. HEF/SEPAC/PTO's……Anthony Puluse
Encourage everyone to participate in SEPAG and local PTOs. The 1st SEPAG meeting is August 20th through zoom.

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. **Approval of Field Trips**

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

School	Group	Destination	Transportation	Cost Per Student	Outside Funding
HHS	HHS Marching Band	Butler High School	HPS	$0.00	$0.00
HHS	HHS Marching Band	Pequannock Township High School	HPS	$0.00	$0.00
HHS	HHS Marching Band	Midland Park Jr/Sr High School	HPS	$0.00	$0.00
HHS	HHS Marching Band	MetLife Stadium	HPS	$0.00	$0.00
HHS	HHS Marching Band	Clifton School Stadium	HPS	$0.00	$0.00

CI-2. Approval of the K-12 Textbooks for the 2025-2026 School Year, as per the attached list.

CI-3. Approval of all existing high school, middle school, elementary school, and preschool curricula as per attachment for the 2025-2026 school year in accordance with 18A:33-1 and the NJSLS for all subjects.

CI-4. Approval of the District Mentoring Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.

CI-5. Approval of the District Professional Development Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.

CI-6. Approval of the District Nursing Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.

CI-7. Approval of agreement with Northern Regional Educational Services Commission for Nonpublic School Nursing for the 2025-2026 school year at a rate of $99,591.00.

CI-8. Approval of the following observation/evaluation tools for the 2025-2026 school year: Stronge Evaluation System - Teachers and Educational Specialists, Directors, Principals, Vice Principals and Supervisors.

CI-9. Approval of the district committees as per attached list. A list of these committees has been submitted under separate cover.

CI-10. Approval of a contractual agreement with Bergen County Special Services for the provision of educational services for non-public school students through IDEA funding not to exceed $182,068.00 ($93,914.00 of 2025-26 funds) The terms of this agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

CI-11. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services, Educational Enterprises Division, to provide a Teacher of the Deaf Consultation for one resident student (File #080125) at a rate not to exceed $510.00 for the 2025-2026 school year.

CI-12. Approval of an agreement with Bergen County Special Services, Educational Enterprises Division, for Bilingual Speech Evaluation for one resident student (File #080225) at a rate not to exceed $850.00 for the month of August 2025.

CI-13. Approval of an agreement with The State of NJ, Dept. of Human Services, Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for Education Level 1 service for one resident student (File #080325) at a rate of $2,541.00 for the 2025-2026 school year.

CI-14. Approval of an agreement with The State of NJ, Dept. of Human Services, Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for Education Level 4 service for one resident student (File #080425) at a rate of $19,161.00 for the 2025-2026 school year.

CI-15. Approval of an agreement with Language Learning Network to provide one onsite instructional teacher for the 2025-2026 school year at a rate of $115,000.00.

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-16.	BCSS- SHIP Midland Park	$86,508.00 plus non-resident fee of $7254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (File #080525)	9/1//25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-17.	BCSS- Washington	$87,848.00 plus non-resident fee of $7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #080625)	9/1//25-6/30/26	25-26 SY

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
	Elementary School						
CI-18.	BCSS-HIP-MP Godwin	$71,199.00 plus non-resident fee of $7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #080725)	9/1/25 - 6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-19.	BCSS- HIP-MP Highland	$86,508.00 plus non-resident fee of $7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #080825)	9/1//25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-20.	BCSS-New Bridges Middle School/HS	$87,858.00 plus non-resident fee of $7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #080925)	9/1//25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-21.	BCSS-Washington Elementary School	$87,858.00 plus non-resident fee of $7,254.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081025)	9/1//25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-22.	N.A. Bleshman Regional Day School	$377.50 per diem for 180 days $67,950.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081125)	9/1/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY
CI-23.	N.A. Bleshman Regional Day School	$450.65 per diem for 180 days $81,117.00	N/A	N/A	Student (file #081225)	9/1/25-6/20/26	25-26 SY
CI-24.	Shepard Preparatory High School	$357.02 per diem for full day for 183 days $65,334.66. $166.30 per diem for part-time for 183 days $30,432.90.	N/A	$357.02 per diem for 30 days $10,710.60	Student (file #081325)	7/16/25-6/30/26	25-26 SY

CI-25. Approval of a revised tuition contract for student (file #081425) for placement of a Paterson resident to Hawthorne Board of Education in Hawthorne High School from September 4, 2025 – June 18, 2026 at a rate of $19,116.00.

CI-26. Approval of an agreement for Lincoln Middle School to recycle obsolete Social Studies/ELA textbooks that are over 10 years old.

*CI-27. Approval of a contractual agreement with Bergen County Special Services for Chapters 192/193 services. This service is funded by grants to the nonpublic schools. The term of this agreement shall be in effect July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions CI-CI-27

Moved by Mrs. Goff, Seconded by Mr. Clavijo

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

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.	Kristine Blau	Resign	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	LMS	2025-2026 SY	8/31/25	Resignation
P-2.	Penelope Buccheri	Resign	Part Time Para	n/a	n/a	JS	2025-2026 SY	8/31/25	Resignation
P-3.	Keri Colon	Resign	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	n/a	WS	2025-2026 SY	8/31/25	Resignation
P-4.	Tara Oostdyk	Leave	Part Time Administrative Assistant	n/a	n/a	RS	8/1/25	10/31/25	Unpaid Leave
P-5.	Kayla Leiton	Leave	Administrative Assistant	n/a	n/a	LMS	8/5/25	2/27/26	Adjustment in Starting Date of Maternity Leave Approved on the 6/10/25 Board Agenda
P-6.	Hilary Gerber	Hire	Long Term Substitute Administrative Assistant	n/a	$105/day	LMS	8/20/25	2/27/26 or the return of the regular employee	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence of Kayla Leiton
P-7.	Karen Skae	Hire	Substitute Administrative Assistant	n/a	$105/day $52.50/ half day	District	8/20/25	6/30/26	Substitute Administrative Assistant
P-8.	Meaghan Kelly	Resign	BCBA	n/a	n/a	RS/LMS /HHS	Last Day on Payroll 9/19/25 or sooner upon hiring replacement	Notice Date 7/21/25	Resignation
P-9.	Julie Katz	Hire	BCBA	MA/16	$89,165	RS/LMS /HHS	9/22/25 Pending Completion of Criminal	6/30/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
							History Review		Resignation of Meaghan Kelly
P-10.	Heather Di Serio	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	$33.66 per hour	LMS	8/11/25	8/15/25	Chaperone for Student (file# 081525) for Leadership Camp
P-11.	Blerta Muco	Hire	Part-Time Para	n/a	$21,275 plus a stipend of $1,854 for ABA if applicable	District	9/2/25 Pending Completion of Criminal History Review	6/18/26	To Fill a Vacancy
P-12.	Yimin Jin	Hire	Teacher Assistant	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
P-13.	Debra Ponticelli	Adjust	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	$15.49/ hour	LMS	9/4/25	6/18/25	Adjustment from 3 hours per day to 5 hours a day 5 days per week when school is in session
P-14.	Karem Andrade	Hire	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	$15.49/ hour	RS	9/4/25 Pending Completion of Criminal History Review	6/18/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Antoinetta Porporino
P-15.	Margaret Budesa	Hire	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	$15.49/ hour	LMS	9/4/25 Pending Completion of Criminal History Review	6/18/25	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Billie Jean Leitman
P-16.	Christopher Deitrich; Michael Deitrich; Richard Grofsick; Michael O'Hagan; Thomas Walls	Volunteer	Volunteer Football Coaches	n/a	n/a	HHS	2025-2026 Season	End of Season	Volunteers

**** 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-17. Approval for the following members of the instructional staff, having satisfied the academic requirements of a higher category on the Teachers' Salary Guide, be approved for reclassification in accordance with their advanced academic training and that their annual salary for the 2025-2026 school year be adjusted to coincide with their new positions on the 2025-2026 salary guide.

Name	School	New Classification	New Salary Inclusive of Longevity
Ashley Baber	WS	M+60	$75,230.00
Amanda Bushoven	RS	M+45	$81,275.00
Matthew DiPietro	LMS	MA	$65,530.00
Diana Evans	RS	M+60	$90,405.00
Jade Greppo	JS	M+60	$82,875.00

Name	School	New Classification	New Salary Inclusive of Longevity
Anthony Iannone	LMS	M+30	$74,110.00
Melanie Krzeminski	WS	M+15	$73,010.00
Alyson LaSpisa	WS	M+30	$70,330.00
Amanda Lembo	RS	M+15	$67,130.00
Ewelina Maxwell	RS	M+45	$81,275.00
Thomas McKinley	HHS	M+60	$73,530.00
Nicole Rosoline-Peterson	WS	M+60	$77,310.00
Claudi Rossi	WS	M+30	$76,210.00
Kristen Rudd	LMS	MA	$44,925.00
Kaylee Seiders	WS	M+15	$64,860.00
Danielle Sico	RS	M+15	$97,465.00
Toriana Tabasco	JS	B+15	$69,810.00
Irene Yetter	RS	M+15	$98,865.00

P-18. 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
Christin Thompson	$70.42

P-19. 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
Lisa Searls	BCBA	Not to exceed an additional 10 hours	$70.24
Coral Silfa	Social Worker	Not to exceed an additional 50 hours	$53.30

P-20. 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-21. Approval for the following staff members to plan and deliver workshops at the contractual stipends of $100.00 to plan the workshops and $100.00 to deliver the workshops during staff development for the 2025-2026 SY.

Jill Verrone	Jennifer King	Amanda Yale
Mary Roca	Sarah O'Hara	Laura Mazzacca
Sarah Knesivitch	Lisa Ruben	Amy Cunningham
Catherine Corry	Jaclyn Drexler	Carolee Mearon
Danielle Sico	Jason Patula	Erin Harney
Natasha Saavedra	Jackson Cianculli	Allison Banca-Ross
Michael Gallucio	Irene Yetter	

P-22. Approval of the following person(s) to serve as (a) substitute teacher(s) in the Hawthorne Public School District for the 2025-2026 school year, subject to satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law and subject to verification of job qualifications and prior experience if necessary, with the provision that he/she/they remain

on call to serve as (a) daily substitute teacher(s) as the need may arise for which he/she/they will be compensated $105.00 per full day, no benefits. Substitutes working a half day schedule shall receive $52.50, no benefits. In the event the criminal history check(s) is/are not completed, this/these application(s) is/are subject to the approval of the County Superintendent for emergent hiring procedures. The employment of this/these individual(s) is/are subject to the determination of the administration as to when he/she/they is/are needed.

Tyler Henry				

P-23. Acceptance of the following student(s) to complete his/her/their student field experience(s) in education in the Hawthorne Public School District during the 2025-2026 school year. This/these placement(s) is/are subject to the satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law. In the event the criminal history checks(s) is/are not completed this/these placement(s) is/are subject to the approval of the County Superintendent for emergent hiring procedures. Per this resolution this/these student(s) is/are also approved as (a) substitute teacher(s) in the Hawthorne Public School District contingent upon obtaining a county substitute certificate.

Student	College	Type	Subject Area	Coop. Teacher/Admin.	Loc
Kevin Castro	BCC	Observation	Math	Nicole Tise	HHS
Adam Almenas	BCC	Observation	Science	Tyler Ten Kate	LMS
Kristen Kabous	Monmouth	Intern	Guidance	Michael Galluccio	HHS

Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-24.	Maria Anastasopoulos	Resign	Part Time Para	n/a	n/a	RS	2025-2026 SY	8/31/25	Resignation
*P-25.	Danielle Russo; Ryan McMann; Bailey Hansen	Extra Duty	Chaperones	n/a	$33.66 per hour for 4 hours per staff member	HHS	8/27/25	n/a	Chaperones for 9th Grade Orientation

*P-26. 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
Nicole Matano	School Psychologist	Not to exceed an additional 30 hrs.	$71.53
Dawn Torpey	LDTC	Not to exceed an additional 20 hours	$68.64

Appointments, Retirements, Terminations, Resignations, Rescissions:

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
**P-27.	Teresa Magna Davenport; Brianna Palmer	Extra Duty	Head Teachers in School Age Childcare Program	n/a	$34/hour	District	9/4/25	6/18/26	Head Teachers in the School Age Childcare Program
**P-28.	Camille Ellerbrook; Diane Maher; Callie Keyzer; Amie Ingunza; Matthew Spagnuolo; Marc Tracy; Heather Di Serio; Mary Roca; Amanda Lembo	Extra Duty	Teachers in School Age Childcare Program	n/a	$30/hour	District	9/4/25	6/18/26	Teachers in the School Age Childcare Program
**P-29.	Anjela Aguero; Jill Verrone; Ashlee Quilliam; Jason Shepetofsky; Dawn Zagatta; Kaylee Seiders; Kimberly Bednar; Amy Phiefer; Danielle Sico; Cynthia Valentine; Cynthia Colella; Rita Pinelli; Danielle Luecht Kristen Fischer; Philip Schneider; Thomas McKinley; Jueine D'Alessandro; Tania Mercado; Anne Carlock; Gloria Castillo	Extra Duty	Substitutes Teachers in School Age Childcare Program	n/a	$30/hour	District	9/4/25	6/18/26	Substitutes Teachers in the School Age Childcare Program
**P-30.	Katherine Loaiza	Adjust	Teacher of Students with Disabilities	n/a	n/a	RS	5/16/25	11/25/25	Correction to leave dates approved on the 5/6/25 board agenda.
**P-31.	Miranda Petrochko	Hire	Long Term Substitute Teacher	n/a	$299/day	RS	9/2/25	11/25/25 or the return of the regular employee	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence of Katherine Loaiza
**P-32.	Karolina De los Santos de Pimentel	Hire	Part-Time Para	n/a	$21,275 plus a stipend of $1,854 for ABA if applicable	District	9/2/25 Pending Completion of Criminal History Review and Sub Certificate or ParaPro	6/18/26	To Fill a Vacancy

**P-33. Approval of the following staff for Summer College Boot Camp on August 5, 2025 through August 7, 2025 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m

Employee	Hourly Rate
Allison Banca Ross	$65.21
Jackson Cianciulli	$49.10

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions P-1 - P-33

Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Dr. Vega

Board Comments: *Mr. Clavijo inquired about item P-33. Ms. Ehrentraut welcomed new hires.*

	Ms. Ehrentraut	Mrs. Goff	Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan	Mr. Puluse	Dr. Vega	Mr. Carr	Mr. Clavijo	Mr. Doyle	Mr. Totaro
Motion	1				2				
Aye	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain						P-21&P-29			P-29
Absent			X						

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. Approval of an agreement with Dr. Katie Peters as an onsite keynote for September 3, 2025 at a rate of $4,000.00 to be paid with Title IV funds.

F-2. Approval of the following paid breakfast meal prices for the 2025-2026 School Year:

School	2024-2025	2025-2026
High School	$3.00	$3.00
Middle School	$2.75	$2.75
Elementary School	$2.25	$2.25

F-3. Approval of the following paid lunch meal prices for the 2025-2026 School Year:

School	2024-2025	2025-2026
High School	$3.85 (featured favorite $4.60)	$3.95 (featured favorite $4.75)
Middle School	$3.85 (featured favorite $4.60)	$3.95 (featured favorite $4.75)
Elementary School	$3.85 (featured favorite $4.60)	$3.95 (featured favorite $4.75)

F-4. Approval of the submission of the ESEA application for Fiscal Year 2026, and accepts the grant award of the funds upon subsequent approval of the FY 2026 ESEA application.

F-5. 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-6. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby authorizes the submission of the IDEA application for fiscal year 2026 and accepts the grant award of these funds upon the subsequent approval of the IDEA application in the following amounts:

IDEA Basic	
Public Allocation	$595,228
Non Public Allocation	$ 93,914
Total	$689,142
IDEA Preschool	$ 32,582

A-1. Approval to Adopt the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years between the Hawthorne School District and the Hawthorne Police Department, which is based on the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement – 2023 Revisions, approved by the New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety and the Department of Education and referred to in N.J.A.C. 6A:16-6.2(b) 13 through 14. A copy of this agreement is on file in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions F-1 - F-6 & A-1

Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Puluse

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

CLAIMS: **Erica Mulkey-Koltzan**

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

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

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

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions CL-1

Moved by Mrs. Goff, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

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

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.

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant
Gym and Cafeteria	Tuesdays – 9/2/25, 9/16/25, 10/7/25 &10/21/25 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	**Hawthorne Police Department** Community Program for Hawthorne Citizens

BG-2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby approves the submission of application for change of use of office space at Lincoln Middle School for the 2025-2026 school year.

BG-3. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby approves the submission of application to renew the temporary space 507 Lafayette Ave, Hawthorne (Bear Cave) for the 2025-2026 school year.

BG-4. Approval of an agreement for Hawthorne High School to dispose of obsolete Vehicles. Please see attached list.

BG-5. Award of a transportation contract to the Northern Regional 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
2978	Shepard Prep- Morristown	Jersey Kids Trans	5	$14,700.00+$882.00	7/1/25-8/12/25
3523	Chancellor Academy	J & W Financial	2	$5,460.00 +$327.60	7/1/25-7/29/25
3535	EPIC	FYFA, LLC	1	$6,888.00 + $413.28	7/1/25-8/8/25
3539	Gramon/Glenview/New Beginnings	R & May Trans	1	$11,700.00 + $702.00	7/7/25-8/15/25
3552	New Alliance	R & May Trans	1	$1,850.00 + $111.00	7/7/25-7/25/25
3561	NJEDDA	R & May Trans	1	$9,096.00 + $545.76	7/7/25-8/7/25
3562	Norman Bleshman BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	1	$4,866.21 + $291.97	7/1/25-7/25/25
3569	Sage Day School	R & May Trans	1	$3,260.00 + $195.60	6/23/25- 7/25/25
3679	NJEDDA HS	Almarino Trans	1	$4,140.00 + $248.40	7/7/25-8/7/25
4010	Felician School	Aldin Trans	1	$2,959.00 + $177.54	7/1/25-7/31/25
4011	ECLC	Safeguard Trans	1	$1,142. 86 + $68.57	7/7/25-8/6/25
4018	High Pt. School of Bergen County	Castro School Bus	1	$3,185.50 + $191.13	7/7/25-8/6/25

Route #	School	Contractor	# of Students	Cost + Surcharge	Dates
4034	Allegro School	FYFA, LLC	1	$8,340.00 + $500.40	7/7/25-8/15/25
4044	SHIP Midland Pk BCSS	Aldin Trans	1	$1,321.20 + $79.27	7/1/25-7/25/25
4059	Washington South BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	2	$5,006.50 + $300.39	6/30/25-8/6/25
4060	New Bridges BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	1	$5,130.00 + $307.80	6/30/25-8/6/25
4069	Godwin Sch/HIP Midland Pk	York Trans	2	$3,492.00 + $209.52	7/1/25-7/25/25
4076	PG Chambers	Jersey Kids Trans	1	$12,600.00 + $756.00	7/7/25-8/15/25
Q4095	Norman Bleshman BCSS	Omar Trans	1	$4,860.00 + $291.60	7/1/25-7/25/25
Q4105	Benway School	Ace School Bus	1	$4,266.00 + $255.96	7/10/25- 8/15/25

BG-6. Award of a transportation contract to the Northern Regional 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 for the 2025-2026 school year

Route #	School	Contractor	# of Students	Cost + Surcharge	Dates
2978	Shepard Prep-Morristown	Jersey Kids Trans	5	$89,670.00+$5,380.20	9/2/25- 6/19/26
3523	Chancellor Academy	J & W Financial	2	$49,959.00+$2,997.54	9/3/25- 6/17/26
3535	EPIC School	FYFA, LLC	1	$44,280.00+$2,656.80	9/2/25- 6/16/26
3539	Gramon/New Beginnings	R & May Trans	1	$71,760.00+$4,305.60	9/3/25- 6/23/26
3552	New Alliance	R & May Trans	1	$73,260.00+$1,465.20	8/25/25- 6/26/26
3561	NJEDDA	R & May Trans	1	$68,220.00+$4,093.20	9/4/25- 6/26/26
3562	Norman Bleshman BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	1	$48,662.10+ $2,919.73	9/2/25- 6/24/26
3569	Sage Day School	R & May Trans	1	$24,993.33+$1,499.60	9/2/25- 6/18/26
3679	NJEDDA HS	Almarino Trans	1	$31,395.00+$1,883.70	9/4/25- 6/26/26
3712	Forum School	Prestige Xpress	1	$35,820.00+$2,149.20	9/3/25- 6/22/26
4010	Felician School	Aldin Trans	1	$24,613.50+$1,476.81	9/3/25- 6/16/26
4011	ECLC	Safeguard Trans	1	$10,285.71+$617.14	9/4/25- 6/26/26
4018	High Pt. School of Bergen County	Castro School Bus	1	$25,207.00+$1,512.42	9/3/25- 6/24/26
4044	SHIP Midland Pk BCSS	Aldin Trans	1	$16,790.25+$1007.42	9/4/25- 6/25/26
4059	Washington South BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	2	$30,600.00+$1,836.00	9/2/25- 6/24/26
4060	New Bridges BCSS	Jersey Kids Trans	1	$34,200.00+$2,052.00	9/2/25- 6/24/26

Route #	School	Contractor	# of Students	Cost + Surcharge	Dates
4069	Godwin/Sch/HIP Midland Pk	York Trans	2	$35,502.00+$2,130.10	9/4/25- 6/25/26
4076	PG Chambers	Jersey Kids Trans	1	$75,600.00+$4,536.00	9/4/25- 6/18/26

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions BG-1- BG-6

Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

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

PUBLIC BE HEARD: None

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

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

NEW BUSINESS:

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Mrs. Goff thanked for agenda format change. Good luck to everyone in the school year.
- Ms. Ehrentraut welcomed Business Administrator and spoke about new courses being offered. Wishing everyone a great year.
- Mr. Puluse also wished everyone a great start to the school year.
- Mr. Totaro welcomed the Business Administrator, commented on leadership camp, Hawthorne Day, congratulated the Police Dept., and wished everyone a great year.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 7:26 p.m.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mrs. Goff

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Vicale
Business Administrator