TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
October 29, 2025

7:00 PM REGULAR BOARD 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/zMHoEyFdiYU

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

District Goals

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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.

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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

- Eagle Scout Project- Drew Patykula
- NJSLA 2025 Student Results- Ms. Megan Verderamo

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- QSAC
- HIB Report
- Enrollment Reports
- Emergency/Fire Drill Reports

School	Tewksbury Elementary School
Month/Year	Oct. 2025
Date	10/06/2025 2:30 PM
Drill Description	Evacuation
Duration/ Time of Drill	6 minutes
Weather Conditions	Sunny
Conductor of Drill	Principal Moore, and Staff
Notification Method	building intercom speakers & walkies

School	Old Turnpike School		
Month/Year	Sept. 2025	Oct. 2025	Oct. 2025
Date	9/22/2025	10/06/2025	10/22/2025
Drill Description	Lock Down	Hold	Fire Drill
Duration/ Time of Drill	3 minutes	5 minutes	4 minutes
Weather Conditions	Sunny	N/A indoors	Cold
Conductor of Drill	Verderamo, Mitchell, Bracuti, & Krowl	Verderamo, Bracuti, & Krowl	Verderamo, Mitchell, Bracuti, & Krowl
Notification Method	Walkie talkies/PA system	Walkies & PA system	Walkies & PA

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve the HIB Grade Reports for Tewksbury Elementary School and Old Turnpike School for school year 2024-2025.

2. Approve submission of the NJQSAC District Performance Report to the County Executive Office.

Motion: _____ 2nd _____
Discussion
Roll Call:
Mr. Charniga____Ms. Dorcus____Mr. Infusino____Mrs. Munoz____Mr. Schwartz____Dr. Simon____
Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____

IX. MINUTES

1. Motion to approve the following 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

Motion: _____ 2nd _____
Discussion
Roll Call:
Mr. Charniga____Ms. Dorcus____Mr. Infusino____Mrs. Munoz____Mr. Schwartz____Dr. Simon____
Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Curriculum

Discussion

- AI Plan

Motion to approve the following:

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

Grade	Destination	Date (month/year)	Staff Member(s) Coordinating the Trip
Pre-K	Tewksbury Public Library	11/2025	A. Kouzis
5-6 MLL	Frank's Pizza, Califon, NJ	11/2025	M. Verderamo
5-8 Choral	Voorhees Choral Festival, Voorhees High School	12/2025	N. Polinger

2. Approve the Nursing Services Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

B. Policy

Discussion

C. Finance

Discussion

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approval of Bills

   BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached lists of district bills for payment as presented by the School Business Administrator for the period September 25, 2025 through October 29, 2025 for a total amount of $1,521,204.05.

2. Acceptance and Approval of Board Secretary's Report for the month of September, 2025.

   BE IT RESOLVED that upon review of the Board Secretary's Reports for the month of September, 2025 in consultation with appropriate district officials, the Board of Education certifies that no fund had been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(b); and the Board of Education further certifies, based on the Board Secretary's certification, that the total of encumbrances for each line item account does not exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(a).

3. Acceptance and Approval of Treasurer's Report for the month of September, 2025.

   BE IT RESOLVED that upon review of the Treasurer's Report for the month of September, 2025. in consultation with appropriate district officials, the Board of Education certifies that no fund had been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(b); and the Board Secretary further certifies, based on the Board Treasurer's Report, that the total of encumbrances for each line item account does not exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(a).

   The Board Secretary certifies, pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(c)(3), that the total of encumbrances for each line item account does not exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(a).

4. Approve the attached list of transfers.

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

Workshops/Travel Requests

Staff Member	Date	Registration	Other Expenses*	Event/Destination
Pete Berg	12/8/25	-0-	Mileage = $60.16	New Jersey AI Literacy Summit, Old Tappan, NJ
Sara Femiano	12/11/25 - 12/12/25	$79.00	-0-	Trauma Conference: The Body Keeps Score - Trauma Healing Through the Senses, Virtual
Sara Femiano	Virtual	$46.00	-0-	Ethics & Cultural Competency Training, Virtual
Lori Nichols	12/5/25	$90.00	-0-	Designing Tier 2 Enrichment to Support Achievement in Gifted and Talented Learners, Morris-Union Jointure, New Providence, NJ
Aimee Emge	12/5/25	$90.00	Mileage = $27.50	Designing Tier 2 Enrichment to Support Achievement in Gifted and Talented Learners, Morris-Union Jointure, New Providence, NJ

*Mileage will be reimbursed according to board policy.

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

Requestor/ Contact	School/ Grade	Description	Amount of Grant/Donation
Patty Jennings	7	Zentangle - shows students the connection between art and math.	$600.00
Alana Magro	7	I Never Saw Another Butterfly - students study Holocaust vocabulary and collage art during their non-fiction unit. They then create a collage based on their poetry analysis.	$1,507.00
Dee Krowl	8	Tickets for the 8th Grade trip to see a Broadway Show.	$3,038.00

2. Approve the following funding requests from the Tewksbury PTA:

Requestor/ Contact	School/ Grade	Description	Amount of Grant/Donation
Nicole Polinger	5-8	Nintendo Switch 2 and Two Meta Quest 3 VR Headsets for the after school Gaming Club	$1,450.00
Nancy Morogiello	PK-4	Purchase of undergarments and sweatpants for elementary school for emergency replacements while at school.	$200.00

3. Approve the following OTS fundraisers/events for the 2025-2026 school year:

Staff Member Contact	Date	Event	Stipend
Darcy Harp	Fall 2025, Date TBD	Spike for a Cause - OTS Student Volleyball Game after school to support Fulfill NJ for Thanksgiving food and supplies to those in need.	-0- Staff Volunteers
Alana Magro	Oct.-Nov., 2025	Socktober - Student Council event to collect new socks to provide to local area shelters.	-0-
Dee Krowl Bonnie Mendralla	Nov., 2025	Food Can Drive in conjunction with the Tewksbury Township Police Dept. to benefit local food pantries.	-0-
Dee Krowl	Nov.-Dec., 2025	Students choose an ornament naming a gift which will then be purchased for a child in need.	-0-

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D. Technology
Discussion

E. Facilities
Discussion

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP) and Form M-1 (Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet) for the 2026-2027 school year for submission to the County Office.

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Discussion
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F. Transportation
Discussion

G. Communication
Discussion

H. Other
Discussion
- Referendum Update

XI. LEGISLATIVE REVIEW
Discussion

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I. Personnel
Discussion

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve the following honoraria positions for the 2025-2026 school year.

Name	Position	Stipend
Tom Lobb	Head Coach - Boys Basketball	$5,247.00
Patty Jennings	Head Coach - Girls Basketball	$5,247.00
Darcy Harp	Head Coach - Spirit Squad	$5,247.00
Heather Olla	Basketball Scorekeeper & Supervision at Games (as needed)-shared position	$40/hour
Daria Bracuti	Alternate Basketball Scorekeeper & Supervision at Games (as needed)-shared position	$40/hour
Sherry Cameron	Musical Director - 8th Grade Play	$1,950.00

2. Approve Aniella O'Leary as a substitute teacher for the 2025-2026 school year, pending criminal history review.

3. Approve the Chaperones for the 6th Grade Trip to the Museum of Natural History in November, 2025.

Name	Event	Stipend
Heather Olla	Museum of Natural History	$40/hour (not to exceed 3 hours)
Erin Buttgereit	Museum of Natural History	$40/hour (not to exceed 3 hours)
Daniela DiGiovanni	Museum of Natural History	$40/hour (not to exceed 3 hours)
Jeanette Pill	Museum of Natural History	$40/hour (not to exceed 3 hours)
Lori Prussack (Nurse)	Museum of Natural History	$250/day plus $40/hour (not to exceed 3 hours)

4. Approve the Chaperones for the 8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway Show in November, 2025.

Name	Event	Stipend
Dee Krowl	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Megan Girton	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Krista Kovalsky	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Bonnie Mendralla	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Scott Sipos	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Scott Steinman	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Samantha Wu	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)
Heather Heithoff (Nurse)	8th Grade Trip to NYC/Broadway	$250/day plus $40/hour (not to exceed 5 hours)

5. Approve Autumn Walter, one of our current substitute teachers, and a candidate to become a certified teacher of Art through the alternate route program at the Center for Workforce Development- County College of Morris, to perform 8 hours of observation split between the art teachers at OTS and TES.

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XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

- Interview for Open Board Member Position

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.

Motion to approve the following:

1. Approve _____ as a Tewksbury Township School District School Board Member from October 29, 2025 through January 6, 2026, pending criminal history review.

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

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

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

All in Favor:
Roll Call:
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Mrs. Wygera____Mrs. Jardinella____