

Agenda Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, November 18, 2025

The Agenda Meeting of the Long Branch Board of Education was held in the Administrative Office, 540 Broadway, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mrs. Peters, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Peters - President

Mrs. Dangler - Vice President

Mr. Zambrano

Mrs. Youngblood Brown - 6:07 P.M.

Mr. Ferraina

Mr. Garlipp

Mr. Torres

Mr. Zimmerman

Mr. Sama

Attorney Present - Janice Arellano, Esq.

B. STATEMENT OF THE MANNER OF NOTIFICATION OF THE MEETING

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary stated that adequate notice of the meeting of the Long Branch Board of Education has been provided by a Schedule of Public Meetings published in the Asbury Park Press. Mr. Genovese further stated that a Schedule of Public Meetings has been posted in the Board of Education Office and the Office of the City Clerk, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mr. Genovese made the following announcement: Fire exits are located in the direction indicated. In case of fire, you will be signaled by a bell and/or public address system. If so alerted to fire, please move in a calm and orderly fashion to the nearest smoke-free exit.

C. OBJECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE VALIDITY OF THE MEETING

Mr. Genovese stated that the objecting member must give supporting reasons.

D. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Peters, Board President, saluted the flag and led the Pledge of Allegiance

E. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Mrs. Peters made the following announcement: Oftentimes it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate Board committee. The members of the Board committee work with the administration and Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. All agenda attachments are available for public review. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

Time may be allocated for public comment at this meeting. Each speaker may be allotted up to five (5) minutes and one (1) opportunity to address the Board when recognized by the presiding officer. Individuals wishing to address the Board shall be recognized by the presiding officer and shall give their names, addresses and the group, if any, that they represent. Although the Board encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through its presiding officer, to terminate remarks to and/or by any individual not in keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. With the exception of those individuals whose names are on the agenda this evening, the Board will not respond to questions during the public participation portion of this meeting involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, negotiations, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplining of any specific, prospective or current employee.

F. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one addressed the Board.

2. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. COMMENTS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR - Mrs. Dangler

Mrs. Dangler reviewed with the Board the discussions the Finance Committee had with regard to FY2025 and the ongoing audit, FY2026 and the budget development process for FY2027. She stated that the potential still exists that the district may lose \$6 or \$7 million in State Aid next year. With respect to negotiations, the Committee has signed Memorandums of Agreement with all units and is proposing them for adoption tomorrow night.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

I entertain a motion that the Board approve the following minutes:

Agenda Meeting minutes of October 14, 2025
Executive Session Meeting minutes of October 14, 2025
Regular Meeting minutes of October 15, 2025

C. MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

I, Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item 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.

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

D. BUDGET TRANSFER REPORT - FY2026 AUGUST AND FY2026 SEPTEMBER

I entertain a motion the Board approve the following Budget Transfer Resolution contained herein:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 "Budgetary Controls and Over Expenditures of Funds" states a "district Board of Education or Charter School Board of Trustees shall implement controls over budgeted revenues and appropriations and shall not approve any obligation or payment in excess of the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education in the line item pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1".

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached line item transfers FY2026 August and FY2026 September as listed be approved for the months ending August 31, 2025 and September 30, 2025.

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

E. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT - FY2026 AUGUST AND FY2026 SEPTEMBER

I entertain a motion the Board approve the Board Secretary's Report for the months ending August 31, 2025 and September 30, 2025 contained herein.

F. REPORT OF THE TREASURER - FY2026 AUGUST AND FY2026 SEPTEMBER

I entertain a motion the Board approve the Report of the Treasurer for the months ending August 31, 2025 and September 30, 2025 contained herein.

G. MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

I entertain a motion the Board approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(4), we, the Members of the Board of Education, after

a review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Monthly Financial Reports and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, certify that to the best of our knowledge that as of August 31, 2025 and September 30, 2025 no major account or fund have 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.

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

H. BILLS AND CLAIMS - AUGUST 28, 2025, SEPTEMBER 1 - 30, 2025, OCTOBER 1 - 31, 2025 AND NOVEMBER 1 - 19, 2025 FOR THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH, THERESA DANGLER AND TONY VALDIVIEZO

I entertain a motion the Board approve the bills and claims for August 28, 2025, September 1 - 30, 2025, October 1 - 31, 2025 and November 1 - 19, 2025 for the City of Long Branch, Theresa Dangler and Tony Valdiviezo contained herein.

I. BILLS AND CLAIMS - AUGUST 28, 2025, SEPTEMBER 1 - 30, 2025, OCTOBER 1 - 31, 2025 AND NOVEMBER 1 - 19, 2025 FOR INTEGRATED CARE CONCEPTS AND CONSULTATION AND TASHA YOUNGBLOOD BROWN

I entertain a motion the Board approve the bills and claims for August 28, 2025, September 1 - 30, 2025, October 1 - 31, 2025 and November 1 - 19, 2025 for Integrated Care Concepts and Consultation and Tasha Youngblood Brown contained herein.

J. BILLS AND CLAIMS - AUGUST 28, 2025, SEPTEMBER 1 - 30, 2025, OCTOBER 1 - 31, 2025 AND NOVEMBER 1 - 19, 2025 EXCLUDING THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH, INTEGRATED CARE CONCEPTS AND CONSULTATION, THERESA DANGLER, TONY VALDIVIEZO AND TASHA YOUNGBLOOD BROWN

I entertain a motion that the Board approve the bills and claims for August 28, 2025, September 1 - 30, 2025, October 1 - 31, 2025 and November 1 - 19, 2025 excluding the City of Long Branch, Integrated Care Concepts and Consultation, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo and Tasha Youngblood Brown contained herein.

K. RECONCILIATION MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT - SODEXO - OCTOBER 31, 2025

I entertain a motion the Board approve the monthly operating report for the Sodexo Corporation, Food Service Management Company for the Long Branch School district for October 31, 2025 contained herein.

L. ATHLETIC FUND & ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FUNDS - OCTOBER 31, 2025

I entertain a motion the Board approve the monthly reports for the Athletic Fund, Elementary Schools, Middle School and High School Student Funds as of October 31, 2025 contained herein.

M. STUDENT REGISTRATION

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following students have been selected as "Students of the Month" for November;

SCHOOL

Amerigo A. Anastasia School

Audrey W. Clark School

George L. Catrambone School

Gregory School

STUDENT

Samuel Alves De Souza

Mi'Yona Morris-Rice

Amari Phillips

Maylen Mendoza

SCHOOL

High School
 Historic High School
 Joseph M. Ferraina ECLC
 Lenna W. Conrow School

 Morris Avenue School

 Middle School

STUDENT

Ricardo Romero Prada
 Sincere Carter
 Livy James Staiano
 Ava Ashton

 Britney Kaur

 Gabriel Gomez

B. DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

The following staff have been selected as "DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH" - NOVEMBER 2025

EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH

Erin Schoonveld, Teacher, Gregory Elementary School

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE MONTH

Alfred Burrell, Custodian, George L. Catrambone Elementary School

C. RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT**SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS - SILVER CERTIFICATION**

Long Branch Public Schools has once again achieved Silver Certification through the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program, representing the highest level of recognition for sustainability excellence in New Jersey schools. This certification reflects the district's ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship, energy efficiency, and sustainability education.

In addition, the district was honored at the 2025 Sustainable Jersey for Schools Awards with three Sustainability Champion Awards:

Elementary School Champion: George L. Catrambone Elementary School — 845 points
 Middle School Champion: Long Branch Middle School — 440 points
 High School Champion: Long Branch High School — 470 points

These recognitions celebrate the collective efforts of our students, staff, and Green Teams, highlighting Long Branch Public Schools' leadership in creating sustainable, healthy, and innovative learning environments. Awards were presented during the New Jersey School Boards Association Workshop in October 2025.

VETERANS DAY ESSAY CONTEST

The following students were winners of the Veteran's Day Essay Contest for 2025 sponsored by the City of Long Branch. Each winner will receive a \$100 check.

Beanys Berrios Flores	Amerigo A. Anastasia School	Grade 5
Madison Berse	Middle School	Grade 7
Kaitlyn Hills	High School	Grade 11

D. SCHOOL PRESENTATION

George L. Catrambone Elementary School

George L. Catrambone Elementary School is proud to be a place where “Creating the Future” reflects our commitment to empowering every child to become a curious thinker, a creative innovator, and a compassionate problem solver. Through dynamic instruction that integrates technology, critical thinking, and hands-on learning, students are inspired to explore new ideas and embrace the tools that will shape tomorrow. Our school fosters a learning environment where innovation thrives, curiosity is celebrated, and students are encouraged to see themselves as the leaders, inventors, and changemakers of the future.

4. GENERAL ITEMS

A. COMMENTS FROM THE INSTRUCTION & PROGRAMS COMMITTEE CHAIR - Mrs. Dangler

B. MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN EDUCATION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT FOR THE 2025- 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement for the 2025- 2026 school year.

C. APPROVAL OF PERFORMANCE OF DISTRICT EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILLS FOR THE 2025- 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Education in the State of New Jersey requires that two (2) emergency evacuation drills be conducted every school year in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code N.J.A.C. 6A:27-11.2 and,

WHEREAS, said drills must be recorded and documented in the Board of Education minutes,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that said drills were performed and documented and are contained herein, and will be made a part of the permanent minutes upon Board approval.

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

D. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE 2026- 2027 THREE-YEAR PRESCHOOL PROGRAM PLAN AND ANNUAL UPDATE

I recommend the Board approve the entire plan submission of the 2026- 2027. Three-year Preschool Program Plan and Annual Update.

E. APPROVAL OF WRAP-AROUND SERVICES FOR EXTENDED PROGRAMS RFP

I recommend the Board approve the bid of KCE Champions LLC for the Request for Proposal for Wrap-Around Services for Extended Programs commencing September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027 as listed on the attached.

F. APPROVAL OF MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY POOL RENTAL

I recommend the Board approve the agreement with Monmouth University for the use of the pool facilities for the Long Branch High School swim team for the 2025 - 2026 season a cost not to exceed \$3,778.

G. GIFTS TO SCHOOL

I recommend the Board approve the Gifts to School as listed:

Manalapan Soccer Club
Long Branch School District
250 Turkeys and Food Baskets
Value (\$3,500.00)

Anonymous Donor
Long Branch High School, Athletic Department
Monetary Donation
Value (\$200.00)
Acct: H167 (0304306533)

United Way
Long Branch School District
Winter Coats
Value (\$2,000.00)

5. PERSONNEL ACTION

A. RETIREMENT - CONTRACTUAL POSITIONS

I recommend the Board accept the retirement of the following individual:

AMILCAR MATOS, Maintenance Worker, effective January 1, 2026. Mr. Matos has a total of 7 years and 8 months of service.

B. RESIGNATION - CONTRACTUAL POSITION

I recommend that the Board accept the resignation of the following individuals:

STEVEN HAND, Technical Support Security Specialist, effective December 5, 2025.

HELENA TABORDA, Secretary, effective December 18, 2025

C. RESIGNATION - STIPEND POSITION

I recommend the Board accept the stipend resignation of the following individuals:

LUKE BALINA, Wrestling (Freshman) Head Coach, effective November 1, 2025

LOUIS DEANGELIS, Coaching Paraprofessional Aide, effective November 1, 2025

ALEXIS LAVALLE, Cheerleading (Freshman) Head Coach, effective November 1, 2025

D. EMPLOYEE TRANSFERS - 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve the transfer of the following individuals:

SHAWN BROWN, from High School to Middle School Teacher.

SHANA KENNEDY, from Little Waves to Audrey W. Clark Instructional Assistant.

E. APPOINTMENT OF CERTIFIED STAFF

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the appointment of the following named individuals who constitute a careful selection and screening of applicants and is hereby recommended for an employment contract contingent upon the successful completion of their degree program, New Jersey Department of Education certification requirements, and all other state and federal guidelines including but not limited to a criminal history clearance and successful clearance of S-141/A-3381 (P.L.2018, c.5). This initial appointment may change as district needs develop:

Name	Position
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Music Teacher
Amerigo A. Anastasia Elementary School
MA+30, Step 1
\$65,611
Certification:

**CHRISTIAN
COVINGTON**

- Teacher of Music

Education: Liberty University
Replaces: Zachary Clements (Resignation)
Acct. # 15-120-100-101-000-03-00) (UPC: 0406-03-MUSIC-TEACHR)
Effective: November 19, 2025

ELA Leave Replacement Teacher
Long Branch High School
BA, Step 1
\$60,111
Certification:

HOPE GUARINO

- Teacher of English

Education: Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, East Stroudsburg,
University of Pennsylvania
Replaces: Gabrielle Hernandez (Resignation)
(Acct # 15-140-100-101-000-01-00) (UPC: 0054-01-ENGLS-TEACHR)
Effective November 1, 2025* pending pre-employment requirements

Principal
Morris Avenue Elementary School
MA+30, Step 1
\$110,000
Certification:

KIMBERLY WALKER

- CE Principal Administrative Certification
- CEAS Elementary School
- Standard Student Personnel Services
- Standard Supervisor

Education: Montclair State University
Replaces: Matthew Johnson (Reassignment)
(Acct. #: 15-000-240-103-000-05-00 & 20-218-200-103-000-05-00) (UPC #: 0021-05-
ELMPR-PRINCP)
Effective: January 1, 2026

F. APPOINTMENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT

I recommend the Board approve the following-named individual as an Instructional Assistant.

TREVOR GENOVESE	Instructional Assistant Gregory School BA, Step 1 \$26,754 Education: Brookdale Community College Replaces: Romina Lujan (Resignation) (Acct. #: 15-214-100-106-000-07-00) (UPC: 1676-07-SEAUT-PARAPF) Effective: November 1, 2025* pending pre-employment requirements
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G. SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEES 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year. *pending fingerprints

SUBSTITUTE CORRIDOR AIDE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Michael J. Jones

SUBSTITUTE INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Melissa Czerwinski*, Madeline Mueller, Valentina Tartara*

SUBSTITUTE NURSE 2025- 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Keri Cunihan*

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Melissa Czerwinski*, Madison Bush, Adalis DeJesus, Yvonne Moody*, Valentina Tartara*, Adriana Vicente*

H. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - WINTER 2025-2026

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend positions:

LOCATION	CATEGORY	STIPEND TITLE	STAFF MEMBER	STEP	RATE
High School		Coaching Paraprofessional Aide	Nick Visicaro		\$16/hr
High School	1	Wrestling (Varsity) - Assistant Coach	Luke Balina	4	\$6,500
High School	1	Wrestling (Freshman) - Head Coach	Louis DeAngelis	3	\$5,500
High School	1	Cheerleading (Varsity) Assistant Coach	Alexis LaValle	1	\$5,000
Middle School	1	Basketball - Boys Assistant Coach	Choyce Schwartz	1	\$3,400
Middle School	-	Interscholastic Athletic/Recreation Activities Advisor	Rosalie Guzzi	-	\$3,000
Middle School	-	Athletic Site Supervisor	Jamie Hayes	-	\$2,500
Middle School/High School	-	Volunteer Coach - Boys/Girls Bowling	Charles Mantione		\$0

I. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - SPRING 2026

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend positions:

LOCATION	CATEGORY	STIPEND TITLE	STAFF MEMBER	STEP	RATE
Middle School	2	Softball - Head Coach	Emily Feldman	1	\$4,100
Middle School		Athletic Site Supervisor	Jamie Hayes	-	\$2,500

J. ANNUAL STIPEND POSITIONS - 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the following annual district stipend positions listed on the attached.

K. CHANGE IN TRAINING LEVEL - 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the change in training level for the following individual effective October 1, 2025:

KAYLA FERRERA, Teacher, moving from MA to MA+30, on the teacher's salary guide

L. TEACHER/MENTOR PROGRAM

I recommend the Board approve the following individuals to assume the position of Mentor annually for a 1 year term effective December 1, 2025.

LOCATION	TEACHER	MENTOR	RATE
George L. Catrambone	Angie Alba-Carrillo	Elizabeth Kaeli	\$1,000
Lenna W. Conrow School	Caitlin Dickinson	Francine Marucci	\$550*

*Provided by The Board of Education

M. STUDENT TEACHER/INTERN PLACEMENT

I recommend that the individual listed be authorized to conduct their student teaching in the Long Branch Public Schools as indicated during the 2025-2026 school year. Long Branch Public School employees must complete their student teaching and/or internship outside of their contractual hours:

Attending School/Student	Pairing / Location	Attending Dates
Brookdale Community College - Courtney Braun	Celia Frances & Sade Montgomery - Morris Avenue School	November 20, 2025 - January 31, 2026
Dominican University of New York - Chaya Goldstone	Denise Buckley - Gregory School	January 5, 2026 - April 6, 2026
Georgian Court University - Eduardo Garrido	Matthew Payne - Middle School	January 5, 2026- April 30, 2026

N. APPROVAL TO INVOKE THE DOCTRINE OF NECESSITY

I recommend the Board approve to invoke the Doctrine of Necessity for the purposes of voting on the Memorandum of Agreements for affiliated and non - affiliated staff - attached.

O. APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND SALARIES

I recommend the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Long Branch Principals and Directors Association (LBPDA), Long Branch Supervisors and Coordinators Association (LBSCA), Long Branch School Employees Association (LBSEA), Long Branch Federation of Teachers (LBFT) and the continuation of the contracts for all non-affiliated employees at a 3.5% increase for FY 27, FY 28 and FY 29.

Mr. Ferraina asked for detail regarding the settlements.

Mr. Rodriguez - All of that information is contained in Board Docs, with each Memorandum of Agreement listed. Discussions of the agreements have to be limited due to those that are conflicted. When we have finished reviewing the agenda, I will go back and show you how to access the agreements.

P. FAMILY MEDICAL/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the family/medical leave of absences listed:

RETURN FROM FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE

EMP ID 4549 effective October 27, 2025.

EMP ID 4424 effective November 10, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING SICK DAYS

EMP ID 4155 from November 10, 2025 to January 29, 2026.

EMP ID 4424 from September 15, 2025 to October 31, 2025.

EMP ID 6869 from November 10, 2025 to December 22, 2025.

EMP ID 4549 from September 10, 2025 to October 24, 2025.

EMP ID 8821 from October 16, 2025 to October 23, 2025.

EMP ID 8806 from October 16, 2025 to November 13, 2025.

EMP ID 9054 from January 5, 2026 to January 9, 2026.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING VACATION DAYS

EMP ID 7888 from October 9, 2025 to October 27, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING EXCHANGE DAYS

EMP ID 7888 from October 28, 2025 to October 30, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING URGENT BUSINESS

EMP ID 6869 for December 23, 2025, January 5, 2026 and January 6, 2026.

EMP ID 8821 from October 24, 2025 and October 27, 2025.

EMP ID 8806 from November 14, 2025 to November 18, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING MINUS SUB PAY

EMP ID 6869 from January 7, 2026 to January 21, 2026.

EMP ID 8821 from October 28, 2025 to November 17, 2025.

EMP ID 8806 from November 19, 2025 to December 4, 2025.

EMP ID 7888 from October 31, 2025 to November 14, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING UNPAID DAYS

EMP ID 7888 from November 17, 2025 to December 30, 2025.

EMP ID 9054 from January 12, 2026 to April 12, 2026.

REQUEST TO EXTEND FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING SICK DAYS

EMP ID 6964 from September 11, 2025 to November 15, 2025.

REQUEST TO EXTEND FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING UNPAID DAYS

EMP ID 6964 from November 17, 2025 to December 22, 2025.

Q. ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES/MEETINGS

I recommend the Board Approve the attendance of staff members at the conferences listed.

6. STUDENT ACTION

A. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY HIB REPORT P.L. 2010. C. 122 (A-3466)

I recommend the Board approve the monthly report as required by statute.

Reporting Period - October 16, 2025-November 19, 2025

Summary:

Total: Seven (7) investigations, (5) five incidents confirmed as HIB

Amerigo A. Anastasia School

One (1) investigation, one (1) incident confirmed as HIB

Audrey W. Clark School

Two (2) investigations, zero (0) incidents confirmed as HIB

Gregory School

One (1) investigation, one (1) incident confirmed as HIB

High School

Three (3) investigations, (3) three incidents confirmed as HIB

B. PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS ON HOME INSTRUCTION - 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the placement of home instruction for the 2025 - 2026 school year for the students listed.

IN HOUSE

ID#: 20291984

ID#: 20280939

C. TERMINATION OF STUDENTS ON HOME INSTRUCTION

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the following termination of students on Home Instruction for 2025-2026 school year.

ID#: 20297518

ID#: 20271560

D. PLACEMENT OF OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENTS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR - GENERAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

I recommend the Board approve the out of district students for the 2025-2026 placement.

REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY

Tinton Falls, N.J.

Tuition: \$6,300.00/mth.

ID#: 20266432

ID#: 20316215

E. PLACEMENT OF OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENTS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

I recommend the Board approve the following placement of out of district students for the 2025 - 2026 school year:

CPC HIGH POINT

Morganville, NJ

Tuition: \$105,716.52

Trans:

Effective Dates: 10/13/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20291991, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

BONNIE BRAE

Basking Ridge, N.J.

Tuition: \$90,085

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/7/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20281213, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

OCEAN ACADEMY

Bayville, NJ

Tuition: \$72,783.00

Ext. Aid: \$42,460.80

Trans:

Effective Dates: 7/23/25-6/18/26

ID#: 80100312, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

COLLIER SCHOOL

Morganville, NJ

Tuition: \$63,961.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 9/22/25-6/18/26

ID#: 20270484, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

BENWAY SCHOOL

Wayne, NJ

Tuition: \$71,031.87

Trans:

Effective Dates: 10/31/25-6/24/26

ID#: 110850212, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

SHORE CENTER

Bayshore, NJ

Tuition: \$46,400.00

Trans:

Effective Dates: 11/3/25-6/16/26

ID#: 20270768, classified as Eligible for Special Education & related services

F. FIELD TRIPS

I recommend the Board approve the Field Trips indicated below and made part of the permanent minutes upon Board approval.

7. CORRECTIONS/REVISION TO MINUTES

A. CORRECTIONS/REVISION TO MINUTES

I recommend the Board approve/ratify the corrections/revisions to minutes listed:

October 15, 2025

Annual Stipend Positions - 2025 - 2026 School Year

Elementary Schools/ECLC: GLC/Gregory School; Title I Tutoring (SIA Funded); \$27 up to 2 sessions a week. This should have read \$27 up to 3 sessions a week.

August 27, 2025

Annual Stipend Positions - 2025 - 2026 School Year

Elementary/ECLC Title I Tutors (Grant Funded); Ingrid Guzman should not have been listed.

Approval of Half Day Scheduled - Middle School and High School Testing

That the Board approve a half day schedule for Middle School and High School students who will be state testing on October 28, 2025*, October 29, 2025*, October 30, 2025*, October 31, 2025*, April 28, April 29, April 30 and May 1, 2026. *Pending further guidance from the NJDOE. This should have also included a half day schedule for High School students only for January 26, 27, 28 and 29, 2026 and June 16, 17, 18 and 22, 2026.

June 18, 2025

Recommendation for Placement of Out of District Students for the 2025 - 2026 School Year

Ocean Academy, Student ID# 20263281; Tuition read \$84,913.50. This should have read \$34,368.90.

8. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:35 P.M.

That the Board approve the following Resolution -

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975) allows for the exclusion from discussion at the public portion of a meeting of certain matters which might endanger the public interest or risk the deprivation of individual rights, and

WHEREAS, the Long Branch Board of Education wishes to discuss **personnel matters** with the resulting action being made public when a proper conclusion has been reached and there is no longer a need for confidentiality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Long Branch Board of Education will hold a closed Executive Session in the Conference Room, 540 Broadway, Long Branch, New Jersey. It is anticipated that the closed session will not last longer than 30 minutes. Action may be taken in the public portion of the meeting upon recessing of this Executive Session back into the open public meeting.

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Motion by Tasha Youngblood Brown, second by Rick Garlipp.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Motion Carries

The Board returned to open session at 6:45 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Peters - President

Mrs. Youngblood Brown

Mr. Torres

Mrs. Dangler - Vice President

Mr. Ferraina

Mr. Zimmerman

Mr. Zambrano

Mr. Garlipp

Mr. Sama

B. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 7236), effective October 23, 2025.

C. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 5608), effective October 30, 2025.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Theresa Dangler to approve items 9B and 9C.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Nays: Joseph M. Ferraina and Jon Zimmerman - 9B only

Motion Carries

DISCUSSION

Mr. Rodriguez explained to the Board that through the efforts of Sodexo and some of the administrative team, we were able to feed over 650 families when the schools were closed and the SNAP benefits were being withheld. He also stated that he had received a call from the Department of Education that we had been "flagged". When he inquired what that meant, he was told we have one of the largest SNAP utilization in the County.

Once again, Mr. Rodriguez thanked Sodexo and Fulfill in helping us feed our families in need.

Mrs. Peters stated that she had attended a County meeting and she heard a similar comment regarding the food insecurity in Long Branch.

Mrs. Peters asked how many respondents did we have for the Wrap-Around Request for Proposal.

Mr. Genovese - There were 2, Champions and AlphaBest Education.

Mrs. Peters asked if there were any concerns with regard to Champions?

Mr. Rodriguez - No, there are none.

Mrs. Youngblood Brown stated that at the last meeting a comment was made regarding live streaming our Board meetings and asked who would address that suggestion.

Mr. Rodriguez - It would go to the members of the Governance Committee.

Mrs. Youngblood Brown inquired about the request made on behalf of the Simonelli family.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that request would also go to the Governance Committee.

Mr. Garlipp asked if there will be a replacement for the person who is being appointed to the principal position at the Morris Avenue School.

Mr. Rodriguez - That is being evaluated.

Mr. Rodriguez explained the difference between the Pre-School Supervisor position and the Director of Early Childhood Education.

Mr. Sama asked how many candidates there were for the principal position at Morris Avenue School.

Mr. Rodriguez - 10.

Mrs. Peters - Were they all from within?

Mr. Rodriguez - Yes.

10. ADJOURNMENT - 6:57 P.M.

Motion by Violeta Peters, second by Rick Garlipp.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

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