LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION
LYNDHURST, NEW JERSEY

December 22, 2025
Meeting #15

Public Meeting - 7:00 pm
Middle School Auditorium
This meeting is being recorded

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
Dr. Anthony Scardino, President
Paul Passamano, Vice President

Domenick Abbate, Jr.
Chris Andrinopoulos
Anthony Giarrusso
Anna Passamano
Peter Petronzio
Elaine Stella
Michael Valvano

Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Alma Morel, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
James Hyman, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Wayne Demikoff, State Monitor

Next Meeting - Reorganization
January 6, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE: It may be necessary, from time to time, to remove or make changes in a motion(s) between the time this agenda is prepared and when the Board takes action.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER **Time: _____P.M.**

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Domenick Abbate		
Chris Andrinopoulos		
Anthony Giarrusso		
Anna Passamano		
Paul Passamano		
Peter Petronzio		
Dr. Anthony Scardino		
Elaine Stella		
Michael Valvano		

NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW

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.

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the following means: Annual notice was sent to The Record Newspaper, Township Clerk and posted in the lobby of the Town Hall & Board Office, setting forthcoming scheduled work meetings and public meetings of the board.

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 at either of these public hearing segments, are asked to sign in on the speakers' sheet located on the podium. Comments and questions shall be addressed to the Board President or the presiding officer and shall be limited to five minutes per person.

Members of the public who choose to speak during this public session should carefully consider their comments as they could be held personally liable for any statements they make. Members of the public are asked to refrain from reading articles out loud at meetings. If there is an article(s) that you would like the Board to know about, please leave a copy with the Board Secretary who will see to it that it gets distributed to the appropriate persons.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting #14, November 25, 2025

	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

STATE MONITOR'S REPORT

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Audit Report - Jeff Bliss

Presentation of Recognition

- **Lighthouse Awards**

PUBLIC BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

BOARD DISCUSSION & FORMAL BUSINESS AGENDA

FINANCE **Peter Petronzio, Chairperson**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Finance recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote.

I make a motion to move forward Finance resolutions _____ through ____ to be adopted.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Audit Report of the Lyndhurst Board of Education for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, submitted by Lerch, Vinci & Bliss, LLP shall be accepted.

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the Certification of Implementation of Corrective Action Plan ("CAP") for the fiscal year 2024-2025 audit.

3. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lyndhurst Board of Education that it has received and accepts the financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month ended November 30, 2025 and certifies that the reports indicate that no major account or fund is over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year. A copy of the certification shall be included in the minutes.

4. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached transfers for the month of November 2025.

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the payroll for the month ended November 2025 be hereby approved and ordered paid:

November 14, 2025	$1,778,872.76
November 26, 2025	$1,655,553.15

6. BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached list of supplies received and services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, for the period from November 26, 2025 and ending December 22, 2025 are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Charter School (Fund 10)	$ 28,269.00
Current Expenses (Fund 11)	$1,559,324.23
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	$ 201,123.60
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	$ 148,343.21
General Ledger	$ 160,165.85
Total	**$2,097,225.89**

7. BE IT RESOLVED, that the expenses to the Cafeteria Account (Fund 60) for the period from November 26, 2025 and ending December 22, 2025 are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Repairs	$ 4,359.20
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	$ 39,673.44
Services	$135,083.03
Total	**$179,115.67**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025						
11-000-261-610	MAINTENANCE SUPPLY DISTR	1,928.00		11-000-261-800	OTHER OBJECTS - MAINT.	1,928.00
11-000-230-331	LEGAL SERVICES/LAWSUITS	632.00		11-000-230-890	MISC. EXPENDITURES-DUES	632.00
11-000-213-600	HEALTH SUPPLIES	338.00		11-000-213-300	DOCTORS PHYSICALS	338.00
11-000-222-600	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	100.00		11-000-222-100	LIBRARY TECH	100.00
11-000-251-580	BUSINESS WORKSHOPS	15.00		11-000-251-610	BUSINESS OFFICE SUPPLIES	15.00
11-402-100-320	PURCH. SRVCS @AT	3,811.00		11-000-270-162	SAL - PUPIL TRANS ATHL	3,811.00
11-000-270-420	CONTRACTUAL BUS REPAIRS	4,111.00		11-000-270-615	TRANSP SUPPLIES/REPAIRS	4,111.00
11-000-270-420	CONTRACTUAL BUS REPAIRS	106.00		11-000-270-890	TRANS/MISC	106.00
11-402-100-390	GAME COVERAGE-POLICE @AT	2,030.00		11-402-100-100	GAME WORKERS	2,030.00
11-000-230-630	BOE IN-HOUSE TRAINING/MT	492.00		11-000-230-610	BOE SUPPLIES	492.00
11-000-100-565	TUITIONS @BCSSD	5,494.00		11-190-100-610	DISTRICT CURRICULUM	5,494.00

8. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approves Proponent Federal Credit Union, named as a vendor, effective January 1, 2026.

9. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education accepts FY 2025 carryover funds for the ESEA grants in the following amounts:

Title I	$23,497
Title II	$5,152
Title III	$7,391

10. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the Settlement Agreement with the parent/guardian of student #194595, as submitted.

11. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the transfer amount of $114,000.00 from Capital Reserve to line account #12-402-100-730-02-00-050 for the high school field for the 2025-2026 school year.

12. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve/renew the contract "Amendment to the Agreement" with Delta Dental of New Jersey, Inc. for two years at expiring rates, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.

	7/1/25 - 6/30/27
Employee	$ 45.08
Employee +1	$ 82.22
Employee +2	$137.81

13. WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education has received an offer for prescription coverage for the period January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, from Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey (Horizon BCBSNJ) in the amount of $1,986,159.00.

    NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education does hereby approve Horizon BCBSNJ to provide prescription benefits for all covered employees effective January 1, 2026.

14. WHEREAS, a recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education ("Board") to seek a contract for The Gym Roof Replacement Project at Jefferson School (hereinafter "Project"); and

    WHEREAS, the Project was properly advertised to prospective bidders in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4 et seq.; and

    WHEREAS, on Thursday, December 11, 2025, the Board received bids from potential bidders in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the lowest bid for the Project was submitted by Patwood Roofing Co., whose bid has been reviewed and deemed compliant with the bid specifications and New Jersey Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.; and

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby awards the Project to Patwood Roofing Co. for the base bid, in the amount of $277,000.00.

15. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education award the contract for the emergency boiler replacement at Lyndhurst High School to Combustion Service Corp., in the amount of $1,756,165.00, for the 2025-2026 school year and 2026-2027 school year.

16. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the agreement with Valley Health System, Occupational Health Services for Drug and Alcohol Testing Services, for one year, effective April 1, 2026.

17. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve a student to attend Windsor Learning Center in Pompton Plains, effective December 15, 2025. Tuition is prorated at $41,471.00 for the remainder of this school year. The cost of one-on-one aide will be $30,510.00 for 113 days. Transportation will be provided by the South Bergen Jointure Commission.

18. WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11, et seq. authorizes two or more contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services, and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, NJEdge.Net, Inc. ("NJEdge"), hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education duly considers participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education within the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, desires to participate in the EdgeMarket Cooperative Pricing System; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Lyndhurst Board of Education.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11, et seq., James Hyman, School Business Administrator of the Lyndhurst Board of Education, on behalf of Lyndhurst Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

This Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq., and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

19. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following Cooperative Purchases:

Cooperative/Contract	Vendor	Product/Service	Amount
Second River Purchasing Cooperative (Belleville Board of Education) Resolution 12.24	Sonny Electric Inc.	Columbus School - Camera Wiring & Installation	$25,992.40
Second River Purchasing Cooperative (Belleville Board of Education) Resolution 12.24	Sonny Electric Inc.	Roosevelt School - Camera Wiring & Installation	$32,986.71
NJEDGE Contract #00278834	Carahsoft Technology Corp.	Columbus School - Cameras & Supplies	$33,236.20
NJEDGE Contract #00278834	Carahsoft Technology Corp.	Roosevelt School - Cameras & Supplies	$63,688.82

Finance	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM **Anna Passamano, Chairperson**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Education and Curriculum recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote.

I make a motion to move forward Education and Curriculum resolutions ____ through ____ to be adopted.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approves the following locations as potential opportunities for field trips for the Lyndhurst School District, for the 2025-2026 school year:

   Lyndhurst Senior Center Lyndhurst, NJ

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approves two of the NJDOE Commissioner-Approved Highly Effective Educator Activities: (1) Leading In-District Professional Development/Professional Learning, and (2) Peer-to-Peer Protocol. The NJDOE Commissioner-Approved Highly Effective Educator Activities offers tenured teachers rated highly effective on their most recent summative evaluation an alternative to one of the two required traditional classroom observations. NJDOE has added six new Highly Effective Educator Activities that allow educators to engage in a single, structured, meaningful educational opportunity that promotes self-assessment and professional growth. These activities will be available to eligible staff starting January 2026.

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approves two of the NJDOE Commissioner-Approved Highly Effective Educator Activities: (1) Leading In-District Professional Development/Professional Learning, and (2) Peer-to-Peer Protocol. In accordance with the NJDOE Educator Evaluation Guidance (July 2025), educator evaluation regulations (N.J.A.C. 6A:10) provides districts with significant flexibility, enabling them to tailor their evaluation systems to meet both local and individual needs. Tenured other certificated staff rated highly effective on their most recent summative evaluation will be offered the same opportunity as teachers to complete one of the Highly Effective Educator Activities as an alternative to one of the two required traditional classroom observations. These activities will be available to eligible staff starting January 2026.

Education And Curriculum	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

POLICIES AND RULES/REGULATIONS **Elaine Stella, Chairperson**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Policies and Rules/Regulations recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote.

I make a motion to move forward Policies and Rules/Regulations resolutions _____ through _____ to be adopted.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB investigations for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the students' parents, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents.

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2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following use of school facilities:

Organization	Place	Time, Date, Purpose
Washington School PTA	Gym	3:00 - 7:00 pm on 12/3/25 9:00 am - 3:00 pm on 12/4/25 9:00 am - 3:00 pm on 12/5/25 Holiday Shop
Elite 1s Basketball Program	Middle School Gym	6:00 - 9:00 pm 3/16/26 through 6/30/26 Monday through Thursday Basketball Practices & Games
Lyndhurst Parks Dept.	High School Gym	8:30 am - 5:30 pm 12/7/25 Boys Basketball Games
Berkley College	High School Auditorium	8:30 am - 2:45 pm 12/19/25 Presentation
Lyndhurst Parks Dept.	Middle School Dance & Yoga Room	5:00 - 8:30 pm 2/2/26 through 6/9/26 Monday through Thursday Dance Practices

Lyndhurst Parks Dept.	Middle School Gymnasium	5:30 - 10:00 pm (M-F) 11:00 am - 8:00 pm (Sat. & Sun.) 11/14/25 through 3/20/26 Basketball Practices & Games

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the First Reading of the following policy and regulation:

P 7250 School and Facility Names
R 7250 School and Facility Names

Policy Rules & Regulations	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

SAFETY, SECURITY & HEALTH **Anthony Giarrusso, Chairperson**

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Safety, Security & Health recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote.

I make a motion to move forward Safety, Security & Health resolutions ____ through ____ to be adopted.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education conducted the following live School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills according to NJAC 6A:27-11.2:

Date	Time	School	Location
12/1/25	8:00 am	Middle School	Front of School
12/1/25	8:25 am	Roosevelt/Washington Schools	Front of Roosevelt School
12/4/25	7:45 am	High School	Front of Main Office
12/4/25	8:30 am	Franklin/Jefferson Schools	Front of Jefferson School
12/5/25	8:30 am	Columbus/Community Schools	Front of Columbus School

Safety and Security	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

PERSONNEL

This section will be available after the Executive Session (in-person only).

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC BE HEARD NON-AGENDA ITEMS

PERSONNEL

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Personnel recommends the following resolutions be moved forward for a roll call vote.

I make a motion to move forward Personnel resolutions _____ through ____ to be adopted.

A. EMPLOYMENT

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***appointments*** of the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1, N.J.A.C. 23A-6.8, and Board Policies 3141 and 4125, effective through for the 2025-2026 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

	Name	Position	Line Account	Salary	Location	Effective Date
a	Kieara Salme	Long Term Replacement	11-130-100-101-MS-25-302	$32,000 (prorated)	Middle School	2/6/26 To 6/19/26
b	Justin Grasso	Head Custodian	11-000-262-100-36-6 1-000	Step 1 $37,400 Plus $2,155 (prorated)	Washington	On or about 1/15/26

B. RESIGNATION

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education ***accept*** the following employee resignations pursuant to N.J.S.A;18A:28-8; and Board of Education Policy 3141 for the 2025-2026 school year:

	Name	Position	Location	Effective Date
a	Nicolina Virtuoso	Lunch Aide	Washington	12/10/25

C. RETIREMENT

N/A

D. COACHES /ADVISORS/STIPENDS

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity, student activity positions for the 2025-2026 school year. New hires must be fully processed, including the results of a criminal background check prior to employment. 11 402 100 100 02 97 050

a	Kristie Murru	Poetry Slam	$439
b	Gina DiMaggio	SAT Prep Instructor	$1,000
c	Angela Isola	SAT Prep Instructor	$1,000

d	Patrick Auteri	Baseball Head Coach	Step 3 $9,418	High School	25-26 School Year
e	Joseph Auteri	Baseball Assistant Coach	Step 3 $7,164	High School	25-26 School Year
f	William Bellenger	Baseball Assistant Coach	Step 3 $7,164	High School	25-26 School Year
g	Robert Bloom	Baseball Assistant Coach	½ of Step 3 $3,582	High School	25-26 School Year
h	Matthew DeMarco	Baseball Assistant Coach	½ of Step 3 $3,582	High School	25-26 School Year
i	Diana Auteri	Softball Head Coach	Step 3 $9,418	High School	25-26 School Year
j	Ashley Cappiello	Softball Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step 3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School Year
k	Robert Fagan	Softball Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School Year
l	Joe Catena	Softball Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step 3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School year
m	Rich Tuero	Track Head Coach	Step 3 $9,418	High School	25-26 School Year
n	Michael Picardo	Track Assistant Coach	Step 3 $7,164	High School	25-26 School Year

o	James Day	Track Assistant Coach	Step 3 $7,164	High School	25-26 School Year
p	Darius Hughes	Track Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step 3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School Year
q	Isaiah Aviles	Track Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step 3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School Year
r	Elena Wise	Track Assistant Coach	Step 3 $7,164	High School	25-26 School Year
s	Joe Castagnetti	Track Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step 3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School Year
t	Olivia Decker	Track Assistant Coach	⅓ of 2 Step 3's $4,776	High School	25-26 School Year
u	Danny Kesack	Boys Volleyball Head Coach	Step 3 $8,547	High School	25-26 School Year
v	Nick Serpico	Assistant Volleyball Coach	Step 2 $5,659	High School	25-26 School Year
w	Chris Amato	Boys Lacrosse Head Coach	Step 3 $8,547	High School	25-26 School Year
x	Mark Azzarello	Boys Lacrosse Assistant Coach	Step 3 $6,300	High School	25-26 School Year
y	Salvatore Aiello	Girls Flag Football Head Coach	$4,000	High School	25-26 School Year
z	Dylan Weaver	Assistant Wrestling Coach	Step 1 $5,588	High School	25-26 School Year

E. SUBSTITUTES

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***appointment*** of the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

Timothy Masterson	Substitute Teacher
Bettyann Rasczyk	Substitute Secretary
Blake Klein	Substitute Teacher*
Dylann Cedeno	Substitute Teacher*
Rebecca Rossano	Substitute Lunch Aide
Zaire Ferguson	Substitute Lunch Aide
Deborah Duffy	Substitute Secretary and Substitute Teacher Aide*

F. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

G. VOLUNTEER

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***appointment*** of the following volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year, pending results of fingerprint check:

	Name	Position	Location	Effective
a	Rich Gress	Baseball Athletic Paraprofessional	High School	25-26 SY
b	Anthony Mascellino	Baseball Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
c	Emilly Ringen	Softball Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
d	Genna Ricciardi	Softball Athletic Paraprofessional	High School	25-26 SY
e	Grace Tomko Catena	Softball Athletic Paraprofessional	High School	25-26 SY
f	Robert Giarraffa	Softball Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
g	Jason DaCosta	Track Athletic Paraprofessional	High School	25-26 SY
h	Peter Guerriero	Track Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
i	Elena Wise	Track Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
j	Brianna Zichelli	Track Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
k	Joe Vastola	Lacrosse Volunteer Coach	High School	25-26 SY
l	Nate Barriteau	Lacrosse Athletic Paraprofessional	High School	25-26 SY

H. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

N/A

I. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2025-2026 school year, for the following employees to attend workshops:

Timothy Belmont	LHS ELA Teacher 7-12	1/28/26-1/30/26	Yes	TECHSPO NJ 2026 (NJASA)	Harrah's Atlantic City, Waterfront Conference Center, 777 Harrah's Blvd., Atlantic City, NJ 08401	Registration Fee $510.00, travel /expenses not to exceed $194.00
Timothy Belmont	LHS ELA Teacher 7-12	3/10/26	Yes	NJECC NJ EdTech Conference (Presenter)	Montclair State Univ., 1-E Normal Ave. Montclair, NJ	N/C
Elaine Catanese	Jefferson - ELA, PreK-6 Teacher	12/5/25	Yes	Giving Tree Collection & Organization	Lyndhurst Middle School	N/C
Alexa DeJoseph	Jefferson -School Counselor	3/13/26	No	Urban Assembly Social-Emotional Learning Symposium	CUNY Graduate Center, 365 5th Ave., New York, NY 10016	Registration Fee $50.00, travel /expenses not to exceed $80.00
Sharon Dudek	Middle School - Science Teacher	2/23/26	Yes	Institute for Educational Development (AI for Science Teachers: Saving Teacher Time, Strengthening Learning & Inspiring Innovation) Gr. 6-12	On-line	Registration Fee $295.00
Marisa Hanrahan	Washington - School Counselor	3/13/26	No	Urban Assembly SEL Symposium	The Urban Assembly, 90 Broad St., New York, NY 10004	Registration Fee $50.00, travel /expenses not to exceed $15.00
Angela Percontino	LHS Italian Teacher	1/16/26 -1/19/26	Yes	IAFL - Italian American Future Leaders	Sunrise, Florida	N/C

				Convention		
Michael Rizzo	Principal - Middle School	1/16/26 -1/19/26	No	Get Your Lead on Convention (Hope King Teaching Resources, Inc.)	Westgate Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada	Registration Fee $515.00, travel/ expenses not to exceed $4,000.00

J. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education ***confirm/approve*** the Internship as listed below, pending clearance of required paperwork:

	Name	University	From	To	Teacher	Subject
a	Alyson Gorski	Caldwell University	1/5/26	6/19/26	Maureen Colombo	School Counselor
b	Juliann Sedlock	Thomas Edison State University	1/5/26	6/19/29	Sabrina Leone Director	Administration 150 hours

K. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education approve the Employee Benefits and Compensation Policy for Paraprofessionals & Aides and the attached revised salary guide effective September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2029.

2) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education confirm/approve Joseph DeCorso's revised employment contract as Superintendent, effective December 22, 2025 through June 30, 2030 which has been approved by the Executive County Superintendent on November 13, 2025.

L. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

M. GENERAL

1) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education approve an increase in the hourly wage to $17.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2026, for the following part time positions:

Building Watch Person
Breakfast Aide
Lunch Aide
Bus Aide
Bus Driver
Custodian

2) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education approve an increase in the hourly wage for the position of Lunch Captain, to $18.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2026.

3) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education ***confirm/approve*** the following teachers as mentors in accordance with NJDOE educator mentoring and induction support as per N.J.A.C. 6A:9C-5.1. The mentoring fee is paid for by the mentee teacher.

Mentor Teacher	**Mentee**	**Mentoring Fee**
Ava Ruggier	Robert Bloom (CE)	$1,000
Michele Terpak	Madison Schaefer	$550 (prorated from Jan. to June)

4) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education ***confirm/approve*** the following staff members who will provide instruction for the LMS Slay the NJSLA after-school tutoring program. Staff will work no more than 30 hours and be paid in accordance with the LEA contract hourly rate of $40/hr. Staff will be paid from account line 11-120-100-100-AS-30-000 and from Title I account line 20-231-100-101-MS-25-302.

Christie Agbaosi	Ashley Cappiello	Justus Deleshaw
Dawn Egbert	Paula Ellis	Marisa Hanrahan
Karen Herman	Robert Kost	Cassandra Laudati
Melissa Mule	Lisa Picillo	Veronica Wolf
Christine Leonardi (20 hrs)	Rachel Guzzo (20 hours)	Sharon Dudek (20 hours)
Theresa Brennen Michael Rizzo $5,680 from Title I account line 20-231-200-101-MS-25-302		

5) Mr. Joseph DeCorso, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Lyndhurst Board of Education ***approve*** additional period coverage for employee #4638 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Name/Location	Building	1/6 of Salary, not to exceed
James Day	Middle School	$8,372.11
Kristen Palmer	Middle School	$8,372.11
Michael Picardo	Middle School	$8,704.72
Staci Valentin	Middle School	$8,069.75

Personnel	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent									

MOTION TO ADJOURN **Time:** _____P.M.

Roll Call	Mr. Abbate	Mr. Andrinopoulos	Mr. Giarrusso	Ms. Passamano	Mr. Passamano	Mr. Petronzio	Dr. Scardino	Ms. Stella	Mr. Valvano
Motion									
Aye									
Absent									