

HAWTHORNE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Hawthorne, New Jersey
Tuesday, December 16, 2025
Regular Meeting – 6:00 P.M.
Lincoln Middle School

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Time: 6:00 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		Arrived at 6:03 p.m.
Gisselle Vega	X		
Marco Totaro	X		

Also Present: Matthew Mignanelli, Superintendent of Schools
Sandy Vicale, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
And 3 members of the public and 51 via You Tube.

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

MOTION TO GO INTO REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING:

Time: 6:39 p.m.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote

Moved by Mr. Totaro, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

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

PUBLIC BE HEARD - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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Board of Education Roll Call Vote

Moved by Mr.Clavijo, seconded by Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Christmas card from Passaic County Education Association

REPORTS:

A. Student Council Representative's Report – Jonathan Barbarisi- (Arrived at 6:06 pm)

- Mr. Barbarisi reported on start of holiday events, winter sports, HHS Fall production, HHS Band concert, Holiday dance, Senior events, Toy drive, bake sales, Multi-cultural event, and winter events.

B. Superintendent's Report – Matthew Mignanelli

- Mr. Mignanelli reported on Governor's Educators of the Year recipients, Superintendent Parent coffees, congratulated middle school girls and boys soccer teams, National Girl in Women's Sports award recipient, Mackenzie Doyle, winter sports, HHS Fall production, HS Band Concert, Parent Informational Night, Dual Enrollment Night, and recognition of Board Member, Michael Doyle.

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON

- C. Legislative..... Joseph Carr
No Report
- D. Finance & Administration..... Alex Clavijo
Sub rates, Bear Cave, Pre-K Tuition, Referendum, Bus location, Food Service Audit
- E. Buildings & Grounds..... Michael Doyle
Facilities update, potential future projects
- F. Policy..... Michael Doyle
No Report
- G. Council Liaison..... Jennifer Ehrentraut
Tree Lighting and Santa Parade, Christmas home decoration contest, last meeting
- H. Personnel..... Jennifer Ehrentraut
No Report
- I. Curriculum & Instruction..... Abigail Goff
Chronic absenteeism and CAP, review of chronic absenteeism survey results, re-registration, elementary school student population
- J. NJSBA..... Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
No Report
- K. PCSBA..... Erica Mulkey-Koltzan
Congratulated Michael Doyle and welcomed Lisa Spohn
- L. HEF/SEPAC/PTOs..... Anthony Puluse
T-Shirts created by Bear Cave, 5K Run, PTO 50/50 fundraiser, HEF raffle, recognized Mr. Doyle for his contribution to HEF

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
LMS	Enrichment-Network – Grade 6-7-8	Presbyterian Church Morris Plains	HPS	\$35.00	\$0.00
LMS	Enrichment-Network – Grade 6	Haskell Public School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
JS/RS/WS	Enrichment-PATH–	Newark Museum	HPS	\$30.00	\$0.00

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School	Group	Destination	Transportation	Cost Per Student	Outside Funding
	Grade 5				
LMS	Enrichment-Network – Grade 6	John P. Holland Charter School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
JS/RS/WS	Enrichment-PATH-Grade 4	Medieval Times	HPS	\$52.00	\$0.00
LMS	LMS Student Council	Washington School	HPS	\$0.00	\$0.00
LMS	7 th Grade Blue Team	Nyoda	HPS	\$0.00	PTO Municipal Alliance

- CI-2. 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.
- CI-3. Acceptance of a grant from the New Jersey Department of Education in the amount of \$8,753.46 awarded through the Phone Free Schools Grant Program.
- CI-4. Approval of Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for Addressing Chronic Absenteeism for the 2025-2026 school year for Washington Elementary School, Lincoln Middle School and Hawthorne High School.
- CI-5. Acceptance of FY 2025 carryover funds for the ESEA grants in the following amounts:

Title 1A	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$80,155.00
Title II A	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$ 9,727.00
St. Anthony's	\$ 856.00
HCA	\$ 2,378.00
Total Carryover	\$ 12,961.00
Title III	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$ 4,307.00
Title IV	
Hawthorne Public Schools	\$ 18,556.00
St. Anthony's	\$ 4,535.00
HCA	\$ 1,632.00
Total Carryover	\$ 24,723.00

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following student placement based upon NJ Department of Education Maximum:

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
CI-6.	Bergen County Special Services	A rate not to exceed \$900.00 for Assistive Technology	N/A	N/A	Student (File #120125)	11/21/25 - 6/30/26	25-26 SY

CI-7. Approval of home instruction for Hawthorne resident pupil(s) as follows:

- a. Student (file #120225) – Instruction starting date: 9/16/25
Home Instructor(s) – Educere

*CI-8. Acceptance of the Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation (MSHEF) Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 for Hawthorne High School.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following student placement based upon NJ Department of Education Maximum:

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
*C-9.	Bergen County Special Services	OT Therapy Services for 30 minutes weekly for a total fee not to exceed \$1,875.00	N/A	N/A	Student (File #121325)	12/3/25 - 6/18/26	25-26 SY

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawthorne Board of Education approve the following student out of district placement based upon NJ Department of Education Maximum:

	School	SY Tuition	Additional Services	ESY Tuition	Student #	Dates of Term	Discussion
*CI-10.	Bergen County Special Services	OT Therapy Services for 30 minutes weekly for a total fee not to exceed \$1,875.00	N/A	N/A	Student (File #121425)	12/3/25 - 6/18/26	25/26 SY

*CI-11. Approval of a revised tuition contract agreement, CI-11 from our November 18, 2025 Board Meeting with Shepard Preparatory High School for one resident student (File #121525) a revised tuition fee from \$49,625.78 dated 10/29/25 to \$44,984.52 dated 12/4/25 for the 2025-2026 school year.

*CI-12. Approval of an agreement with Kenyon Learning and Consulting LLC to provide Assistive Technology Training services for a maximum of 10 hours at a rate of \$175.00 per hour or a flat rate of \$1,100.00. All other services, a maximum of 10 hours at a rate

of \$175.00 per hour for the 2025-2026 school year.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions CI-1 – CI-12

Moved by Mrs. Goff, seconded by Ms. Ehrentraut

Board Comments: Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan inquired about CI-3.

	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey-Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Dr. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr. <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentraut</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
Motion	1							2	
Aye	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.	Jackson Cianciulli	Resign	Guidance Counselor	n/a	n/a	HHS	2/6/26 or sooner depending on the filling of the open position	Last Day on Payroll 2/5/26 or sooner	Resignation
P-2.	Lindsay DeGroff	Resign	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	JS	12/24/25	Last Day on Payroll 12/23/25	Resignation
P-3.	Julie Schmidberger	Retire	Paraprofessional	n/a	n/a	RS	2/1/26	Last Day on Payroll 1/30/26	Retirement
P-4.	Julia Waldron	Adjusted Leave	Elementary School Teacher	n/a	n/a	WS	12/5/25	First Day Back on Payroll 3/2/26	Extension of Child Rearing Leave
P-5.	Jessica Ioime	Leave	Elementary School Teacher	n/a	n/a	RS	4/17/26 on payroll and estimated date of 5/18/26 without pay	First Day back on Payroll 11/30/26	Approval of Maternity Leave and Federal/State Family Leave of Absence in accordance

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							FMLA estimated 9/1/26 – 11/24/26		with the Federal/State Family Leave Act followed by Child Rearing Leave
P-6.	Elaine Jorgensen	Adjust	School Psychologist	M+60/18	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$102,065	HHS	Increase in Longevity Payable 1/15/26 Retroactive as of 12/1/25	6/30/26	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2025-2026 negotiated contract
P-7.	Pamela Fadden	Adjust	Teacher of Mathematics	M+15/18	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$96,165	HHS	Increase in Longevity Payable 1/15/26 Retroactive as of 12/1/25	6/30/26	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2025-2026 negotiated contract
P-8.	Lisa Ruben	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	B+15/18	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$94,965	JS	Increase in Longevity Payable 1/15/26 Retroactive as of 12/1/25	6/30/26	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2025-2026 negotiated contract
P-9.	Danielle Sico	Adjust	Elementary School Teacher	ME/18	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$96,565	RS	Increase in Longevity Payable 1/15/26 Retroactive as of 12/1/25	6/30/26	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2025-2026 negotiated contract
P-10.	Shawn Kaminskyj	Adjust	Teacher of Physical Education	BA/18	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$94,065	WS	Increase in Longevity Payable 1/15/26 Retroactive as of 12/1/25	6/30/26	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2025-2026 negotiated contract
P-11.	Shari Shepetofsky	Adjust	Speech Language Pathologist	M+45/18	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$103,665	JS	Increase in Longevity Payable 1/15/26 Retroactive as of 12/1/25	6/30/26	Adjustment in salary based on the adjusted longevity payment as per the 2025-2026 negotiated contract
P-12.	Victoria D'Orilia	Hire	Long Term Substitute Teacher	\$299 per day is based on BA/1	\$105 per day until Mrs. McKeon comes off payroll on approximately 2/3/26, then \$299 per day	JS	1/5/26 Pending completion of criminal history review	5/3/26 or the return of the regular teacher	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Maternity Leave of Erin McKeon
P-13.	Arlen Carrion	Adjust	Paraprofessional	PARA	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary	District	1/15/26	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the

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Ite m #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
					of \$37,150 plus \$1,854 ABA stipend if applicable				Resignation of Lindsay De Groff
P- 14.	Cynthia Pucci	Hire	Part Time Para	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$21,275 plus \$1,854 ABA stipend if applicable, based on actual starting date 5.75 hours per day 5 days per week	District	12/17/25	6/18/25	To Fill a Vacancy
P- 15.	Basilia Garcia Liria	Leave	Part Time Para	n/a	n/a	LMS	12/1/25	12/23/25	Unpaid Leave
P- 16.	Xiaorou Ruan	Hire	Teacher Assistant	n/a	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$27,000 based on actual starting date 5.75 hours per day 5 days per week	District	12/17/25 Pending completion of criminal history review and receipt of substitute certificate	6/18/26	Per Contract with Columbia University
p- 17.	Lizette Perez	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	HHS	12/4/25 & 12/18/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120125) for Bowling
p- 18.	Faiza Jatkar	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	HHS	12/11/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120125) for Bowling
P- 19.	Matthew Trejos	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 4 hours	HHS	12/11/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 12__25) for Holiday Dance
P- 20.	Monica Moss	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1-5 hours	HHS	12/17/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120125) for Winter Concert
P- 21.	Lucy Atanasio	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	HHS	12/4/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120325) for Bowling
P- 22.	Janna Mamaeva	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	HHS	12/11/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file #

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									120325) for Bowling
P-23.	Kristen Fischer	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	HHS	12/18/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120325) for Bowling
P-24.	Matthew Trejos; Kristen Fischer	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	LMS	12/9/25	n/a	Chaperone for students (file # 120425, #120525 and # 120625) for Lego Club
P-25.	Kristen Fischer	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	LMS	12/9/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120725) for E-Sports Club
P-26.	Matthew Trejos	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	LMS	12/16/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120725) for E-Sports Club
P-27.	Matthew Trejos	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 1 hour	LMS	12/11/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120725) for Chess Club
P-28.	Janna Mamaeva	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 2 hours	LMS	12/9/25	n/a	Chaperone for students (file # 120525 and # 120825) for Concert 6 th Grade Chorus
P-29.	Monica Moss	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 2 hours	LMS	12/9/25	n/a	Chaperone for students (file # 120925, #121025 and #121125) for Concert – Band
P-30.	Lucy Atanasio	Extra Duty	Chaperone	n/a	\$33.66 per hour for 2 hours	LMS	12/9/25	n/a	Chaperone for student (file # 120625 and 121225) for Concert 8 th Grade Chorus
P-31.	Patrick Elliott	Resign	Head Custodian	n/a	n/a	JS	1/15/26	Last Day on Payroll 1/15/26	Resignation
P-32.	John Brown	Retire	Custodian	n/a	n/a	WS	2/1/26	Last Day as Employee 1/31/26	Retirement
P-33.	Carol Glesias	Resign	Non-Instructional Aide/	n/a	n/a	JS/ District	12/4/25	Last Day on	Resignation

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			District Mail Courier					Payroll 12/3/25	
P-34.	Karem Andrade	Adjust	Non-Instructional Aide/ District Mail Courier	n/a	\$15.49 per hour for 4.5 hours per day	RS/District	12/17/25	6/18/26	To Fill the Vacancy for District Mail Courier Created by the Resignation of Carol Glesias
P-35.	Aliyah Hamze	Hire	Non-Instructional Aide	n/a	\$15.49 per hour for 3 hours per day	RS	12/17/25 Pending completion of criminal history review	6/18/26	To Fill a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Rosa Maria Iacovo
P-36.	Krista Maher; Cameron Uriguen	Extra Duty	Substitute Teaches in the School Age Child Care Program (SACC)	n/a	\$30 per hour	JS/RS/WS	12/17/25	6/18/26	Substitute SACC Teachers Only
P-37.	Lou Ann Damsma	Hire	Substitute Administrative Assistant	n/a	\$105 per day, \$52.50 per half day	District	12/17/25	6/18/26	Substitute Administrative Assistant

** 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-38. Approval for the following member(s) 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 his/her/their advanced academic training and that his/her/their annual salary for the 2025-2026 school year be adjusted to coincide with his/her/their new positions on the 2025-2026 salary guide.

Name	School	New Classification	New Salary Inclusive of Longevity
Tara Temprano	RS	M+15	\$97,465.00

- P-39. 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 for the dual enrollment night at Hawthorne High School.

Allison Banca-Ross	Jackson Cianculi	Michael Gallucio
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- P-40. 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.

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Student	College	Type	Subject Area	Coop. Teacher/Admin.	Loc
Emily Riotto	TCNJ	Clinical II/Student Teaching	ESL	Susan Lochner	WS

Item #	Name	Action	Position	Degree /Step	Salary	School	Effective Date	Notice Date or Ending Date	Reason/ Account
*P-41.	Kevin Patmos	Hire	Part Time Custodian	n/a	\$15.49 per hour	HHS	12/17/25 Pending completion of criminal history review	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy
*P-42.	Hila Sela	Adjust	Elementary Special Education Teacher	M+15/1	Pro-rated on the basis of an annual salary of \$64,610	WS	1/5/26	6/30/26	To Fill a Vacancy

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions PI-1 – PI-42

Moved by Ms. Ehrentraut, seconded by Dr. Vega

Board Comments: Mr. Mignanelli commented on resignations. Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan commented on P-3, P-36, and P-37. Ms. Ehrentraut commented on new hires and P-38.

	<u>Ms. Mulkey- Koltzan</u>	<u>Mr. Puluse</u>	<u>Dr. Vega</u>	<u>Mr. Carr</u>	<u>Mr. Clavijo</u>	<u>Mr. Doyle</u>	<u>Ms. Ehrentraut</u>	<u>Mrs. Goff</u>	<u>Mr. Totaro</u>
Motion			2				1		
Aye	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
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:

- A-1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: LMS 295274, which was the subject of a hearing before the Board, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.
- A-2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: HHS 297670 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 forthwith.

- A-3. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: WES 297054 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 forthwith.
- A-4. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: LMS 297713 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 forthwith.
- A-5. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: LMS 298388 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 forthwith.
- A-6. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: HHS 298158 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 forthwith.
- A-7. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: HHS 298501 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 forthwith.
- A-8. BE IT RESOLVED that the Hawthorne Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation No 2025-2026: LMS 298681 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 forthwith.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions A-1 – A-8

Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Mr. Puluse

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

CLAIMS:

Anthony Puluse

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

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

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

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions CI-1

Moved by Mr. Puluse, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

	Dr. <u>Vega</u>	Mr. <u>Carr</u>	Mr. <u>Clavijo</u>	Mr <u>Doyle</u>	Ms. <u>Ehrentauf</u>	Mrs. <u>Goff</u>	Ms. <u>Mulkey</u> = <u>Koltzan</u>	Mr. <u>Puluse</u>	Mr. <u>Totaro</u>
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.

HAWTHORNE HIGH SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant	Fees
Room 123	Tuesday, December 23, 2025 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	<u>Hawthorne Athletic Booster Club</u> Athletic Hall of Fame Announcement	\$0.00
Room 100	Saturday, December 20, 2025 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	<u>Hawthorne Custodian, Maintenance and Bus Driver's Association</u> Union Meeting	\$0.00

ROOSEVELT SCHOOL:

Facilities	Date and Times	Applicant	Fees
Gym	Saturdays 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/14, 3/7, 3/14, 3/28 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. *Note: Not available 2/28/26 or 3/21/26	<u>Hawthorne Soccer Association</u> Indoor Soccer	Custodial Fees to be paid by Hawthorne Board of Recreation
Gym	Tuesday, March 3, 2026 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	<u>Hawthorne Baseball Softball Association</u> Clinic	\$0.00

BG-2. Award of a transportation contract to Northern Regional Educational Services Commission, 82 Totowa Road, Wayne, NJ for transportation of Hawthorne students to

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and from the school indicated in the amount and date listed on the contract for the 2025-2026 school Year.

Route #	School (s)	Contractor	# of Students	Estimated Cost Per Route (Incl. surcharge)	Starting Date
Q4186	Windsor Learning Center	Omar Transportation	1	11,270.00 + 676.20	11/4/25-1/30/26

BG-3. Approval of Bus Evacuations as follows:

School	Date	Time	
Bear Cave	10/20/25	During SLE Run	Danielle Forshay
HHS	10/20/25	9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Kevin Pfister
Washington School	10/21/25	9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	Jackie Passero
LMS	10/24/25	10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Erin Devor
Jefferson School	10/22/25	9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	Stephen Droske
Roosevelt School	10/23/25	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.	Joseph Pisacane

BG-4. Approval of the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist Statement of Assurance for the 2025-2026 school year.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions BG -1 - BG-4

Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Dr. Vega

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

POLICY:

Michael Doyle, Chairperson

ACTION ITEMS:

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Policy recommends the following resolutions:

PO-1. Second Reading and Adoption of the following Policy:

Policy		Title
P8505	-	Local Wellness Policy/Nutrient Standards for Meals and Other Foods

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Resolutions PO-1

Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Dr. Vega

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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:

- Mr. Puluse thanked Mr. Doyle for his service. Wished everyone a good holiday.
- Ms. Ehrentraut thanked Mr. Doyle for his service, reminded everyone about Thursday 12/18 – Treps at Roosevelt, and 2/25 Multicultural Event.
- Mrs. Goff commented on High School show and thanked Mr. Doyle for his service.
- Mr. Clavijo commented on Santa Parade, PCSBA welcomed Lisa. Spohn, thanked Mr. Doyle, and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.
- Dr. Vega wished everyone a Happy Holiday, commented on Treps on Thursday, and thanked Mr. Doyle for his service.
- Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan commented on Treps, 12/19 Dance Production, Natalie the Mighty fundraiser, congratulated the Governor’s Educator recipients, congratulated Mr. Doyle and family on all their achievements, and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.
- Mr. Totaro commented on Treps, condolences to late councilman, and thanked Mr. Doyle for this service.
- Mr. Doyle thanked the Board, Superintendent and the district, wished Mrs. Spohn good luck, and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

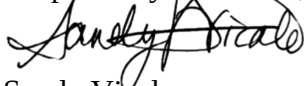
MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Board of Education Roll Call Vote 7:45 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Ms. Mulkey-Koltzan

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

Respectfully submitted,



Sandy Vicale

Business Administrator/Board Secretary