

Lakewood Public Schools



Lakewood Board of Education Regular Meeting Agenda

March 25, 2026

Public Session - 7:30 PM

High School Commons

855 Somerset Avenue

Lakewood, NJ 08701

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Moshe Bender- President

Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President

Mr. Aaron Chase

Mrs. Ada Gonzalez

Mr. Eliyahu Greenwald

Mr. Meir Grunhut

Mr. Joel Kleinman

Mr. Shlomie Stern

Mrs. Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Dr. Laura A. Winters, Superintendent

Mr. Kevin Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Mr. Joshua Forsman, Esq., In-House Attorney/General Counsel

Mrs. Kristie Sussino, Assistant Business Administrator/Assistant Board Secretary

Ms. Louise Davis, State Monitor

Ms. Patricia Blood, State Monitor

Mr. James Trischitta, Director of Technology, NonPublic Technology, & NonPublic Security Grant

Mr. Bryan Powell, Network and Systems Supervisor

Mr. Eric Holmberg, Translator

Mrs. Omaida Segui, Executive Administrative Professional

Mrs. Deborah Zarro, Executive Administrative Professional

AGENDA

TIME: 7:07pm

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - President, Lakewood Board of Education

II. STATEMENT BY THE BOARD SECRETARY

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231, of the Laws of 1976 (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT), Mr. Campbell notified the public that notice of the date, time, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent known, was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner:

1. By posting such notice on the public announcement board of the Lakewood Board of Education Offices, and the Lakewood Township Municipal Building.
2. By e-mailing such notice to the office of the New Jersey Star Ledger, The Lakewood Scoop and The Lakewood Shopper.
3. By filing such notice with the Board Secretary.
4. By mailing such notice to all individuals who requested and paid for a copy of the same.

III. ROLL CALL:

Moshe Bender-President	<u>P</u>
Aaron Chase	<u>P</u>
Ada Gonzalez	<u>A</u>
Eliyahu Greenwald	<u>A</u>
Meir Grunhut	<u>P</u>
Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>P</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>P</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>P</u>

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION - RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, known as the Open Public Meetings Act, provides that a public body may not exclude the public from any meeting to discuss any matter described therein until the public body has first adopted a Resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Township of Lakewood has determined that the following items must be discussed in closed session and that the public must be excluded from said deliberations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Township of Lakewood has determined that the subject matter of the closed discussion falls within those matters described in subsection 7b of the Open Public Meetings Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that

A. The Board of Education, in closed session, may discuss one or more of the following subject matter:

1. Confidential under Federal/State Law or rule of Court.
2. That which would impair a right to receive Government Funds.
3. Unwarranted invasion of Pupil's privacy.
4. Collective Bargaining Agreement.
5. Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of real property or investment.
6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public.
7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than as stated in #4.
8. Involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment.
9. Any deliberations occurring after a public hearing.

Which subject matters constitute a subject matter described in the subsection 7b of the Open Public Meetings Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Township of Lakewood, will disclose to the public the subject matter of said closed discussions, as soon as the matters have been resolved and the determination can be disclosed to the public.

Motion to go into Executive Session: 7:09pm

First: Mr. Rodriguez

Second: Mr. Chase

Voting:

Moshe Bender-President

Y

Aaron Chase

Y

Ada Gonzalez

A

Eliyahu Greenwald

A

Meir Grunhut

Y

Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>Y</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>Y</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>Y</u>

Motion to go into Public Session: 7:54pm

First: Mr. Rodriguez **Second:** Mr. Chase

Voting:

Moshe Bender-President	<u>Y</u>
Aaron Chase	<u>Y</u>
Ada Gonzalez	<u>A</u>
Eliyahu Greenwald	<u>A</u>
Meir Grunhut	<u>Y</u>
Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>Y</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>Y</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>Y</u>

V. RECOGNITION & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Student Representatives
- B. Teacher and Educational Support Professional of the Year Presentation
- C. Introduced Budget Presentation-

Mr. Kleinman- Well done, Kevin! This must've been very difficult and tricky to put together. Very impressive.

- D. State Monitor Report-

-Louise Davis, Fiscal State Monitor- 'Thank you, Kevin. This is the first time in a long time the Finance Committee has had a meeting and we have been awarded state aid. Let's continue collaborating.'

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Public Meeting Minutes - February 25, 2026
- B. Executive Meeting Minutes - February 25, 2026

Motion to Approve the previous Board Meeting Minutes: 9:13pm

First: Mr. Rodriguez **Second:** Mr. Chase

Voting:

Moshe Bender-President	<u>A</u>
Aaron Chase	<u>Y</u>
Ada Gonzalez	<u>A</u>
Eliyahu Greenwald	<u>A</u>
Meir Grunhut	<u>Y</u>
Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>Y</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>Y</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>Y</u>

VII. CORRESPONDANCE

- A. None at this Meeting

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Finance Committee-

Mr. Kleinman- The Finance Committee met and had a very productive meeting. How can we deal with this pressing issue of underfunding? We must reach a consensus. We need to focus on where can we agree? Where do we disagree? (went through a slide presentation). The state formula does not work for our district. Even the state monitor agrees with this. All in all, the meeting was productive.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT - Agenda Items Only (Limited to 4 minutes as per Board Policy #0167)- *NONE*

Pursuant to Board Policy 0164, Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern the Board of Education in its deliberations and in the conduct of its meetings. As such, all comments from the public and from other members of the Board should be directed to the Board President, who is responsible for presiding over the meeting. Public comments can be made during the public session.

The President shall direct all inquiries or comments to the appropriate Administrator or Board member for response, as appropriate. The law requires a period of public comment at our meetings, not a question or answer session or debate. The board president, at his discretion, may or may not feel it is appropriate to answer questions raised during the public comment period. The board and administration do take all public comments seriously and consider them when conducting business.

The President may interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive or obscene. In addition, Security Personnel may direct any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum, whether the person is at the microphone or at any other place in the meeting room. New Jersey law makes it a crime for any person to intentionally disrupt a public

meeting. Law enforcement will be contacted if a person disrupts the meeting and fails to desist after being directed to do so.

Finally, we ask that you silence all electronic devices.

X. REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

A. FINANCE

1. Acceptance of the Treasurer and Board Secretary Reports for **February 2026**.
2. Approve the attached budgetary line item Transfers for **February 2026**.
3. Certification of No Over expenditures:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10, I, Kevin Campbell Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certify that as of **February 28, 2026** no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1, and that the District financial accounts have been reconciled and are in balance.

Kevin Campbell

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

March 25, 2026

Date

4. Approve the **Bills List** for the **Warrant Account** for **March 25, 2026** in the amount of \$30,999,082.70.
5. Approve the **Bills List** for the **Cafeteria Account** for **March 25, 2026** in the amount of \$374,993.26.
6. Approval of Payroll and Board Share of FICA/Medi and DCRP for:
 - i. **February 28, 2026** in the amount of **\$2,857,684.06**
 - ii. **March 13, 2026** in the amount of **\$2,841,401.34**
7. Approval of payment of New Jersey State Health Benefits for **January, 2026** in the amount of **\$1,957,473.15**.
8. Approval of payment of district dental benefits to **Delta Dental of New Jersey** for:
 - i. **April, 2026** in the amount of **\$110,797.68**
9. Approve the write off to the general fund of the grant receivable from Lakewood Township in the amount of \$3,430,000. This receivable is for public non-mandated bussing, trash pick-up, summer school and nonpublic IDEA programs from the June 30, 2023 school year. This receivable is considered uncollectable at this time.

10. Move to accept the approval from the State of New Jersey Ocean County Office of the Interim Executive Superintendent, received on March 17, 2026, for the District request made for a budgetary transfer from account 11-000-216-320-00-0000 to account 12-000-400-450-03-0003 in the amount of \$313,520 for the necessary repairs to the roof at the Lakewood High School C-Wing. These repairs are time sensitive as several classrooms are currently unable to be used due to the emergent needed repairs caused by water damage.

11. Approve to submit the SEMI Corrective Action Plan to the NJDOE.

Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Action Plan					
Completed by: Diane LaCorte-Lakewood SEMI/MAC Coordinator					
County: Ocean	District: Lakewood			Date: March 19, 2026	
Corrective Action Plan Table (Table spans columns A through F and rows 6 through 15. Cells in columns B through F are intentionally blank so that the user can input relevant information).					
SEMI Action Plan Components	District Activities for Compliance	Person(s) Responsible	Projected Timelines	Documentation of Completion	Date of Implementation
Parental Consent Forms	Ensure and establish consent from guardians. This practice is a dissemination of information.	Case Worker	Monthly Reviews	Signed consent forms or documented refusals	July 1,2026
Documenting Health Related Service Evaluations	Evaluations must be documented separately from health related services	Service Provider	Daily Reviews	Documented and signed evaluation logs	July 1,2026
Documenting Direct Discreet Services	All eligible services must be logged and entered	Service Providers	Daily Reviews	Documented and signed service logs	July 1, 2026
Validation of IEP	Verify a valid IEP is on file and the correct date is documented for every student with parental consent	SEMI Coordinator	Daily Reviews	IEP checklist of database records	July 1,2026
Validation of service provider	Keep all provider qualifications	SEMI Coordinator	Daily Reviews	ASHA/NJ Department of	July 1,2026

qualifications	current and ensure the validity of their license.			Consumer affairs/Maintain hard copy	
Participation in SEMI Training Opportunities	Provide annual training tools to staff, inform providers of all up to date policies	SEMI Coordinator	Amidst changes/Upon Request/On going	Shared Webinars/Training agendas	July 1, 2026
Timely Certification of Staff Pool List	Certify quarterly Staff Pool list within required timeframes to ensure cost settlement eligibility	SEMI Coordinator	Quarterly	Certified Staff Pool List submission	July 1, 2026

B. PROCUREMENT/CONTRACTS

- a) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education hereby approves the additional encumbrance for Methfessel and Werbel to serve as Special Counsel for the 2025/2026 school year for an additional cost not to exceed \$10,000. (11-000-230-331-00-0001)
- b) Move to approve a two (2) year renewal of Delta Dental at an increased rate of 12% from July 1, 2026 thru June 30, 2028 as follows:

PLANS 00001, 00002, 00003	CURRENT RATES	TWO YEAR RENEWAL RATES	AVERAGE ENROLLMENT
SINGLE	\$58.66	\$65.70	260
FAMILY	\$156.25	\$175.00	654
ANNUAL PREMIUM	\$1,409,269	\$1,578,382	914
\$ CHANGE		\$169,112	

- c) Approver Phoenix Advisors to provide professional services for Continuing Disclosure services for scheduled filings and additional activity through June 30, 2026 in the amount of \$1,600.00 (11-000-251-340-00-0000)
- d) Approve the purchase of a Hyster J40XNT Counterbalanced Sit-Down Electric Rider Lift Truck from Eastern Lift Truck Co. for use in the District warehouse to aide in the receipt and delivery of Nonpublic nursing supplies and Nonpublic technology

supplies in the amount of \$43,275.00, to be paid through budget account (20-509-400-732-29-2520-ADM & 20-510-400-732-29-2520-ADM)

- e) Whereas, the Lakewood Board of Education advertised Bid 03-2526 for the sale of property at 133 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd; and

Whereas, the minimum sale price set by the Board for such property as advertised was \$1,000,000; and

Whereas, one proposal was received and recorded on February 27, 2026 @ 10:00 a.m. from Petal Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$50,000; and

Whereas, the proposal received was significantly lower than the minimum amount set by the Board in the Bid advertisement and therefore rejected pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22;

Be it Resolved that the District has re-advertised Bid 06-2526 for the Sale of the property at 133 Dr. Martin Luther King Drive revising the minimum amount accepted to \$750,000; and

Be it Further Resolved that Bid 06-2526 has been publicly advertised for receipt on March 24, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. and at that time the District will evaluate the new proposals for presentation to the Board.

- f) Whereas, The Lakewood Board of Education advertised Bid 05-2526 for the sale of Ella G. Clarke (EGC) and Lakewood Early Childhood Center (LECC) properties for the second time and was received on March 4, 2026 @ 10:00 a.m.; and

Whereas, the minimum prices set for each property was \$30,000,000 for EGC and \$7,000,000 for LECC; and

Whereas, three (3) responses were received and recorded as follows; and

Bidder	Purchase Price EGC	Purchase Price LECC
Bet Midrash Ohel Torah Inc.	\$24,010,000	No Bid
Somerset Linden LLC	No Bid	\$7,010,000
Garden View Equity	\$24,500,000	\$7,000,000

Whereas, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:20-7 the highest bid for such properties shall be subject to acceptance or rejection by the Board; and

Whereas, if such bids are rejected by the Board, the Board may enter into negotiations with any interested party or parties for the sale of such property; and

Whereas, the acceptance or rejection of the price arrived at through negotiations shall be by recorded roll call majority vote of the full membership of the Board at a regularly scheduled meeting; and

Whereas, the Board may reject any bid if it determines it to be in the public interest to do so but shall afford the bidder a hearing upon his request before entering into negotiations.

READ-IN- Kevin Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary-

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education shall award the sale of the LECC property to Somerset Linden, LLC in the amount of \$7,010,000.00 as they were the highest bidder and exceeded the minimum amount requested for this property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education shall reject all bids for the purchase of the Ella G. Clarke School property as it is in the best interest of the public to receive the maximum amount for the sale of this property, and commence negotiations for the sale of the Ella G. Clarke School property with all interested parties in an effort to sell this property at a cost closer to the minimum acceptable bid amount, which would be more advantageous to the needs of the District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the negotiations are successful, the award for the sale of Ella G. Clarke School property will be made no later than the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.

- g) Approve Harris Education Solutions to provide the following Student Information System Components for the 2026/2027 school year for a total of \$192,037.98 which includes a 1.05% discount. (11-000-218-50, 11-000-219-500-00-0000, 11-150-100-500-00-0000, 20-507-200-500-15-0000, 60-910-310-500-00-0001):

- Student Information System \$69,336.62
- Special Education \$28,374.07
- 504 \$11,349.63
- Notification \$16,577.58
- Notification Registration \$250.00
- Food Service Management POS \$15,003.19
- Nonpublic Student Information System \$51,147.19

- h) REVERSAL OF TRANSFER OF SURPLUS TO CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT (originally approved on 10/25/25 item V):

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.3 permits a Board of Education to supplement a

Capital Reserve, Tuition Reserve, Emergency Reserve or Maintenance Reserve Account at year end; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned administrative code citation authorizes procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue and/or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education had transferred excess funds that were included in the 2023/2024 budget and went unspent in the 2024/2025 year from the General Fund into a reserve account at year end; and

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$1,652,456.68 is NOT available for such transfer purposes as per the June 30, 2025 auditor calculation of Fund Balance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lakewood Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to reverse this Board action of 10/25/25 as these funds were applied to the Fund Balance of June 30, 2025.

i) **READ-IN-** Kevin Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary-

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education re-advertised Bid 06-2526 for the sale of property at 133 Dr. Martin Luther King Drive; and

WHEREAS, the minimum sale price set by the Board for such property advertised was \$750,000; and

WHEREAS, one proposal was received and recorded on March 24, 2026 @ 10:00am from Petal Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$50,000;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Lakewood Board of Education awards the sale of 133 Martin Luther King Drive to Petal Holdings, LLC as they were again the sole bidder and the disposition of the property would be in the best interest of the district.

C. FACILITIES: March 2026 and April 2026 facilities usage scheduled events.

<u>Lakewood High School</u>			
Organization	Location	Date	Time
Kol Yehuda, Inc.	Cafeteria Commons Gym	March 8, 2026	4pm-10pm

Spruce Street School

Organization	Location	Date	Time
Lakewood Resource & Referral Center	Multi-purpose Room	April 28, 2026	7pm-9pm

D. OPERATIONS**1. Transportation:**

- a. Move to record and award Trip quote #65&66 received on 2/26/26 @ 10 am as follows.

			AWARD	ACCOUNT
CONTRACTOR: GARAS TRANS				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #65	\$ 385.00	\$ 385.00		
TRIP #66	\$ 385.00	\$ 385.00	AWARD	11-000-270-512-00-0000
CONTRACTOR: HAPPY LIME				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #65	\$ 345.00	\$ 345.00	AWARD	11-000-270-512-00-0000
TRIP #66	\$ 345.00	\$ 345.00	contractor called unable to accommodate both buses	
CONTRACTOR: Mbrothers				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #65	NQ			
TRIP #66	NQ			
CONTRACTOR: Hartnett				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #65	NQ			
TRIP #66	\$ 520.00	\$ 520.00		

- b. Move to approve an additional \$225 payment to Happy Lime for Trip #37. The trip ran two hours over quoted time. To be paid through budget account # 20-360-200-500-03-0000.

- c. Trip #65 total cost \$730 as contractor took both groups for trips #64 & #65 due to an error at the school to be paid through 11-000-270-512-00-0000.

- d. Move to record and award RFQ-T06-2526 received on 3/16/26 as follows:

							AWARD	ACCOUNT
Contractor: KLARR								
Route	Per Diem	Aide	Inc/Dec	Total Per Diem	Days	Total		
OAK20Q	\$ 285.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 0.01	\$ 285.00	64	\$18,240.00	AWARD	11-000-270-511-00-0000
OAK21Q	NQ					\$ -		
Contractor: PRESIDENTIAL								
Route	Per Diem	Aide	Inc/Dec	Total Per Diem	Days	Total		
OAK20Q	\$ 389.00	N/A	\$ 0.01	\$ 389.00		\$ -		
OAK21Q	\$ 274.00	N/A	\$ 0.01	\$ 274.00	64	\$17,536.00	AWARD	11-000-270-511-00-0000
Contractor: GARAS TRANS								
Route	Per Diem	Aide	Inc/Dec	Total Per Diem	Days	Total		
OAK20Q	\$ 588.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 588.00		\$ -		
OAK21Q	\$ 588.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 588.00		\$ -		

- e. Move to record and award Trip Quote #67-70 received on 3/16/26 @ 10am as follows:

			AWARD	ACCOUNT
CONTRACTOR: ST MARK SCHOOL BUS				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #67	NQ			

TRIP #68	NQ			
TRIP #69	\$ 267.00	\$ 267.00	AWARD	15-000-270-512-03-0003
TRIP #70	NQ			
CONTRACTOR: PRESIDENTIAL				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #67	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	AWARD	15-000-270-512-03-0003
TRIP #68	\$ 548.00	\$ 548.00		
TRIP #69	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00		
TRIP #70	\$ 460.00	\$ 920.00	AWARD	20-360-200-500-03-0003
CONTRACTOR: HAPPY LIME				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #67	\$ 1,340.00	\$ 1,340.00		
TRIP #68				
TRIP #69				
TRIP #70	\$ 505.00	\$ 1,010.00		
CONTRACTOR: KLARR				
TRIP	COST PER BUS	TOTAL		
TRIP #67	\$ 1,575.00	\$ 1,575.00		
TRIP #68	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	AWARD	15-000-218-500-03-0003
TRIP #69	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		
TRIP #70	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,200.00		

2. Food Service - None at this time

3. Maintenance

- a. Approve Troller Electric, LLC, an Educational Services Commission approved cooperative vendor, contract ESCNJ 23/24-02 to install 1-100 amp disconnect and refeeding existing boiler panel so that it is on generator power at Oak Street School at a cost of \$6,609.17. (11-000-261-420-15-0722)

Motion to Approve the Business Administrator Agenda: 9:23pm

First: Mr. Rodriguez

Second: Mr. Chase

Voting:

Moshe Bender-President	<u>A</u>
Aaron Chase	<u>Y</u>
Ada Gonzalez	<u>A</u>
Eliyahu Greenwald	<u>A</u>
Meir Grunhut	<u>Y</u>
Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>Y</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>Y</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>Y</u>

XI. REPORT AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. PERSONNEL

1. Retirements

Name	Title/Role	Effective
HENDRY, JANET	LDT-C- CHILD STUDY TEAM- DISTRICTWIDE	JULY 1, 2026
CARLO, ROSE	KINDERGARTEN INTERVENTION TEACHER- OAK	JULY 1, 2026
LARRIEU, BREMELYN	SPANISH TEACHER- LHS	JULY 1, 2026
HAUPT, BRENDA	PARAPROFESSIONAL- OAK	JULY 1, 2026

2. Resignations

Name	Title/Role	Effective
RIVERA, JULIA	1:1 PARAPROFESSIONAL- OAK	MARCH 25, 2026 (*PARAPROFESSIONAL POSITION ONLY)

- 3. Appointments:** *(New employees must provide all new hire documentation prior to three (3) Business days before their scheduled start date. Should documentation not be provided, the new employee may not start as scheduled until all documentation has been received.)*

a) Certificated

Name	Title/Role	Salary	Effective	Account #
RIVERA, JULIA	KINDERGARTEN TEACHER- OAK	STEP 7, BA- \$63,096.00	MARCH 26, 2026	15-240-100-101-09-0009 (Due to bilingual student enrollment)

b) Non-Certificated

Name	Title/Role	Salary	Effective	Account #
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BUBBA, DANIELA	PARAPROFESSIONAL-OAK	STEP 13, 90 CREDITS-\$24,729.00 (pro-rated)	MARCH 26, 2026	15-240-100-106-09-0009 (Replacement for X. Martinez- Deceased)
AGUIRRE, MELISSA	PARAPROFESSIONAL-SPRUCE	STEP 4, 0 CREDITS (PARA-PRO_ \$20,529.00 (pro-rated)	MARCH 26, 2026	11-216-100-106-15-0015 (Replacement for A. Neri- Resigned)
KATZ, ANNABELLA	PARAPROFESSIONAL-OAK	STEP 8, 90 CREDITS-\$23,029.00 (pro-rated)	MARCH 16, 2026* (Amendment from the 2/25/2026 agenda)	15-240-100-106-09-0009 (Replacement for J. Veglatte- Retired)

*Appointment subject to approval of Criminal History background check by State Department of Education, as per NJSA 18A:6-7-1, et. seq., NJSA 18A:39-17 et. seq., or NJSA 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as applicable.

**As required by law and code, this Emergent Employee Resolution, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that this person be employed by the Board of Education of the Lakewood Public School District in the County of Ocean on an emergent basis.

*** This position does not include the following:

Medical Coverage	Personal Days
Dental Coverage	Professional Days
Prescriptions	Vacation Days
Optical Coverage	Sick Days
Reimbursement for Credits	

Payment will not be made by the Board of Education Business Office until a contract is fully executed by the Board and prior to work commencing, reviewed and initiated by General Counsel.

c) Unaffiliated

Name	Title/Role	Salary	Effective	Account #

4. Leave of Absences- **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the following leave(s) of absence in accordance with Board policy, collective bargaining agreements, and applicable state and federal laws.

NEW LOA's

New Certified			
Name	Position	Type of Leave	Effective
Brower, Samanth	Teacher - Oak	Unpaid - Family Leave (4/13/26–4/20/26)	4/13/26–4/20/26
Cacio, Jenna	Teacher - Spruce	Unpaid - Family Leave (3/16/26–6/5/26)	3/16/26–6/6/26
Cacio, Jenna	Teacher - Spruce	Paid - Family Leave (3/2/26– 3/15/26)	3/2/26–3/15/26
Fogarty, Kristin	Teacher - LMS	Paid - Family Leave (4/16/26– 5/15/26)	4/15/26–5/16/26
Grueiro, Judy	Teacher - Clifton	Paid - Family Leave - Intermittent (2/19/26–6/30/26)	2/19/26–6/30/26
Joseph, Shalva	Social Worker - CST	Paid - Maternity (3/12/26– 3/13/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (3/16/26–6/26/26)	3/23/26–9/2/26
Kaminski, Claire	Teacher - Oak	Unpaid - Family Leave (4/29/26–6/26/26)	4/29/26–9/2/26
Matthews, Jessica	Speech - Related Services	Paid - Maternity (4/20/26– 4/30/26) PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (5/1/26–5/5/26) Unpaid - Contractual (5/6/26– 6/26/26)	4/13/26–9/2/26

Pederson, Michelle	Teacher - Clifton	Unpaid - Family Leave (5/11/26–6/30/26)	5/11/26–9/2/26
Moritz, Geoffrey	Teacher - Spruce	Paid - Family Leave (3/18/26– 4/21/26) PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (4/22/26–4/24/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (4/27/26–6/9/26)	3/18/26–6/10/26
Santiago, Stephanie	Teacher - LHS	Paid - Family Leave - Intermittent (9/1/25–6/30/27) Unpaid - Family Leave - Intermittent (9/1/25–6/30/27)	9/1/25–6/30/27
New Non-Certified			
Name	Position	Type of Leave	Effective
Campbell, Ann	Para - Clifton	Paid - Family Leave (3/4/26– 3/31/26)	3/4/26–3/31/26
Desena, John	Health & Safety Officer- BOE	Paid - Family Leave (3/2/26– 3/23/26)	3/2/26–3/24/26
Lance, Jessica	Admin/Sec. - Grants	Paid - Family Leave (3/25/26– 4/15/26)	3/25/26–4/16/26
Rouse, Christina	Para - LMS	Paid - Family Leave (2/18/26– 4/12/26)	2/18/26–4/13/26

APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PREVIOUSLY APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE REVISIONS

Revised- Certified			
Name	Position	Revised Type of Leave To:	Revised Type of Leave From:

Bliss, Jessica	Guidance - LMS	Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/27/26) Paid - Family Leave (3/30/26–4/2/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (4/13/26–5/22/26) Paid - Family Leave (5/26/26–5/29/26) Returning: 5/30/2026	Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/2026 - 3/27/2026) * Paid - Family Leave (3/30/2026 - 3/31/2026) Unpaid - Family Leave (4/13/2026 - 5/22/2026) Paid - Family Leave (5/26/2026 - 5/29/2026) Returning: 5/30/2026
Chacon, Ashley	Teacher - LHS	Unpaid - Family Leave (3/9/26–6/30/26) Returning: 9/2/2026	* Paid Maternity (4/27/2026 - 5/8/2026) * Unpaid - Family Leave (5/11/2026 - 6/30/2026) Returning: 9/2/2026
Duarte, Kerry	Nurse - Oak	Paid - Family Leave (6/10/26–6/24/26) PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (6/25/26–6/26/26) Returning: 9/2/2026	* Paid Family Leave (6/10/2026–6/26/2026) Returning: 9/2/2026
Hall, Kathleen	Teacher - Oak	Paid - Family Leave (1/23/26–3/6/26) Returned: 3/9/2026	Paid Family Leave (1/23/26–3/2/26) * Returning: 3/3/2026
Horowitz, Terri	Teacher - Clifton	Paid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/4/26) Returned: 3/5/2026	* Paid Family Leave (1/5/2026–2/17/2026) * Unpaid Family Leave (2/18/2026–3/4/2026) Returning: 3/5/2026

Jeranek, Kelly	Teacher - LHS	<p>Paid - Maternity (9/3/25–12/23/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/27/26)</p> <p>Paid - Family Leave (3/28/26–3/31/26)</p> <p>Returning: 4/13/2026</p>	<p>Paid - Family Leave (9/3/25–12/23/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/27/26)</p> <p>* Paid - Family Leave (3/30/26–4/2/26)</p> <p>Returning: 4/13/2026</p>
Kaufman, Malka	Teacher - Spruce	<p>Paid - Family Leave - Intermittent (10/5/25–10/18/25)</p> <p>Ended: 10/19/2025</p>	<p>Paid - Family Leave (10/5/25–10/18/25)</p> <p>* Unpaid - Family Leave (3/22/26–3/28/26)</p> <p>* Terminating: 3/30/2026</p>
LaRue, Gianna	Teacher - Oak	<p>Paid - Maternity (9/8/25–9/22/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (9/25/25–12/17/25)</p> <p>Paid - Maternity (12/18/25–12/23/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/27/26)</p> <p>Paid - Maternity (3/30/26–4/13/26)</p> <p>Returning: 4/15/26</p>	<p>Paid - Maternity (9/8/25–9/22/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (9/25/25–12/17/25)</p> <p>Paid - Family Leave (12/18/25–12/23/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/30/26)</p> <p>*Paid Family Leave (3/30/26–3/31/26)</p> <p>*Returning: 4/13/26</p>
Maher, Gina	Teacher - LMS	<p>Paid - Family Leave (9/3/25–10/3/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (10/6/25–3/27/26)</p> <p>Paid - Family Leave (3/30/26–5/28/26)</p> <p>PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (5/29/26–6/26/26)</p>	<p>Paid - Family Leave (9/3/25–9/27/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (9/28/25–12/19/25)</p> <p>Unpaid - Family Leave (1/5/26–3/27/26)</p> <p>*Paid - Family Leave (3/30/25–6/1/26)</p>

		Returning: 9/2/26	*PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (6/2/26–6/24/25) Returning: 9/2/26
O'Neill, Juliann	Teaching Coach - DS	Paid - Maternity (10/20/25–1/5/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (1/6/26–3/27/26) Paid - Family Leave (3/31/26–4/2/26) Returning: 4/13/2026	Paid Maternity (10/20/25–1/5/26) Unpaid Family Leave (1/6/26–3/27/26) * Paid Family Leave (3/31/26–3/31/26) Returning: 4/13/2026
Salameh, Marian	Nurse - Clifton	Paid Family Leave - Intermittent (1/5/26–2/3/26) Ended: 2/4/2026	* Paid Family Leave - Intermittent (1/5/2026–6/30/2026) * Unpaid Family Leave - Intermittent (1/5/2026–6/30/2026) * Terminating: 9/2/2026
Schwadel, Sarah	CST - CST	Paid - Maternity (9/22/25–11/21/25) PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (11/24/25–11/26/25) Unpaid - Family Leave (12/1/25–5/30/26) Returning: 6/1/2026	Paid - Maternity (9/22/25–11/21/25) PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (11/24/25–11/26/25) * Unpaid - Family Leave (12/1/25–3/9/26) * Returning: 3/11/2026
Smith, Jillian	Teacher - LMS	Paid - Maternity (1/15/26–1/16/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (1/20/26–4/26/26) Paid - Maternity (4/27/26–5/5/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (5/6/26–6/26/26)	Paid - Maternity (1/15/26–1/16/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (1/20/26–4/26/26) *Returning: 4/27/2026

		Returning: 9/2/2026	
Tranchina, Andrea	Teacher - Clifton	Paid - Maternity (3/19/26–3/30/26) PaidMinusSub - Family Leave (3/31/26–3/31/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (4/1/26–6/26/26) Returning: 9/2/2026	Paid - Maternity (3/19/2026–3/31/2026) * Unpaid Family Leave (4/13/2026–6/26/2026) Returning: 9/2/2026
Revised- Non Certified			
Name	Position	Revised Type of Leave To:	Revised Type of Leave From:
Corrigan, Jill	Admin/Sec. - BOE	Paid - Family Leave - Intermittent (1/9/26–3/16/26) Ended: 3/16/2026	* Paid Family Leave - Intermittent (1/9/26–6/30/26) * Terminating: 7/1/2026
Daniel, Bianca	Para - Spruce	Paid - Family Leave (2/11/25–2/12/25) Unpaid - Family Leave (2/17/26–3/27/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (5/18/26–6/30/26) Returning: 9/2/2026	Paid - Family Leave (2/11/26–2/12/26) Unpaid - Family Leave (2/17/26–3/27/26) * Unpaid - Family Leave (5/18/26–6/24/26) Returning: 9/2/2026

5. Transfers

Name	From	To	Effective	Rationale/Account #
LOIODICE, EDELWEISS	SECRETARY- OAK	SECRETARY- CENTRAL REGISTRATION	MARCH 23, 2026	11-000-211-100-15-0015 (Replacement for G. Castro-Resigned)
ESQUENAZI, LINDA	PARAPROFESSIONAL - SPRUCE	PARAPROFESSIONAL- OAK	MARCH 2, 2026	15-204-100-106-09-0009

				(Student ID 941924 was transferred)
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6. Salary Adjustments

Name	From Step / Salary	To Step / Salary	Effective	Account #

7. Stipends

NAME	TO	EFFECTIVE	RATIONALE/ACCOUNT #
ANTUNA, LIZETTE	PARENT LIAISON- OAK	2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR	15-401-100-100-09-0009 PER SCHEDULE G OF LEA CONTRACT (REPLACEMENT M. RIVERA)

8. Tuition Reimbursement

Approve the following teachers to be reimbursed for the cost of the class listed. Reimbursement to be given upon proof of completion.

Name	Credits	School/Class	Cost	Account #
Vanessa Villec	3 Adams State	ED 534 Multicultural Perspectives	\$1,230.00	11-000-291-280-00-0000
		Total	\$1,230.00	

9. Professional Development

Name	Date	Title/Company	Cost	Account
KRISTIE SUSSINO	JUNE 2-5, 2026	NJASBO ANNUAL CONFERENCE, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ	\$500 \$300 (Travel)	11-000-251-580-00-0000
KATIE DOLLINGER	JUNE 2-5, 2026	NJASBO ANNUAL CONFERENCE, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ	\$500 \$300 (Travel)	11-000-251-580-00-0000

AGNESE BRATTOLI	APRIL 11, 2026 APRIL 18, 2026 APRIL 25, 2026 MAY 2, 2026 MAY 9, 2026	THE RUTGERS CENTER FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES PUBLIC PURCHASING QPA TRAINING COURSE: MUNICIPAL FINANCE ADMINISTRATION FOR PUBLIC PURCHASING PERSONNEL	\$821.00	11-000-251-580-00-0000
DIANE PIASENTINI	MAY 20, 2026	ESCNJ VENDOR EXPO: PURCHASING SERIES	\$48 (Travel)	11-000-251-580-00-0000
KATIE DOLLINGER	MAY 20, 2026	ESCNJ VENDOR EXPO: PURCHASING SERIES	\$0	NO COST TO DISTRICT
KRISTIE SUSSINO	MAY 20, 2026	ESCNJ VENDOR EXPO: PURCHASING SERIES	\$0	NO COST TO DISTRICT
AGNESE BRATTOLI	MAY 20, 2026	ESCNJ VENDOR EXPO: PURCHASING SERIES	\$0	NO COST TO DISTRICT
TOVA FEIFER	MAY 5-6, 2026	THE READING LEAGUE SUMMIT 2026/THE READING LEAGUE	\$475.00 \$444.00 (Travel and Lodging)	20-270-200-500-29- 2520-000
MOLLY READ	MAY 5-6, 2026	THE READING LEAGUE SUMMIT 2026/THE READING LEAGUE	\$475.00 \$485.32 (Food, mileage, tolls)	20-270-200-500-29- 2520-000
DEIDRE KROK	APRIL 15, 2026	RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CONFERENCE: NJ LAW CENTER, ONE CONSTITUTIONAL SQUARE, NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ 08901	\$0	11-000-219-580-00-0000
DEIDRE KROK	APRIL 28, 2026	TRAUMA INFORMED EDUCATION TRAINING: NJ LAW CENTER, ONE CONSTITUTIONAL SQUARE, NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ 08901	\$0	11-000-219-580-00-0000

B. NONPERSONNEL

1. Policy Adoptions/Revisions

a) Approve the first reading of the following policies:

(1)

b) Approve and adopt the second reading of the following policies:

(1)

2. Job Descriptions

3. Out of District Placements-

a) Approve the 2025-2026 tuition costs for the following out-of-district placements to be paid through budget account #11-000-100-561-00-0000 and #11-000-100-561-00-0001.

ID#	Placement	Per Diem/ Monthly Rate	Aide Per Diem/ Monthly Rate	Billable Days/ Months	Student Program	Total Tuition Cost	Start Date
936378	Barnegat Twp BOE* revised	\$84.00 / day		125 days	MKV	\$10,500.00	12/01/2025 - 06/30/2026
	TOTAL					\$10,500.00	

b) Approve the 2025-2026 tuition costs for the following out-of-district placements to be paid through budget account #11-000-100-566-00-0000 and #11-000-100-566-00-0001.

ID#	Placement	Per Diem/ Monthly Rate	Aide Per Diem/ Monthly Rate	Billable Days/ Months	Student Program	Total Tuition Cost	Start Date
918432	Coastal Learning	\$361.08 / day		93 days	ERI	\$33,580.44	03/11/2026 - 06/30/2026
908936	Ocean Academy	\$404.35 / day		3 days	MD	\$1,213.05	03/10/2026 - 03/13/2026
	TOTAL					\$34,793.49	

4. Curriculum-

- a) Approve the purchase of the Reading Mastery Signature Edition from McGraw-Hill for the K-2 students at Oak Street School who require a mastery foundational skills curriculum and have not yet made the expected progress with the current curriculum materials and strategies, not to exceed \$280,612.68; to be paid through budget account #11-190-100-640-15-0015.

5. Programs-
6. School Security Drills- March 2026
7. HIB Report- February/March 2026

C. OTHER

1. Approve the updated 2026 Board Committee Structure.
2. Approve the updated 2026-2027 district calendar.
3. Approve the updated 2025-2026 Payroll Schedule.
4. Approve the cost share days for the following individual and dates:
 - Jamison Johnson
 - a. June 23-27, 2026 (5 Days) – JROTC Cadet Leadership Camp, Fort Dix, NJ
\$2,636.50
 - b. August 2-6, 2026 (5 Days) – Annual Brigade Training Workshop, Atlantic City, NJ
\$2,636.50
5. Approve the resignation of the below breakfast aide (*Correction from the 2/25/2026 agenda):

Clifton Ave School:

- Marilyn Gladden *Resignation 2-6-26 (She will still be working for Sodexo as a Food Service Worker)

6. Approve the submission of the following ESEA Amendments:

FY25 PUBLIC CARRYOVER			
	25/26 FUNDING	24/25 CARRYOVER	TOTAL ALLOCATION
Title I	\$ 4,339,718	\$ 2,507,534	\$ 6,847,252

Title II	\$ 212,095	\$ 48,071	\$ 250,166
Title III	\$ 340,419	\$ 25,959	\$ 366,378
Title III Immigrant	\$ 39,203	\$ 17,009	\$ 56,213
Title IV	\$ 233,609	\$ 13,545	\$ 247,154
FY25 NON PUBLIC CARRYOVER			
Title I	\$ 32,038,590	\$ 82,243	\$ 32,120,833
Title II	\$ 2,063,589	\$ 426,378	\$ 2,489,967
Title III	\$ 725,339	\$ 11,161	\$ 736,500
Title III Immigrant	\$ 4,230	\$ 1,782	\$ 6,012
Title IV	\$ 2,272,914	\$ 256,972	\$ 2,529,886

7. Approve the **2025-2026 TITLE III PUBLIC REVISED PLAN (3/2026)**

20-241-___ - ___-29-2520-000

Acct #	Appropriations	Expenditures
200-100	\$125,000	\$67,927
200-200	\$44,143	\$13,689
100-600	\$164,279	\$107,268
200-500	\$11,000	\$487
200-600	\$11,185	\$365

8. Approve the **2025-2026 TITLE III IMMIGRANT PUBLIC REVISED PLAN (3/2026)**

20-242-___ - ___-29-2520-000

Acct #	Appropriations	Expenditures
100-600	\$46,213	0
200-600	\$10,000	0

9. Approve the **TITLE II PLAN FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR: ALLOCATION WITH CARRYOVER: \$250,166.00**

Expenditure	Cost
District Level Professional Development & Hourly Pay for Admin.	\$25,000.00
K-2 ELA Teacher Leaders (3)	\$10,125.00

Professional Books	\$5,000.00
ELA K-2 Professional Development	\$20,000.00
20 licenses for the teacher leaders and Interventionists for The Reading Science Academy (\$150.00 each)	\$3,000.00
Latino Family Literacy Project & Parent Academy	Coordinator- \$3,000.00 Presenter Stipends - \$10,000.00
Educlimber Training	\$30,000.00
Follett PD with Librarians	\$20,000.00
Lexia Training, ELA Grades 3-5, Interventionists and Coaches	\$4,250.00
MTSS Training	\$15,000.00
MTSS Consultants for teaching Strategies	\$10,000.00
Special Education Professional Development	\$25,000.00
Curriculum Audits	\$38,000.00
Unallocated Funds	\$31,791.00
Total	\$250,166.00

**10. Approve the TITLE IV PLAN WITH CARRYOVER FOR THE 2025-2026
SCHOOL YEAR: ALLOCATION: \$247,154.00**

Expenditure	Cost	Paid to:
Dual Enrollment Credits	\$142,000.00	Ocean County College
Dual Enrollment Coordinator	\$14,000.00	Martha Mroz - \$7,000.00 Maryan Mikhail - \$7,000.00
Bi-Weekly Digital LPS Newsletter & Social Media Administrator (Promoting community and parent involvement)	\$10,000.00	Jennifer Patella

PBSIS	\$50,000.00	N/A
Recognize and reward positive behavior to reinforce desired actions	\$10,000.00 per school:	
Promoting supportive school climates to reduce the use of exclusionary discipline and promoting supportive school discipline.	LHS LMS CAGS OAK SPRUCE	
(Does not include Class Trips)		
Mental Health Counseling (Providing school-based mental health services and counseling.)	\$10,000.00	n/a
Unallocated	\$21,154.00	n/a
Total	\$247,154.00	

11. Approve the following placements for the 2025-2026 school year for student teaching (subject to approval of Criminal History background check):

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	BUILDING/ STAFF	DATES FOR PLACEMENT
Pietri	Desiree	Brookdale Community College	SSS Deidre Krok	3/26/2026 – 5/30/2026 40 hours

12. Approve the following school trips for the 2025-2026 school year.

Date/Trip #	School	Where to Grade Purpose	# Students	# Staff / Adults	Admission \$ Acct#	Transportation \$ Acct #
*3/12/2026 Date Change to 3/13/2026	CAGS	Ocean County College Gr 5 Promote Cultural Awareness	32	3	\$0.00	\$0.00 Paid by OCC
3/6/2026 #65	LHS & LMS	Clifton Avenue Grs 6-12 Read Across America	50	3	\$0.00	\$345.00 11-000-270-512-00-0000
3/6/2026 #66	LHS	Spruce & Oak Street Schools Grs 9-12 Read Across America	40-50	2	\$0.00	\$345.00 11-000-270-512-00-0000

4/16/2026 #67	LHS	Metropolitan Museum of Art Grs 9-11 Educational Field Trip	30	3	\$0.00	\$1,200.00 15-000-270-512-03-0003 (Donation from First Commerce)
4/23/2026 #68	LHS	Georgian Court University Gr 11 College Tour	30	3	\$0.00	\$500.00 15-000-218-500-03-0003
4/24/2026 #69	LHS	Collingswood High School Gr 11 NJASC State Office Meeting	1	1	\$0.00	\$267.00 15-000-270-512-03-0003
6/23/2026 – 6/27/2026 #70	LHS	Fort Dix Hillside Grs 9-11 Cadet Summer Camp	15	2	\$0.00	\$920.00 Perkins 20-360-200-500-03-0003
4/22/2026	LHS	Montclair St University Grs 9-12 JROTC Post- Secondary Options	40	2	\$0.00	\$0.00 Provided by: Career Council Inc./College Fairs USA

13. Approve the purchase of a half page ad in the Ocean County Superintendent's Student Recognition Breakfast 2026 Program on May 18, 2026, at a cost of \$100.00, to be paid through budget account #11-000-251-592-00-0000.

14. Approve Lakewood High School to participate in the Ocean County Superintendent's Roundtable Annual Student Recognition Breakfast at the RWJ Barnabas Arena, 1245 Old Freehold Road, Toms River on May 18, 2026, at a cost of \$35.00 per person, which includes the cost of the plaques, not to exceed \$595.00, to be paid through budget account #15-190-100-500-03-0003.

15. Approve the following preschool and kindergarten staff to participate in the transition team for 2 half-day meetings for the 2025-26 school year at no cost to the district. Half day substitute may be required not to exceed \$2,000, to be paid through budget account #20-218-100-321-00-0211.

Certified Staff-

- Amanda Scamak
- Aviva Katz (No sub needed)
- Deidre Krok (No sub needed)
- Jennifer lafelice

- Jessica Cerchio (No sub needed)
- Laura Choffey
- Mary Bukowski
- Rivka Miller
- Sally Castellano (No sub needed)
- Tara De Falco (No sub needed)

Non-Certified Staff-

- Candace Dries, Robin Zarzycki

16. Approve the reimbursement to James Trischitta for the purchase of the Lakewood Domain from 123CheapDomains at a total cost of \$63.80; to be paid through budget account #11-000-252-330-00-0000.
17. Approve the Lakewood Middle School to have their End of the Year Carnival on June 3, 2026 (rain date for June 8, 2026).
18. Approve the Lakewood Middle School to use "Good Times Inflatables LLC" for their End of the Year Carnival, at a cost not to exceed \$3,265.00; to be paid through PBSIS Student Activity Funds budget account #20-280-200-600-04-0004.
19. Approve for the following Lakewood School District Spring Coaches for the 2025-2026 school year, to be paid through budget account #11-402-100-100-15-0000:

SPRING COACHES- HIGH SCHOOL

Last Name	First Name	Sport	Position	Group	Step	Pay
Faynor	Brianne	JV Softball	Asst.	II	4	\$7,515.00
DePaul	Amy	JV Softball	Asst.	II	3	\$6,730.00
Wudzki	Jon	JV Boys Tennis	Asst.	III	4	\$6,697.00

20. Approve Lakewood High School Student Government Association to accept a \$1,000 NASSP/NatStuCo (National Association of Secondary School Principals/National Association of Student Councils) Student Service Grant, supported by The Allstate Foundation. This student-led grant will fund a Parent Resource Fair hosted by Uriel Rivera, the SGA, and the LEA Pep/Pride Committee, scheduled for April 30, 2026 at Lakewood

High School. The event will connect families with community agencies and service providers to access supports that strengthen home stability and promote student success.

21. Approve Brenda Douglas at Lakewood High School to apply for the NJEA HIP Grant to support the Student Government Association leadership program. The grant will fund improv-based workshops at a local theater and an escape room activity that will focus on strengthening students' public speaking, communication, confidence, and team-building skills. This project will provide structured opportunities for student leaders to develop essential presentation and collaboration skills that enhance school culture and community engagement. The grant will fully fund the program, with no cost to the district.
22. Approve Lakewood High School teacher Brandon Bongart to chaperone the JROTC trip to Montclair University, 1 Normal Ave, Montclair, NJ, 07043 on April 22, 2026, at \$55.00 per trip, to be paid through budget account #20-360-200-104-03-0000.
23. Approve Lakewood High School teacher Brandon Bongart to chaperone the JROTC trip to Fireball Mountain Team Building, 295 Meany Rd, Wrightstown, NJ, 08562, May 21, 2026, at \$55.00 per trip as per current LEA contract, which may change pending negotiations, to be paid through budget account #20-360-200-104-03-0000.
24. Approve Lakewood High School teacher Anthony Salerno to chaperone the JROTC trip to Lake Carasaljo, Lakewood, NJ, 08701, April 23, 2026. Approve Lakewood High School teacher Anthony Salerno to chaperone the JROTC trip to Six Flags, 1 Six Flags BLVD, Jackson, NJ, 08527, June 1, 2026. Replace Tyler Flint who was previously board approved, at \$55.00 per trip, to be paid through budget account #20-360-200-104-03-0000.
25. Approve Lakewood High School teacher Anthony Salerno to chaperone the JROTC trip to Raiders League Competition, 7413 Juliustown Road, Browns Mills, NJ, 08015 on May 16, 2026 at a contractual rate of \$55.00 for the trip, per LEA contract to be paid through budget account #20-360-200-104-03-0000.
26. Approve Lakewood High School teacher Anthony Salerno to chaperone the JROTC trip to Elks Parade, Wildwood, NJ, 08260 June 6, 2026 at a contractual rate of \$55.00 for the trip, per LEA contract to be paid through budget account #20-360-200-104-06-0000.
27. Approve Clifton Grade School teacher Carol Bowers to chaperone the JROTC trip to the JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (Summer Camp) at

Fort Dix New Jersey, 08640 on June 23-27, 2026 at a contractual rate of \$75.00 per day, as per the LEA contract. Total not to exceed \$375.00. to be paid through budget account #20-360-200-104-03-0000.

28. Approve the following musicians to join the cast at Lakewood High Schools Spring Musical Once Upon a One More Time. Dates: April 27, 2026- May 2, 2026, no cost to the School District.

- Keys: Samantha Keynton
- Violin: Christina Wiest
- Viola: Linnea Marchie
- Cello: Elliott Wells
- Guitar: Ryan Gattini
- Bass: Nick Griffiths
- Drums: Lucas Waitkus

29. Approve the Ocean County Public Library YA Team to come to Lakewood High School to work on STEM lessons with the MD/Autism classes on Thursday April 16, April 30, and May 28, 2026. No cost for the school district.

30. Approve the below Lakewood High School Guidance Counselors to complete and adjust the 2026-2027 Master Schedule (up to 200 hours each), at \$55 per hour, as per the LEA contract. Dates July 1, 2026-August 14, 2026, to be paid through budget account #15-000-218-110-03-0003.

- Corrine Hoffman
- Amber Patterson

31. Approve the below Lakewood High School Guidance counselor to complete and adjust the 2026-2027 Master Schedule (if needed) (up to 100 hours) at \$55 per hour, as per the LEA contract. Dates July 1, 2026-August 14, 2026, to be paid through budget account #15-000-218-110-03-0003 (payment as per current LEA contract, which may change during contract negotiations).

- Guilmary Brooks

32. Approve Jacqueline Wilhelm to complete psychological evaluations and attend CST meetings for the 2025-2026 school year at the rate of \$350 per evaluation and \$65 per hour for meetings at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 to be paid through budget account #11-000-219-320-00-0000.

33. Approve Y.L.D. Services to complete psychological evaluations at a rate of \$350.00 per monolingual evaluation and \$400.00 per bilingual evaluation,

to attend CST meetings at a rate of \$65.00 per hour for the 2025-2026 school year; at a rate not to exceed \$15,000.00 to be paid through budget account #11-000-219-320-00-0000.

34. Approve Shore Educational LLC, to complete educational evaluations and attend CST meetings for the 2025-2026 school year and attend CST meetings for the 2024-2025 school year at the rate of \$350 per evaluation and \$65 per hour for meetings at a cost not to exceed \$20,000; to be paid through account #11-000-219-320-00-0000.
35. Approve V & C Educational Consultants LLC, to complete educational evaluations and attend CST meetings for the 2025-2026 school year at the rate of \$350 per evaluation and \$65 per hour for meetings at a cost not to exceed \$25,000; to be paid through account #11-000-219-320-00-0000.
36. Approve Malka Golovenzitz to provide home instruction for visually impaired student ER#938848 at a rate of \$125 per hour for up to 10 hours weekly and not to exceed \$18,750.00 to be paid through account number #11-150-100-320-00-0000.
37. Approve textbook reimbursement for Heather Palmieri, Melanie Haines, and Danielle Capobianco for ESL coursework, not to exceed \$175 per person, to be paid through Title III budget account #20-241-200-600-25-2920-000.
38. Approve trip for 200 LHS ML students to visit the Franklin Institute on April 21, 2026 and April 22, 2026, at an admissions total cost of \$3,270 to be paid through Title III budget account #20-241-200-500-29-2520-000.

39. Approve the following Title IV Nonpublic Trips:

SCHOOL	VENDOR	TRIP DESCRIPTION	COST	TITLE IV ACCOUNT #
Bnos Orchos Chaim	Jenkinsons Aquarium	Aquarium Admission Q - 26 1823	\$ 600.00	20-280-200-500-30-0953-75I
Bnos Orchos Chaim	Millennium Skate World	Admission and Skate Rental Q - 00166	\$ 558.90	20-280-200-500-30-0953-75I
Bnos Orchos Chaim	The Paintbrush	Plaster Art Q - 000019	\$ 277.11	20-280-200-500-30-0953-75I
Bnos Tzippa	Jenkinsons Aquarium	Aquarium Admission Q - 26 1743	\$ 560.00	20-280-200-500-30-1838-07N
Bnos Tzippa	Old Barracks Museum	Admission to Meet The Past Q - 669	\$ 252.00	20-280-200-500-30-1838-07N

Yeshiva Toras Menachem	Tree Trails	Full Park Rental Fee Q- 2026001	\$2,650.00	20-280-200-500-30-0934-59I
Tiferes Chaya	Jenkinson's Aquarium	Aquarium Admission Q - 26-180	\$490.00	20-280-200-500-30-0959-81I
Meoros Bais Yaakov	Historic Richmond Town	Open Village Trip Q- 0014	\$585.00	20-280-200-500-30-1821-06U
Meoros Bais Yaakov	Museum of Illusions	Tour Q - 20260219-155944415	\$728.00	20-280-200-500-30-1821-06U
Tiferes Chaya	Kreider Farms	Farm Tour Tour# 52626	\$684.00	20-280-200-500-30-0959-81I
Tiferes Chaya	Arron & Jessica's Buggy Rides, Inc	Country Tour	\$855.00	20-280-200-500-30-0959-81I
Meoros Bais Yaakov	The Franklin Institute	General Admission Q-1065796	\$931.00	20-280-200-500-30-1821-06U
Meoros Bais Yaakov	Jenkinson's Aquarium	Aquarium Admission Q - 26 1631	\$900.00	20-280-200-500-30-1821-06U
Tiferes Bais Yaakov	Historic Richmond	Guided Village Tour Q-0013	\$1,008.00	20-280-200-500-30-0971-91I
Sanz of Lakewood	Monmouth County Parks	Guided Farm Tour Q-V10309	180.00	20-280-200-500-30-1346-00X
Sanz of Lakewood	Allaire Village, Inc.	Group Tour	\$525.00	20-280-200-500-30-1346-00X
Yeshiva Toras Menachem	Adventure Crossing USA	Rental Fees Q-3768	\$5,000.00	20-280-200-500-30-0934-59I

40. The following schools have existing Security Services with the vendors provided. Please approve the following purchases:

SCHOOL	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	COST	ACCOUNT
UNITED TALMUDICAL ACADEMY	ADS	School Database Notification Alert System to add to the existing school data system	\$13,975.00	\$2,700.00 - 20-511-266-300-30-0981-01I \$11,275 - 20-511-266-610-30-0981-01I
UNITED TALMUDICAL ACADEMY	Supreme Doors Installation LLC	Classroom door repairs	\$6,150.00	20-511-266-300-30-0981-01I

Cheder Toras Zev	Datalink Systems	Video Service Contract March - June Q - 4600B	\$ 15,000.00	20-511-266-300-30-0987-07J
Cheder Toras Zev	Datalink Systems	Supplies for existing service Q - 4602B	\$ 8,260.00	20-511-266-610-30-0987-07J
Cheder Toras Zev	Datalink Systems	Set Up Of Items for existing service Q - 4601B	\$ 17,500.00	20-511-266-300-30-0987-07J
Bais Yaakov HS	Powerhouse Electric & Security	Alarm Monitoring April - July Q - 2325	\$ 416.00	20-511-266-420-30-0937-62I

41. Approve the following Medical/Administrative/Supplemental Homebound Instruction for the following students by the following agency/consultant.
(Budget Account #11-150-100-101-00-0000).

Number	Agency/Consultant	Date	Hours (not to exceed)	Hourly Rate	Total (not to exceed)
912812	Joan Yoon	2/28/26 - 6/30/26	5 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,500.00
913013	Krista Smith	1/18/26 - 6/30/26	5 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,500.00
915076	Krista Smith/ Jessica DeSantis	2/20/26 - 4/20/26	10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,000.00
933024	Valerie Truisi	3/12/26 - 5/12/26	10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,000.00
919400	Jason Storch	4/4/26 - 6/4/26	10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,000.00
918432	Danielle Decker	2/13/26 - 4/24/26	10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,000.00
921704	Allison Fusco	2/26/26 - 4/2/26	5 hours/week	\$55.00	\$2,750.00
930139	Kristen Elias	3/2/26 - 3/8/26	5 hours/week	\$55.00	\$2,750.00
910154	Eric Holmberg	3/12/26 - 4/12/26	5 hours/week	\$55.00	\$2,750.00
921620	TBD	3/19/26 - 5/4/26	10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,000.00

42. Approve the following Medical/Administrative/Supplemental Homebound Instruction for the following students by the following agency/consultant.
(Budget Account #11-150-100-320-00-0000).

Number	Agency/Consultant	Date	Hours (not to exceed)	Hourly Rate	Total (not to exceed)
913058	Learnwell	3/11/26 - 3/25/26	5 hours/week	\$64.90	\$1,300.00
949773	Learnwell	2/11/26 - 3/11/26	5 hours/week	\$64.90	\$1,300.00
924687	Learnwell	2/24/26 - 3/10/26	5 hours/week	\$64.90	\$1,300.00
912726	Learnwell	1/30/26 - 2/13/26	5 hours/week	\$64.90	\$1,300.00

936123	Trinitas/UCESC	3/7/26 - 4/4/26	10 hours/week	\$76.00	\$3,040.00
912425	Kathy Bower	1/12/26 - 6/24/26	up to 10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,500.00
908936	Kathy Bower	3/9/26 - 5/9/26	10 hours/week	\$55.00	\$5,000.00

43. Approve Miry Berman to provide Home Instruction for the 2025-2026 school year, at \$55.00 per hour, to be paid through budget account 11-150-100-320-00-0000.

44. Approve Sharon Solar and Carmella Quick to provide Home Instruction for the 2025-2026 school year, at \$55.00 per hour, to be paid through budget account 11-150-100-101-00-0000.

45. Approve the Summer Accelerated Geometry program to run from July 1, 2026 through August 5, 2026, with a total cost not to exceed \$8,937.50 to be paid through Title IV Funds budget account #20-280-100-100-29-2520-000.

46. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT COUNTY APPLICATION FOR CONTINUUM OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education is committed to providing all students with disabilities a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) in the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), N.J.S.A. 18A:46-1 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 6A:14; and

WHEREAS, the Lakewood School District currently operates a comprehensive continuum of special education programs and services designed to meet the diverse needs of students from preschool through grade twelve, as outlined in students' Individualized Education Programs (IEPs); and

WHEREAS, the District seeks to ensure full compliance with all applicable New Jersey Department of Education regulations, including obtaining formal approval from the Ocean County Office of Education for all existing special education programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the programs listed below have been implemented to support student needs and are staffed with appropriately certified personnel, with services delivered in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLs); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education hereby approves the submission to the Ocean County Superintendent of Schools for review and approval of the District's continuum of special education programs and services, as follows:

Spruce Street School

- Preschool Disabled (PSD)
- Extended School Year (ESY)

Oak Street School

- In-Class Resource (ICR)
- Team Teaching
- Autism Program
- Multiple Disabilities (MD)
- Extended School Year (ESY)

Clifton Avenue Grade School

- In-Class Resource (ICR)
- Pull-Out Resource Support
- Team Teaching
- Autism Program
- Learning and/or Language Disabilities (LLD)
- Multiple Disabilities (MD)
- Extended School Year (ESY)

Lakewood Middle School (LMS)

- In-Class Resource (ICR)
- Autism Program
- Multiple Disabilities (MD)
- Learning and/or Language Disabilities (LLD)
- Secondary Special Class Programs
- Extended School Year (ESY)

Lakewood High School (LHS)

- In-Class Resource (ICR)
- Autism Program
- Multiple Disabilities (MD)
- Learning and/or Language Disabilities (LLD)
- Secondary Special Class Programs
- Extended School Year (ESY)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board affirms that these programs are not newly established, but rather represent existing services currently

being provided to students in accordance with their IEPs, and this submission is intended to formalize County approval and ensure continued compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education remains committed to maintaining a full continuum of services to meet the individualized needs of students with disabilities while ensuring compliance with all State and Federal requirements.

47. Approve the settlement agreement between the Lakewood Board of Education and the Lakewood Education Association (LEA) resolving the matters identified as Consolidated Docket Nos. CO-2025-168, CO-2025-229, and CO-2026-032; at no cost to the district.

48. APPROVAL OF THE 2026-2027 INTRODUCED BUDGET FOR SUBMISSION TO THE EXECUTIVE OCEAN COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the school district's 2026-2027 Introduced Budget for submission to the Executive Ocean County Superintendent of Schools for review and approval as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$323,920,210	\$123,933,083
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$100,805,164	N/A
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 2,411,750</u>	<u>\$1,717,575</u>
Total	<u>\$427,137,124</u>	<u>\$125,650,658</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the maximum General Fund budgeted travel and related expense reimbursements in the amount of \$20,000, that the maximum amount approved in the pre-budget year was \$15,000, and that as of January 31, 2026 the total amount expended and encumbered on travel is \$14,857 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the School-Based Budgets (Fund 15) in the amount of \$58,093,099 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the maximum amounts for contracted professional services as follows:

Legal Services	\$300,000
Audit Services	\$100,000

Architectural Services \$125,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this budget includes a request for a DOE Loan Against State Aid in the amount of \$138,184,006 in order to provide a Thorough and Efficient education and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this budget includes the use of the Adjustment for Health Care Costs in the amount of \$4,914,798 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this budget has proposed programs and services in addition to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Education and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education authorizes the advertising of the budget, upon approval by the Executive Ocean County Superintendent of Schools, and in accordance with New Jersey Department of Education regulations, four days prior to the Budget Public Hearing date and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lakewood Board of Education approves the date, place and time of the 2026-2027 Budget Public Hearing to be on Wednesday, April 29, 2026 in person at Lakewood High School Commons and online through the district website beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to Approve the Superintendent's Agenda: 9:23pm

First: Mr. Rodriguez **Second:** Mr. Chase

Voting:

Moshe Bender-President	<u>A</u>
Aaron Chase	<u>Y</u>
Ada Gonzalez	<u>A</u>
Eliyahu Greenwald	<u>A</u>
Meir Grunhut	<u>Y</u>
Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>Y</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>Y</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>Y</u>

XII. OLD BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT - (Limited to 4 minutes as per Board Policy #0167)- NONE

XV. GOOD & WELFARE

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn the meeting: 9:24pm

First: Mr. Rodriguez

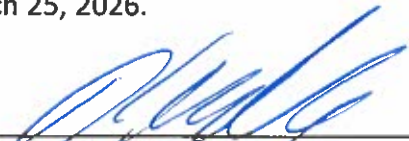
Second: Mr. Chase

Voting:

Moshe Bender-President	<u>A</u>
Aaron Chase	<u>Y</u>
Ada Gonzalez	<u>A</u>
Eliyahu Greenwald	<u>A</u>
Meir Grunhut	<u>Y</u>
Harriet Westbrook-Goldberg	<u>Y</u>
Heriberto Rodriguez- Vice President	<u>Y</u>
Shlomie Stern	<u>A</u>
Joel Kleinman	<u>Y</u>

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm

I, Kevin Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, of the Lakewood Board of Education, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the Minutes for the In-Person Public Meeting held on March 25, 2026.



Kevin Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

April 29, 2026