BUSINESS MEETING March 26, 2026

The Business Meeting of the Stafford Township Board of Education was held on March 26, 2026 at 7:05pm at the Oxycocus Elementary School and was live streamed over the web.

CALL TO ORDER

The Stafford Township Board of Education is called to order in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act Law - 1975 Chapter 231 (P.L. 1975-231C). This meeting was advertised on TAPinto. Notice has been posted in the office of the Stafford Township Clerk, all school buildings and on the district website. A mechanical device is being used to video record this meeting.

ROLL CALL

Brian Fenlon	Member
Gregory Gioe	Member
Keith Mollema	Member
Matthew Regulski	Member (Absent)
Christopher Smith	Member
Bonnie Strouse	Member (Absent)
Joseph Washco	Member
Kevin Cooney	Vice President
Tammy Wagner	President

ALSO PRESENT

George J. Chidiac	Superintendent
Lourdes LaGuardia	Business Administrator/Board of Education Secretary
Martin J. Buckley, Esq.	Board of Education Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

A. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

~Intermediate Student and Staff Recognition

- Mrs. Zaun and Mrs. Ducker recognized two students who played in the *Overcooked: All You Can Eat* state finals. Shane and Nabil were absolutely amazing. Their effective communication, teamwork, and strategic thinking carried them all the way to the state semifinals in the middle school division. On their journey to the semifinals, they upset the #3 seed as the #6 seed in their division. Mrs. Golderer and Mrs. Mastrogiovanni have taken our Esports program to the highest level and we recognize them for their huge support of the program.

- Mrs. Zaun and Mrs. Ducker recognized The Future Leaders under the direction of Mrs. McAvoy who has led the district with a PJ Day fundraiser for

CHOP, assisted with the Support Our Troops collection and recently stocked the shelves at St. Francis with the items collected from the district Food Drive.

- Mrs. Zaun and Mrs. Ducker recognized John Davellis who is a new teacher at Stafford Intermediate in the ERI program. He has done an amazing job with the students in his program and we have seen significant gains. Not only has he positively impacted his program but he continually supports other students and staff. John brings a positive presence to Intermediate!

B. SUPERINTENDENT'S EDUCATIONAL REPORT - Attachment

- Mr. Chidiac gave a quick update on Professional Development; Career Day; Sportsmanship Day; Book Vending Machine; Epilepsy Awareness (Purple); and Autism Awareness (Blue)

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

*NOTE: If a board member was absent (listed below), they are to abstain from the vote on that item/meeting.

To approve the minutes of the following meeting(s):

1. February 19, 2026 Board Retreat– 1 Absence (B. Strouse)
2. February 19, 2026 Business Meeting – 1 Absence (B. Strouse)
3. February 19, 2026 Closed Session #1 – 1 Absence (B. Strouse)
4. February 19, 2026 Closed Session #2 – 1 Absence (B. Strouse)

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Gioe to approve Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) #1-4. Roll call vote: seven (7) members voted yes; motion passed.

D. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

E. CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE BOARD

None

F. BOARD BUSINESS

1. There were five incidents of harassment, intimidation, and bullying.

2. To affirm the determination of the Superintendent regarding harassment, intimidation, and bullying incident investigation – McKinley #3.

3. To approve to reschedule the following Board of Education meetings:

a. Committee of the Whole originally scheduled for May 21, 2026 moved to May 14, 2026 at 6:00pm
b. Business Meeting originally scheduled for May 21, 2026 moved to May 14, 2026 at 7:00pm

A motion was made by Mr. Washco and seconded by Mr. Fenlon to approve Board Business item(s) #1-3. Roll call vote: seven (7) members present voted yes; motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

G. FINANCE/INSURANCE/TRANSPORTATION

The Committee of the Whole has reviewed the following action items, has consulted with the superintendent, school business administrator/board secretary and other appropriate district officials, and hereby certifies that the actions being approved are consistent with the 2025-2026 board/district goals. In addition, we further certify that we have reviewed the attached bill list and are satisfied that curriculum related expenditures are directly related to the results of assessment data and that professional development expenditures are directly related to professional development plans.

Board Secretary's Certification:

I, Lourdes LaGuardia, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-A-16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Date

1. To approve for payment of March 2026 bills list totaling $3,608,492.26 as attached. (G-1)

Fund 10 - $2,358,123.53
Fund 20 - $273,012.32
Fund 30 - $774,127.16
Fund 40 - $0
Fund 60 - $195,090.69
Fund 61 - $2,638.97
Fund 62 - $5,499.59

*Note - $1,787,281.96 of the amounts listed were made as EFT payments. (G-1a)

*To approve for payment of February 2026 additional bills list totaling $614,768.20 as attached. (G-1b)

Fund 10 - $163,832.45
Fund 20 - $38,435.75
Fund 30 - $12,500
Fund 40 - $0
Fund 60 - $0
Fund 61 - $0
Fund 62 - $400,000

*Note - $40,000 of the amounts listed were made as EFT payments. (G-1c)

2. To approve for payment of payroll

   a. dated February 15, 2026 totaling $1,638,693.32
   b. dated February 28, 2026 totaling $1,643,361.92

3. To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2026.

4. To accept the Secretary's Report for the month of January 2026.

5. To approve the attached line item transfers for January 2026.

6. To approve the attached list of donations.

7. To approve the attached Agreement with E-Rate Partners, LLC for E-Rate Services for Funding Year 2026 (July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027) of the Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism (E-Rate Program). The annual fee for the funding year will be: Category I services $1800 and Category 2 services will be calculated based on the amount of Category 2 funding requested for E-Rate Funding Year 2026.

8. To approve the Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services (EUS) contract with Underwood Engineering of Cherry Hill, NJ for Third Party Licensed Special Inspections & Testing for the Oxycocus Addition/Alterations project in the amount of approximately $78,635, as recommended by Spiezle Architectural Group and New Road Construction Management Company. The proposal was one of four received and was selected based on the factors set forth in the RFP. This is a Referendum Project.

9. To approve LearnWell to provide five hours of homebound instruction per week to student #22666 while in the hospital for the 2025-2026 school year, commencing March 3, 2026 and ending April 1, 2026 at a rate of $64.90/hr.

10. To approve student #22666 to receive home instruction for the 2025-2026 school year, commencing March 9, 2026 and ending May 9, 2026. This student will receive five hours of home instruction per week at the rate of $51.44/hr.

11. To approve student #23288 to receive home instruction for the 2025-2026 school year, commencing February 25, 2026 and ending March 26, 2026. This student will receive ten hours of home instruction per week at the rate of $51.44/hr.

12. To approve student #26224 to receive home instruction for the 2025-2026 school year, commencing January 15, 2026 and ending March 30, 2026. This student will receive ten hours of home instruction per week at the rate of $51.44/hr.

13. To approve an in-district tuition contract with the Eagleswood Township Board of Education for student #26243 to attend the Preschool Disabilities Program for the 2025-2026 school year, commencing March 10, 2026 at an annual tuition rate of $21,082, prorated to $7,847.04, plus related services in the amount of $916.67.

14. To approve Foundations Behavioral Health to provide ten hours of academic tutoring per week at a rate of $56/hr of instruction to student #22509 for the 2025-2026 school year, commencing February 18, 2026 and ending March 19, 2026.

15. To approve to submit the IDEA Amendment for Carry-Over Funds for the 2025-2026 school year in the amount of $12,825 for IDEA Basic and $502 for IDEA Preschool.

16. To approve the attached SEMI Corrective Action Plan for the 2026-2027 school year.

17. To approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS OR QUOTES FOR A TAX-EXEMPT LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF VARIOUS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT, AND EXECUTION OF THE LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of the Township of Stafford in the County of Ocean, New Jersey (the "Board") seeks to acquire two (2) school buses, one (1) wheelchair accessible minivan, and three (3) radio units to be installed in said vehicles (collectively, the “Equipment”); and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to finance the Equipment through a tax-exempt lease purchase financing in the aggregate amount not to exceed $372,500 (the "Lease Purchase Financing"); and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to post the applicable notice and to solicit bids or quotes (hereinafter "Bids"), for such Lease Purchase Financing, to delegate the award of such Bid to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and to authorize the entering into such Lease Purchase Financing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board hereby approves and directs Acacia Financial Group, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor") and Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer ("Bond Counsel") to solicit Bids, on behalf of the Board in order to finance the Equipment through a tax-exempt Lease Purchase in the aggregate amount not to exceed $372,500.

SECTION 2. The Board reasonably expects to reimburse itself from the proceeds of the Lease Purchase Financing for certain costs of the Equipment paid prior to the execution and delivery of the Lease Purchase Financing from sources other than the Lease Purchase Financings which have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or have otherwise been set aside by the Board, pursuant to its budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. This Section 2 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Board's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward certain costs of the Equipment to be incurred and paid prior to the execution and delivery of the Lease Purchase Financing in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2, and no further action (or inaction) will be an abusive arbitrage device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-10 to avoid, in whole or in part, arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements under Section 148 of the Code. The proceeds of the Lease Purchase Financing used to reimburse the Board for any expenditures toward certain costs of the Equipment will not be used directly or indirectly (i) to "refund" an issue of governmental obligations within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(d), (ii) to create or increase the balance in "replacement proceeds", within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1 of the Lease Purchase Financing, or any other agreement, with respect to any obligation of the Board or to replace funds, or (iii) to reimburse the Board for any expenditure or payment that was originally paid with the proceeds of any obligation of the Board. The Lease Purchase Financing used to reimburse the Board for any expenditure toward certain costs of the Equipment, as described above, will be issued in an amount not to exceed $372,500. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the Lease Purchase Financing will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of section 150 of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1. This Section 2 shall

take effect immediately, but will be of no effect with regard to expenditures for costs paid outside the permitted reimbursement period set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(d)(2).

SECTION 3. Upon receipt of the Bids and the analysis thereof, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, is authorized to award the Lease Purchase Financing to the lessor that bid the most economically advantageous proposal to the Board based upon the advice and recommendation of the Municipal Advisor. The term for financing the Equipment not exceed five (5) years. In consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, the Board President, the Board Vice President, the Superintendent and/or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are each hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents including, but not limited to, a lease purchase agreement, an escrow agreement, as applicable, and all closing documents in connection with the Lease Purchase and are hereby authorized to take any other action necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

SECTION 4. The Board hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequently imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the Lease Purchase Financing, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the Lease Purchase Financing.

SECTION 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

18. To approve the surplus reallocation of Capital Reserve Withdrawal funds originally designated for the Ocean Acres School ROD Grants to be used for the Ocean Acres School gym floor replacement project in the amount of $224,494. Purpose is necessary due to unsafe slippery conditions of current VCT flooring.

19. To approve the submission of the Preschool Budget Workbook 2026-2027 for the preschool budget in the amount of $7,468,709. Funding sources include the following:

PEA State Aid	$6,959,810
Carry-Over Audit	$185,099
General Fund Contribution	$323,800

Further that the Business Administrator be authorized to submit the preschool budget workbook to the New Jersey Division of Early Childhood Services for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline.

20. The Superintendent recommends approval to adopt the Tentative Budget for FY 2026-2027:

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2026-2027 School Year using the 2026-2027 state aid figures and the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

		General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	TOTAL
2026-2027 Total Expenditures		$54,216,095	$8,373,644	$4,994,995	$67,584,734
Less: Anticipated Revenues		$54,216,095	$8,373,644	$4,994,995	$67,584,734
Taxes to be Raised		$40,188,054	- 0 -	$ 994,759	$41,182,813

And to post said tentative budget on the district's website in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held at the Stafford Township Arts Center (STAC) located at 1000 McKinley Avenue, Manahawkin, NJ on April 30, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2026-2027 School Year.

Adjustment for ENROLLMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Stafford Township Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for enrollment in the amount of $442,792. The district intends to utilize this adjustment for supplies and materials necessary for the additional students.

Adjustment for HEALTH CARE COSTS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Stafford Township Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of $2,355,137. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increases in health benefit premiums.

Capital Reserve Withdrawal – Other Capital Projects

BE IT RESOLVED that included in the general fund appropriations, budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Other Capital Projects in the amount of $277,000 for other capital project costs which will include:

a. $55,000 for Parking Lot Repavement;
b. $100,000 for Construct Undercarriage Cleaner Ramp/Electrical TFTM;
c. $85,000 for MDF IDF Core Switches Relocation Replacement; and
d. $37,000 for Ocean Acres Refurbish Generator

These projects represent expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Maintenance Reserve Withdrawal

BE IT RESOLVED that as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d) the general fund appropriations include a $400,000 withdrawal from the Maintenance Reserve Account for use on required maintenance activities for a school facility as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5.

Emergency Reserve Withdrawal

BE IT RESOLVED that the general fund appropriations include a $50,583 withdrawal from the Emergency Reserve Account for the improvement of school security in the district.

Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2026-2027

WHEREAS, the Stafford Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Stafford Township Board of Education established $50,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended $16,000 as of this date; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of $50,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Adoption of Preschool Budget Workbook 2026-2027

To approve the submission of the Preschool Budget Workbook 2026-2027 for the preschool budget in the amount of $7,468,709. Funding sources include the following:

PEA State Aid	$6,959,810
Carry-Over Audit	$185,099
General Fund Contribution	$323,800

Further that the Business Administrator be authorized to submit the preschool budget workbook to the New Jersey Division of Early Childhood Services for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline.

A motion was made by Mr. Gioe and seconded by Mr. Fenlon to approve Finance/Insurance/Transportation item(s) #1-20. Roll call vote item #1: seven (7) members present voted yes; motion passed. Roll call vote item #2: six (6) members present voted yes; motion passed. Mr. Gioe abstained on item #2. Roll call vote items #3-20: seven (7) members present voted yes; motion passed.

H. BUILDINGS/GROUNDS/CAFETERIA

The Buildings/Grounds/Cafeteria Committee has reviewed the following action items, has consulted with the school business administrator/board secretary and other appropriate district officials, and hereby certifies that the actions being approved are consistent with the 2025-2026 board/district goals.

1. To approve the disposal of the old Warming Serving Line and Cold Station at Intermediate to be sold on Gov Deals or to the Recycling Center – Asset Tag #160162, 00100, 160159, 000472.

2. To approve the attached School Services Meal Price List for Student and Adult cafeteria purchases for the 2026-2027 school year, which is an increase of $0.25 from previous year.

Student Breakfast	$2.60
Student Lunch	$3.85
Adult Breakfast	$3.00
Adult Lunch	$4.35

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Cooney to approve Buildings/Grounds/Cafeteria item(s) #1-2. Roll call vote: seven (7) members present voted yes; motion passed.

I. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION/TECHNOLOGY

The Committee of the Whole has reviewed the following action items, has consulted with the superintendent and other appropriate district officials, and hereby certifies that the actions being approved are consistent with the 2025-2026 board/district goals. In addition, we further certify that we have reviewed the attached professional development request list and are satisfied that each professional development event is directly related to the employee's duties, each event is fiscally prudent (consistent with N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12), that teaching staff requests are aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and that administrator requests are aligned to the Professional Standards for School Leaders.

1. To approve the professional development requests shown on the attached listing.

2. To approve the attached **revised** district calendar for the 2025-2026 school year.

3. To approve the attached district calendar for the 2026-2027 school year.

4. To approve the attached 2026 Extended Day Summer Camp Program at McKinley Avenue School at a cost of $50 per Full Day and $25 per Half Day, commencing July 7, 2026 through August 14, 2026.

5. To approve the attached 2026 Extended School Year Program at McKinley Avenue School from Monday through Thursday from 8:00am to 12:00pm. The four-week program will run from July 7, 2026 to July 30, 2026 and the six-week program will run from July 7, 2026 to August 13, 2026.

6. To approve the attached list of technology equipment for removal from the Stafford Township School District's inventory and properly disposed of, recycled or sold on GovDeals.org.

A motion was made by Mr. Gioe and seconded by Mr. Mollema to approve Curriculum/Instruction/Technology item(s) #1-6. Roll call vote: seven (7) members present voted yes; motion passed.

J. PERSONNEL

The following Personnel items were discussed:

Chairperson of the Personnel Committee – Tammy Wagner

Report: The superintendent recommends the board approve/ratify the appointment of the following named individuals who constitute a careful selection and screening

of applicants, in accordance with the board/district hiring policies/procedures, and are hereby recommended for an employment contract contingent upon the successful completion of their accredited degree program, New Jersey Department of Education certification requirements, Federal NCLB Highly qualified Teacher requirements, a criminal history clearance and the successful completion of a medical examination as required by the board of education. These initial assignments/appointments may be changed as district needs develop unless otherwise stipulated. The Personnel/Policy Committee has reviewed the following action items, has consulted with the superintendent and other appropriate district officials, and hereby certifies that the actions being approved are consistent with the 2025-2026 board/district goals.

1. To approve the attached list of substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year.

2. To approve the change of assignment for the attached list of personnel for the 2025-2026 school year.

3. To approve the following retirements:
    a. Roxanne Callahan, Teacher, effective July 1, 2026
    b. James Blomquist, Teacher, effective July 1, 2026
    c. Scott Nulty, Teacher, effective July 1, 2026
    d. Katherine Buckley, Teacher, effective January 1, 2027

4. To approve the following resignations:
    a. Heather Johann, Teacher Aide, effective January 7, 2026
    b. Brenda Gomez Sanchez, Teacher Aide, effective March 9, 2026
    c. Samantha Pisciotta, Teacher Aide, effective March 4, 2026
    d. John Obenshine, Bus Driver, effective May 1, 2026
    e. Jocelyn Brown, Teacher, effective July 1, 2026

5. To approve the following leaves:
    a. Employee ID #6608, unpaid family leave FMLA, beginning January 28, 2026 and returning February 18, 2026
    b. Employee ID #6459, unpaid contractual child rearing leave extension, beginning March 2, 2026 and returning July 1, 2026
    c. Employee ID #6620, unpaid leave of absence, beginning April 20, 2026 and returning April 27, 2026
    d. Employee ID #6873, unpaid leave of absence, beginning February 6, 2026 and returning February 9, 2026
    e. Employee ID #4086, unpaid family leave FMLA EXTENSION, beginning February 23, 2026 and returning March 9, 2026
    f. Employee ID #6589, unpaid family leave FMLA REVISED, beginning April 27, 2026 and returning July 1, 2026
    g. Employee ID #6634, unpaid family leave FMLA, beginning January 20, 2026 and returning March 23, 2026

h. Employee ID #6859, unpaid leave of absence, beginning February 23, 2026 and returning March 1, 2026
i. Employee ID #6266, unpaid family leave FMLA, REVISED, beginning February 9, 2026 and returning May 11, 2026
j. Employee ID #6665, unpaid leave of absence, beginning March 4, 2026 and returning March 5, 2026
k. Employee ID #6873, unpaid leave of absence, beginning February 26, 2026 and returning February 27, 2026
l. Employee ID #6873, unpaid leave of absence, beginning March 6, 2026 and returning March 9, 2026
m. Employee ID #6797, unpaid leave of absence, beginning February 25, 2026 and returning February 26, 2026
n. Employee ID #6174, unpaid contractual child rearing leave, EXTENDED, beginning September 1, 2026 and ending February 1, 2027
o. Employee ID #7026, unpaid leave of absence, beginning March 2, 2026 and returning March 3, 2026 AND beginning March 4, 2026 and returning March 5, 2026
p. Employee ID #6282, unpaid family leave, INTERMITTENT, beginning March 2, 2026 and returning July 1, 2026
q. Employee ID #6854, unpaid leave of absence, beginning March 5, 2026 and returning March 10, 2026
r. Employee ID #6862, unpaid leave of absence, beginning March 9, 2026 and returning March 11, 2026
s. Employee ID #6854, unpaid family leave, INTERMITTENT, beginning March 19, 2026 and returning July 1, 2026
t. Employee ID #7040, unpaid family leave, beginning March 23, 2026 and returning April 13, 2026

6. To approve the attached new job description:
    a. A-16 Bookkeeper/Central Administration

7. To approve the separation agreement between the Stafford Township Board of Education and Employee ID #6875.

8. To approve the settlement agreement between the Stafford Township Board of Education and Employee ID #6774.

9. To approve the attached list of student fieldwork placements for the 2025-2026 school year.

10. To approve the following personnel for Extra-Curricular and Enrichment Programs for the 2025-2026 school year:
    a. Shannon Peters
    b. Rachel Schenk

11. To approve Annmarie Mabie to receive BA Stipend in the 2027-2028 school year, beginning September 1, 2027.

12. To approve Anne Vreeland as Elementary School Teacher, Resource, Ocean Acres Elementary School, beginning April 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2026, Step A, pro-rated, of the Stafford Township Board of Education/STEA Agreement. This is a non-tenure track leave replacement position.

13. To approve Skylar Amoroso as Bookkeeper/Central Administration, Oxycocus Elementary School, Administration, beginning April 16, 2026 and ending June 30, 2026, salary as attached, +90 CC, pro-rated. This is a replacement position.

Employee appointments are provisional pending satisfactory completion of the Criminal History Background Check, Pre-employment P.L. 2018,C.5 Disclosure and Physical Exam Requirements required by the State of New Jersey.

A motion was made by Mr. Washco and seconded by Mr. Gioe to approve Personnel item(s) #1-13. Roll call vote: seven (7) members present voted yes; motion passed.

K. POLICY/LEGISLATIVE

The Committee of the Whole has reviewed the following policies and regulations, has consulted with the board attorney and other appropriate district officials, and hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1, that the attached policies and regulations are in compliance with all applicable statutes and administrative code provisions and are consistent with the 2025-2026 board/district goals.

NO ACTION ITEMS

L. ADVANCED PLANNING

- April 30, 2026 – Committee of the Whole at 6:00pm at the Stafford Township Arts Center (STAC)
- April 30, 2026 – Business Meeting/Public Budget Hearing at 7:00pm at the Stafford Township Arts Center (STAC)

M. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

N. BOARD INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

O. CLOSED SESSION – Personnel Matters

Whereas Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting under certain circumstances; and

Whereas, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Stafford Township Board of Education, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action of the hereinafter specified subject matters.

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Personnel Matters

It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matters shall be made public at such time as the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exists.

A motion was made by Mr. Mollema and seconded by Mr. Smith to move on the above Resolution. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (5-0); motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Mollema to exit closed session. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (5-0); motion passed.

TIME IN: 7:23pm
TIME AT CONCLUSION OF CLOSED SESSION: 7:55pm

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Mollema to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm. Voice vote: All members present voted yes (5-0); motion passed.

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Lourdes LaGuardia
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

LL/km/4-14-2026