

MOONACHIE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

Robert L. Craig School

Cafeteria

May 5, 2026

Call to order by Board President Meeting opened at _____

Roll Call

Members Present:

Members Absent:

Also Present:

Pledge of Allegiance

State of Compliance:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights for the public to have advance notice of, and to attend, the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be sent, announcing time and place thereof, and, to the extent known, the agenda of this meeting to the following: Borough of Moonachie and Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

- Acceptance of Minutes of April 14, 2026, closed session and regular session, and Superintendent Report – Attachment 1.1
Motion:
Seconded:
Action taken:
- Acceptance of Correspondence
Motion:
Seconded:
Action taken:
 1. NJ Department of Education High Impact Payments Report approval letter – Attachment 1.2
 2. NJ Department of Education Long-Range Facilities Plan, Major Amendment Approval letter – Attachment 1.3
- Superintendent's Report
Motion:
Seconded:
Action taken:

▪ **Students of the Month**

May
Max Minervini

Grade
4

- PRESENTATION – Public Hearing 2026-2027 School Budget
Laurel Spadavecchia, Business Administrator

- **Public Comments - (Agenda Items Only)**

In addition, please be aware that employees of this School District retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public and, in order to protect the privacy rights of employees in the District, the Board shall not respond to statements made by the public of or about District employees.

2. Finance

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. SUBMISSION OF FINAL 2026-2027 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the preliminary 2026-27 school budget was approved for submission to the Executive County Superintendent by the Board of Education on March 17, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Moonachie Board of Education authorized the submission of the 2026-2027 Preliminary School Budget to the Bergen County Executive Superintendent of Schools with the following Fund Allocations and requested waivers:

<u>Budget Totals:</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 14,238,002	10,862,784.00
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 967,933	0.00
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Totals	\$ 15,205,935	\$ 10,862,784.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the General Fund tax levy \$10,862,784.00 is approved to support the 2026-2027 school year budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Moonachie Board of Education authorize the inclusion of \$140,000 from Maintenance Reserve into the preliminary 2026-2027 budget for required maintenance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Moonachie Board of Education authorize the inclusion of \$1,000,000 from Capital Reserve into the preliminary 2026-2027 budget for paving and parking lot renovation, repair to the sewer system, repair structural damage to the plumbing system, repair of hallway flooring, bathroom renovations and repair or replacement of older HVAC units of the Robert L. Craig School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Moonachie Board of Education authorize the use of the Enrollment Adjustment in the amount of \$139,572 for use in the 2026-2027 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Moonachie Board of Education authorize the use of the Healthcare Adjustment in the amount of \$280,462 for use in the 2026-2027 school year.

2. Motion that the Moonachie Board of Education establish the school district travel maximum expenditure amount for the 2026-2027 school year as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2 (b) not to exceed \$20,000. The maximum amount for the 2025-2026 school year was budgeted at \$20,000 and the amount spent as of March 17, 2026 for the 2025-2026 school year is \$8,811.69. The Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.
3. Motion to approve the Bills and Claims against the Board of Education for equipment, materials and supplies furnished and delivered, and for work done and performed for May 2026 for a total of \$624,844.23 – Attachment 2.3
4. Motion to approve the Payroll Check Register for April 15, 2026 for \$136,038.70 with gross wages of \$227,150.26 – Attachment 2.4
5. Motion to approve the Payroll Check Register for April 30, 2026 for \$118,789.41 with gross wages of \$204,434.76 – Attachment 2.5
6. Motion to approve the Check Register for the month of March 2026 and Unposted Checks for \$631,114.87 - Attachment 2.6
7. Motion to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for May 2026 that no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which total exceed the amount appropriated by the Moonachie Board of Education.
8. Motion to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of May 2026 that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the Moonachie Board of Education's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
9. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for month ending March 2026 – Attachment 2.9

10. Motion to accept the Report of Secretary to the Moonachie Board of Education for month ending March 2026 – Attachment 2.10
11. Motion to approve the Monthly Transfer Report for March 2026 – Attachment 2.11
12. Motion to renew Follett Software, LLC Hosted Service – Attachment 2.12
13. Motion to approve check #1375 from Payroll Agency account to Lisa Selle for mentor fees for Colleen O’Neill.
14. Motion to approve the School Tax Levy Payment Schedule for the 2026-2027 school year – Attachment 2.14
15. Motion to approve the Breakfast and Lunch Program Meal Prices for the 2026-2027 School Year as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Cost to District</u>	<u>Full Price</u>	<u>Reduced Price</u>
Breakfast	\$3.20	\$3.00	\$.30
Lunch	\$5.35	\$5.00	\$.40
Milk	\$.35	\$.35	----

And approve a vended meals agreement with Carlstadt-E.Rutherford Regional High School District for vended meals to include delivery, set up and steamtable at a cost of \$3.20 per breakfast and \$5.35 per lunch.

3. Policy

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Motion to approve the New Jersey Department of Education School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades und the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act and School Grade Report for 2024-2025 – Attachment 3.1

4. Personnel

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Motion to reappoint the following non-tenured professional staff for the 2026-2027 school year – Attachment 4.1
2. Motion to approve Dana Genatt as Homeless Liaison for the 2026-2027 school year.
3. Motion to reappoint Ernest Turner as Treasurer of School Monies for the 2026-2027 school year at an annual fee of \$6,500.00.
4. Motion to approve Marisa Abbruzzesi as Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year at step BA/1 for an annual rate of \$56,000.00, pending certification and outcome of the Criminal History Background Screening.
5. Motion to approve Joan Boniello as Substitute Teacher, pending outcome of the Criminal History Background Screening.

6. Motion to approve the resignation of Randall Rueger as Custodian effective May 15, 2026 – Attachment 4.6
7. Motion to approve Wilmer Rivera as Custodian at an annual salary of \$45,000.00, effective upon successful completion of the Criminal History Background Screening for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
8. Motion to approve the staff assignments for the Extended School Year Program – Attachment 4.8
9. Motion to approve Meagan Macalintal as Paternity Leave Replacement Teacher at step BA/1 at an annual salary of \$54,500.00 prorated for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year, effective April 27, 2026.
10. Motion to accept the resignation of Laida Kubaj as Part-Time Classroom Aide effective May 1, 2026.
11. Motion to approve Anthony Martinez as Part-Time Classroom Aide at an hourly rate of \$18.00 for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year, pending outcome of the Criminal History Background Screening.

5. Curriculum

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Motion to approve the Moonachie School District Preschool Intervention & Referral Team (PIRT) Handbook – Attachment 5.1

6. Facilities

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

Discussion of Bathroom Renovation Project Bids

1. Motion to accept the NJ Health Right to Know Hazardous Substance Survey Year 2025 – Attachment 6.1
2. Motion to approve the following field trips:

Event	Date	Time	Cost
Spring Concert ~ Kimberly Schmidt	June 10, 2026	9:00 am – 11:30am	No Cost
Preschool Walking Trip to the Park ~ Allison Maccarrone, Lauren Barnaba, Lori Schmatz, Jaime Migliorino, Theresa Meyers, Lilliana Bravo	May 19, 2026	9:00 am – 11:30 am	No Cost

7. Old Business

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

8. New Business

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

9. Information Items

1. Average monthly attendance from 4/1/26 – 4/30/26 – Attachment 9.1
2. Monthly report of attendance officer for the month ending April 2026– Attachment 9.2

10. Discussion Items

11. Public Comments

12. Adjournment