

BOARD OF EDUCATION MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

May 20, 2026 7:00pm
MAS Small Gym

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

A. Call to Order

1. Roll Call

Mr. Taylor, President
Ms. Kiely, Vice-President
Ms. Benson-Kraft
Mr. O'Neill
Mr. Ramirez
Ms. Soriano
Mr. Velez

2. Flag Salute

3. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 7, 2026, in accordance with the New Jersey Statutes 10:4-6 et seq. as follows: Posted by the Board Secretary in the Board of Education Office, 452 Maywood Avenue, emailed to Our Town and The Record newspapers, and emailed to the Municipal Building for posting on the Municipal Bulletin Board in the Borough Clerk's Office, 15 Park Avenue. All staff motions have been recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, subject to approval by the New Jersey Department of Education, Chapter 116, PL 1986, Provisional Employment, pending criminal history background check.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

Retirements

Claire Buzzerio
Isabel Fox
Christine Mannarano
Theresa Montesano
Diana Sanzari
Karen Vastola

- B. Superintendent's Report/HIB Report - There were no HIB related incident to report this month.

C. Board Secretary's Report

D. Committee Reports

Buildings & Grounds:	Ms. G. Kiely
Finance:	Mr. K. Taylor
Curriculum:	Ms. L. Soriano
Policy:	Ms. G. Kiely
Personnel:	Ms. L. Soriano
Safety/OEM:	Mr. R. Velez
Technology	Mr. M. Ramirez
Community Relations (Ad Hoc):	Ms. G. Kiely
Negotiations (Ad Hoc):	Mr. K. Taylor

Liaison Reports

Legislation/NJSBA & BCSBA Delegate:	Mr. J. O'Neill
Mayor and Council:	Mr. J. O'Neill
MAS PTO:	Ms. G. Kiely
Memorial PTO:	Mr. M. Ramirez

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Becton Board of Education
 Seniors:
 Library:

Mr. R. Velez
 Ms. F. Benson-Kraft
 Ms. L. Soriano

- F. Correspondence
- G. Open to the Public (Agenda Items Only)
- H. Board Comments
- I. Old Business
- J. **New Business**

BL.14 Meeting Block Motion/Approval to Vote on Monthly Motions as a Group

Any board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted motions will be entertained.

RECOMMENDED ACTION - "move that the following actions of the Maywood Board of Education numbered ____ excepting action(s) ____ to be approved as shown on the agenda dated May 20, 2026."

Moved by _____
 Seconded by _____
 Vote _____
 Abstentions _____

A.175 Acceptance of Minutes – “that the Board accept the following minutes of the Board of Education meetings.”

4/22/26 Regular Meeting, Closed
 5/06/26 Regular Meeting, Closed

A.176 Acceptance of Recorded Fire/Security Drills - "that the Board accept the following recorded Fire/Security Drills for April 2026:

<u>MEM:</u>	<u>MAS:</u>
4/28/26 Fire Drill	4/21/27 Fire Drill
4/23/26 Lockdown	4/07/26 Lockdown

A.177 Approval of Conference/Workshop Attendance – “that the Board approve the following individual’s attendance at the specified conferences/workshops:

	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Approx. Cost</u>
J. Bennett	Emergency Management	5/30 - 6/13/26	\$390
J. Bennett	Financial Operations	7/6 - 7/22/26	\$611
J. Bennett	Codes, Statutes & Regulations	7/9 - 8/13/26	\$513

A.178 Approval of Contract Renewal – “that the Board approve a renewal with *Valley Health Systems* for drug and alcohol testing for district bus drivers. The term runs from 4/1/26 – 3/21/27.”

A.179 Approval of Related Services – “that the Board approve the following related services for the 2025-2026 school year:

<u>Students</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Total</u>
PA (10/OOD)	SBJC – Lodi Campus	Counseling – one 30 min. session per week @ \$65 per session	2/2/26-6/23/26	\$1,300

A.180 Approval of Special Services – “that the Board approve the following services for student *MW(MEM)* as follows:”

Provider: Hackensack University Medical Center
 Evaluation: Audiology Evaluation
 Date: To be completed by 6/06/26
 Rate per Evaluation: \$1,095

A.181 Approval of Special Services – “that the Board approve the following services for student *HL(MEM)* as follows:”

Provider: Dr. Sameh Rageb, Upper Saddle River, NJ
 Evaluation: Psychiatric Evaluation
 Date: To be completed by 6/12/26
 Rate per Evaluation: \$750

A.182 Approval of Special Services – “that the Board approve the establishment of a Multiply Disabilities program at Maywood Avenue School, Grades 4-8 for the 2026-2027 school year. The change to Multiple Disabilities instead of “Autism” addresses the evolving and diverse needs of the current student population enrolled in the MAP program. Current student evaluations, classifications, and educational profiles indicate the need for a program designation that more accurately reflects the range of academic, communication, adaptive, behavioral, and social-emotional needs demonstrated by the students.”

A.183 Approval of Field Trip Hardship – “that the Board provide payment for students, whose names are on file in the Board of Education, to attend the following field trips;

4th grade trip to Ifly 1 student - \$36.50
 6th grade trip to Fairview Lakes 2 students - \$225 (each)

A.184 Approval of Class Trips – “that the Board approve the following class trips for the 2025-2026 school year:

<u>Grade/Class</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
MAP	TBD	Turtle Back Zoo, West Orange, NJ

PO.4 Second Reading & Adoption of Policy and Regulations – “that the Board approve the a second reading and adoption of the revised policies and regulations:

P 0142.1	Nepotism
P 0142.1C	Nepotism – Charter School
P 0174C	Legal Services – Charter School
P 0177C	Professional Services – Charter School
P 1220	Employment of Chief School Administrator
P & R 1570C	Internal Controls – Charter School
P & R 1552	Sexual Harassment – Staff
P & R 2530	Resource Materials
P & R 2535	Library Material
P & R 9130	Public Complaints

P.133 Appointment of Contract for Business Administrator/Board Secretary - "that the Board approve a contract for Jennifer Pfohl, as the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, for the 2026-2027 school year, with an annual salary of \$174,527.00. (*Pending approval from the County Superintendent’s Office*)”

P.134 Appointment of a Teacher – “that the Board appoint Lynda DeCarlo, as a teacher for the 2026-2027 school year, placed on BA, Step 2-3 with an annual salary of \$58,465.00 (*pending clearance*).”

P.135 Appointment of a Teacher – “that the Board appoint Shannon Gaffney, as a teacher for the 2026-2027 school year, placed on MA, Step 2-3 with an annual salary of \$62,764.00 (*pending clearance*).”

P.136 Appointment of a Teacher – “that the Board appoint Juliana Najda, as a teacher for the 2026-2027 school year, placed on BA, Step 4-5 with an annual salary of \$59,465.00 (*pending clearance*).”

P.137 Approval of Sub List – “that the Board approve the following individuals be added to the substitute list for the 2025-2026 school year (*pending clearance*).”

Sub-Teacher & Para

Cornelius O’Connell – NJ Sub cert. w.degree

Christina Carpentier – NJ Sub cert.

P.138 Approval of Additional Pay - "that the Board approve Laura Auriemma and Dana Urbanovich receive additional pay for providing home instruction for student *JH (MAS)*, 5 hours a week each @ \$50 an hour, March 30, 2026 to June 18, 2026.”

P.139 Approval of Additional Pay - "that the Board approve Kim Michalski receive additional pay for tutoring students *AM & DM (MAS)*, 2 hours a week each @ \$50 an hour, starting on March 26, 2026 through the end of the school year.”

P.140 Approval of Stipends - “that the Board approve the following teachers be approved to receive a stipend, of \$120 per diem for being a chaperone on the 8th Grade field trips; Dinner Cruise on 5/27/26 and/or Great Adventure on 5/29/26:

Dinner Cruise: *K. Timmins*

Great Adventure: *K. Koenig, L. Walker, N. Boschetti, M. Harrington & D. Pitre*

Both Cruise & GA: *N. Napolitano, J. Bonelli, K. Ottaviano & G. Camacho*

P.141 Approval of a Leave of Absence - “that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence for Dana Roman, the district LDTC;

DATES:	REASON:
<i>September 13, 2026</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
9/09/26 – 9/11/26	Period of disability (pre-birth) with pay & health benefits
9/14/26 – 9/30/26	Period of disability (post-birth) with pay & health benefits
10/01/26 – 1/08/27	FMLA – unpaid leave with health benefits
January 11, 2027	Anticipated date of return

P.142 Approval of Resignation - “that the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Catriana Furlong, a teacher at MEM, effective June 30, 2026.”

- F.130 Approval of Additional Check Run** - “that the Board approve an additional check run in *April* in the amount of **\$ 100,509.25**. The total for April is \$1,512,112.92.”
- F.131 Approval of Check Run** - “that the Board approve a check run in *May* in the amount of **\$2,113,927.64**.”
- F.132 Approval of Check Run for Cafeteria Bills** - “that the Board approve a check run for Cafeteria bills in *May* in the amount of **\$ 60,674.84** .”
- F.133 Approval of Board Secretary’s Report** – “that the Board approve the Board Secretary Report, as submitted, for **April 30, 2026**.”
- F.134 Approval of Treasurer’s Report** – “that the Board approve the Treasurer of School Monies Report, for **April 30, 2026**.”
- F.135 Approval of Transfer of Funds** - "that the Board approve the report of transfer of funds for **April 30, 2026**.”
- F.136 Approval of Disposal of Equipment** - "that the Board approve of the disposal of computer equipment as submitted. These assets have no fair book market value.”
- F.137 Approval of Payroll** - “that the Board approve the payroll for *April* as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	
10	1,137,125.52
20	9,999.52
Total:	\$ 1,147,125.04
Board Share FICA/Medicare	25,325.10
State Share FICA Medicare	59,247.61
Board DCRP	3,687.39
Total Payroll Expense:	1,235,385.14

- F.138 Approval of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification** - "that the Board accept the Board Secretary's monthly certification on budget line status as follows: Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6:20-2.13(d), I certify that as of **April 30, 2026**, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:22-8.1."
- F.139 Approval of Board's Monthly Certification** - "that the Board approve the Board's monthly certification Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status as follows: Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11, we certify that as of **April 30, 2026**, after review of the secretary's monthly report (statement of expenditures) and upon consultation with violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year."

F.140 Approval of FSMC Contract Renewal – “that the Board approve the following;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Maywood Board of Education “SFA” approves the renewal of the Food Service Management contract with The Pomptonian, Inc. “FSMC” for the food service operation for 2026-2027.

1. FSMC Fee: The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, an administrative/management fee of \$29,110.00 to compensate the FSMC for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be included as a cost of operation and billed in 10 monthly installments of \$2,911.00 per month. The SFA guarantees the payment of such costs and fee to the FSMC.
2. There is no guaranteed financial performance
3. Total Estimated Cost of Contract:
 - Total estimated expenses (cost) include food, labor, supplies, other expenses, and FSMC management fee.
 - The Total Estimated Cost of Contract is \$393,012.04.

F.141 Approval of Breakfast/Lunch Prices – “that the Board approve the following breakfast and lunch prices for the 2026-2027 school year:

	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
Maywood Ave School	\$2.75	\$4.65
Memorial Elementary	\$2.75	\$4.65

R.23 Approval of Payment from Referendum Account - “that the Board approve the following;

WHEREAS, H&S Construction and Mechanical was awarded the contract for the HVAC Upgrade at at Memorial School; and

WHEREAS, H&S Construction and Mechanical has submitted Payment Application #12 in the amount of \$29,253.00 and

WHEREAS, LAN Associates has verified a review of the application and finds it in conformance with the level of work completed to date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves this payment application in the amount of \$29,253.00.

R.24 Approval of Payment from Referendum Account - “that the Board approve the following;

WHEREAS, H&S Construction and Mechanical was awarded the contract for the HVAC Upgrade at at Memorial School; and

WHEREAS, H&S Construction and Mechanical has submitted Payment Application #13 in the amount of \$28,420.00 and

WHEREAS, LAN Associates has verified a review of the application and finds it in conformance with the level of work completed to date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves this payment application in the amount of \$28,420.00.

- K. Open to the Public (comments on school related items)
- L. Closed Session
- M. Board Comments
- N. Meeting Adjourned