BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

AUDUBON HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026

7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

I. **Call to Order**: In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act of 1975, the Audubon Board of Education transmitted notice of the meeting, scheduled at 7:00 pm in the Audubon Junior-Senior High School Media Center to the Retrospect newspaper and the Borough Clerk and by postings on the Audubon Public School District website and at the Main and the Pine Street entrances of the Junior-Senior High School.

II. **Roll Call**

SY 2024-2026

___ (To be filled on July 15, 2026) ___ Mark Gatti ___ Bill Wilson

SY 2025-2027

___ Danielle DiFrancesco ___ Allison Cox ___ Andrea Robinson

SY 2026-2028

___ Ammie Davis ___Stephen Wilson ___ Sara Kuhlen

SY 2026 Mt. Ephraim Representative

___ Michelle Cannaday

III. **Authorizing Executive Session**:

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 et seq.) requires all meetings of the **Audubon Board of Education** to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend; and

WHEREAS, the **Audubon Board of Education** has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters that are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the nine exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box within which the number of issues to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the decision as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the **Audubon Board of Education** will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b):

___X___ Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute, or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public;

_____ Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

___X___ Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly;

_____ Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body

_____ Any matter involving the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

_____ Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

___X___ Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

_____ Any pending or anticipated litigation or negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer;

___X___ Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public; Specifically the evaluation of the Superintendent

_____ Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility;

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is undetermined; however, the **Audubon Board of Education** will make every attempt to estimate the time of the session prior to convening the session after which the public meeting shall reconvene and the Audubon Board of Education will proceed with business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the **Audubon Board of Education** will go into Executive Session for only the above-stated reasons;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the **Audubon Board of Education** hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Audubon Board of Education attorney advises that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest, or duty of the school district or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the **Board of Education**, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the board secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

1. Motion to move the Board of Education, by Resolution, to adjourn into Executive Session from which the general public will be excluded from discussing school matters. The results of this session will be made public immediately after or as soon thereafter as a decision is reached.

   Motion to Approve: _____ Second: _____

   Time: _____ Voice Count: _____

   Motion to reconvene the Board of Education, by Resolution.

   Motion to Approve: _____ Second: _____

   Time: _____ Voice Count: _____

IV. Call Meeting to Order

V. Flag Salute

Board of Education Goals

Through oversight and advocacy in committee meetings, regular monthly meetings, and through a close review of Superintendent recommendations, the Board will

- continue to provide equitable access to a rigorous curriculum while focusing on improving student achievement and decreasing achievement gaps.
- work to maintain a cost-effective budget that provides for educational resources, supports a preventative maintenance program, and encourages & facilitates long-range facility improvements while remaining fiscally responsible.
- foster a safe and positive school climate and culture in order to positively impact student motivation, engagement, and achievement.
- conduct a monthly review of the Superintendent's goals.
- develop a Policy review Calendar.

VI. GOVERNANCE: Chairperson – TBD; Committee Members – Danielle DiFranceso, Sara Kuhlen, Michelle Cannaday;and Alternate – Andrea Robinson

VII. OPERATIONS: Chairperson – Mark Gatti; Committee Members – Allison Cox, TBD, Stephen Wilson; and Alternate – Ammie Davis

VIII. EDUCATION: Chairperson – Andrea Robinson; Committee Members – Bill Wilson, Danielle DiFrancesco, Sara Kuhlen and Alternate – Michelle Cannaday

IX. HUMAN RESOURCES: Chairperson – Stephen Wilson; Committee Members – Allison Cox, Ammie Davis, Mark Gatti and Alternate - Bill Wilson

X. Public Participation: (Open Discussion)

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board has set aside two portions of this Board meeting for public comment on any school or school district issue that a member of the public feels may be of interest to the residents of the school district.

For the first portion, public comments are invited on matters pertaining only to the agenda for tonight's meeting. For the second portion, public comments are invited on all matters pertaining to the school district.

Participants should announce their name, address, and any group they may represent, if applicable. The Board reserves the right to limit public discussion. Public discussion of a topic will be limited to fifteen (15) minutes, and individual speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard. Reference bylaws #0167 of the Audubon Public Schools Board of Education Policy Manual.

The Board uses the public comment period as an opportunity to listen to citizens. Not all issues brought to a Board meeting will be resolved at that particular meeting. Complaints stated or actions requested by the public may be taken under advisement by the Board for investigation, discussion, action, or disposition at a later date or time. The public comment sessions are an opportunity for citizens to share their opinions and remarks with the Board; it is not a question-and-answer session. The Board may or may not respond to public comments at the time they are made and is under no obligation to do so.

The Board does not endorse public comments nor will the Board be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Any individuals who may be the subject of public comments, including district employees, shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey.

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   Motion to Approve: _____ Second: _____

   Time: _____ Voice Count: _____

2. Motion to reconvene the Board of Education, by Resolution.

   Motion to Approve: _____ Second: _____

   Time: _____ Voice Count: _____

XII. ADJOURNMENT

1. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Audubon Junior-Senior High School Media Center.

2. Motion to adjourn meeting at approximately _____ pm.

   Motion to Approve: _____ Second: _____

Roll Call

___ Ammie Davis ___ Stephen Wilson ___ Sara Kuhlen ___ Michelle Cannaday

___ ___ Mark Gatti ___ Bill Wilson

___ Danielle DiFrancesco ___ Allison Cox ___ Andrea Robinson

The Audubon Board of Education reserves the right to add and/or delete motions or make changes to motions in this agenda up to the time of the meeting and during the actual meeting.