



Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education

August 19, 2026

CPS Media Center 7:00pm

WORK/BUSINESS SESSION AGENDA

Action may be taken

The Clinton-Glen Gardner School District is a community who values traditions. Our MISSION is to nurture and cultivate each child to be a compassionate, curious, and creative thinker, entrusted and empowered to build and lead the future.

Adopted 3/2016

1. Call to Order

2. Opening Statement:

This meeting is held in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law. The Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education has given the public adequate notice by having the date, time, and place of the meeting published in the Gannett Legal Publication and Clinton Public School website, and by having duly posted the same information in the Board Office, the school bulletin board, the faculty room and the Town Hall.

3. Roll Call

Voting Members	Role (Term)	Present	Absent	*LA/ED
Ashley Dunker	BOE Member (Term expires 12/2027)			
Laura Burr	BOE Member (Term expires 12/2028)			
Meghan Moore	BOE Member (Term expires 12/2026)			
Dan Brkich	BOE Member (Term expires 12/2026)			
Theresa Tsakalakos	BOE Member (Term expires 12/2027)			
Danielle Nugent(Lebanon Rep)	BOE Member (Term expires 12/2029)			
Officials	Title	Present	Absent	*LA/ED
Seth Cohen	Superintendent/Principal			
Bernadette Wang	SBA/Board Secretary			

*LA/ED= Late arrival and/or early dismissal time

Motion to discuss items 4-5; after discussion vote					
Board Member	Motion (1&2)	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ashley Dunker					
Laura Burr					
Meghan Moore					
Dan Brkich					
Theresa Tsakalakos					
Danielle Nugent					

4. Monthly School Data:

A. Enrollment Data Report (Attachment #1)

B. Student Suspensions:

1. In-School Suspensions: 0
2. Out-of-School Suspensions: 0

C. School Nurse's Report (Attachment N/A)

D. Violence and Vandalism (EVVRS Data), 0 HIB investigation 0 confirmed

E. Fire Drill and Bus Evacuation Drill Report (Attachment #2)

Motion: To accept the aforementioned monthly school data report, items 4A-E.

5. Superintendent/Principal's Report

School District Mentoring Plan for review of fiscal impact.

A. Student Representative Report

B. Clinton Education Association Report

C. Assistant Principal- Curriculum Coordinator Report

1. Curriculum Updates

Motion: To approve the following linked curriculum updates:

[Math](#)

[Science](#)

[Cursive Writing Scope & Sequence](#)

D. Special Services Report

Motion: To approve the submission of the 2025-2026 School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act (**Attachment #3**)

6. Public Comment

Motion to discuss items 7-9; after discussion vote					
Board Member	Motion (1&2)	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ashley Dunker					
Laura Burr					
Meghan Moore					
Dan Brkich					
Theresa Tsakalakos					
Danielle Nugent					

7. Personnel

A. Threat Assessment Team 2026-2027

Motion: To approve the following staff member(s) to the Threat Assessment Team for 2026-2027 school year:

Staff Member
Jenine Kastner, School Safety Specialist, Director of Special Services
Angela McVerry, Guidance Counselor
Courtney Duryea, Guidance Counselor
Toni Cespedes, School Psychologist
Timothy Bidwell, Physical Education Teacher
Scott Reilly, Technology Director
Seth Cohen, Superintendent/Principal
Matthew Stanbro, Assistant Principal
Lauren Peachey, Social Worker

B. Retirement

Motion: To approve with gratitude and best wishes the retirement of Richard Trimmer effective March 31, 2027 (**Attachment #4**)

C. Before and Aftercare Staff 2026-2027

Motion: To approve the additional staff at the below hourly wages for before and/or aftercare during the 2027 school year		
Position	Rate/Salary	Effective
Sr Aftercare Staff	\$50 Before care per day \$22 aftercare per hour	26/27 school Year
Jr Assistant staff	\$15.92 per hour	26/27 school Year
Director sub coverage	\$ 48.50 per hour	26/27 school Year

Miranda Abarca	Sub Certified Staff/Director substitute
Mia Cancelliere	Jr. Assistant
Mikolaj Durka	Jr Assistant
Alli Kripetz	Sub Certified Staff/Director substitute
Tatum Pfuelb	Jr. Assistant
Clare Bubb Erica O'Dell Sandra Fernandes Carolyn Schorr Robert Adase Ruth Arce	Sub Certified Staff/Director substitute

E. Lead Night Custodian

Motion: To approve Nicholas Buniva as Lead Night Custodian with a stipend to be paid in the amount of \$2500. for the 2026-2027 school year.

F. Substitute Staff Approval

Motion: To approve the following Substitutes for the 2026-2027 School year

Position	Name	Rate
Substitute Teacher	Amanda Rizzi	\$125.00 per diem pending completion of paperwork
Substitute Teacher	Cecilia Sailer	\$125.00 per diem pending completion of paperwork
Substitute Teacher	Julia Apsel	\$125.00 per diem pending completion of paperwork
Substitute Teacher	Andrew Pasqualone	\$125.00 per diem pending completion of paperwork
Substitute Nurse	Rachel Every RN BSN	\$50.00 per hour pending completion of paperwork
Substitute Nurse	Melissa Reardon	\$50.00 per hour pending completion of paperwork

G. Mentor

Motion: To approve the following staff member as mentors for novice teachers for the 2026-2027 school year:

Mentor	Mentee	Rate/Salary	Att #
Eliizabeth Hedden	Emily Weed	\$550	NA

H. Motion: To approve Katherine Leddy, Rutgers University, to complete 52 clinical hours in an outpatient or community-based setting (School Nurse) under the supervision of Jessica Storey.

I. Substitute Teacher Rate: To adjust daily substitute rate for **CERTIFIED TEACHERS** to **\$185** per diem.

J. Leave Request

Motion: To approve the maternity leave request for employee #08151 with an anticipated start of November 23, 2026 and return date on or about April 26, 2027. **(Attachment #5)**

K. Co-Curricular 2026-2027

Motion: To approve the following staff member(s) for the following co-curricular appointments for 2026-2027

Activity	Staff Member	Rate
Team Leader K-2	Caitlin Reilly	\$1265

8. Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, & Technology

A. Professional Development

Motion: To approve the following requests for professional development and travel related mileage in accordance with NJAC 18A: 11-12:

Program Name	Date	# Employees	Event Cost	Substitute Pay	Total Cost
HCASA Fall Leadership Retreat	9/23/26 - 9/25/26	Seth Cohen	\$388	\$0	\$388 + mileage and tolls
Autism NJ Annual Conference 2026	10/22/26 - 10/23/26	Carolyn Schorr	\$550	\$0	\$550 + mileage, tolls and lodging
Teaching the Holocaust for Today: A Summer Institute for Holocaust Educators (Retroactively)	7/21/26 - 7/22/26	Liz Hedden	\$75.24 (allowable as under \$99)	\$0	\$75 + mileage, tolls, parking, and ferry fare (Retroactively)

B. Curriculum/Committee Staffing

Motion: To approve the listed staff member for 2026-2027 curriculum revision at the negotiated rate

Subject and Grade	Staff Member
Math in Focus - Unit & Standards Alignment Scope & Sequence Revisions Grades 6-8 NTE 15 Hours (reapprove full 15 hours for Mr. Harris; remove Mrs. Wellet from this revision line)	Joe Harris

9. Policy and Regulations

Motion: To approve the listed First and/or Second Readings and Adopt or Repeal the Policies and Bylaws with Second Readings (summaries attached):			
Policy #	Title	Action	Att. #
P 1643	Family Leave	2nd rdg	6A
P 3351	Healthy Workplace Environment	2nd rdg	6B
P 8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs	2nd rdg	6C
P 2363	Student Use of Privately Owned Technology - ABOLISHED	1st rdg	6D
P&R 5516	Student Use of Internet-Enabled Devices	1st rdg	6E
P 8660	Transportation by Private Vehicles - To and From School-Related Activities	1st rdg	6F
P 8662	Transportation by Private or District-Owned Vehicles - To and From School	1st rdg	6G

Motion to discuss items under all of section 10; after discussion vote					
Board Member	Motion (1&2)	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ashley Dunker					
Laura Burr					
Meghan Moore					
Dan Brkich					
Theresa Tsakalakos					
Danielle Nugent					

10. General Information: Business Administrator's Report

A. IDEA Grant Applications for 2026-2027

Motion: To re-approve application and submission of IDEA Grant applications for the 2026-2027 school year:

Grant	Amount	Allocation
IDEA	\$145,623	BASIC
IDEA	\$ 6,178	Preschool

B. Return of Unspent Balance of 2022 Playground Project to General Fund

Motion: To amend the prior motion from the March 16, 2026 meeting canceling the unspent balance of the 2022 playground project. The balance will be returned to the General Fund rather than the Debt service fund effective June 30, 2026, since debt related to the project will be retired during 2026-2027.

C. Transport for Choice Students

Motion: To request authorization for arrangement with Lebanon Township to transport eligible choice students from our district attending Lebanon Township schools for 26/27 school year. The total cost is \$1,100. (1 student)

D. Hunterdon County ESC Coordinated transportation agreement

Motion: To approve Hunterdon County ESC to provide Coordinated transportation services for the 2026-2027 School Year

E. Annual School Year Approval for Warren County Special Services Coordinated Transportation

Motion: To approve the attached Warren County Special Services Coordinated transportation services contract with a 5.5% administration fee for the 2026-2027 School Year
(Attachment #7)

F. Tuition and related transportation cost for incoming and outgoing Special Ed Students for 2026-2027 ESY and regular school year

Motion: To approve 2026-27 ESY and Regular School Year Tuition Contract(s) for incoming and outgoing Special Ed students.			
SID# or Local #	District	Transportation cost	Tuition cost
State # 7139964337 Local #12046	INCOMING: Lebanon Boro School District	NA	RSY \$35,331 * 2 students Additional services, ie aide, speech, special services evaluations, software and Spanish to

			be invoiced and approved where necessary separately
Local # 3410166	INCOMING: Alpha School District	NA	RSY Tuition \$46,873 inclusive of BCBA fees, plus the additional cost of 1:1 aide in the amount of \$51,306
State # 6371299812	OUTGOING: Warren Glen Academy Warren County	\$38535.00 total to transport both students attending RSY	No ESY RSY = \$60,255.00
State # 2169505854	OUTGOING: Warren Glen Academy Warren County	see above RSY ESY transport=\$2371.90	ESY = \$10,042.50 RSY = \$60,255.00
State ID# 9411964729	OUTGOING: Hunterdon Preparatory School	\$19,499.40 (based on 1/3 route cost of \$325 per diem @ 180 days)	No ESY RSY = \$67,761.00 (based on 180 days)

G. Concrete Curb Replacement

Motion: To authorize the Business Administrator the use of Maintenance Reserve of \$7,700.00 for concrete curb replacement.

Motion: To authorize the Business Administrator to secure a vendor to provide the service with Garden State Pavement Solutions. **(Attachment #8)**

H. Withdrawal from Capital Reserve for Additional Cost of the Roof Restoration Project - Portion of the 2001 Roof Over Primary Wing

Motion: To approve withdrawal of additional \$11,411.09 from Capital Reserve for additional cost of the roof restoration project. This will add to the original budgeted amount of \$100,000 to the final cost of \$111,411.09.

I. Replacement Refractory Insulation Board for the Boilers

Motion: To authorize the Business Administrator the use of Maintenance Reserve of \$3,991.00 for refractory insulation board replacement.

Motion: To authorize the Business Administrator to secure a vendor to provide the service with Mack Industries, Inc. **(Attachment #9)**

J. Annual School Year Approval, Adoptions and Authorizations

Motion: To approve the listed for the 2026-2027 School Year

To approve Therapeutic Intervention, Inc. for physical and occupational therapy services rates: \$109.00 per hour

K. Monthly Minutes and Financial Approval

Motion: To approve the Minutes and monthly financial transactions and reports items 1-5:

1. Approval of Board of Education Minutes from the June 23, 2026 Work/Business session and Executive Session. No July meeting was held. **(Attachment #10)**
2. Certification of the Board of Secretary's and cash reconciler's report that the cash receipts, cash expenditures, and cash balances in the specified amounts, are in agreement and further approve that in compliance with NJAC 6:23A-16/10(c) 3 and 4, there are sufficient funds available to meet financial obligations for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. That no major account or fund has been over-expended pursuant to NJSA 18A:22-9.1, and that no line-item account has encumbrances and expenditure, which is totally exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A 23-2.22(a) that as of the date of their report **(Attachment #11)**

June, 2026 \$ 2,538,029.67 **(Prior to Auditor's Final Entries)**

3. Approval of the Bill List in the specified amounts **(Attachment #12)**
 - a. General Account: \$ 284,250.91 (6/17/26-6/30/26)
 - b. General Account: \$ 1,081,445.85 (7/1/26-8/19/26)
 - c. Cafeteria Account: \$ 37,115.14 (checks written in June 2026)
 - d. Cafeteria Account: \$ 0 (checks written in July 2026)
 - e. Cafeteria Account: \$ 21,917.93 (checks written in May 2026)
 - f. Cafeteria Account: \$ 26,501.15 (checks written in April 2026)
4. Checking Account Balances – June, 2026
 - a. Student Activities \$ 101,902.28
 - b. Cafeteria: \$ 76,965.70
 - c. Payroll Agency: \$ 56,703.36
 - d. Unemployment: \$ 133,654.88

5. Transfers for June, 2026 **(Attachment #13)**

Fund 10	\$131,111.00
Fund 20	\$ 2,020.44

(Prior to Auditor's Final Entries)

6. Reclass for June, 2026 (Attachment #14)

Fund 10 \$ (312,094.28)
Fund 20 \$ 312,094.28

(Prior to Auditor's Final Entries)

11. Correspondence

12. New Business

- A. 2025-2026 Audit Wrap up**
- B. 2026-2027 Maschio's Food Service**
- C. 2026-2027 Food delivery for SFA-SFA to Lebanon Borough and the YMCA**
- D. The 80th Midwest Clinic, International Band and Orchestra Conference
December 16 - 18, 2026 Chicago, IL.**
- E. 2026-2027 Budget**

13. Old Business

- A. Bulldog Bulletin**
- B. Board Liaison Reports**

14. Public Comment

15. Executive Session

Call for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Chapter 231, P.L.1975, to discuss matters listed below. The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will no longer exist. --

Board Member	Motion (1&2)	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ashley Dunker					
Laura Burr					
Meghan Moore					
Dan Brkich					
Theresa Tsakalakos					
Danielle Nugent					

Executive Topic(s): Personnel

Call for a motion to exit Executive Session and re-enter public session

Board Member	Motion (1&2)	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ashley Dunker					
Laura Burr					
Meghan Moore					
Dan Brkich					
Theresa Tsakalakos					
Danielle Nugent					

16. HIB

HIB Report Receipt: June 2026

- A. **Motion:** to affirm, reject, or modify the superintendent's decision by roll call voice vote HIB #5 **Confirmed as NOT HIB.**
- B. **Motion:** to affirm, reject, or modify the superintendent's decision by roll call voice vote HIB #6 **Confirmed as NOT HIB.**

17. Adjournment

Call for a motion to adjourn:					
Board Member	Motion (1&2)	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ashley Dunker					
Laura Burr					
Meghan Moore					
Dan Brkich					
Theresa Tsakalakos					
Danielle Nugent					