

PARK RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 15, 2026

Private Started: 6:00 P.M.

Public Started: 7:04 P.M.

Public Ended: 7:47 P.M.

HIGH SCHOOL LITTLE THEATER

I. Roll Call

A. Wagner	R. Malloy	N. Agoos	M. Rozzi	R. Browne	D. Bradler
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Also Present:

R. Gamper R. Wright S. Eveland R. Zeman

Mr. Wright gave the Oath of Office to Shanai Jensen. She was sworn in as a Board Member with a term to expire in December 2026.

II. Pledge of Allegiance - was led by Board President, David Bradler.

III. Open Public Meetings Statement – was read by Board President, David Bradler.

This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the minutes that in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," the Park Ridge Board of Education on January 6, 2026 caused to be posted at the Office of the Board of Education located at 85 Pascack Road, Park Ridge, New Jersey and on January 6, 2026 sent to The Record, 1 Garret Mountain Plaza, P.O. Box 471, Woodland Park, NJ 07424-0471 and The Ridgewood News, 41 Oak Street, Ridgewood, NJ 07450-3805 and on January 6, 2026, delivered to the Office of the Municipal Clerk of Park Ridge and the Park Ridge Public Library a meeting notice setting forth the time, date and location of this meeting.

IV. Adjournment to Private Session

Private Closed Session was read by President Bradler.

The Park Ridge Board of Education will adjourn into private session to discuss item(s), which fall within specific exceptions contained in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b.

Be it resolved that the Board will now go into private session to discuss matters rendered confidential due to the nature of pending or anticipated litigation, attorney client privilege and personnel – employment matters affecting a specific, prospective or current employee privilege. Any discussion held by the Board, which need not remain confidential, will be made public as soon as practical. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. All appropriate persons, who may be discussed in private

session, have been adequately notified (RICED – in accordance with Policy #0162, Notice of Board Meetings by the Board Secretary/Business Administrator).

Motion, second and vote to enter into private session at 6:10 pm.

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Private Session Agenda

The Regular Session of the Board of Education was recalled at 7:04.

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V. Minutes for Approval

Special Meeting	May 4, 2026	Board Approved
Special Meeting	May 11, 2026	Board Approved
Private Session	May 11, 2026	Board Approved
Private Session	May 18, 2026	Board Approved
Monthly Meeting	May 18, 2026	Board Approved

Ms. Wagner asked to abstain for the minutes of May 18th

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VI. Special Presentations to the Board

- A. Retiree Recognition
- B. Sports Recognition – Chris Brown
 - a. Girls Lacrosse – NJIGLL American Blue Division Champions
 - b. Baseball – NJIC American Division Champions
 - c. Wrestling – NJIC and NJSIAA Sectional Champions
 - d. NJIC American Division Baseball Coach of the Year – Dylan Evans
 - e. NJIC and Region 1 Coach of the Year – Joseph Mazzeo

Retiree recognition:

Dr. Gamper introduced Mr. Marseglia. He commented that Mr. Marseglia is responsible for all technology in the district. He noted that since he has started in the position, Mr. Marseglia has never called in an outside company. He will be retiring on 9/1/26. He congratulated Mr. Marseglia and presented him with a certificate.

The next retiree honored was Jean Eramo. Jean worked as a Paraprofessional at East Brook. She was known for her kindness and positive attitude. She cared about everyone around her and always offered encouragement to others. Dr. Gamper congratulated her and presented her with a certificate.

Dr. Gamper then spoke about Kim Cheman. He called her the elementary math guru. He spoke about her sense of humor and dedication to the job. He mentioned she was always the first to arrive and the last to leave. She was also a former PREA president. He wished her all the best and presented her with a certificate.

Lastly, Dr. Gamper spoke about Andy Yeager. Mr. Yeager has established himself as one of the most respected counselors in the area. He is a mentor to others and has been a trusted friend and a support system for the students of Park Ridge. He has offered guidance and helped many of the young people in Park Ridge. His legacy will be measured by the lives he has touched. Dr. Gamper congratulated him and presented him with a certificate.

Sports Recognition:

Mr. Brown then presented the Athletic awards. He offered his congratulations to the retirees.

The first group recognized were the Wrestling team. He mentioned that they were once again State Sectional Champions with a record of 17-11. The team was ranked 14th overall. He noted that they have won the sectional title for a record 12th time. He recounted some of the historic moments of the season and indicated that there were several wrestlers on the team who received individual league recognition. Each member of the wrestling team was then called up to receive their championship sweatshirt. Afterwards, Mr. Brown recognized each of the coaches. He spoke about Coach Joseph Mazzeo, who was named NJIC and Region 1 coach of the year. Mr. Brown presented him with a token of the Board's appreciation.

Mr. Brown then spoke about the Girls Lacrosse team. He congratulated them on becoming the NJIFLL Division champions. He recounted several highlights of their season. He then called each of the members of the team up to receive their championship sweatshirt. Afterwards, he recognized each of the coaches.

Lastly, Mr. Brown spoke about the Boys Baseball team. He congratulated them on the NJIC Division championship. He recounted a walk-off win over Lodi and other season highlights. He then called each of the members of the team up to receive their championship sweatshirt. Afterwards he recognized each of the coaches. He concluded by speaking about Dylan Evans, who was named NJIC Baseball Coach of the year. He presented Mr. Evans with a token of appreciation from the Board.

Mr. Brown then thanked the Board for recognizing the athlete's accomplishments. He also thanked Dr. Gamper for his support.

VII. Hearing of Citizens - None

Hearing of Citizens will be restricted to three minutes per person for a total of fifteen minutes for comments on agenda items only. The Board bears no responsibility, nor will it be liable for any comments made by the public. Please be advised that all comments are maintained as a matter of public record.

VIII. Student Representative's Report

Ryan informed the Board that student council elections were held. He indicated that they went well. He also reported that the Prom was successful. They are currently in the process of looking for someone to fill the student representative spot for next school year.

IX. President's Report

Mr. Bradler congratulated Ms. Jensen on her appointment.

He congratulated all the athletes and thanked the coaches. He thanked the staff and their families for another great year.

Mr. Bradler then mentioned the Graduation dates and times for the Elementary schools and the High School.

Mr. Bradler then spoke about Dr. Gamper and his contributions to the district over the past 16 years. At the conclusion, he presented Dr. Gamper with a plaque from the Board. He thanked him and stated that he would be greatly missed.

Dr. Gamper thanked the school community and the Administrators. He indicated that his time at Park Ridge has been the highlight of his career. He thanked everyone who gave him this opportunity. While it will not be easy to leave, he was thrilled that Dr. Bernardo would be taking over. He stated that Dr. Bernardo was a wonderful, responsible and caring person. He wished him success, telling him to put his own spin on things.

X. Superintendent's Report

HIB Update

Dr. Gamper reported that there were four HIB investigations. One was founded, one was unfounded, and one was inconclusive.

He then reminded everyone of the graduation ceremonies that were coming up.

He also reported that the Personnel committee met and decided to add another section of First Grade.

XI. BOE Committee Reports

Personnel Committee – met on June 10th. They spoke about staffing positions.

XII. Supplemental Agenda - None

Supplemental resolutions, if any, will be available the night of the meeting.

XIII. Consent Agenda

Mr. Wright was asked to Table P31

Ms. Malloy asked to abstain from P18

The Board voted on the revised consent agenda. The agenda passed as follows:

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XIV. Board Comments – New/Unfinished Business

Mr. Bradler welcomed the new Superintendent, Dr. Bernardo. He commented that Dr. Bernardo has already proven his dedication to the students. He stated that the Board found what they needed with him. He looks forward to achieving great things together.

He finished by saying it has been a great year, and he was looking forward to the graduations next week.

XV. Hearing of Citizens

Hearing of Citizens will be restricted to three minutes per person for a total of thirty minutes for comments on non-agenda items only. The Board bears no responsibility, nor will it be liable for any comments made by the public. Please be advised that all comments are maintained as a matter of public record.

Dr. Bernardo thanked the Board for their support. He thanked Dr. Gamper for being a source of stability over the years. He asked him not to change his phone number as he may be calling. Dr. Bernardo commented that Park Ridge has a strong administrative team and the faculty is amazing. Students are wonderful and the community is very supportive. He is honored to be the new Superintendent.

Melissa Stevens congratulated Dr. Gamper on his retirement. She expressed concern over the 8% tax increase. She felt that the State was not likely to help districts. She stated that at times like these, the district should look to see if they need to fill all vacant positions.

XVI. Adjournment – 7:47 PM

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Robert Wright
 Business Administrator/
 Board Secretary

RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSENT AGENDA (XVII)

EDUCATION RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

- E1. The Park Ridge Board of Education accepts the suspension, truancy and HIB reports from the Superintendent for the month of May with (0) in school suspension, (2) out-of-school suspensions, and no truanies to report.

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- E2. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the tuition for the following student for the 2026/27 school year:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>PLACEMENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED</u>
2726 - 070	Banyan School Fairfield, NJ Shared Aide	7/1/26 – 6/30/27	\$70,722.22 \$25,250.00
829(A)-050	Holmstead School Ridgewood, NJ	7/1/26 – 6/30/27	\$77,112.00
2325(A)-050	Sage Day Rochelle Park, NJ	9/2/26 – 6/30/27	\$82,553.31
208-060	Academy 360 Essex County, NJ 1:1 Aide	7//26 – 6/30/27	\$110,240.80 \$53,300.00

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- E3. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Child Study Team list of outside consultants for diagnostic evaluations, therapy, medical diagnosis, and other assessments for the 2026-2027 school year. ***“E3”***

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- E4. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following students on home instruction, as indicated below, subject to revision:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE TIME</u>	<u>SUBJECTS</u>
926-050	05/21/26 – 06/25/26	10 hours	Spanish
926-050	05/21/26 – 06/25/26	10 hours	Science
926-050	05/21/26 – 06/25/26	10 hours	Social Studies
926-050	05/21/26 – 06/25/26	10 hours	English

926-050	05/28/26 – 06/25/26	10 hours	Math
2629 - 050	05/28/26 – 06/25/26	1 hr./week	Science
2629 - 050	05/28/26 – 06/25/26	1 hr./week	Spanish

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- E5. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following student on additional home instruction, as indicated below, subject to revision:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL TIME</u>	<u>SUBJECTS</u>
1217(a) -050	5/13/26 – 6/25/26	8.5 hrs.	Science
1217(a) -050	5/13/26 – 6/25/26	8.5 hrs.	Social Studies
1217(a) -050	5/13/26 – 6/25/26	8.5 hrs.	Math
1217(a) -050	5/13/26 – 6/25/26	8.5 hrs.	English

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- E6. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the submission of the update to our School District Remote Learning Plan, titled Park Ridge Schools Remote Learning Plan 2026-2027. A copy of this plan may be found on the website of our curriculum office.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- E7. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the 2025-26 Extended School Year Out-of-District Program for the students listed, and their school placements, as indicated on the attached.
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- E8. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves all curricular/extracurricular and textbooks for all grades from Pre-K through Grade 12 for the subjects listed, including all state-mandated programs and services, for the 2026/27 school year. This approval includes the curricula and curriculum guides, and program of studies as stipulated in N.J.A.C 6:8-4.3(a)3. All documents are available in the Superintendent’s office.

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- E9. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the submission of the 2026-27 Comprehensive Equity Plan Statement of Assurance, Year 2 affirming that the Park Ridge School District is in compliance with its Three-Year Comprehensive Equity Plan (CEP) for the 2025-2028 school years.

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- E10. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Archway Project Partnership agreement with Ramapo College of NJ and Ramapo College Teacher Education Program, for the 2026-27 school year. ***"E10"***

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- E11. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following vendor for the 2026-27 school year:

<u>COURSE NAME</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>	<u>SOURCE OF INSTRUCTION</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	<u>STUDENT</u>
Calculus III	4	Monroe Community College Online Course	Fall	Student 3121-050

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FINANCE RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

- F1. Certification Resolution: The Park Ridge Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (e), certifies that the Board Secretary's May 2026 monthly financial report (appropriations section) did not reflect an over-expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, has not been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 620 – 2.13(b), and based on the advice of the district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. The Park Ridge Board of Education also certifies that the financial records are in compliance with Park Ridge Policy numbers 0171, 1320, 4413 and 6510. ***“F1”***

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- F2. The Park Ridge Board of Education accepts the Cafeteria Report for the month of April 2026. ***“F2”***

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F3. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Check Journal (List of Bills) containing Check #52759-53830 in the total amount of (\$2,362,029.09) and 905267-906273 (\$785,046.25) and EFTs using ACH technology #L61615-L61819 in the amount of \$47,533.06. ***“F3”***

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- F4. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the payment of Athletic Vouchers #14429-14444 in the total amount of \$4,192.00. ***“F4”***

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F5. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Varsity Athletic Club Voucher # 1138-1139 in the total amount of \$2,818.56. ***“F5”***

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F6. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Unemployment Compensation Vouchers #N/A in the total amount of N/A.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F7. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the May 2026 “Report of the Secretary” and the “Report of the Treasurer” to the Board of Education. **“F7”**

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F8. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following 2025/2026 General Fund Transfers for the month of May 2026 in the amount indicated per Appendix A. **“F8”**

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F9. The Park Ridge Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to pay bills for the month of July 2026 without the approval of the Board with the Check Journal to be ratified at the August 2026 public board meeting.

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- F10. The Park Ridge Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer amounts among the minimum chart of account line items for the fiscal years ended in the 2025/26 and 2026/27 school year budget with listing of necessary transfers to be ratified at a future public board meeting of the 2026/27 school year.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F11. WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:21-2, NJSA 18A:7G-31, and NJSA 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into a Capital Reserve Account at year-end, and

WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education has determined that (an amount not to exceed) \$1,000,000.00 is available for such purpose of transfer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Park Ridge Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the District’s School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

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- F12. WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:7F-41.1 permits a Board of Education to establish a tuition reserve account to reserve up to 10% of their estimated tuition costs each year to fund anticipated tuition adjustments in the second year following the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the school district to establish a tuition reserve account to provide for anticipated and unanticipated tuition obligations that may arise during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has identified available funds that may be deposited into such reserve account in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education, hereby authorizes the establishment of a tuition reserve account in the amount of \$50,000.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Park Ridge Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the District's School Business Administrator to establish and maintain the tuition reserve consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F13. The Park Ridge Board of Education awards the following bids through the New Jersey Cooperative Bid Service and conducted by Educational Data Services, Inc.:

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>VENDORS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
General Classroom Supplies	See Award Letter	\$18,802.99
Athletic Supplies	See Award Letter	\$19,429.81
Paper/Copy Duplicator Supplies	See Award Letter	\$6,749.85
Audio Visual Supplies	See Award Letter	\$69.75
Cafeteria Compostable Products	See Award Letter	\$3.88
Cafeteria Consumable Supplies	See Award Letter	\$38.73
Custodial Supplies	See Award Letter	\$90.22
Fine Art Supplies	See Award Letter	\$6,410.23
Health and Trainer Supplies	See Award Letter	\$5,082.89
Library Supplies	See Award Letter	\$324.76
Music Supplies	See Award Letter	\$340.48
Office/Toner Supplies	See Award Letter	\$4,141.57
Physical Education Supplies	See Award Letter	\$1,827.42
Science Supplies	See Award Letter	\$5,452.83
Special Needs Supplies	See Award Letter	\$1,643.15
Teaching Aids Supplies	See Award Letter	\$277.88

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- F14. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following licensing and maintenance fees for bidding that will be utilized in ordering district school supplies, along with Right-To-Know services, with Educational Data Services, Inc., for the 2026/27 school year:

Time and Materials \$2,862.50

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- F15. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves Bergen County Special Services to provide 192/193 services for the 2026/27 school year, as per Agreement.

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- F16. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the purchase of technical support and equipment, and maintenance, repair and operational supplies through State Contract/Cooperative pricing. Listed below are expenses anticipated to exceed the threshold (cumulatively):

<u>ITEMS PURCHASED FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
Cablevision Lightpath, Inc.	\$69,005.97	E-Rate Bid

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F17. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appropriation of 2024-25 Extraordinary Aid funds in the amount of \$272,854.00, to be used in the 2025-26 Budget as follows:

12-000-260-730-000-06-00	\$150,000.00
11-000-230-339-000-00-92	\$70,000.00
11-000-251-610-000-00-93	\$52,854.00

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F18. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the submission of a Temporary Instructional Space Application for West Ridge, East Brook Schools, and the Owl House.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F19. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the submission of Dual Use Applications for West Ridge and East Brook Schools.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F20. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves Priority Nursing Services, to supply temporary nursing services to the district, for the 2026-27 school year.

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- F21. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the renewal of Brown and Brown for consultant services as attached in the amount of \$30,000 for the 2026-27 fiscal year. **"F21"**

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AW RM NA MR RB DB

- F22. WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education (the Board) issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Occupational Therapy Services on April 22nd, 2026 and,

WHEREAS, it was determined that there was a scope limitation that the Board was unaware of in the submission requirements,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board rejects all bids received on April 22nd, 2026 and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes a rebid with revised language to be held on June 16, 2026.

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AW RM NA MR RB DB

- F23. WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education maintains a Flexible Spending Plan with Ameriflex for its employees, and

WHEREAS, it was recently discovered that Ameriflex has been holding unexpended funds in the amount of \$10,047.79, and

WHEREAS, Treasury Regulation § 1.125-5(o)(2) and the district's plan document permits the Board to return funds to participants with certain restrictions, and

WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education is desirous of returning those funds to staff members,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Park Ridge Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator to return the \$10,047.79 to plan participants as permitted by law.

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AW RM NA MR RB DB

- F24. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the updated:

DEPOSITORIES AND SIGNATURES July 1, 2026, THROUGH THE NEXT REORGANIZATION

MEETING:

N.J.S.A. 17:9-9; 18a:17-34 and 18A:19-1
Bank – Provident Bank

- A. AGENCY ACCOUNT #XXXXX8117
SBA/BS, Robert Wright
and
Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
or
Assistant to SBA/BS, Grace Biancorosso
- B. PAYROLL ACCOUNT #XXXXX8125
Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
- C. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACCOUNT #XXXXX8141
SBA/BS, Robert Wright
and
Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
or
Assistant to SBA/BS, Grace Biancorosso
- D. OPERATING ACCOUNT #XXXXX8109
President or V.P.
and
SBA/BS, Robert Wright
and
Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
or
Assistant to SBA/BS, Grace Biancorosso
- E. MERCHANT SERVICES DEPOSIT ACCOUNT #XXXXX8222
- F. MERCHANT ACCOUNT – FOOD SERVICES DEPOSIT ACCOUNT #XXXXX9792
- G. ATHLETIC ACCOUNT #XXXXX8168
SBA/BS, Robert Wright
and/or
Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
and/or
Assistant to SBA/BS, Grace Biancorosso
- H. EXTRA CURRICULAR ACCOUNT #XXXXX8176
SBA/BS, Robert Wright
and/or
Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
and/or
Assistant to SBA/BS, Grace Biancorosso
- I. PARK RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION VARSITY CLUB, A/C #XXXXX8192
SBA/BS, Robert Wright
or

Superintendent, Dr. Patrick Bernardo
and

Assistant to SBA/BS, Grace Biancorosso

J. BEER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND, A/C #XXXXXX8214

K. WASHNIK AWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND, A/C #XXXXXX9571

L. ICS INVESTMENT ACCOUNT, A/C# XXXXX9539

M. JOHANNA MULHALL SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT, Managed by State of New Jersey Cash
Management Fund A/C #XXXXXXXX8171

N. ANDREW AND MARIE JOHNSON PRIZE, Managed by son, Edward Johnson
through Vanguard Wellington
A/C #0021/XXXXXX9226

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F25. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following tuition rates for the 2026/27 school year:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Kindergarten	\$24,153
1 – 5	\$26,261
6 – 8	\$28,221
9 – 12	\$29,745
Primary LLD	\$40,000
Secondary LLD	\$50,000

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

BUILDING AND GROUND RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

BG1. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following payments to LAN Architects for the following projects: ***"BG1"***

<u>PROJECT NO.</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
20529.08	HS Auditorium Renovations	\$34,725.00

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AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

POLICY RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

PO1. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following Policies and Regulations for second read and approval on June 15, 2026: ***“PO1”***

Policy 2530	Resource Materials
Regulation 2530	Resource Materials
Policy 2535	Library Material
Regulation 2535	Library Material
Policy 9130	Public Complaints
Regulation 9130	Public Complaints

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AW RM NA MR RB DB

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

- P1. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of the following substitute for 2025/26 school year:
None

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 AW RM SJ NA MR RB DB

- P2. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the resignations, and rescinds/appointments of the following, as indicated in the areas and amounts listed, for the 2025/26 or 2026/27 summer and/or school year as indicated:

APPOINTMENTS 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Plucinski, Keith	Frost Valley Overnight Chaperone	1 night @ \$443/night
Schoenkopf, Ann Marie	6 th Period Teacher Health (1610-050) 4/29/26 – 6/25/26	2 hrs. per week @\$65.00/hr.

Rescinds 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Barba, Chris	Frost Valley Overnight Chaperone	1 night @ \$443/night
Visaggio, Gabriella	6 th Period Teacher Health (1610-050) 4/28/26 – 6/25/26	2 hrs. per week @\$65.00/hr.

SCHEDULE "E" APPOINTMENTS 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Maskin, Sarah Kate	Crochet Club	\$1,474.00*

**pro-rated from March-June*

RESIGNATIONS FOR THE 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Jarvis, Cole	HS Paraprofessional	06/30/25

APPOINTMENTS 2026/27 SCHOOL YEAR:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>HOURS/RATE/STIPEND</u>
Albanese, Danielle	School Event Chaperone	\$40.00/Weekday School Events (excl. overnight events); \$50.00/Sat./Sun./other non-school day Events (incl. evenings of these days)
Colaneri, Gina	Saturday Detention	\$65.00/session
Dow, Christine	Saturday Detention	\$65.00/session
Gray, Matthew	Volunteer Athletic Asst.	N/A
Kulogowski, James	EB 7 hr. Paraprofessional	\$27,575.00 (Step 2)

Napier, Lyzette	School Event Chaperone	\$40.00/Weekday School Events (excl. overnight events); \$50.00/Sat./Sun./other non-school day Events (incl. evenings of these days)
Silverman, Andrea	School Event Chaperone	\$40.00/Weekday School Events (excl. overnight events); \$50.00/Sat./Sun./other non-school day Events (incl. evenings of these days)
Tashian, Dave	Saturday Detention	\$65.00/session
Zimmerman, Frank	School Event Chaperone	\$40.00/Weekday School Events (excl. overnight events); \$50.00/Sat./Sun./other non-school day Events (incl. evenings of these days)
Zimmerman, Frank	Saturday Detention	\$65.00/session

APPOINTMENTS 2026/27 SUMMER:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Brickman, Sherri	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	\$25.00/hr.
Garcia-Juarez, Alejandra	Child Study Team Translator for Parent Meetings	\$25.00/hr.
Napier, Lyzette	Child Study Team Translator for Parent Meetings	\$25.00/hr.
Rosado, Gladys	Child Study Team Translator for Parent Meetings	\$25.00/hr.

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- P3. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the reimbursement of anticipated conference/ seminar expenses for the following staff members:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON/LOCATION FOR CONFERENCE/SEMINAR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT(S) NOT TO EXCEED</u>
Erdmann, Rachel	Texas Christian University Virtual	7/27 – 7/30/26	\$685.00
Papadopoulos, Maria	Drew University Madison, NJ	7/20 – 7/23/26	\$600.00
Patel, Carla	Taft Educational Center Virtual	7/27 – 7/30/26	\$800.00

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- P4. The Park Ridge Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent, after consulting with the Board President, to offer contracts for employment vacancies for the 2026/27 school year.

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- P5. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of Janine Giordano as the EXTRAS Coordinator for the 2026/27 school year, at a stipend of \$15,000.00 effective July 1, 2026.

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- P6. The Park Ridge Board of Education accepts the resignation of Valerie Baumann, HS Speech Language Teacher, effective July 1, 2026.

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- P7. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff members as home instructors for Student 926-050, from May 21 – June 25, 2026:

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>SUBJECTS TO BE COVERED</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>
Farrell, Michael	History	10	\$65.00/hr.
Jaffe, Molly	Science	10	\$65.00/hr.
McClair, Patricia	English	10	\$65.00/hr.
Sgambati, Martha	Spanish	10	\$65.00/hr.

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- P8. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of Elizabeth Wojciechowski as East Brook Elementary teacher, for the 2026-27 school year, on Step 1 of the BA Guide, at an annual salary of \$63,500.00, pending completion of state mandated paperwork.

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- P9. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following appointments for Summer Child Study Team evaluations, report writing, team meetings, case management from July 1 – August 26, 2026:

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>
Abatayo, Stephanie	As per PREA Contract	70

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- P10. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of the Schedule “E” Fall, Winter, and Spring Coaching positions, as listed on the attached, for the 2026/27 school year. **“P10”**

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- P11. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves additional hours for the following staff member for the 2025/26 school year:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>APPROX. TIME/RATE</u>
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Afram, Joanne	EB Paraprofessional	15 min/ day as needed @ \$24.74/hr.
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P12. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves a Leave-of-Absence for Stephanie Hemmer, West Ridge Teacher as follows:

- A Disability Leave-of-Absence from August 31, 2026, through September 4, 2026 with pay and with benefits.
- A New Jersey State Family Leave-of-Absence effective September 8, 2026, through December 1, 2026 without pay but with benefits.

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P13. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff members for additional hours as home instructors for Student 1217(a)-050, from May 13, 2026 – June 25, 2026:

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>SUBJECTS TO BE COVERED</u>	<u>APPROX. HOURS</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>
Hampson Avery, Rachel	Social Studies	8.5 hrs.	\$65.00/hr.
Kane, Tara	Science	8.5 hrs.	\$65.00/hr.
Kovacs, Charles	English	8.5 hrs.	\$65.00/hr.
Maskin, Sarah Kate	Math	8.5 hrs.	\$65.00/hr.

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P14. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of personnel and rates, for the 2026/27 EXTRAS Program, as listed on the attached. ***"P14"***

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P15. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of Stephanie Abatayo as HS leave replacement teacher, from July 1, through November 23, 2026, on Step 1 of the MA Guide, at an annual salary of \$66,850.00, prorated.

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P16. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of Elizabeth Ferro as HS Special Education teacher, for the 2026-27 school year, on Step 1 of the BA Guide, at an annual salary of \$63,500.00, pending completion of state mandated paperwork.

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- P17. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves Narine Hacopian as Facilities Use Coordinator for the 2026-27 school year, as per the PREA bargaining agreement.

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- P18. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Park Ridge Board of Education appoints Dr. Patrick Bernardo as the Superintendent of Schools for the Park Ridge School District effective on or about July 1st, 2026 and expiring on June 30th, 2031, in accordance with the terms of the Employment Agreement between the Board and Dr. Patrick Bernardo,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Employment Agreement has been submitted to and approved by the Executive County Superintendent, according to standards adopted by the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7-8(j).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Dr. Patrick Bernardo for the position of Superintendent of Schools for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Dr. Patrick Bernardo

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- P19. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves Corinne Nieves as Transportation Coordinator for the 2026-27 school year, as per the PREA bargaining agreement.

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- P20. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following 2026-27 Substitute rates:

<u>SUBSTITUTE POSITION</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Substitute Teacher	\$150.00/day
Substitute Nurse	\$300.00/day
Substitute Paraprofessional	\$17.00/hour
Substitute Secretary	\$25.00/hour
Substitute Custodian	\$22.00/hour
Substitute Bus Driver	\$35.00/hour

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- P21. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of the following students for summer employment at the positions, rates and time listed:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE/TIME</u>
Becovic, Adrijan	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Burns, Matthew	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Herroder, Joshua	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Milner, Adam	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Mitnik, Anna	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Mitnik, Emily	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Nieves, Juan	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Nunez, Caleb Emilio Mesa	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Otto, Travis	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Quackenbush, Myles	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Randolph, Patrick	Athletic Assistant	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Sbarbaro, Thomas	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Widmer, Ryan	Custodian	\$17.00/hr. x 35 hrs. x 7 weeks
Casalez, Ruby Campos	Substitute Custodian	\$17.00/hr. as needed
Machado, Matthew	Substitute Custodian	\$17.00/hr. as needed

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- P22. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Employment Contract of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, as approved by the County Superintendent. ***"P22"***

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- P23. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointments of the Schedule "E" Club Advisors, along with the stipends, as per attached list, for the 2026/27 school year. ***"P23"***

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- P24. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff members as home instructors for Student 2629-050, for the hours noted below:

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>SUBJECTS TO BE COVERED</u>	<u>APPROX. HOURS</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>
Jaffe, Molly	Science (5/28/26 – 6/25 /26)	1 hr./week	\$65.00/hr.
Powers, Jillian	Spanish (5/28/26 – 6/25 /26)	1 hr./week	\$65.00/hr.

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- P25. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following previously established extracurricular MS/HS Clubs, along with their advisors, with no stipend, for the 2026/27 school year:

<u>Club</u>	<u>Advisor</u>
Middle School Book Club	Katie Haake
Fellowship of Christian Athletes (F.C.A.)	Jack DiLisi

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- P26. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff member for parent outreach to Multilingual Learner families as indicated below, and charged to the Title III Grant:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>NOT TO EXCEED</u>
Sgambati, Martha	As per PREA contract	4 hours

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- P27. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff members for additional hours for ESY report writing from July 6 – July 31, 2026, as per the following:

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
An, Jaime	As per contract	1.5	ESY Elementary Special Education Teacher LLD 4-6
Boenigk, Annette	As per contract	2	ESY Elementary Special Education Teacher Upper LLD
Cariddi, Nicole	As per contract	4	ESY Speech Therapist
Corcoran- McPartland, Kari	As per contract	1	ESY PSD Teacher
DeSimone, Joanne	As per contract	1.25	ESY Elementary Special Education Teacher
Dunay, Christine	As per contract	1.5	ESY Elementary Special Education Teacher
Loll, Heather	As per contract	1.5	ESY Special Education Middle School LLD Teacher
Potkulski, Alexis	As per contract	3.25	ESY Multisensory Reading Program
Wagreich, Kim	As per contract	4	ESY Speech Therapist
Zukatus, Samantha	As per contract	1.25	ESY Owl House Teacher

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- P28. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff members to develop and align 3rd grade phonics and grammar (this work will partially paid through Title IIA ESEA grant):

Staff Members Summer Assignment for the 2026/27 Summer as per the PREA contract:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>
Kent, Dyana	3 rd Grade Phonics & Grammar Professional Development	8
Yates, Karen	3 rd Grade Phonics & Grammar Professional Development	8

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- P29. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of Angelica Paton as HS Special Education leave replacement teacher, for the 2026-27 school year, on Step 1 of the MA+30 Guide, at an annual salary of \$70,200.00.

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- P30. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the Employment Contract of the Superintendent, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031, as approved by the County Superintendent. **"P30"**

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- P31. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following camps/clinics and coaches for the fall 2026, as outlined: **"P31"**

<u>CLINIC</u>	<u>COACH</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>DATES / TIMES</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>COST</u>
Volleyball Clinic	William Allen	1-8	Sundays: 9/13, 9/20, 9/29, 10/11, 10/18/2026 11:00 am - 12:00pm	HS Main Gym	\$200

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- P32. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the following staff members for Weight Room Supervision at Park Ridge High School from 3:00-5:00 p.m. @\$36.00/hr. when school is in session:

Danielle Centurione	Jaime DeBenedictus	Ryan Dennis	Dylan Evans
Michael Farrell	Molly Jaffe	Chuck Kovacs	Brian Meisner
Gabriella Visaggio			

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- P33. The Park Ridge Board of Education approves the appointment of Nicole McCrea as HS Student Assistance Counselor, for the 2026-27 school year, on Step 18 of the MA+30 Guide, at an annual salary of \$111,566.00.

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