

**MINUTES OF THE PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

June 17, 2026 – 6:19 p.m.
John F. Kennedy High School

Presiding: Comm. Joel Ramirez, President

Present:

Dr. Laurie W. Newell, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Rodney Henderson, Deputy Superintendent
Albert Buglione, Esq., General Counsel

Comm. Valerie Freeman
Comm. Alex Mendez
Comm. Hector Nieves
Comm. Mohammed Rashid

Comm. Kenneth Rosado
*Comm. Kenneth Simmons
Comm. Corey Teague
Comm. Della Wilder, Vice President

The Salute to the Flag was led by Comm. Ramirez.

Comm. Ramirez read the Open Public Meetings Act:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of, and to attend the meetings of the Paterson Public School District, as well as other public bodies at which any business affecting the interest of the public is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this law, the Paterson Public School District has caused adequate and electronic notice of this meeting:

**Regular Meeting
June 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
John F. Kennedy High School
61-127 Preakness Avenue
Paterson, New Jersey**

to be published by having the date, time and place posted in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Paterson, at the entrance of the Paterson Public School offices, on the district's website, and by sending notice of the meeting to TAPinto, the Arab Voice, El Diario, the Italian Voice, the North Jersey Herald & News, and The Record.

Comm. Ramirez: At this time, I'm going to turn it over to Madam Superintendent for Presentations and Communications. While she begins her remarks, I would ask the Board members to please join me off the dais right in the front here so that we can prepare to take pictures with the students being recognized. Thank you.

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Athletic Recognitions

Dr. Newell: Good evening, everyone. At this time, I'd like to invite Dr. Clarissa Castelli who will be presenting the athletic recognitions.

Dr. Clarissa Castelli: Good evening, everyone. Tonight, we are proud to recognize our championship teams and our graduating student athletes. Their dedication, perseverance and commitment to excellence have brought pride to our school and communities. We congratulate you on your achievements and we wish our graduating seniors continued success in their future endeavors. At this time, we would like to recognize our three championship teams that we had this year. The first one, back-to-back champions, is our John F. Kennedy High School Cheerleading Team. Led by Coach Pinkett, they are the New Jersey Cheerleading and Dance Coaches Association 2026 State Champions. We would also like to recognize our Paterson STEAM, STARS and TIES Academy, who won two championships. The first was the 2026 New Jersey Unified Flag Football Champions and the 2nd Annual Unified Special Olympics North Jersey Bocce Ball Tournament Champions. They were led by Coach Christina, Coach Melvin, Coach Robinson and Coach Vaughan. We would also like to recognize two outstanding leaders of our athletic programs. We would like to congratulate our Eastside High School Athletic Supervisor, T.J. Hill, on being nominated for the Passaic County Athletic Director of the Year. He can come down. He couldn't be here tonight, but our Eastside High School Girls Basketball Coach, Brandon Pilgrim, was nominated by New Jersey Basketball Coaches Association for Passaic County Coach of the Year. Congratulations to everyone being recognized! Coach Hill is going to announce the senior student athletes that we have for Eastside High School.

Mr. T.J. Hill: Good evening. First of all, I would like to congratulate and acknowledge our cheer squad as well. They placed First Team All State this year as well in cheer competition. Currently, they could not be here. They're actually practicing right now for a competition. They were state champs as well.

Eastside High School Boys Soccer

Jonayker Villanueva-Lara - PCCA 2nd Team All League Honorable Mention

Eastside High School Girls Soccer

Blanca Navarrete-Vidas - PCCA 1st Team All League

Mayolin Diaz – PCCA Honorable Mention (School of Stenography in Pennsylvania)

Eastside High School Boys Tennis

Randy Gonzalez - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County (Lincoln Tech)

Eastside High School Girls Tennis

Arelin Mercado-Hiraldo – PCCA 2nd Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County

Eastside High School Boys Basketball

Yulian Torrez – PCCA 2nd Team All League Honorable Mention All County (BCCC)

Justin Bethea - PCCA 2nd Team All League Honorable Mention All County (Temple University)

Eastside High School Girls Basketball

Alexis Chambers - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 1st Team All County/National Women's Day Student Athlete Award/NJSIAA Student Athlete Award (Livingstone College)

Eastside High School Football

Josiah Mickens - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County (Ho-Ho-Kus School)
David Gonzalez - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County (Albright College)
Kayson McCaskill - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County
Adrian Rivera - PCCA 1st Team All League
Justin Rosario - PCCA 2nd Team All League (Fortis Institute)
Joel Garcia - PCCA 2nd Team All League Honorable Mention (Keystone College)
Tyrik Maddo – PCCA Honorable Mention All County (Kean University)
Nehemiah Boreland – PCCA Honorable Mention All League (William Paterson University)
Doneiko Dookie – NJSIAA Student Athlete Award/All Academic Team (US Marine Corps)

Eastside High School Baseball

Zahid Martinez - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County (BCCC)
Joan Tejada – PCCA Honorable Mention (BCCC)

Eastside High School Softball

Paula Arias De Los Santos – PCCA Honorable Mention All League

Eastside High School Girls Flag Football

Sherley Mambru De La Cruz - PCCA 2nd Team Offense All League (US Army/Military University)
Surai Pleasant – PCCA Honorable Mention Offense All League (Woodworth Institute)

Eastside High School Boys Volleyball

Patricio Severino - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County (PCCC)
Harbie Rosario-Martinez - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County (PCCC)
Darlin Morillo - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County
Alex Rivera - PCCA 2nd Team All League/Honorable Mention All County

Eastside High School Bowling

Damian Renteria - PCCA 2nd Team All League/PCCA 2nd Team All County
Alex Rivera - PCCA 2nd Team All League/Honorable Mention All County
Kimoya Shields - PCCA 2nd Team All League/Honorable Mention All County (PCCC)
Patricio Severino – PCCA Honorable Mention All League & All County
Valeska Diaz - PCCA Honorable Mention All League & All County (Montclair State)

Eastside High School Track & Field

Benjamin Santos - PCCA 1st Team All League/PCCA 1st Team All County (Felician University)

John F. Kennedy Girls Basketball

Zahniya Castillo – PCCA 1st Team All Big North Liberty Division/PCCA 1st Team All County

John F. Kennedy Boys Volleyball

Misail Aguilar - PCCA 2nd Team All League

John F. Kennedy Boys Outdoor Track

Ayden Booker – PCCA Honorable Mention County

John F. Kennedy Golf

Isaac Castelan - PCCA 2nd Team All League

Senior Scholars Recognitions

Dr. Newell: At this time, we will introduce our senior scholars. The introductions will be made by Assistant Superintendent of Academic Programs, Ms. Joanna Tsimpedes.

Ms. Joanna Tsimpedes: Good evening, everyone. I can't tell you how proud I am, not only of our athletes, but also of our senior scholars this evening that are being recognized for all their accomplishments. We know that this cannot be done without the help of the parents in the audience, teachers, administrators, mentors and coaches. We thank you on behalf of Paterson Public Schools for continuing to support our students so that we can see these accomplishments continuing to grow. This evening, we're going to go through our academic senior scholars starting with our Deputy Director of Accelerated Programs, starting with our Early College Program.

Early College

Ms. Rita Route: Good evening, everyone. Paterson Public Schools Early College Program launched three years ago as a visionary partnership between Paterson Public Schools and Passaic County Community College. The Early College Program offers students the opportunity to earn an associate's degree during their junior and senior year of high school before even graduating. The two students being recognized tonight began taking college courses in eleventh grade. Each of them went on to earn, not only college credits, but a full associates degree. This accomplishment did not come easily. These two young men worked incredibly hard, balancing college assignments, exams and multiple responsibilities. Through it all, they demonstrated grit, determination and a strong belief in their potential. Their Early College Program success is a result of thoughtful planning, a strong partnership with Passaic County Community College, and a deep commitment to student support, tutoring, academic advising, mentoring, lunch tickets and even bus passes. Tonight, I'm proud to introduce two exceptional students whose achievements demonstrate what is possible when talent, determination and hard work come together.

Alan Benitez
Xavier Gonzalez

Increasing Access to College (IAC)

Ms. Route: Congratulations to three outstanding students from TIES who successfully enrolled in the Increasing Access to College fellowship program at Montclair State University. The IAC fellowship program enables students enrolled in transition programs such as TIES to experience college life firsthand and become familiar with university campus environments. Through the fellowship, students select an undergraduate course while fully participating in the learning experience. Students receive a university ID, gain access to campus facilities and activities, and have the opportunity to create their own campus schedule based on interests and goals. This unique opportunity reflects their commitment to personal growth, lifelong learning and exploring postsecondary pathways. We are proud of these three students for

embracing this exciting opportunity to explore higher education and build confidence for their future endeavors.

Jesus Cruz
Eduardo Ponce
Christian Villafan

STEPS

Ms. Route: Finally, STEPS (Students Taking an Early Pathway to Success) senior year at PCCC. The program offers approximately 10 students each year the chance to spend their senior year on campus while earning college credits. The district fully covers tuition fees, textbooks and materials. STEPS is more than an academic opportunity. It's a bold leap into the future. These students demonstrate initiative, discipline and deep commitment to learning that goes far beyond the traditional high school experience. By enrolling in college classes ahead of schedule, they're gaining more than just a head start on their degrees. They're living proof that readiness isn't determined by age and that ambition has no boundaries. Tonight, I'm proud to introduce nine exceptional students who embody the power of potential when it meets opportunity.

Jose Asia
Anjunee Barrow
Anabel Castillo
Leopold Fils
Willie Ordonez
Helen Orjuela
Christian Perez
Surai Pleasant
Henry Rodriguez

Ms. Tsimpedes: Next, we will have the Director of School Counseling, Tamisha McKoy, come up and introduce our valedictorians and salutatorians of Paterson Public Schools.

Valedictorians and Salutatorians

Ms. Tamisha McKoy: Good evening, everyone. It is my honor to acknowledge our valedictorian who is the top achieving academic student with the highest cumulative GPA and the salutatorian who is the second top ranking student with their academics. We know that achieving the highest GPA is no small accomplishment and it is the result of countless hours of study, perseverance through challenges and an unwavering commitment to academic excellence. Students, when you hear your names, please come forward.

Eastside High School

Harbie Rosario Martinez – Valedictorian
Esmilna Nolasco Mendez – Salutatorian

International High School

Camil Fermin Sanchez – Valedictorian
Sadiya Hossain – Salutatorian

John F. Kennedy High School

Doha Essaghir – Valedictorian

Sumayar Chowdhury – Salutatorian

Newcomers High School

Sury Aquino Mercado – Valedictorian

Enerliz Ferreira Jimenez – Salutatorian

Paterson P-Tech High School

Jonathan Colon – Valedictorian

Shakil Ahmed – Salutatorian

Paterson STEAM High School

Nicole Salazar – Valedictorian

Blanca Gonzalez – Salutatorian

Rosa Parks High School

Katherine Concepcion Paulino – Valedictorian

Henry Rodriguez – Salutatorian

STARS Academy

Walfrys Castillo Anciani – Valedictorian

Mariely Urena – Salutatorian

Ms. Tsimpedes: Next, we have our Director of Secondary Education, Shenita Davis, presenting the award of the certifications in various career fields.

Ms. Shenita Davis: Today, we celebrate the dedication, perseverance and achievements of our students who have successfully completed industry-recognized credentials through our certificate programs. Through their commitment to academic excellence and career readiness, these students have gained valuable knowledge, technical skills and professional credentials that will support their future educational and career goals. The Department of Secondary Education and CTE is honored to recognize these outstanding individuals for their hard work and determination. Their accomplishments reflect not only their personal achievement, but also the commitment to lifelong learning and workforce success. As we acknowledge each certificate recipient, we commend their efforts and celebrate the positive impact they will make on their schools, communities and future professions. Congratulations to all our certificate awardees. I will begin with our OSHA-10 certification. We have 122 students in over six programs who have received these certifications. I'm going to start with the cosmetology program.

Eastside High School Cosmetology

Ms. Davis: Our students not only received their OSHA-10 Certification, but they are on track to complete their full certified cosmetology license with the State of New Jersey, if they haven't already completed.

Zy'miya Campbell

Ashley Coronel

Lisette Guzman

Ariadna Hernandez

Lisangel Nunez Portes

Ja'Meia Phillips

Alexa Rivera

Carla Rodriguez Gil

Jannah Salaam

Christina Samuels
Jimory Sanchez
Crismely Toribio Disla
Emily Vazquez
Valeska Vergara
Jannixsa Yean Pagan

Eastside High School Culinary

Ms. Davis: Our culinary students received their OSHA-10 Certification and also are receiving their ServSafe Food Handler Certification.

Dayana Almonte
Amy Alvarez
Virginia Amaya
Yasmely Arias
Abel Baez Mercedes
Evan Barboza
Caterin Barrios
Estefany Bonilla
Cheily Chapman
Michael Clemmons
Sharia Cross
Miguel Cuellar
ZaNiyah Curry
Camila De Los Santos
Paloma Diaz Martinez
Kwesi Dixon
Leslie Estevez
Melany Fermin
Ismeisy Fermin Ramirez
Jhordin Fernanadez
Ashley Garcia
Eliany Gil-Gomez
Ariel Gomez
Jonathan Gomez
Marvin Gomez
Keyra Gonell
Elianny Gonzalez
Randy Gonzalez
Anange Hernandez
Zamir Hickman
Egypt Humphrey
Brandon Jhon
Brianny Jimenez
Brinny Jorge Santiago
Quanasia Lee
Arely Lopez
Sixmary Lora Lopez
Denise Martinez
Yohanna Minier
ShaHeem Montgomery
Darlin Morillo
Esmilna Nolasco
Emelissa Pena

Christopher Peralta
Justine Pride
Alex Rivera
Dalwit Rivera
Keirens Robles
Darielka Rodriguez
Nayelin Torres
A'jaila Zimmons

Logistics

Ms. Davis: In our logistics program there were 19 students who received the OSHA-10.

Christhoferd Alvarado Coral
Alberto Andraes
Tomas Berroa Matos
Rhakim Goodwin
Marco Guerra Suarez
Cameron Henry
Jorge Huanambal Chavez
Adrian Johnson
Kodjo Koudjoume
Fabrizzio Leon Chacon
Dennis Martinez
Anderson Martinez Hernandez
Khristopher Minan Izquierdo
Alex Pena Sanchez
Gesel Perez La Luz
Jah'Que Randolph
Jasiyah Rexach
Edwin Rojas
Kayla Wimberly

Carpentry

Ms. Davis: We have 10 carpentry students. These students not only received their OSHA-10 certification, but upon completion of the program the students will be able to receive 12 college credits and membership in the Carpenter's Union.

Alexander Alvarado
Savion Edwards
Stephanie Guaman Paucar
Marcus Hedge
Abdullah Kurury
Kiara Mercedes Jimenez
Elias Peguero Herrera
Keiner Peralta
Sean Phillips
Anthony Quinones

Construction Trades

Emilia Capellan Martinez
Yerak Catano Lopez
Stephanie Cinto Ruiz
Malcom Cooke
D'Angel Delacruz

Dayana Flores Mendosa
Sebastian Garcia
Richard Guzman
Giovanni Herrera
Wilfredo Jimenez
Md Khan
Dalix Mairena
Steven Ostos
Christopher Parra
Andy Ramirez
Christopher Raymond
Isaiah Reams
Maxadrian Rodriguez
Arcenio Williams

Automotive

Ms. Davis: With our automotive program, the students who have successfully completed the examination through the IM Quest partnership will be receiving through District 15 the diesel and automotive apprenticeship technicians. They will be admitted into those programs to get their ACE licenses as well as OSHA-10.

Omar Aboughlaia
Jesuandy Almodovar Heredia
Joshua Corbin
Justin Corbin
Youris De La Rosa
Yoniel Garcia Pena
Dailin Lora Gonzalez
Jorge Rodriguez
Jefferson Santana Esquea

CMA/EKG/Phlebotomy

Ms. Davis: Paterson Public Schools and the Department of CTE also have a partnership with the American Institute and through their program we certified 93 students across the district in CMA, EKG, CPR, Phlebotomy, 911 and EMD Dispatch.

Nour Ali
Lorennny Almonte
Amy Alvarez Romero
Sanaa Archibald
Basma Akbour
Ashley Azcona Rodriguez
Aryaneth Bello
Cristal Brito
Natalia Bundick
Cristhofer Camacho
Kailin Camilo
Hilari Canela Rodriguez
Emilia Capellan Martinez
Jaz'nasia Carlos
Cheily Chapman Coronado
Grisnely Colon
Dulce Concepcion Castellanos
Lauren Consoro

Thaiyana Cruz Garcia
Camila Cuadros Quispe
Mariana Curiel
Lisbeth Custodio Pacheco
Anneillia Davy
Camila De Los Santos Abreu
Paloma Diaz Martinez
Sarah Dupoy
Brenda Duran
Jayla Espinal
Rocio Espinal Peralta
Ismeisy Fermin Ramirez
Brayan Francisco Antigua
Yarlenys Garcia
Ariana Garcia
Sariyah Garnes
Diego Gavilan Taype
Angelina Gonzalez
Jessica Gonzalez
Eilanny Gonzalez Basilio
Farnelis Gonzalez Del Orbe
Wilemne Guzman Gonzalez
Lojaine Hegab
Keila Henson
Brandy Hernandez
Lyna Jenkins
Carolina Jimenez
Nyla Johnson
Masiel Leon Luis
Meryshleiny Liranzo Pena
Ruby Loor Japon
Hailey Lopez
Norielis Lopez
Lynette Lucero
Alanna Madera
Isabella Madera
Dalix Mairena
Za'Nyla Mann
Azhiana Mann
Carlos Marquez Flores
Lizbeth Martinez
Angelica Matos Rojas
Josue Medina Estevez
Anaiya Mojica
Mia Morales
Aaden Morel
Tahsin Nahi Chowdhury
Ranfer Noyola Onofre
Wilaudy Nunez Rodriguez
Jenna O'Connor
Emely Ortiz
Ethan Parra
Ashley Peralta De Castro
Winnifer Peralta Reyes

Arianna Perez
Ja'Meia Phillips
Elizabeth Pimentel Perez
Yolanny Quezada
Brian Rivera Bonilla
Azir Roberts
Tyeana Robinson
Jesse Rodriguez
Kary Rodriguez
Nayahliz Rodriguez
Darileidy Rodriguez Rivera
Ariel Rosario
Jhordania Santos Vasquez
Kimoya Shields
Anisa Shiraj
Dariana Snowden
Kazir Taylor
Marialis Torres Ferreira
Jennifer Turcios Casco
A'jaila Zimmons
Stephanie Zito

*Comm. Simmons enters the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Scholarship Recipients

Ms. Davis: In addition to the students who completed our medical program, the American Institute will be giving two scholarships to two of the students who participated in the program. The students don't know who they are. They're just being announced today.

Mr. Joe Castro: Thank you, everyone. My name is Joe Castro. I'm the Associate Director of AMTI. I'm happy to be here. I want to give thanks to the Board. Thank you so much for hosting us, keeping us in your schools and giving these wonderful certification programs to your students. I also want to thank Ms. Davis. Thank you so much for the hard work in putting all this together. I don't want to miss anyone so I wrote a little something. I also want to thank Ms. Defries for all the hard work. Ms. Scott, thank you so much for staying so late every single night. The kids really appreciate that. Our company is thankful for being here. I also want to say thanks to my instructors. Can we please give them a round go applause? They work really hard? They are Mr. Jose Mora and Ms. Ramona Lasanta, as well as our assistant Ms. Alba, who was a student here at one point and now she's hired by us. A round of applause to you guys. Thank you so much. The recipients of our scholarships are Kailin Camilo and Aryaneth Bello. Thank you so much everyone.

Ms. Tsimpedes: Our last presentation of certificates will be provided by our Director of Multilingual Learners, Ms. Liza Otto.

Ms. Liza Otto: Good evening, everyone. It is with great pride and excitement that we gather today to honor our students who have earned the prestigious New Jersey Seal of Biliteracy. This distinguished recognition is awarded to students who have demonstrated a high level of proficiency in English and at least one additional language, showcasing not only their academic achievement but also their dedication, perseverance and global awareness. This year we celebrate students who have

attained proficiency in Arabic, Portuguese, Spanish and French. Their academics reflect the rich linguistic cultural diversity of our community and highlight the tremendous value of multilingualism in today's interconnected world. Tonight, we applaud 198 students for their hard work, commitment to becoming multilingual and multicultural leaders. Congratulations to each of our Seal of Biliteracy recipients on this remarkable achievement. Presenting the students we will have three world language teachers who will be calling out the names of their students.

World Language Teacher: Good evening, everyone. I'm truly honored to be here to recognize an exceptional group of students who have embraced the power of language.

STEAM High School

Joshua Andrade Reales
Cristal Brito
Jose Ceaca
Mariana Curiel Gonzalez
Blanca Gonzalez
Xavier Gonzalez
Jessica Gonzalez Ruiz
Lujain Issa
Yeraldo Lora
Lexsy Lozano
Zahir Marte Vasquez
Valeria Ospino Lobelo
Paola Ponce
Angelly Rivera Caicedo
Rosmairy Rodriguez Paez
Dayna Saenz
Nicole Salazar
Madragalet Xirum Luis

Newcomers High School

Sury Aquino Mercado
Jade Perez Becerra

Paterson P-Tech High School

Nerelyn Cabrera Morel
Adrian Cruz Ayala
Suellen Heredia
Raffy Nina Osoria
Hillary Pena Rincon
Dannil Pena Gomez
Nicole Berroa Ponceano
Katherine Concepcion Paulino
Carolina Cuevas
Willie Odornez
Helen Ojuela Orozco
Dilennys Rodriguez
Genesis Rosario
Naviel Selman
Anderson Rafael Morel
Luis Troncoso Brea

Eastside High School

Lyan Acosta
Miguel Alonzo
Amy Alvarez
Johanfen Andeliz
Ashley Azcona
Allyson Baez
Arianny Batista
Wilbert Batista
Jose Bermudez
Justin Cabrera
Kailin Camilo
Irianna Carmona
Anabel Castillo
Grisnely Colon
Lauren Consoro
Wislander Cruz
Lisbet Cruz
Danny Diaz
Nixzmary Diaz
Hanell Diaz
Angeirys Encarnacion
Yorlenis Encarnacion
Jamill Esparza
Victor Espino
Licelot Fernandez
Alice Figueroa
Dayana Figueroa
Saray Gomez
Diego Gomez
Jenny Hernandez
Gabriela Infante
Manuel Jaquez
Micel Javier
Brandon Jhon
Carolina Jimenez
Allison Jimenez
Rene Lara
Luis Lopez
Dailin Lora
Alejandro Mamani
Sherley Mambru
Carlos Marquez
Lizbet Martinez
Nahomy Martinez
Daicarlys Martinez
Tiffany Mendoza
Allison Mota
Fernanda Nepomuceno
Esmilna Nolasco
Brenno Nonato
Lisangel Nunez
Oreana Ortega
Jayden Ortiz

Yaldiry Paulino
Arianna Perez
Anthony Perez
Henry Pichardo
Yolanny Quezada
Joshua Luis Quispe
Dalwit Rivera
Jesse Rodriguez
Kary Rodriguez
Yosstin Rodriguez
Carla Rodriguez Gil
Darileidy Rodriguez Rivas
Marlon Rodriguez Solis
Yaniel Rosario
Harbie Rosario
Jimory Sanchez
Nissie Santos Alvarez
Qamar Shqair
Dahonil Suero Infante
Axel Suriel Lopez
Reynaldo Tolentino Sanchez
Crismerly Toribio Disla
Jeremy Valenzuela Valerio
Dalianny Vargas Collado
Matias Vargas De La Cruz
Valeska Vergara Diaz

John F. Kennedy High School

World Language Teacher: Good evening. Before I announce the Kennedy students, I was asked to make the announcement that a pair of beige ear pods was found.

Carla Almonte Pena
Luis Asiris Montilla
Aryaneth Bello
Cristopher Calle
Stephanie Cinto Ruiz
Leylianalyz Cruz Garcia
Thaiyana Cruz Garcia
Doha Essaghir
Johanny Feliz De La Cruz
Dayana Flores Mendosa
Kiara Gonzalez Urena
Alisha Guzman Frias
Crisleivy Lantigua
Masiel Leon Luis
Daniell Lopez
Guillermo Maldonado Vasquez
Jayel Marin
Haile Martinez Lara
Marely Martinez Marquez
Julianny Mejia Martir
Brian Melendez Zavala
Brianna Melo
Brenda Mendez

Kiara Mercedes Jimenez
Kristopher Minan Izquierdo
Christopher Montero
Arleth Montero Burgos
Victoria Ortez
Giovani Ramirez
Christian Ramirez Tapia
Franchesca Rojas
Arialba Serrata Villalona
Marlen Urena
Natalyruby Valiente
Melany Valverde Morera
Jayleen Vargas
Alejandro Yascual Viveros

International High School

Misael Aguilar
Alexa Alvarez
Esmeralda Angel Rendon
Yarielis Arias Compres
Michelle Bautista Osorio
Kharelina Blanco
Darwin Burgos
Adolfo Castro Zepeda
Yaritza Chavez Camilo
Sophia Cristobal
Dayanara De La Rosa
Francina Estevez Guzman
Camil Fermin Sanchez
Ismely Fernandez Liriano
Enilce Galvez
Carolyn Gomez Florentino
Ashleen Gonzalez
Jhan Gutierrez Moya
Virgilia Guzman Mendoza
Franklin Hernandez Chicas
Maria Lazo Valdez
Itzel Lucero
Nicole Lugo
Angie Martinez
Hannah Martinez De Jesus
Heylin Monteverde Garcia
Jasmin Moya Fabian
Alisha Pereira
Ashely Polanco
Arely Ponce Martinez
Rachel Ramirez Santos
Simon Ramos Vasquez
Genesis Rodriguez
Yaslin Rodriguez
Isaac Rojas Peralta
Denisha Serrano Araujo
Leandra Daniela Solis
Astry Taveras Guzman

Isfrany Tejada Vargas
Abigail Torres
Mia Torres
Jonh Vargas Sanchez
Dinarys Vizcaino Perez
Analay Zapata Fabian

Ms. Tsimpedes: This concludes our presentation ceremony for our senior scholars. If anyone lost a pair of white ear pods, please come to the front area.

The Board took recess at 7:33 p.m.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Long Range Facilities Plan Update

Dr. Newell: At this time, we will have our Chief Facilities Officer, Mr. Neil Mapp, give us a report on the Long Range Facilities Plan Update.

Mr. Neil Mapp: Good evening, my name is Neil Mapp. Good evening, Board President Ramirez, Commissioners, Madam Superintendent, Dr. Newell and district staff. Tonight, I'm here to submit the major amendment to the long range facilities plan for 2026-2031. We've hired design consultant DMR over the last 10 years now to amend our long range facilities plans and today we have from DMR Janet Pini, Senior Project Manager and Associate. She'll be presenting the major amendment to the plan for your approval to submit to the NJDOE, hopefully by July 1. I'd like to welcome Janet Pini to the mic now and she will present those changes that we have to our long range facilities plan.

Ms. Janet Pini: Thank you, Neil. Thank you to the Board and administration for allowing me to present tonight. As an introduction, our team members have worked with Neil who has been my liaison for the Paterson Public School District. Myself, DMR Architects and our team has been working in public education for 35 years and Statistical Forecasting who prepared the demography report for the long range facilities plan. In late 2025, DMR was engaged to begin and enter a data collection process, which consists of data given by the district and information for the demographer to prepare the report. In March 2026, the demography report was completed and in April of 2026 Paterson Public Schools completes the grade alignment and issued it to DMR to prepare our work. In May 2026, we held a community roundtable with members of the public to give input on the plan. On Monday the 15th I presented to the facilities committee and now the Board of Education presentation. Upcoming would be the submission to the State of New Jersey if authorized to do so. A major amendment to the long range facilities plan is required every five years, and it consists of a variety of different elements. Enrollment projections are given both by the state, and in this case, Paterson hired a demographer to provide a report. It updates school capacities over the last five years and proposed coming five years. It enters in proposed projects for the next five years, submitting required supporting documentation and finally the submission to the NJDOE for approval. Enrollment projections – the demographer looks at historic data and projects future enrollments for the next five years. The study analyzes the data and trends previously and in the case of Paterson Public Schools, the study shows a steady decline in enrollments over the next five years. The long range facilities plan tracks every building site, school and every individual room in each school to generate a grade-by-grade capacity by the school and for the overall district. Capacities are updated based on proposed changes to schools and grade alignments.

Once those capacities are determined, they're balanced against the proposed enrollments to ensure there's enough capacity in the district to house all those projected students. For Paterson Public Schools, since there is a declining enrollment there is sufficient capacity over the next five years so there was no issue balancing the long range facilities plan. The long range facilities plan looks at two different types of projects. Capital projects are maintenance types of projects on overall systems such as roof or boiler replacements. Inventory projects essentially change the floor plan of a building, such as additions or changes in grade alignments. A few of those proposed projects for Paterson Public Schools include the different levels of grades at the elementary schools, roof replacements, masonry repairs, floor replacements, bathroom renovations, mechanical systems upgrades and replacements. At the middle school, there is the adjustment to some of the schools. There are science lab conversions to house science labs in the newly created middle schools and similar projects to the elementary schools. At the high school level, culinary arts renovation, masonry repair, site improvements and mechanical systems upgrades and replacements. The major inventory projects for Paterson in the upcoming five years are changes in the grade alignment across the district with the implementation of the middle school model, the inclusion of the new STEAM High School with STEAM and TIES at the former Catholic high school site and the eventual demolition of that existing school. Also, regarding grade alignments of the school buildings, it's important to note that when grade alignments of school buildings change by more than 50%, a new NJDOE three-digit school code is required to be obtained by the NJDOE. In order to substantiate the changes in the long range facilities plan, NJDOE requires additional documentation. Some of these highlights are updated floor plans that show the proposed inventory projects, such as the grade alignment adjustments. Those accompanied with updated site plans and an updated district map with every school located. There's a sample here of what that could look like. Once a Board resolution is complete which authorizes DMR to submit to the NJDOE, the plan can be sent down. The NJDOE is going to look at the updates on the state website and the supporting documentation. The typical review period is 45 days, but that can be a quicker review. DMR will work directly with the reviewer to answer questions or provide necessary revisions. That's it. Are there any questions?

Comm. Ramirez: Commissioners, any questions on the major amendment to the long range facilities plan?

Mr. Mapp: There is a Board resolution on the agenda submitted for your approval so we can submit the plan to the NJDOE. What you saw here was a high-level view of that major amendment. What you don't see is the many hours that the DMR has put into this to input all of the school data into the DOE system. We appreciate your indulgence. Thank you.

Comm. Ramirez: Thank you, Mr. Mapp. At this time, I'll turn it over to Dr. Newell for her Superintendent's report.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Newell: Thank you, President Ramirez. First, I'd like to start off with congratulating all of our scholars and athletes here tonight who showed exemplary performance. We saw quite a wide variety of accomplishments here and I just wanted to say congratulations on the wonderful and fantastic achievements. For my report tonight, I would like to provide an update on the district's redistricting and school repurposing plan. At last week's meeting, I acknowledged that there were some concerns in the community about the future of these initiatives and whether they would proceed as

originally planned. I'm happy to report that earlier this week the directive issued by the Executive County Superintendent was rescinded. Therefore, as previously stated, the district will continue moving forward with the implementation of our approved redistricting and facility repurposing plan. This work represents years of thoughtful planning, analysis and community engagement and is being done with the goal of strengthening academic programming, creating age-appropriate learning environments, expanding opportunities for students, improving operational efficiency and ensuring that district resources are utilized in the most effective and responsible manner possible. District leadership remains committed to a smooth and successful transition as we prepare for the upcoming school year. We will continue to communicate timely updates and offer support to families and staff throughout the implementation process. I want to thank the members of the Board of Education who continue to provide leadership and support. I also would like to thank my staff and express my sincere appreciation to our students, families, larger staff, community partners and members for their continued support and partnership. Together we are taking important steps to strengthen educational opportunities for all the children in Paterson and position our district for long-term success. Next, I'd like to discuss the high school graduation. I'd like to mention that we are upcoming an exciting milestone for many of our students. On Friday, June 26 Paterson Public Schools will celebrate the graduation of the class of 2026 at Hinchliffe Stadium. This is always one of the highlights of the school year as we come together to recognize our graduating seniors. The morning ceremony, beginning at 9:00 a.m., will honor graduates from Eastside High School, Paterson P-Tech High School, STARS/TIES Academy and Paterson STEAM High School. The afternoon ceremony, beginning at 12:30 p.m., will celebrate graduates from International High School, John F. Kennedy High School, Newcomers High School and Rosa L. Parks High School of Fine & Performing Arts. Both ceremonies will feature remarks from school and district leaders as well as student representatives and will be livestreamed on the district website for family members and friends who are unable to attend in person. I want to congratulate all of our graduates and thank the teachers, staff, families and supporters who have helped them reach this important milestone. We look forward to celebrating the class of 2026 and all they have accomplished. I'd like to acknowledge that this is our final Board meeting of the 2025-2026 school year. As I reflect on the past year, I'm incredibly proud of all that we have accomplished together. We have celebrated our students' achievements, as we saw earlier, in the classroom, on the athletic field, on the stage and throughout the community. Most importantly, we have continued to make meaningful progress as a district while remaining focused on our primary mission, providing the best possible opportunities and outcomes for our students. I want to thank our teachers, staff, administrators, families, community partners and Board members for their hard work and support throughout the year. I hope everyone uses the summer to recharge and spend time with family and friends. On behalf of the district, I wish everyone a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer. Before I close, I would also like to ask for a moment of silence in memory of Marilyn Di Martino. She was a teacher, a supervisor and a vice principal who contributed all of her efforts and talents to Eastside High School.

Moment of Silence

Dr. Newell: Thank you for all that you have done this year and we look forward to seeing everyone back in the fall. Thank you.

REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Comm. Ramirez: First, I would like to thank the Superintendent and everyone involved this evening in the recognition of our scholars. Celebrating the achievements of all our

students is one of the most rewarding parts of the work that we do and tonight's program was a testament to all of that. I would also like to thank my fellow Board members who remain steadfast in their support of our Superintendent and her leadership team during the recent period of confusion and distraction. Your commitment to sound governance, stability and the best interests of our students helped ensure that we remained focused on our mission. Finally, I want to send my gratitude to all the staff, administrators, organized labor partners and the families and community that we serve for all the hard work put into this year and making Paterson a better place for us all.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Rosado that the Public Comments portion of the meeting be opened. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Mr. Mike Ollo: Thank you. I'm going to pivot because I'm talking to a very small group now. Superintendent, thank you for acknowledging Ms. Di Martino. Those of us who worked with her and knew her day after day after day knew she lived and breathed Paterson Public Schools. She was a resident, a former student and she loved Eastside. Thank you for that. This is my last week working in Paterson Public Schools. I'm speaking to the Board, Superintendent and administration, but I'm really speaking to all the people that were sitting in your seats generations and decades ago. I'd like to thank them and those administrations for giving a very young man an opportunity. So many decades later I'm still honored to be working with some great teachers. I'm honored to be working with the students and the current administration. I particularly want to thank the district administrations that are so supportive of teachers. There are some people sitting to my right here who I talk to and ask advice from all the time. Dr. Cozart is my go-to. Can I do this? Is this okay? He's always responsive. Thank you so much. I appreciate you. I've called or emailed Mr. Rojas and asked him, "What do you think of this?" I'm here just to be grateful for the opportunity to have served this community and these students. I appreciate you. I wish you all God's grace as you move this initiative forward. We hear the pushback. Social media has some benefits. I congratulate you for standing tall in there and not using comments that would be inflammatory but being professional. In closing, thank you to the Paterson Public Schools. After 44 years I'm going to promise my wife to give her some of that time for the family that I've been promising her recently. Year after year I say, "One more." Thank you all. Dr. Newell, Godspeed. I cover you with God's grace and that as you move forward you have the best interest of the community. Whether some like it or not, that's your job, I think it's going well and I am grateful to all of you sitting up here. Those of you who might be moving forward into new areas, careers or positions, I wish you Godspeed also. Thank you all.

Comm. Ramirez: Thank you for your years of service.

Mr. Alexander Cardillo: I'm Alexander Cardillo, 5-21 17th Street, Fairlawn, New Jersey. Good evening. I applied for the job at Joseph A. Taub School on June 9, 2026. I wanted to make sure that it's clearly put in the record here. This is the seventh time I've done this. I was RIF'd in 2019 and I waited for a callback until September 2019 when I found out I was fired under false pretenses by Principal Monica Florez who maliciously called DCPD on me and didn't want me to find out. Student E stood here before you and explained why the DCPD call happened and how it was not made in good faith. It was at that point that I felt I needed to seek a legal remedy to find out exactly what happened with DCPD. The RIF was not done correctly. This RIF in 2026 was done

correctly. In the defense written by the firm that you hired, it is stated that I was under DCPD investigation, which was believed by three judges. I found out in 2024 from DCPD that I was never investigated, but they cannot give me that in writing. In deposition, the previous superintendent and Mr. Rojas told me to apply again. I knew this was not the right protocol. I've seen several teachers, non-tenured included, get called back. One math teacher with four months of experience got called back to their exact classroom. I keep getting my case dismissed by judges who simply didn't want to be bothered by my case. I applied again and even though I knew these were the wrong rules, I played by their rules. I played by Mr. Rojas' rules as he changed them to fit his needs. But even when I played by the rules that were told to me, I still have yet to receive anything, not an interview or a meeting. Nothing! This is why I'm requesting a meeting with the Board of Education. I have always wanted my job back from this mess and for DCPD to be cleared up for me. I would appreciate it if you would come to the table. Thank you.

Ms. JoAnn Cardillo: Good evening. JoAnn Cardillo, 5-21 17th Street, Fairlawn, New Jersey. We're hitting the two-year mark here this evening. We have been attending these Board meetings in good faith trying to resolve a matter that should have never happened. Mr. Cardillo was targeted by Principal Monica Florez in the RIF of 2019. He was punished because he supported a student of special needs at the request of a parent and a child study team. This is not hearsay. This is documented fact and followed up with her deposition with 41 lies contradicting everyone in the district, including the former superintendent and the human resources assistant superintendent in their deposition. We're seeking to resolve this matter. Mr. Cardillo is being discriminated against and this behavior needs to cease. He is seeking to return to the district in the capacity he was in before he was chosen incorrectly to lose his position. Ms. Florez was in your employ when she took this action against him. He was not non-renewed for cause. He was not a first-year teacher. He was a librarian who built a program that was aligned to standards and offered teachers and students the support in the role that he did and was required. Mr. Cardillo was a reduction-in-force and was two months to tenure. There were multiple librarians with less senior status as outlined in your policy. I look forward to sitting with you to discuss and resolve this serious matter.

Ms. Cameo Black: Good evening. Don't worry. It's not anything. I'm not going off. Let me start off by saying 2025-2026 was distasteful. Disappointment would be an understatement, but I do appreciate the little circle that helped me survive, Corey Teague, Kenny Simmons and Joel Ramirez. I appreciate you. Assistant Superintendents Cheryl Coy and Joanna Tsimpedes, I appreciate you more than you will ever know. To the three parent coordinators, you know who you are. Parents, I came tonight to speak to you. Come September, it's time to be all gas and no brakes. We have to do better. The way you rock out for the phones and these new sneakers, let's do the same thing at these meetings. It saddens my heart how much stuff is in the dark at the Board of Education. The parents have more power than we will ever know. You have to pay attention when class is in session. However, have a blessed summer. Come September there need to be more parents at the Board of Education. You constantly complain on Facebook about this and that. You reach out to Commissioners. Be mindful that the Commissioners are only volunteers. They don't get paid. Some of the stuff that you put on the Commissioners you should be addressing to the people that get the big money. We all know who that is. Once again, I'm going to close this out. Have a blessed summer and please get more involved in your kid's academics, back-to-school and Board of Education meetings. Have a blessed summer and I look forward to seeing everybody in September at the Board of Education involving your child.

Ms. Iliana Vargas: Hello, Board members and Superintendent. My name is Iliana Vargas and my son goes to Alexander Hamilton Academy. I come before you mentally tired, as I'm sure many others are, from the last five months of anguish the majority of this Board has put us through. The rush of trying to figure out next steps of all these closures and restructuring was truly devastating and overwhelming. The mental roller coaster parents, students, teachers and school staff have been subjected to is disgusting. To the six who could have prevented this situation and allowed this to unfold, please understand that we will never forget. At the last meeting the Board President said the truth shall set you free. I agree. Taking responsibility for mistakes is the first step towards rebuilding trust in this community. That requires honesty and humility, something that has been noticeably absent, especially from the President and the Superintendent. Let me remind you all, the Superintendent works for this Board. You do not work for the Superintendent. Your responsibility is to protect students, families, teachers and staff and that duty must come before anything else. One more important thing, to the members of this committee, if discussing the future of the school district causes you to fall asleep virtually or in person, maybe, just maybe...(audio stops) (Audio restarts)...someone who is fully engaged and aware of what is happening and what it is you're discussing and are about to approve. Thank you.

Mr. Juandry Duran: Good afternoon and good evening. I am here tonight because it has been exactly 105 days without a response to the concerns I previously raised before this Board. This timeline really matters. Do you want to know why? Because when student input receives no structured follow-up, it creates a gap between the district decision-making and accountability. Since my last appearance, the district has implemented massive structural changes, reducing roughly 150 teachers, closing four schools and laying off about 50 secretaries. These districtwide decisions directly reshape the learning conditions for students across multiple schools. Yet, the level of communication surrounding these decisions has not matched the impact. This raises two direct questions. How are decisions of this scale finalized while communication with the affected students remains unresolved for nearly 105 days? How do we justify long-term planning when the students inside those plans are still waiting on basic responses to existing concerns? From a government standpoint, this creates a disconnect. Decisions move forward but feedback loops do not. Policy progresses but engagement stops. This imbalance directly damages students' trust in the process. In practical terms, we experience the results every day through larger class sizes, reduced staff support and deep unsureness about the stability of our schools. Students are completely left in the dark about how or why these decisions are being made. This is not about a generic disagreement with every decision you guys make. This is about process and integrity. A school district cannot operate effectively if communication only flows in one direction. Participation requires response. Input requires follow-through. Therefore, my request tonight is very specific. I ask that the district establish a clear consistent process for responding to student-raised concerns within a defined timeframe, including formal follow-ups when issues are elevated at public meetings. Without this structure student voice becomes symbolic rather than functional. I will continue to advocate for students at John F. Kennedy and across this district because engagement only has meaning when it produces a response. I am aware it is June and summer is about to begin, but that does not mean this effort is over. If a freshman has to stand here to fight for basic accountability, that says everything about our system. The second September arrives I promise you we will keep pushing. You will continue seeing me here until I am a senior and long after when I make it into politics. Thank you.

Ms. Kyranisha Williams: Good evening, Superintendent and Board members. My name is Kyranisha Williams. I'm the mother of Kyla Ford. I submitted emails to

everyone on this panel and no one responded. Terrible things have happened. They have threatened to take my daughter's AAC device. They told me that she can talk. They are trying to take a medical device from an autistic child without any real speech test. That violates her federal civil rights. They tried to cancel her physical therapy. When I asked them to show me paperwork to prove that she has been getting her service, the district could not show one single piece of paper to me. No evidence. They have no therapist log...(audio stops) (Audio restarts)...request services. They tried to scare me with old history. When I caught them with no paperwork, they tried to confuse me with old documents from 2024 to make me feel like I missed the deadline. I want to make this clear to this Board - I did not sign any paperwork to date to give anyone consent to remove my daughter's AAC device or her physical therapy from her IEP. I have already emailed my disagreement to Ashley at the State Department of Education. Under the federal law my daughter's services are completely frozen. Under the state hearing next week, I am speaking publicly tonight because the bullying and threats to take away an autistic child's voice may stop. I want this Board to look into why there are no therapist logs and I want the supervisors trained in the law. This is coming from my daughter's case manager. I want to know how this district is allowed to remove services without a parent's consent. Thank you and have a nice day.

Comm. Ramirez: Assistant Superintendent Coy, could you please connect with that parent? Thank you.

Ms. Rosie Grant: Good evening, Commissioners, Dr. Newell, Dr. Henderson, Attorney Buglione, staff and community. First, congratulations to all our students, honorees, scholars, graduates and award winners. That was really good to witness and celebrate today. Thank you for that opportunity. Regarding the long range facilities plan, I had hoped for more substance. I appreciate the projected enrollment data, but it didn't tell us what will be done about it. I'm requesting a full copy of the updated plan as soon as it can be made available. Regarding the middle school piece, the approval, the stop order and the rescinding of the stop order has been exhausting and messy. I hope that we are now at the point where district schools and community can move forward with alignment towards the same student-centered goals, not adult-centered goals. Dr. Newell, managing a district this size isn't easy. Thank you for your leadership throughout this school year, for quietly taking all the beatdowns, especially for decisions that were not yours. I know that it goes with the territory and I do want to acknowledge that you receive it with grace. You smile, you're wrong. You frown, you're wrong. You put a neutral expression, you're wrong. It's the seat you sit in. I know that you could make more for less grief elsewhere so thank you for being here for our children. Congratulations to the class of 2026. My word to you is keep graduating. Everyone, have a great summer. Thank you.

Mr. Soriano: I'm Mr. Soriano, part of the Paterson PTO districtwide leadership and Special Program Director for the Unity Foundation. I want to say thank you to the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent for the climate issues that we had a while ago. President, thank you. Commissioners, it's good seeing you. To all the newly elected Commissioners, welcome also. Superintendents, it's a pleasure seeing you again. I'd like to read something briefly that Director Pearson had left concerning the approval request for the Century 21 program for high school students. We have come to see that during those hours from 3:00 to 6:00 we need to keep the kids active and involved in resources and things in the school. We have seen the violence climb up because they have not been able to find something to do with that available time. The hours immediately following school dismissal represent one of the most critical periods in a young person's day. Between 3:00 and 6:00 many students are unsupervised while parents and caregivers remain at work. This time period often coincides with increased

exposure to negative influences, risky behaviors, interpersonal conflicts and community violence. Paterson youth face numerous challenges, including poverty, community violence, academic struggles and limited access to structured enrichment opportunities. Without safe and engaging environments during after-school hours, students are more vulnerable to becoming victims of violence, engaging in risky behaviors or missing opportunities that contribute to academic and personal success. The Paterson Board of Education has an opportunity to create a protective environment that supports students during these critical hours by implementing a comprehensive after-school program focused on academic achievement, career readiness, civic engagement, life skills and violence prevention. We're asking that you please assist us with that. Thank you very much.

Ms. Jaylynn Griffin: Hi, my name is Jaylynn. I'm here to ask some questions. First, I want to say I have no kids and I'm at this meeting. Where are all the parents who were complaining on Facebook? I'm sick of all the social media fingers, but no action behind it. That's why our leadership is leading us to hell. Do better parents. To the Board of Education and Superintendent, what's the point of closing schools and building new ones? Why not just repurpose the ones we have? We don't need any more infrastructure in this city. We are overbuilt. For us to be the oldest industrial city in the country, can our infrastructure even handle it? We are having so many water main breaks. It's so frequent. Are we even investigating to see what's causing that? I want to touch on the AI because I see that on that agenda. AI being integrated into everything is very frightening to see. The teachers are going to be using it for assistance and lesson plans, and the kids will be using it for answers. AI isn't just a regular computer program. That takes a human. It's a technology that teaches itself by surveilling us and studying humans. There's only so much time until it gains consciousness and takes over. In the end, no one will be critical thinkers. Everyone will just be souls in a shell counting down their days until it's time to rest in peace. We wouldn't be living. We would just be existing. I want you guys to think about that before you make any big decisions. Think about what our future is and what our future kids are going to have to live through. We're the ones who are inherited. You guys are the ones who are building it now. You need to build it for us to have something great in the future so we can build it for the next future generation. Thank you.

It was moved by Comm. Wilder, seconded by Comm. Mendez that the Public Comments portion of the meeting be closed. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Items Requiring a Vote

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Comm. Ramirez presented the minutes of the April 22, 2026 Executive Session, the May 4, 2026 Budget Hearing, the May 6, 2026 Workshop Meeting, the May 6, 2026 Executive Session, and the May 13, 2026 Regular Meeting, and asked if there were any questions or comments on the minutes.

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Rosado that the minutes be accepted with any necessary corrections. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION ITEMS (1-148)

Resolution No. I&P-1

WHEREAS the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development is requesting funding for employment and training services for youth to the Paterson Public School District's Paterson Adult School in the anticipated amount of \$820,000 as a provider of out-of-school youth services; and

WHEREAS the Paterson Adult School is currently operating the New Jersey Youth Corps program with funding from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development in order to assist young adults (ages 16-25) who have dropped out of High School in successfully transitioning to employment, college, or additional training by obtaining a state-issued high school diploma or HSE, by receiving career counseling and employability skills instruction and by engaging in meaningful community service activities; and

WHEREAS the Paterson Adult School wishes to continue operating a New Jersey Youth Corps program; and

WHEREAS there are no matching fund requirements within this grant; and

WHEREAS, increasing student achievement through effective academic program is Goal 1 of Priority 1 of the Strategic Plan for Paterson Public Schools and creating and sustain partnerships with community organizations, agencies and institutions is Goal 3 of Priority 3; and

WHEREAS The Assistant Superintendent for School Administration will be responsible for the district complying with the terms and conditions of the grant and will make every effort to target grant funds for the academic advancement and achievement of the students and expend the funds in the most effective and efficient manner; now

BE IT RESOLVED that permission is granted to the Paterson Adult School to apply for New Jersey Youth Corps funding being offered by the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development for the project period July 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027, in the anticipated amount of \$820,000.

Resolution No. I&P-2

WHEREAS, Goal Area #1: Teaching & Learning Goal Statement: To create a student-centered learning environment to prepare students for career, college readiness and lifelong learning of The Paterson- A Promising Tomorrow Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, On July 31, 2018, the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) was signed into law. It went into effect on July 1, 2019. This law reauthorized the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Educational Act of 2006 (Perkins IV); and

WHEREAS, Perkins V is the principal source of federal funding to states for the improvement of secondary and post-secondary career and technical education programs; and

WHEREAS, The mission and vision of the Office of Career Readiness supports districts to ensure all New Jersey students have equitable access to high-quality career and technical education in order to achieve academic and career success aligned to

economic opportunities and all students are college and career ready and become productive members in a global society; and

WHEREAS, there is no matching requirements for the Paterson Public Schools for this grant; and

WHEREAS, the 25-26 allocation is \$206,609.00 as per the NJDOE; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools District Board of Education approves the intent to accept the amended FY 25/26 Perkins Secondary Grant Allocation in the amount of \$206,609.00 for the grant period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 for the purposes stated above.

Resolution No. I&P-3

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce, and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curriculum is designed & delivered to demonstrate knowledge & skills specified in the NJDOE'S NJSLA, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to adopt annually the curriculum and courses approved for the schools of the district, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that the District Board of Education approves curriculum that supports student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students, and

WHEREAS, the attached documents indicate the proposed 9-12 grade curricula and courses of studies as follows:

NEW COURSES

INTRO TO AEROSPACE & DRONE TECHNOLOGY	COMPUTER CONCEPTS & APPLICATIONS	LINUX ESSENTIALS	ADVANCED MANUFACTURING
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REVISIONS

INTRO TO CULINARY ARTS & FUND. DE	CULINARY II BAKING & FUND. DE	MAINLINE KITCHEN S/S DE	BAKING & PASTRY S/S DE	INTRO TO SOCIAL MEDIA PRODUCTION	GAME DEVELOPMENT I	GAME DEVELOPMENT II
INTRO TO PROGRAMMING	COMPUTER SCIENCE EXPLORATION	INTRO TO COMPUTER SCIENCE	INTRO TO DRONES	PRINCIPLES OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	GRAPHIC DESIGN	INTRO TO BUSINESS

WHEREAS, the proposed curricula features alignment to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, that have been determined by the New Jersey Department of Education.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the attached curriculum guides for implementation in the Paterson Public Schools.

Resolution No. I&P-4

WHEREAS, Paterson - Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Strategic Plan Goal # 1- is to advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high-performing workforce, and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curriculum is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to adopt annually the curriculum and courses approved for the schools of the district, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that the District Board of Education approves curriculum that supports student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students, and

WHEREAS, the attached documents indicate revisions and new curricula. These revisions and new curricula will help teachers align their lessons to the latest NJSLS standards when selecting activities and assessments for their students.

New curricula:

AP Music Theory (grades 10-12)
Music Tech & Innovation (grades 9-12)

Updated curricula:

World Art (grades 9-12)
World Music (grades 9-12)
Dance I (grade 9)
Dance II (grade 10)
Dance III (grade 11)
Dance IV (grade 12)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the attached revisions to the Fine & Performing Arts curricula for the 2026-2027 school year and beyond until further revisions are necessitated.

Resolution No. I&P-5

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today Leading Tomorrow Goal #1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce, and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curriculum is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to adopt annually the curriculum and courses approved for the schools of the district, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that the District Board of Education approves curriculum that supports student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students, and

WHEREAS, the attached documents indicate revisions for the high school courses listed below.

Math Connections 1	<u>Updated Curricula:</u> Math Connections 2	Math Connections 3
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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the attached revisions to the Mathematics curricula for the 2026-2027 school year and beyond until further revisions are necessitated.

Resolution No. I&P-6

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal I: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce, and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curriculum is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to adopt annually the curriculum and courses approved for the schools of the district, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that the District Board of Education approves curriculum that supports student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students, and

WHEREAS, the attached documents indicate revisions and new courses listed below. These revisions and new courses will help teachers align their lessons to the latest NJSLS standards when selecting activities and assessments for their students, and

WHEREAS, the proposed curricula features alignment to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, that have been determined by the New Jersey Department of Education.

	<u>Revised</u>	
Supplemental ESL	Grades 6-8	Units 1-4
Supplemental ESL I and II	Grades 9-12	Units 1-4
Spanish	Grades K-8	Units 1-4
Arabic	Grades 6-8	Units 1-4

	<u>New Course</u>	
English Language Proficiency Development I	Grades 9-12	Units 1-4

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the attached curriculum guides for implementation of Multilingual, ESL, and World Language Curricula for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. I&P-7

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1 is to advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high-performing workforce, and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curriculum is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to adopt annually the curriculum and courses approved for the schools of the district, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that the District Board of Education approves curriculum that supports student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students, and

WHEREAS, the attached documents indicate revisions for the courses listed below. These revisions reflect updates to the pacing, order of resources in the guide and the name of the course. These revisions will help teachers align their lessons to the latest NJSL standards when selecting activities and assessments for their students.

Updated Curricula:

Kindergarten	Grade 3
Grade 1	Grade 4
Grade 2	Grade 5

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the attached revisions to the Science curricula for the 2026-2027 school year and beyond until further revisions are necessitated.

Resolution No. I&P-8

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for Online Curriculum & PD Platform, K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers, RFP-440-26 for the 2026-2027 school year.

WHEREAS, at the board of education meeting August 13, 2025, resolution number I&P-11, a contract was approved by the board, for the 2025-2026 school year awarding a contract for Online Curriculum & PD Platform, K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers, RFP-440-26, to the Art of Education University, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendor to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendor; and

WHEREAS, Online Curriculum & PD K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers has agreed to extend the contract with the district with no increase in price. There will be no changes to the terms and conditions of the contract, and an allowance was made in the RFP-440-26 specifications for an extension of this contract; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the Five-Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to The Art of Education University, LLC, located at 518 Main St. Suite A, Osage, IA 50461, for Online Curriculum & PD Platform, K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers, RFP-440-26 for the 2026-2027 school year, at a cost not-to-exceed \$74,394.00, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-9

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for Online Curriculum and PD Platform, K-8 Music Teachers: RFP-440-26RB for the 2026- 2027 school year.

WHEREAS, at the board of education meeting September 9-2025, resolution number 1&P-46, a contract was approved by the board, for the 2025-2026 school year awarding a contract for Online Curriculum and PD Platform, K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers, RFP-440-26RB, to QuaverEd, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendor to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendor; and

WHEREAS, Online Curriculum and PD Platform K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers has agreed to extend the contract with the district with no increase in price. There will be no changes to the terms and conditions of the contract, and an allowance was made in the RFP-440-26RB specifications for an extension of this contract; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the Five-Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to QuaverEd, Inc located at 65 Music Square West Nashville, TN 37203 for Online Curriculum and PD Platform, K-8 Music & Fine Art Teachers, RFP-440-26RB for the 2026-2027 school year, at a cost not-to-exceed \$54,000.00, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-10

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today Leading Tomorrow Goal #1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce, and

WHEREAS, the Savvas enVision materials Grades 6-8 and Grade 7 Pre-Algebra provide a comprehensive program for all students focused on a balance of fluency and conceptual understanding, and

WHEREAS, the Savvas enVision materials allow for print and digital access to engage in deeper learning of the content with access to interactive assignments, learning supports with scaffolds, equitable learning opportunities in English and Spanish, and

WHEREAS, the materials ensure inclusivity in content and in alignment with the NJSLs, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the extension of the contract for Savvas enVision textbooks, not to exceed \$225,154.31, effective July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027.

Resolution No. I&P-11

WHEREAS, the District's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan's Goal 4 is to strengthen family and community partnerships to support Paterson Public Schools educational programs, advance student achievement and enhance communication; and

WHEREAS, the District has a long-standing community partnership with Bergen Community College ("BCC") to provide preventative dental care at the District's Dental Clinic for uninsured, school-aged children residing in the City of Paterson; and

WHEREAS, for the past twenty years of this partnership, senior dental hygiene students and their faculty supervisors from BCC have been providing dental health instruction, cleaning teeth, taking x-rays, and applying fluoride and sealants one day per week, from September through June, at no cost to the District; and

WHEREAS, continued collaboration with BCC is necessary to ensure the ongoing provision of preventive dental services for uninsured school-aged children in Paterson, while giving dental hygiene students valuable clinical experience with appropriate supervision; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree to renew their agreement with no changes in terms or conditions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District approves this agreement with Bergen Community College, accepts the terms and conditions as written, and formally authorizes all action to effectuate same during the 2026-2027 school year at no cost to the District.

Resolution No. I&P-12

Whereas, the district's Strategic Plan's Goal Area #4 is to strengthen Family and Community Partnerships to create inclusive, supportive and equitable learning environments; and

Whereas, this will be the 7th year of the partnership between HMSOM and PPS; and

Whereas, the Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine (HMSOM) will make available to the district academic resources and assistance from its faculty and students; and

Whereas, the district will partake with HMSOM to engage in immersive, community-based service-learning and/or health projects Community Assessment Program (CAP), Community Health Project (CHP) or community-based projects. Eight (8) medical students and one (1) physician faculty member along with four (4) district staff members will be part of the Task Force which will provide approximately 200 hours of support throughout the year; and

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education support and approve the partnership between Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine and Paterson School District at no cost to the District for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. I&P-13

WHEREAS, Unity Foundation, Inc. ("Unity") will provide structured after-school programming for high school students, including academic support, tutoring, homework assistance, mentorship, leadership development, life skills training, and enrichment activities; and

WHEREAS, the program will serve approximately 50-100 students per participating school, including students identified as needing academic support, behavioral intervention, attendance improvement, or structured after-school engagement; and

WHEREAS, student participation may be determined through recommendations from school administration, counselors, teachers, and support staff; and

WHEREAS, the program will operate immediately following school dismissal for approximately two to three hours per day, three to five days per week, during the academic school year, with specific schedules and locations to be determined by Unity and participating schools; and

WHEREAS, the MOU shall become effective upon signature by both parties and remain in effect for one school year, unless terminated, amended, or renewed by mutual written agreement; and

WHEREAS, there is no cost to the District under the MOU, and Unity will provide all staff required for program implementation at its own expense; and

WHEREAS, approval of this MOU is aligned with Goal 4 of the District's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships, by supporting a community-based partnership that expands structured academic, mentorship, and enrichment opportunities for students after school; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Understanding with the Unity Foundation, Inc. to implement the 21st Century Community Learning Centers After-School Program at the District's high schools for a one-school-year term at no cost to the District.

Resolution No. I&P-14

Whereas increasing student achievement through effective academic program is Goal 1 of Priority 1 of the Strategic Plan for Paterson Public Schools and creating and sustaining partnerships with community organizations, agencies and institutions is Goal 3 of Priority 3; and Goal 4 create student-centered supports where all students are engaged in school.

Whereas, Education Plus will be entering its eighth year of operation at Paterson Public School and its second year at Maria Magda O'Keefe (MMO) School. The program will run a summer enrichment session Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, beginning July 6, 2026, and ending August 21, 2026.

Whereas, Education Plus will extend the Paterson Public School District curriculum by incorporating the Foundations Ready to Rise program for students with a focus on strengthening foundational literacy skills. In addition, students will engage in experiential learning opportunities that promote problem-solving, self-direction, creativity, exploration, and expression through a guided inquiry model.

Whereas, Education Plus, 4C's of Passaic County Agency, and State Department of Education will determine the eligibility of each student to participate in the Summer Enrichment Program.

Be it therefore resolved that Education Plus, the 4C's of Passaic County Agency, and Maria Magda O'Keefe (MMO) School agree to fulfill the roles and responsibilities necessary for the successful implementation of the Summer Enrichment Program, as outlined in the School Verification Agreement, at no cost to the District.

Resolution No. I&P-15

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools Strategic Plan, "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow," prioritizes advancing instructional excellence, strengthening family and community partnerships, and ensuring equitable access to high-quality learning opportunities that support the holistic development of every student; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC) programs at Schools 2 and 16 supports these priorities by providing extended learning opportunities that reinforce academic achievement, promote enrichment, and address the diverse academic and social-emotional needs of students; and

WHEREAS, the District 21st Century Community Learning Centers Programs at Schools 2 and 16 will operate Monday through Thursday, from July 6 through July 30, 2026. The focus of the 21CCLC Programs will include Math and ELA intervention, ESL support for identified multilingual learners, STEAM enrichment, field trips, and recreational programming, at a cost to the 21CCLC grant not to exceed \$100,000; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby approves the District 21CCLC Summer Programs at Schools 2 and 16, funded through the 21CCLC Grant in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, with associated costs to the District limited to building usage, security, food services, and custodial services.

Resolution No. I&P-16

WHEREAS, The Department of Family and Community Engagement/ Full Service Community Schools is concert with Goal area #3: Communication and Connections Goal Statement. To establish viable partnerships with educational institutions, community organizations and/or faith-based organizations to support Paterson Public Schools educational programs, advance student achievement and enhance communication; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Family and Community Engagement/ Full Service Community Schools recognizes the many barriers to education that exists with many families; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Family and Community Engagement/ Full Service Community Schools will partner with St. Paul's Community Development Corporation for AmeriCorps Project to perform services to strengthen and supplement efforts to

eliminate poverty and poverty-related human, social and environmental problems, as specified in the project application and work plans. Placement of four positions part-time AmeriCorps will be based at the PPS Full Service Community Center, 512 Market Street Paterson, NJ; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Department of Family and Community Engagement/ Full Service Community Schools will secure the services of St. Paul's Community Development Corporation for two positions as part of the St Paul's AmeriCorps Project for such services, as detailed in the attached scope of work, program summary, AmeriCorps contract and memorandum of understanding agreement commencing on July 1, 2026 and ending on June 30, 2027 at a cost not to exceed of \$12,000.

Resolution No. I&P-17

WHEREAS, the College of Education at William Paterson University (WP) and Paterson Public Schools (PPS) will offer an amazing educational opportunity. The Summer 2026 Aspiring Educators Program (AEP) is a unique 4- week program geared toward diverse high school students interested in exploring the field of education.

WHEREAS, approximately 14 current Paterson students will have the opportunity to take a 3-credit dual enrollment course while gaining paid experience as teaching assistants.

WHEREAS, the cohort of Paterson students will spend their mornings in specific Paterson Public Schools working as paid teaching assistants in Paterson Public Schools Summer Programs, providing them with a stipend and teaching experience, and in the afternoons the students will be on the WPU campus taking a for-credit college course that focuses on issues of diversity and equity in education.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves participation in the Summer 2026 Aspiring Educators Program (AEP) at William Paterson University and approves to cover the cost of tuition for 15 students and stipends for approximately 5 students. Payment amount not to exceed **\$22,358.00.**

Resolution No. I&P-18

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for MULTISUBJECT DIGITAL LEARNING PLATFORM, RFP-488-23 for the 2026-2027 school year.

WHEREAS, at the board of education meeting of June 14, 2022, resolution number I & P 31, a contract was approved by the board, for a three-year term awarding a contract to BrainPOP LLC for MULTISUBJECT DIGITAL LEARNING PLATFORM; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendor to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendor; and

WHEREAS, BrainPOP LLC has agreed to extend the contract with the District with no increase in price. There will be no changes to the terms and conditions of the contract, and an allowance was made in the RFP specifications for an extension of this contract; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to BrainPOP, LLC for the 2026-2027 school year, for the not-to-exceed amount of \$117,000.00 annually & pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-19

WHEREAS, The Paterson Public Schools Strategic Plan, Goal Area #1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce; and

WHEREAS, the Brisk AI resource will provide teaching tools to assist teachers in the creation of materials, differentiation of instruction, inclusive of text leveling and translation access to over 40 languages, assist in the creation of family communication and provide standard aligned resources; and

WHEREAS, the Brisk AI resource will be made available to all instructional staff via an extension on their device; and

WHEREAS, the materials will assist in ensuring inclusivity in content delivery and in alignment with NJSLs; and

WHEREAS, According to 18A:18A-5(5), exceptions to requirement for advertising, any contract, the amount of which exceeds the bid threshold, shall be negotiated, and awarded by the board of education by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids and bidding for: Library and educational goods and services; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves purchasing Brisk AI for staff at a cost not to exceed \$80,500.00.

Resolution No. I&P-20

Whereas, this supports the Strategic Plan, "Paterson -Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow". Goal Area#1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating High-Performing Workforce-Support highly through streamlined processes, meaningful professional growth opportunities, enhanced observation practices, and collaboration across Schools.

Whereas, the Paterson Public School District will participate in the College Board's SAT & PSAT/NMSQT which is an initiative to support the involvement, learning and increase students' readiness for college expectations. Students in grades 10, 11 & 12 will participate in SAT assessment program, which will expose students to a wealth of college planning and preparation tools to get and keep them actively involved in the process.

Whereas, College Board PSAT program deliverables include PSAT/NMSQT, 10 & 11 Digital Testing, (student guides) PSAT Score Report Plus (two copies per student), Official Educator Guide to the PSAT/NMSQT (one per school), School-Level Summary of Answers and Skills (SOAS) Reports, School-Level AP Potential Access, including My Road for students taking the SAT.

Whereas, College Board SAT program deliverables includes SAT Test materials (student guides and test booklets), SAT Score Report Plus (two copies per student),

Official Educator Guide to the SAT (one per school), School-Level summary of Answers and Skills (SOAS), Reports, School-Level AP Potential Access, including My Road for students taking the SAT.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Public Schools Board of Education approves the attached contract between Paterson Public Schools and College Board SAT & PSAT/NMSQT initiative for students in grades 10, 11 & 12 to support their involvement in the SAT & PSAT/NMSQT process at an earlier age while there is still time to inform instruction, learning and increase students readiness for college expectations not to exceed \$95,848.90.

Resolution No. I&P-21

Whereas, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1 is to advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high-performing workforce and New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that district curricula support student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students. As such, the use of programmatic materials that support these standards is a crucial component; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires board of education to ensure that district curriculum is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified by the New Jersey Student Learning Standards; and

Whereas, the district is purchasing student and teacher licenses for the Defined Learning online project based learning portal, which supports New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science and the district curriculum; and

Whereas, the purchase of student and teacher licenses for the Defined Learning online project based learning portal is set out to achieve scientific literacy, develop science and engineering skills as described in the New Jersey Students Learning Standards for Science, instructional efficiency and systemic reform. The Defined Learning program is created to use an integrated literacy approach to engage students to learn important scientific concepts, develop the ability to think critically as they actively construct ideas through their own inquiries, investigations, and analyses, develop scientific and engineering habits of mind and practices utilizing technology applications; and

Whereas, the above mentioned materials and associated professional development will provide Science teachers with the necessary tools to execute high quality project based learning performance tasks aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science (NJSLS-S) and prepare our students for their future career and education goals; and

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education approve the Science and Engineering Instructional Resources from Defined Learning mentioned above for all schools serving Grade 3-8 students for the 2026-2027 school year, in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00.

Resolution No. I&P-22

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for RFP-429-27, ESL PROGRAM FOR WIDA LEVELS 1-2 (GRADES 612) for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year(s); and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News on February 17, 2026. Sealed proposals were opened and read aloud on March 10, 2026, at 11:00 am in the Conference Room, 4th floor, 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, RFP specifications were also posted on the District website. Five (5) sealed proposals were received, opened and read aloud March 10, 2026, at 11:00 am by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to HMH EDUCATION COMPANY, for ESL Program for WIDA Levels 1-2 (Grades 6-12), RFP-429-27, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for ESL Program for WIDA Levels 12 (Grades 6 -12), RFP-429-27 to HMH Education Co. during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year(s), at a cost not to exceed \$156,546.52 annually, pending budget availability.

Resolution No. I&P-23

WHEREAS, this initiative supports the district strategic plan, "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow", Goal # 3: Ensuring Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability to strengthen leadership practices, improve operational efficiency, and maintain financial stability to support student learning and growth. In addition to Goal #4, Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships to expand community and family engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes the importance of providing safe, efficient, accessible, and financially accountable operations for high school athletic events through the use of modern digital ticketing platforms that allow advance and contactless ticket purchases for students, families, staff, and community members; and

WHEREAS, the admission prices for athletic events during the 2026-2027 school year at both John F. Kennedy High School and Eastside High School shall be established as follows: regular admission prices of \$5.00 for students and \$7.00 minimum for adults; Paterson Public Schools celebration event admission prices of \$5.00 for students and a minimum of \$10.00 for adults; and the district shall further adhere to all applicable New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association pricing guidelines and fees; and

WHEREAS, the Athletics Departments at John F. Kennedy High School and Eastside High School seek to implement operational tools that align with current technology practices, including but not limited to ACH transactions, credit card payments, and QR code-based ticketing, to improve the spectator experience, streamline event management, and reduce cash handling at athletic events; and

WHEREAS, all online ticket purchases shall be processed through Hometown, with all associated fees to be absorbed by the respective Athletic Departments to ensure ticket prices remain consistent, and all funds deposited in real time into each school's Athletic Student Activity Account in accordance with Paterson Public Schools accounting policies and procedures, with the designated district accountant responsible for ensuring compliance with all financial transaction requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the use of Home Town digital tools for ticket sales and management for high school athletic events at John F. Kennedy High School and Eastside High School for the 2026-2027 school year, in accordance with district policies, procedures, and applicable purchasing guidelines, and authorizes the Superintendent or designee to take all necessary actions necessary to implement and administer the platform.

Resolution No. I&P-24

WHEREAS, the I.A.A.M. (Infiltrate, Adopt-A-School, Adopt-A-Block, Make Disciplined Ones) Initiative, Reverend Michael D. McDuffie, Founder & President, Reverend Marcus Debnam, Executive Director, and Mr. Ron Cilente, Assistant Administrative Director, will work with Paterson Public Schools at the school principal's request, and approval of the School Board and Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the I.A.A.M. Initiative is to support students and the school community by building and sustaining community partnerships, and mobilizing community resources; and

WHEREAS, the vision of Paterson Public Schools is to be the leader in educating New Jersey's urban youth. This vision is enhanced by building and sustaining relationships with community partners; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Paterson Public Schools is to prepare each student for success in the college or university of their choosing, and in their chosen career. This vision is enhanced by the mobilization of community resources and by promoting understanding, appreciation, and use of the community's diverse cultural, social, and intellectual resources throughout the district; and

WHEREAS, it has been decided that the I.A.A.M. Initiative will establish a mentoring program for at-risk students. The purpose of the mentoring program is to help close the achievement gap by supporting the academic, social, and emotional development of students identified by the school principal; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School district and participating schools will incur no cost for the I.A.A.M. Initiative or the mentoring program for the 2026-2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, volunteers from the I.A.A.M. Initiative who are not currently employed by the school district are subject to annual background investigations and School Board approval. District issued identification badges will be required for volunteers working on school property during the school day; and

WHEREAS, all field trips and extracurricular activities under the I.A.A.M. Initiative will occur with parental consent and proper insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the list of current schools and volunteers proposed to participate in the I.A.A.M. Initiative for the 2026-2027 school year include but are not limited to:

Dr. Frank Napier, Jr./#4
Senator Frank Lautenberg/#6
School #7
School #10
School #12
School #13
Early Learning Center (Pastor Sharon Houston & Minister Danielle Johnson)
School #18
School #21
School #25
School #26
School #27

Alonzo "Tambua" Moody Academy Joseph A. Taub School
Eastside High School
John F. Kennedy High School
P-TECH (PANTHER Academy)
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Elementary School/#30
Roberto Clemente
Rosa Parks High School
Dale Avenue School
New Jersey Youth Corp
STARS Academy (STEAM Academy)
Paterson Adult & Continuing Education (PACE)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Paterson Public Schools accepts the collaboration with the I.A.A.M. (Infiltrate, Adopt a School, Adopt a Block, Make Disciplined Ones) Initiative, Reverend Michael D. McDuffie, President, to enhance the success of every student, and the vision and mission of Paterson Public Schools for the 2026-2027 school year, at no cost to the district.

Resolution No. I&P-25

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services, Goal Area #1: Teaching & Learning; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for Advanced Assessment Systems, Inc. (Linkit) for Instructional Management System, RFP-462-27 for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 School Year(s); and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News on March 12, 2026 and the district's website. Two (2) sealed proposal were received. Sealed proposals were opened and read aloud on April 2, 2026 at 11:00 am in the Conference Room, 4th floor, 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, this award is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan & Goal Area #1: Teaching & Learning: Objective #2; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to ADVANCED ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS, INC. (LINKIT) for RFP-462-27, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for INSTRUCTIONAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, RFP 462-27 to ADVANCED ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS, INC. (LINKIT!) during the 2026-2027 at a cost not to exceed \$ 257,124.50, 2027-2028 \$264,195.42, 2028-2029 \$271,460.80 at a cost not to exceed \$ 792,780.72 for 3 Years.

Resolution No. I&P-26

WHEREAS, this initiative supports the district strategic plan, "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow", Goal # 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce- To attract, retain, and support highly qualified staff through streamlined processes, meaningful professional growth, enhanced observation practices, and collaboration across schools, and Goal Area #4: Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships- To expand engagement and collaboration with families and community organizations to create inclusive, supportive, and equitable learning environments, and

WHEREAS, K-5 teachers will gain access to the QuaverEd web-based platform, enabling them to integrate its resources into their classrooms. This comprehensive program features movement videos, interactive games, and complete lessons designed to foster inclusivity, with built-in accessibility features and Spanish translations to support diverse learners, and

WHEREAS, the lessons and instructional materials will be integrated into lesson planning to support curriculum alignment for Physical Education and Health, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Health & PE Program from QuaverEd at a cost not to exceed \$45,885.00 for all K-5 schools in the district for the 26-27 school year.

Resolution No. I&P-27

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for Math Intervention Software, RFP 408-24, for the 2026-2027 school year in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42.

WHEREAS, the District awarded a contract at the Board meeting on August 16, 2023, Item # I&P-19, to Savvas Learning Company LLC, located at 15 East Midland Ave., Suite 502 Paramus, NJ 07652, for Math Intervention Software, RFP 408-24 for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school year(s); with a provision for either one (1) one-year extension, one (1) two-year extension, or two (2) one-year extensions; and

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of exercising its one (1) one-year extension for the 2026-2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services provided by the vendor to be "effective and efficient," as required for extension under N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42, and has determined that it is necessary to continue these services; and

WHEREAS, Savvas Learning Company LLC has agreed to extend the contract for the 2026-2027 school year and has submitted a Letter of Intent to Renew at a 1.45% decrease in rates from the previous contract amount of \$150,500.00 for the 2025-2026 school year, resulting in a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$148,320.00; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the extension of the contract to Savvas Learning Company LLC for the 2026-2027 school years, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$148,320.00, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-28

WHEREAS, the curriculum supports the Paterson: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; and Goal 4: Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships; and

WHEREAS, Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA) agrees to provide an 8 week dance residency in a total of 9 elementary schools grades Kindergarten through 8 and 1 High School; and

WHEREAS, all classes will reinforce motor skills, stimulate creativity through the use of imagination and explore rhythm, space and time. The goal is for students to believe they can achieve through self-discipline and self-esteem. Most importantly, students will discover the joy of movement; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the agreement with Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA) for September 2026 through June 2027 in an amount not to exceed \$35,000, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-29

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for Tutoring Services, RFP-434-26, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42.

WHEREAS, the District awarded a contract at the Board meeting on August 13, 2025, Item # I&P-16, to TPR Education, LLC, d/b/a The Princeton Review, located at 110 East 42nd Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10017, for Tutoring Services, RFP-434-26 for the 2025-2026 school year, with a provision for either one (1) one-year extension, one (1) two-year extension, or two (2) one-year extensions; and

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of exercising its one (1) two-year extension for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services provided by the vendor to be "effective and efficient," as required for extension under N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42, and has determined that it is necessary to continue these services; and

WHEREAS, TPR Education, LLC, d/b/a The Princeton Review has agreed to extend the contract for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years, and has submitted a Letter of Intent to Renew, at no increase in rates from the previous contract, as outlined in the attached bid summary; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to TPR Education, LLC, d/b/a The Princeton Review for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years, for a not-to- exceed amount of \$264,000.00, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-30

WHEREAS, this initiative supports the district strategic plan, "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow", Goal # 3: Ensuring Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability to strengthen leadership practices, improve operational efficiency, and maintain financial stability to support student learning and growth; and

WHEREAS, the district seeks to improve the efficiency, organization, and management of interscholastic athletic operations through integrated digital platforms; and

WHEREAS, the Vantage Sportz package includes an athletic scheduling platform funded by the Big North Football Conference at no cost to the district; and

WHEREAS, the package also includes the FormReLeaf Registration License Platform and the ZebraPay Officiating Payment Platform to streamline athletic registration, documentation, communication, and officials' payment processing; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for the FormReLeaf Registration License Platform and ZebraPay Officiating Payment Platform shall not exceed \$2,800.00 for a three-year term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the purchase and utilization of the Vantage Sportz Athletic Management Package, including the FormReLeaf Registration License Platform and ZebraPay Officiating Payment Platform, at an annual cost not to exceed \$2,800.00 for three (3) years, 26-27, 27-28, and 28-29 with the scheduling platform provided at no cost through funding by the Big North Football Conference.

Resolution No. I&P-31

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for After School Instrumental Music Program, RFP-439-25 for the 2025-2026 school year.

WHEREAS, at the board of education meeting of September 11, 2024, resolution number I&P-39, a contract was approved by the board, for the 2024-2025 school year

awarding a contract for After School Instrumental Music Program, RFP-439-25, to Wharton Institute for the Performing Arts; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendor to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendor; and

WHEREAS, Wharton Institute for the Performing Arts has agreed to extend the contract with the District; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to Wharton Institute for the Performing Arts located at 60 Locust Avenue, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922 for After School Instrumental Music Program, RFP-439-25 for the 2026-2027 school year, at a cost not-to-exceed \$391,740.00, to be paid in December 2026, March 2027 and June 2027, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-32

WHEREAS, the curriculum supports the Paterson-Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal #1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High -Performing Workforce; and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curriculum is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to adopt annually the curriculum and courses approved for the schools of the district; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that the District Board of Education approves curriculum that supports student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students; and

WHEREAS, the attached documents indicate the proposed adoption of the following K-12 Humanities Curriculums reflective of updated resources and standards as appropriate across content areas:

AP Language and Composition	AP Literature
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Resolution No. I&P-33

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for FULL-SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (FSCS), RFP-493-27 for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News on April 24, 2026. Sealed proposal was opened and read aloud on May 21, 2026 at 11:00 am in the Conference Room, 4th floor, 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, RFP specifications were e-mailed to forty-five (45) potential vendors. Three (3) sealed proposals were received, opened and read aloud May 21, 2026, at 11:00 am by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to NEW JERSEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP (PS 5, JATS) and NEW DESTINY FAMILY SUCCESS CENTERS, INC (SFLS) for FULL-SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (FSCS), RFP-493-27, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan "Learning Today; Leading Tomorrow," and prioritizes advancing instructional excellence, strengthening family and community partnerships, and ensuring equitable access to high-quality learning opportunities that support the holistic development of every student; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for FULL-SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (FSCS), RFP-493-27 to NEW JERSEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP and NEW DESTINY FAMILY SUCCESS CENTERS, INC during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year(s), at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.

Resolution No. I&P-34

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Goal 1 seeks to advance instructional excellence by cultivating high-quality learning experiences and supporting innovative educational programming; and Goal 4 seeks to develop shared initiatives and systems that expand student enrichment opportunities, community engagement, and college and career readiness pathways; and

WHEREAS, Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts provides extensive school-based performing arts programming, including concerts, theatrical productions, dance performances, showcases, exhibitions, and community arts events that support student achievement, artistic development, and public engagement; and

WHEREAS, effective management of performing arts programming requires a reliable digital platform to support ticket sales, audience management, event promotion, merchandise sales, fundraising opportunities, and operational coordination related to school performances and events. All proceeds, less applicable processing fees, will support student activities funding for related programs; and

WHEREAS, On the Stage is a digital ticketing and event management platform designed to support school and performing arts organizations through online ticket sales, merchandise sales, event administration, patron communication, and related services that enhance accessibility, efficiency, and community participation in school arts programming; and

WHEREAS, the utilization of the On the Stage platform will support the operational needs of Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts' performing arts program during the 2026-2027 school year; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the utilization of the On the Stage digital ticketing and merchandise platform for Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts, effective through 6/30/2027, in accordance with approved district vendor procedures and applicable Board policies. AT NO COST TO THE DISTRICT.

Resolution No. I&P-35

WHEREAS, this initiative supports the district strategic plan, "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow", Goal # 3: Ensuring Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability to strengthen leadership practices, improve operational efficiency, and maintain financial stability to support student learning and growth. In addition to Goal #4 Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships to expand community and family engagement; and

WHEREAS, the district recognizes the value of providing students, families, and the community with access to athletic events and activities through live-streaming services; and

WHEREAS, Hudl provides three (3) cameras at each school, video streaming, athletic performance analysis, and broadcasting services that support student-athlete development, community engagement, and program visibility; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for the Hudl Level 2 Athletic Department Package 2026-2027 shall not exceed \$12, 300 per school, at John F. Kennedy High School and Eastside High School, for a total of \$24,600 for the 2026-2027 school year will; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the purchase and utilization of Hudl Athletic Streaming package at John F. Kennedy High School and Eastside High School, at an annual cost not to exceed \$24, 600.00 for both schools for the 2026-2027 School Year.

Resolution No. I&P-36

WHEREAS, increasing participation in extracurricular activities, including interscholastic sports, supports the district's initiatives,

WHEREAS the District provides the athletic department with school district funds from the 2026/2027 accounting year for daily operational expenditures. The funds are used for game officials, staff workers, and invitational tournaments as it pertains to student-athletes,

WHEREAS these fees are set forth by the Big North League, NJ Super Football Conference, Passaic County Coaches Association and New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association,

WHEREAS tickets sales at home athletic contests may generate revenues, with the proceeds deposited into the school athletics checking account,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the District supports the Athletic Department's recommendation of fees as per league and state affiliation,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the District shall remit payment as part of the district's regular bill list, upon the submission and approval of invoice and proper execution by the athletic department of Eastside High School through district vouchers, bank reconciliations and other documents which may be required by the proper fiscal management of the public school district.

Eastside High School Athletics - school year 2026/2027 daily operational expenses not to exceed \$108,646 with three potential seasonal disbursement dates: Fall, Winter, and Spring. These dates are based on the NJSIAA sports calendar.

Resolution No. I&P-37

WHEREAS, the District's priority is effective academic programs under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan. The Department of Special Education has aligned programs to meet this priority. The placement of this student will achieve this priority through implementation of his/her IEP; and

WHEREAS, the District is eligible for State Aid-Chapter 193 Non-public and IDEA Federal funding to provide services to Paterson students attending non-public schools; and

WHEREAS, the District will comply with the terms and conditions of the grants and target grant funds for the academic advancement and achievement of the students and expend the funds in the most effective and efficient manner; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District accepts the Chapter 193 Funding and approve Catapult Learning to provide services for Paterson students attending Non-public schools for the 2025-2026 school year, as listed below, at a total cost not to exceed \$2,652.34.

May 14, 2026-June 30, 2026 (Chapter 193 Services)

Initial Exam- \$1,326.17 x 2 = \$2,652.34 Prorated @ 100 %

Resolution No. I&P-38

STRATEGIC PLAN, Goal Area # 3: Communications & Connections, Goal Statement: To establish and grow viable partnerships with parents, educational institutions, and community organizations to support Paterson Public Schools educational programs, advance student achievement and enhance communication and continue to improve clear and accurate internal and external communication with all stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District is committed to providing School Health Services for the 2026-2027 school year to all students in a safe and sanitary environment; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognized the need for School Health Services, for the 2026-2027 school year, district wide, and its positive impact on the health of our students and their ability to learn; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District requires the highest quality of School Health Services available for students in the 2026-2027 school year according to N.J.A.C.6A:16-2.1(b); and

WHEREAS, the District has determined to acquire such services through a fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, and by resolution of

the board of education at a public meeting, without public advertising for bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1); and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the contract with Aveanna/Loving Care Healthcare for the 2026-2027 school year (September 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027), at a cost not to exceed \$289,800.00.

Resolution No. I&P-39

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan is to promote student-centered teaching and learning, and the Department of Special Education has aligned its programs to meet this priority;

WHEREAS, the District is required to identify, evaluate, and address the unique educational needs of each student with a disability;

WHEREAS, consistent with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-5.1(c)(1), the District may contract for the provision of related services by private providers who are appropriately licensed and credentialed according to State statutes and rules;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following contracts with private providers of 1:1 nursing services, effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 at an annual cost not to exceed the amounts listed:

Nursing Services Provider Name	Cost Per Day	ESY Days	RSY Days	Total Days	Total Cost
BAYADA HOME HEALTH CARE, INC.	\$616	152	1086	1238	\$ 762,608.00
LOVING CARE, INC. d/b/a AVENANNA HEALTHCARE	\$600	46	360	406	\$ 243,600.00
PREFERRED HOME HEALTH / 1.1 Nursing	\$632	121	1083	1204	\$ 760,928.00
PREFERRED HOME HEALTH/1.1 Nursing (8.5 hrs.) #5251577	\$671.50	30	180	210	\$ 141,015.00
PREFERRED HOME HEALTH CARE / PreK REG. @ 6/Hrs. / day	\$474	24	180	204	\$ 96,696.00
STARLIGHT AGENCY	\$520	92	900	992	\$ 515,840.00
STAY WELL SERVICES	\$600	113	723	836	\$ 501,600.00
WHITE GLOVE COMMUNITY CARE	\$560.00	30	180	210	\$ 117,600.00
Total Cost Not to Exceed:					\$3,139,887.00

Resolution No. I&P-40

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan- Goal 4: Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships- Indicator: Ensuring the needs of the whole needs of the whole child (social, emotional, academic and physical) are met. and the Department of Guidance and Counseling has aligned its programs to meet this priority;

WHEREAS, the District is required to identify, evaluate, and address the unique educational needs of each student with a disability;

WHEREAS, consistent with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-5.1(c)(1), the District may contract for the provision of related services by private providers who are appropriately licensed and credentialed according to State statutes and rules;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following contracts with private providers of 1:1 nursing service, effective September 8, 2026, through June 30, 2027, at an annual cost not to exceed the amount listed:

Nursing Service Provider Name	Student	Cost Per Day	RSV Days	Total Days	Total Cost
Starlight Homecare Agency Inc d/b/a Star Pediatric Home Care Agency	J.R ID# 5215717	\$520.00	180	180	\$93,600.00

Resolution No. I&P-41

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2019-2024 Strategic Plan is to promote student-centered teaching and learning, and the Department of Special Education has aligned its programs to meet this priority; and

WHEREAS, homeless children from Paterson who temporarily reside outside the city are eligible to enroll in the public schools of another school district pursuant to the Stewart B. McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, which is codified at 42 U.S.C. §§ 11431, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the District is required to pay tuition and transportation costs to boards of education of receiving districts where homeless children from Paterson are enrolled, according to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-19 and N.J.A.C. 6A:17-2.3; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to enter into tuition contracts with various boards of education that enroll students who lived in Paterson before becoming homeless and enrolling in the receiving district's schools; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following McKinney-Vento & Educational Stability tuition contracts with receiving districts, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026:

Req. #	Acc. #	School District Name	Student ID	# Days	Tuition Per Diem Rate	Total Payment <i>Not to Exceed</i>
3606	561	Clifton Board of Education (Revised 10/15/25 I&P-81)	KCL 5275240	105	\$97.61	\$10,249.00
6922	561	Garfield Public Schools	AC 5236542	153	\$100.85	\$15,430.05
6922	561	Garfield Public Schools	SM 5266739	153	\$81.93	\$12,535.80
6919	562	Hawthorne Board of Education	NT 5251867 (SLLD)	178	\$248.55	\$44,241.90
6960	562	Little Falls Board of Education	SE 5234819 (Resource)	180	\$320.44	\$57,679.00
6960	562	Little Falls Board of Education	JE 5227955 (LLD)	180	\$101.63	\$18,294.00
6918	561	Passaic Board of Education	EB 5269891	158	\$104.39	\$16,494.00
6920	561	Ridgefield Board of Education	GUE 5278138	40	\$90.44	\$3,617.59
6920	561	Ridgefield Board of Education	LUE 5278137	40	\$105.96	\$4,238.22
6955	562	Roxbury Township Board of Education	OD 5241107 (Resource)	180	\$122.33	\$22,019.64
6921	561	Willingboro Board of Education	NF 5257063	165	\$115.92	\$19,126.80

Total : \$223,926.00

Resolution No. I&P-42

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan is to promote student-centered teaching and learning, and the Department of Special Education is aligned its programs to meet this priority; and

WHEREAS, the District is required to provide a free, appropriate public education for all students, including special education services and placements that are tailored to the unique needs of students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, students whose Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) warrant out-of-district placement are entitled to attend receiving schools free of charge, at the District's expense, pursuant to a written contract concerning the tuition charges, costs, terms, conditions, services and programs to be provided for each student; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following tuition contracts with out-of-district schools for students with disabilities, effective April 6, 2026 through June 30, 2026 at an annual cost not to exceed the amounts listed:

Name	RSY, ESY, or 1:1	# of Students	# Days	Per Diem Rate	Req #	Acct. #	Total Tuition <u>Not to Exceed</u>
BCSS Brownstone - IA 5257820	RSY	1	36	\$382.85	6817	11 000 100 565 657	\$13,782.60
Benway - JCR 5245393	RSY	1	51	\$483.21	6819	20 250 100 566 655	\$24,643.71
Forum School – JR 2052139	RSY	1	38	\$485.00	6860	20 250 100 566 655	\$18,430.00
Mountain Lks. – ZJD 5276659	RSY	1	40	\$448.36	6818	11 000 100 562 657 Rounding	\$17,934.40 -\$.08
Strang School - SA 5224400	RSY	1	35	\$505.04	6859	20 250 100 566 655	\$17,676.40
						Total	\$92,467.03

Resolution No. I&P-43

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan is to promote student-centered teaching and learning, and the Department of Special Education is aligned its programs to meet this priority; and

WHEREAS, the District is required to provide a free, appropriate public education for all students, including special education services and placements that are tailored to the unique needs of students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, students whose Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) warrant out-of-district placement are entitled to attend receiving schools free of charge, at the District's expense, pursuant to a written contract concerning the tuition charges, costs, terms, conditions, services and programs to be provided for each student; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following tuition contracts with out-of-district schools for students with disabilities, effective April 14, 2026 through June 30, 2026 at an annual cost not to exceed the amounts listed:

School Name	RSY, ESY, or 1:1	# of Students	# Days	Per Diem Rate	Req #	Acct. #	Total Tuition <u>Not to</u> <u>Exceed</u>
High Point School AJ 5222020	RSY	1	51	\$364.81	6159	11 000 100 566 657	\$18,605.31
						Total	\$18,605.31

Resolution No. I&P-44

WHEREAS, the Eastside High School JROTC program supports the ideals of teamwork and organizational strategies as they relate to improving a student's understanding and appreciation of leadership principles; and as such has participated in many previous Leadership Camp opportunities to promote the same at Fort Dix, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Eastside High School (EHS) JROTC program seeks to travel for a total of two hours from Eastside High School to Fort Dix, New Jersey on Wednesday June 23rd, 2026, and remain for a total of five (5) days with a return date of Saturday, June 27th, 2026. In order to participate in the JROTC Junior Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC) a payment that totals \$2475 the breakdown is as follows, 35 cadets at \$25 each, registration fee \$600.00, chaperone pay \$1000.00 for the entire five day stay at Fort Dix. Overall, adult supervision from EHS includes a total of three (3) staff members (JROTC Instructors) plus 1 school approved chaperone, 35 students, ages 15-17, male and female, that is reflective of the JROTC program community. All 35 cadets (35) will be arriving via commercial bus on June 23rd, 2026, with all three (3) EHS JROTC instructors and one chaperone. All 35 cadets will be returning via commercial bus on Saturday, June 27th, 2026, and arrive back to EHS at approximately 2:00PM; and

WHEREAS, the Eastside High School JROTC JCLC experience is part of a comprehensive event that is well-organized and executed by over 50 full-time professional and experienced instructors and volunteers from across the state of New Jersey who will serve as chaperones and activity monitors during the entire program. Instructors and chaperones will accompany, supervise, and train students at all times, including but not limited to travel, lunch, dinner, program activities, and night hours where a selected group of instructors will serve as hallway and room monitors. All students will sleep in a multiple-occupied same gender rooms with doors open and night lights on; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the field trip experience to Junior Cadet Leadership Challenge at Fort Dix, NJ for a group of 35 students (an overall total of \$1475 for both registration and camp fees, plus \$1000.00 for school approved chaperone) from Eastside High School JROTC program.

Resolution No. I&P-45

Whereas, Roberto Clemente School recommends and encourages students to participate in high-quality summer literacy enrichment to strengthen early reading skills and foster a lasting love of learning; and

Whereas, the Paterson School District recognizes the need for students to engage in interactive, culturally responsive programming that reduces summer learning loss and supports school readiness; and

Whereas, Roberto Clemente School will receive \$12,000.00 by way of a grant from the Paterson Education Fund to help implement the "Clemente Story Explorers: Unearth a Story" summer project; and

Whereas, these funds will be utilized to pay staff, including a lead, literacy specialist, and certified teachers, as well as for the purchase of high-quality, culturally responsive children's books, staff training, and essential literacy supplies for approximately 50 students; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Paterson School District approves the acceptance of this grant for \$12,000.00 from the Paterson Education Fund to help pay for staff and materials for Roberto Clemente School's students to participate in the summer literacy program. This resolution complies with the Paterson School District's policies regarding the acceptance of donations.

Resolution No. I&P-46

Whereas, increasing student achievement through effective academic program is Goal 1 of Priority 1 of the Strategic Plan for Paterson Public Schools, and creating and sustaining partnerships with community organizations, agencies and institutions is Goal 3 of Priority 3, and Goal 4 create student-centered supports where all students are engaged in school; and

Whereas, Education Plus will be entering its eighth year of operation at Paterson Public School and its first year at School 26. The program will run an afterschool enrichment session Monday through Friday, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, beginning September 8, 2026, and ending June 22, 2027; and

Whereas, Education Plus will extend the Paterson Public School District curriculum by incorporating the Foundations Ready to Rise program for students with a focus on strengthening foundational literacy skills. In addition, students will engage in experiential learning opportunities that promote problem-solving, self-direction, creativity, exploration, and expression through a guided inquiry model; and

Whereas, Education Plus, 4C's of Passaic County Agency, and State Department of Education will determine the eligibility of each student to participate in the Summer Enrichment Program; and

Be it therefore resolved that Education Plus, the 4C's of Passaic County Agency, and School 26 agree to fulfill the roles and responsibilities necessary for the successful implementation of an afterschool enrichment program, as outlined in the School Verification, at no cost to the district.

Resolution No. O-47

Whereas, the district's Strategic Plan's Goal#1 is to Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High- Performing Workforce; and

Whereas, the Superintendent's Institute has been scheduled to provide district leadership with motivational educational strategies to assist students in reaching their full potential; and

Whereas, the strategies provided for staff well-being will support them in maintaining a high-functioning, energized and effective school environment; and

Whereas, Mr. Kofitsas will deliver the Keynote Address at the Superintendent's Institute entitled "How to Motivate Anyone, Including Yourself" which is an engaging and practical presentation designed to help educators reduce stress, increase energy, improve focus and reconnect to purpose. The experience focuses on how educator wellness and effectiveness directly impact student achievement, attendance, school culture, engagement, classroom performance and overall academic success; and

Whereas, Mr. Kofitsas will provide three additional presentations throughout the school year to administrators reinforcing the strategies provided at the Institute to support the improvement of academic outcomes; and

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education approve the partnership between Peter Kofitsas MS, PT and Paterson Public School District at a cost not to exceed \$7500.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. O-48

Whereas, creating a student-centered learning environment to prepare students for career, college readiness, and lifelong learning, is Goal Area #1: Teaching & Learning of the Strategic Plan for Paterson Public Schools. AP courses serve the purpose of providing instruction that challenges high end learners and meets each student's learning needs.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education stipulates that teachers receive high quality, relevant and timely professional learning experiences, both individualized and collaborative, that is integral to the educator life cycle and necessary for continued professional growth. Educators engage in sustained professional learning to refine and expand their practice to help students perform at higher levels.

WHEREAS, in alignment with our District Priorities the Department of Accelerated Programs would like to develop the expertise of existing and new teachers in Advanced Placement Coursework.

WHEREAS Rutgers University, Drew University, The College of William & Mary, Walton APSI, and Loyola University Chicago will offer the Advanced Placement Institutes in person, and online July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027. Workshops in several academic disciplines would be taught by College Board consultants with extensive Advanced Placement teaching experience.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the in person/online/ professional development with Rutgers University, Drew University, The College of William & Mary, Walton APSI, and Loyola University Chicago to provide teacher professional development to select Paterson Public School educators for an amount not to exceed **\$12,000.00.**

Resolution No. O-49

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1 is to advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high-performing workforce is aligned with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science and the Next Generation Science Standards, and New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that district curricula support student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students; and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1 requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curricula is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to provide appropriate training for teachers and instructional administrators to implement and support said curricula for the schools of the district; and

WHEREAS, the instructional practices used to deliver the Paterson Public School Science curriculum must be aligned to the pacing and student learning objectives determined by the New Jersey Department of Education; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the attached professional development with Activate Learning for high school and middle school science teachers for the 2026-2027 school year in Paterson Public Schools in an amount not to exceed \$11,200.00.

Resolution No. O-50

WHEREAS, The Paterson Public Schools Strategic Plan, Goal area #1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce; and

WHEREAS, the District requires access to the Wilson Language Training Subscription materials to deliver on-going professional development for teachers in grades kindergarten, first and second, utilizing the Foundations materials; and

WHEREAS, the District has a cadre of English Language Arts Supervisors that have completed the extensive professional development coursework to become a Wilson Certified Trainer for the Paterson Public School District; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the annual subscription will allow the English Language Arts Supervisors that hold the Wilson Certified Trainer certificate to be able to provide unlimited professional development, aligned to the Wilson Foundations resources, utilizing professional development slides curated by Wilson Language for consistency in implementation across the district; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the purchase of the Foundations Subscription Plan III from Wilson Language Training for the 26-27 school year for the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,100 pending budget approval.

Resolution No. O-51

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1 is to advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high-performing workforce is aligned with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science and the Next Generation Science Standards, and New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that district curricula support student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students; and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:8-3.1 requires district boards of education to ensure that the district curricula is designed and delivered to demonstrate knowledge and skills specified in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to provide appropriate training for teachers and instructional administrators to implement and support said curricula for the schools of the district; and

WHEREAS, the instructional practices used to deliver the Paterson Public School Science curriculum must be aligned to the pacing and student learning objectives determined by the New Jersey Department of Education; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the attached professional development with School Specialty for middle school science teachers for the 2026-2027 school year in Paterson Public Schools in an amount not to exceed \$2,250.00.

Resolution No. O-52

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce; and

WHEREAS, the professional development sessions offered by The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History will provide foundational knowledge and instructional guidance to assist teachers in the creation of materials, differentiation of instruction, data analysis, and strategies aligned to teaching literacy using historical content to support student literacy outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Social Studies teachers in grades 3-12 will be provided with 1 full day session and 1 half-day session each focused on: an approach to teaching in which educators learn a series of integrated literacy skills and tools for using primary sources in the classroom that directly benefit student understanding and performance; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education supports the contract of services for professional development aligned to teaching literacy using historical content with The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History in the amount of not to exceed, \$11,500.00 for the 2026-2027 school year, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. O-53

WHEREAS, The Paterson Public Schools Strategic Plan, Goal Area #1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high- performing workforce; and

WHEREAS, the professional development sessions offered by The Reading League will provide foundational knowledge and instructional guidance to assist teachers in the creation of materials, differentiation of instruction, data analysis, and strategies aligned to the Science of Reading to support student literacy outcomes; and

WHEREAS, teachers in grades K, 1 and 5 will be provided with 4 full day sessions each focused on: an introduction to the Science of Reading, the essentials of phonemic awareness and phonic knowledge, remediating gaps in word recognition, advanced word study skills, oral language development to boost comprehension and text fluency; and

WHEREAS, teachers in grades 2, 3 and 4 will be provided with a continuation of the professional development conducted in the 25-26 school year and will receive 2 full day sessions each focused on: the essentials of writing, sentence level comprehension and composition, building comprehension, and curriculum connections; and

WHEREAS, administrators of students in grades K-5 will be provided with 1 full day and 2 half-day sessions each focused on the Science of Reading and analyzing literacy data to make informed decisions; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education supports the contract of services for professional development aligned to the Science of Reading with The Reading League in the amount of not to exceed, \$266,000.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. O-54

WHEREAS, this initiative supports the district strategic plan, "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow", Goal # 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce- To attract, retain, and support highly qualified staff through streamlined processes, meaningful professional growth, enhanced observation practices, and collaboration across schools and Goal Area #4: Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships- To expand engagement and collaboration with families and community organizations to create inclusive, supportive, and equitable learning environments, and

WHEREAS, participants will receive a 2-year certification for CPR, AED, and First Aid that meets Janet Law requirements and NJSIAA requirements for coaches. They will provide the CPR mannequins and all materials; Paterson Public Schools will provide a location to hold the class and audio-visual components, and

WHEREAS, upon the completion of the certification, the PPS Physical Education department will support the school community by providing CPR and First Aid in the event of an emergency and have the capability of operating an AED machine which is in each school through the Janet Law requirements, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves with services from Giancarlo Riotto and Talent Stock LLC at a cost not to exceed \$4,050.00.

Resolution No. O-55

Purpose: Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws in the process of purchasing Student Transportation Services - School Related Activities for Field Trips, Athletics & On-Call Transportation Services renewal of PPS-550-24, for the 2026-2027 school year, according to NJSA 18A:18A-4.1.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for complying with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the district has a need for Student Transportation Services School Related Activities for Field Trips, Athletics & On-Call Transportation Services renewal of PPS-550-24, for the 2026-2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, recommends renewal for Student Transportation Services - School Related Activities for Field Trips, Athletics & On-Call Transportation Services, renewal of PPS-550-24, be awarded to the lowest responsive/responsible bidder, for the 2026-2027 school year, to the following vendor(s): Aldin Transportation, Madison Coach, and Joshua Tours; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent supports the bid recommendation award the bid for Student Transportation Services - School Related Activities for Field Trips, Athletics & On-Call Transportation Services, renewal of PPS-550-24, for the 2026-2027 school year, as follows: See Attached

Aldin Trans Corp. 575 Preakness Avenue Paterson, NJ 07502	Joshua Tours 204 Myrtle Avenue Passaic, NJ 07055	Madison Coach 395 Pleasant Valley Way West Orange, NJ 07052
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Resolution No. O-56

WHEREAS, approving the following quoted routes for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for the 2025-2026 school year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Superintendent supports the Department of Transportation recommendation in awarding the route to the lowest quote submitted for the transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded this contract, has complied with all Affirmative Action requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution, to provide quoted transportation to the routes listed below that are in district and out of district students. This shall take effect for the 2025-2026 school year with the ratification of the Board of Education.

Contractor	School	Route #	Per Diem		Total Cost
			Cost	# of Days	
American Star Transportation	Essex Valley School	EVSQR	\$384	32	\$12,288.00
American Star Transportation	Dale Avenue School	DALS15Q	\$348	62	\$21,576.00
American Star Transportation	Lowell Elementary School	MCV35Q	\$389	36	\$14,004.00
Castro School Trans, Inc.	School 26, School 18 High Point School of Bergen County	HIGHPS2Q	\$204	45	\$9,180.00
Jersey Kids Transportation	Essex Valley School	EVS1Q	\$335	55	\$18,425.00

Pulino Transportation	Passaic Valley High School & Charles Olbon School	MCV34Q	\$270	36	\$ 9,720.00
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TOTAL \$85,193.00

Resolution No. O-57

WHEREAS, ratifying the addendum to add additional aides and additional mileage for students living outside of Paterson for the routes listed below needed providing transportation for a student out of Paterson from district and out of district for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified vendors adding additional aides and additional mileage for students living outside Paterson for the routes listed below providing transportation for a student out of Paterson for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Superintendent supports the Department of Transportation's recommendation in amending adding additional aides and additional mileage for student living outside Paterson, the route is granted to the lowest quote that was submitted for the transportation of special needs students; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded this contract, has complied with all Affirmative Action requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution is to ratify additional aides and additional mileage for students living outside Paterson for the routes listed for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. This shall take effect with the ratification of the Board of Education.

Contractor	School	Route #	Additional Aide Cost	# of Days	Total Cost
J Carpiolin Transport, LLC	School 2	PS2S7	\$84.00	66	\$5,544.00
Jersey Kids Transportation	School 13	PS13S3	\$50.00	80	\$4,000.00
Jersey Kids Transportation	Dale Ave	DALS7	\$60.00	48	\$2,880.00
TOTAL					\$12,424.00

Contractor	School	Route #	Mileage Cost	# of Days	Total Cost
RM Group Enterprises LLC	Windsor Learning Center	WPLS3	\$63.36	55	\$3,484.80
Tasneem Transportation	NJEDDA Elementary School	NJES11W	\$31.00	59	\$1,829.00
TOTAL					\$5,313.80
TOTAL					\$17,737.80

Resolution No. O-58

WHEREAS, the Board of Education and the State District Superintendent support N.J.S.A 18A:37- et. Seq. by prohibiting acts of harassment, intimidation, or bullying of our students grades Pre-K thru 12 and

WHEREAS, Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (HIB) means any gesture, any written, verbal or physical act, or any electronic communication, as defined in NJ.S.A. 18A:37-14, whether it be a single incident or a series of incidents, and

WHEREAS, the law requires a thorough and complete investigation to be conducted for each report of an alleged incident of harassment, intimidation, or bullying, and

WHEREAS, the chief school administrator is required to report the results of each HIB investigation to the Board of Education for review and approval of any consequences imposed under the student code of conduct, intervention services provided, counseling ordered, training established or other action taken or recommended by the chief school administrator, and

WHEREAS, at the regularly scheduled board of education meeting following its receipt of the report or following a hearing in executive session, the board shall issue a decision, in writing to affirm, reject, or modify the chief school administrator's decision.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education has reviewed the HIB Investigations for the month of May 2026, in which there was a total of 39 incidents reported, 9 founded, 30 unfounded.

Resolution No. F-59

BE IT RESOLVED, that the list of bills and claims dated through June 17, 2026, beginning with check number 253961 and ending with check number 254269, in the amount of \$15,037,263.88, and wires in the amount of \$3,300,000.00, for a total of \$18,337,263.88; and

WHEREAS, that in accordance with Board policy 6470 (Payment of Claims), the Superintendent is authorized to approve all invoices for June-July, which may exceed \$100,000.00 (individually), after consultation with Board President; and

WHEREAS a separate bills list with all claims that have been approved by the Superintendent will be presented to the Board at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting for ratification; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that each claim or demand has been fully itemized, verified and has been duly audited as required by law in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-2.

Resolution No. F-60

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator, pursuant to 18A:22-8.1, has prepared and presented for approval the monthly transfer report 1701, for the month of April 2026, and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Administrative Code 6A:23A-13.3 requires the Board Secretary and the Board of Education to certify that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations, all transfers were fully executed consistent with code and policy prior to obligating funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves transfer of funds within the 2025-2026 school year budget, for the month of April 2026, so that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations, as requested by various budget managers, and as identified in the list of transfers attached hereto and shall be made part of the minutes. Furthermore, the transfers were approved by the Department of Education.

Resolution No. F-61

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator, pursuant to 18A:17-9, has prepared and presented the Board Secretary Report, A-148, for the month of April 2026, and

WHEREAS, the School Board Administrator certifies, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A-23A-16.10(c)(3), that no line item or program category account has been over expended, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary's Report is in agreement with the Treasurer's Report, A-149, and

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary's Report is subject to adjustments following annual audit and Department of Education directions regarding Fund 15's School Based Budgets, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Paterson Public Schools acknowledges receipt and certifies the Board Secretary Report for April 2026 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A-23A-16.10(c)(4), acknowledging no line items or program category account has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools hereby incorporates the Board Secretary's Report for the fiscal period ending April 2026, as part of the minutes of this meeting and note the public discussion of same for the minutes; and, that the School Business Administrator be directed to forward to the County Superintendent the minutes together with Treasurer's Report, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

Resolution No. F-62

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of School Monies, pursuant to 18A:17-36, has prepared and presented the Treasurer's Report, A-149, for the month of April 2026, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Paterson Public Schools acknowledges receipt of the Treasurer's Report for April 2026 and acknowledges agreement with the April 2026 Board Secretary's Report, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools hereby incorporates the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal period ending April 2026, as part of the minutes of this meeting and note the public discussion of same for the minutes; and, that the School Business Administrator be directed to forward to the County Superintendent the minutes together with Treasurer's Report, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

Resolution No. F-63

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School approves payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated 5/15/26 in the grand sum of \$13,736,942.47 beginning with check number 1026984 and ending with check number 1027398 and direct deposit number D003815428 and ending with D003819835.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School approves payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated 5/29/26 in the grand sum of \$13,486,267.51 beginning with check number 1027399 and ending with check number 1027884 and direct deposit number D003819836 and ending with D003824218.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that each claim or demand has been fully itemized, verified and has been duly audited as required by law in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-2.

Resolution No. F-64

WHEREAS, the Board of Education maintains various bank accounts for the financial operations of the district, including but not limited to the Custodial Account, Payroll Account, Payroll Agency Account, Scholarship Account, and Workers' Compensation Accounts; and

WHEREAS, a review of the district's outstanding check listings for these accounts has identified certain checks that have remained uncashed for a period exceeding six (6) months from the date of issuance; and

WHEREAS, per auditor recommendation and standard accounting practices, checks outstanding for an extended period are classified as stale-dated and may no longer be negotiable; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to reconcile the district's financial records, maintain accurate account balances, and ensure proper internal control over cash management; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to void all outstanding checks issued from the Custodial Account (2207), Payroll Account (3057), Payroll Agency Account (3065), Scholarship Account (2694), and Workers' Compensation Accounts (2479/3347) dated on or before December 2025, which have remained uncashed for a period exceeding six (6) months; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a detailed listing of all checks voided pursuant to this resolution shall be maintained on file in the Business Office and made available to the Board and auditors upon request.

Resolution No. F-65

WHEREAS, the Paterson Board of Education recognizes the importance of maintaining prudent fiscal practices and adequate fund balance levels to address unanticipated expenditures, revenue shortfalls, and future financial obligations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14, a board of education may establish and supplement reserve accounts by board resolution using available year-end unexpended appropriations, unanticipated revenues, excess surplus, or other legally available funds; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to maintain an unassigned fund balance in accordance with the maximum amount permitted by law, currently limited to two percent (2%) of the subsequent year's general fund budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board further recognizes that reserve accounts provide necessary financial flexibility to address future capital, maintenance, tuition, legal, and other operational expenditures in a fiscally responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, the final amounts available for transfer to reserve accounts will be determined upon completion of the annual audit and review of the District's financial statements and available fund balance by the District's auditors and administration; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the establishment and/or supplementation of reserve accounts from legally available year-end General Fund balances for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, as permitted by law and regulation; and that all reserve accounts shall be established, funded, and utilized in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board shall maintain Unassigned Fund Balance at or below the maximum two percent (2%) amount permitted by law; and that available excess surplus, unanticipated revenue, and/or unexpended appropriations may be transferred by Board resolution into reserve accounts, including but not limited to:

- Capital Reserve, in accordance with the District's approved Long-Range Facilities Plan and applicable statutory and regulatory requirements
- Maintenance Reserve
- Tuition Reserve
- Emergency, legal, or other reserve accounts as authorized under New Jersey law and as deemed necessary by the Board and administration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Resolution No. F-66

WHEREAS, the students of Paterson Public School 10 in Paterson, NJ want to participate in student activities that will be student-directed, funded through student-generated events and expended on behalf of the students; and

WHEREAS, these activities require the establishment of a Student Activities Account to be held at TD Bank North in Paterson, NJ; and

WHEREAS, the organization and management of this account will be consistent with established Board Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Principal of Paterson Public School 10 will be responsible for working with the students and professional staff in implementing the policies adopted by the Board and providing guidance to the students; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Paterson Public School 10 is approved to establish a Student Activities Account; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent and is being provided to the Board for advisory purposes.

Resolution No. F-67

WHEREAS, 18A:18A-5. Exceptions to requirement for advertising
Any contract, the amount of which exceeds the bid threshold, shall be negotiated and awarded by the board of education by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor if it is to be made or entered into with the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, county or municipality or any board, body, officer, agency, authority or board of education or any other state or subdivision thereof; and

WHEREAS, this is in line with Goal 3 Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and were Paterson Public Schools is committed to supporting its educators by ensuring they have access to necessary resources and accommodations that promote a productive and accessible working environment; and

WHEREAS, the schools are in the downtown area with limited parking availability for staff members; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that purchasing monthly parking books from the Paterson Parking Authority is a necessary and practical solution to meet the parking needs of staff; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for the 10-month school year (September 2026 through June 2027) will be \$325,000.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools hereby authorizes the purchase of monthly parking books from the Paterson Parking Authority in the amount of \$130.00 per staff member for an estimate of 250 staff for the 2026-2027 school year, not to exceed the total amount of \$325,000.00.

Resolution No. F-68

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Hazardous Waste Disposal Services, PPS-224- 27, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Hazardous Waste Disposal Services, PPS-224-27, during the

2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, twenty-nine (29) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which two (2) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 13, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on May 20, 2026, at 3:00 pm, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Hazardous Waste Disposal Services, PPS-224-27, be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidders for the 2026- 2027, 2027-2028 school years:

Arcwood Environmental- Long Island, Inc. 690 N. Queens Avenue Lindenhurst, New York 11757 (Primary Vendor)	Radiac Research Corp. 261 Kent Avenue Brooklyn, New York 11249 (Secondary Vendor)
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WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area # 3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; now

THEREFORE BE RESOLVED the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Hazardous Waste Disposal Services, PPS-224-27, to Arcwood Environmental-Long Island, Inc. (Primary Vendor) and Radiac Research Corp. (Secondary Vendor) for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000, in total, annually.

Resolution No. F-69

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1 is to advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high-performing workforce is aligned with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science and the Next Generation Science Standards, and New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) stipulates that district curricula support student achievement of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in every school for all students. As such, the use of facilities that impact student achievement such as laboratories and other instructional areas designed /equipped with special built-in equipment for industrial arts and vocational trade learning activities; and

WHEREAS, The State of New Jersey under NJAC 6A:16-19, requires district boards of education to ensure that the district takes protective measures to limit the risk of exposure of students and staff to hazardous substances; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law requires each school district to name a chemical hygiene officer to oversee the chemical hygiene plan which regulates hazardous materials; and

WHEREAS, the proper implementation of a chemical hygiene plan addresses best management practices for hazardous substances and reduces district liability issues; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the attached consultancy contract with Garden State Environmental for chemical hygiene program services in the Paterson Public Schools for the 2026-2027 school year in an amount not to exceed \$33,430.00.

Resolution No. F-70

WHEREAS, pursuant to 18A: 18A-5(6), "food supplies, including food supplies for Culinary Arts classes are exempt from bidding; and

WHEREAS, The procurements of food and baking supplies for Culinary Arts at Eastside High School qualify as a bid exemption under 18A: 18A-5(6); and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Principal of Eastside High School that the Performance Food Group/ dba: AFI Food Service Company will be able to provide the goods and services required; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson - A Promising Tomorrow Strategic Plan 2024-2029, Goal Area #1 Teaching and Learning, To create a student-centered learning environment to prepare students for career college readiness and lifelong learning; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Paterson Board of Education approves a contract pursuant to 18A: 18A-5(6), for food and baking supplies for Culinary Arts for the 2026-2027 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 to the following vendor:

Performance Food Group/ dba: AFI Food Service 1 Ikea Drive Elizabeth, NJ 07207

Resolution No. F-71

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Director of School Safety and Emergency Preparedness determined that the district has a need for SECURITY ALARM SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE (T&M), PPS-225-27, during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, fifty (50) vendors were e-mailed bid specifications, which two (2) vendors responded to the district's solicitation. The mailing list is available for review in the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The North Jersey Herald News on April 1, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read

livestream, via Zoom, on April 22, 2026, at 11:00 AM in the Purchasing Dept. at 90 Delaware Avenue, 4th floor, Paterson, NJ 07503; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Purchasing Department recommend that the bid for SECURITY ALARM SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE (T&M), PPS-225-27, be awarded to the most responsive and responsible bidder for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years to the following vendor:

HAIG'S SERVICES CORPORATION 211A ROUTE 22 GREEN BROOK, NJ 08812 (Primary)	INNOVATIVE FIRE TECHNOLOGIES P.O. BOX 326 UNION, NJ 07083 (Secondary)
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WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; now

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the Superintendent supports the above-mentioned recommendation that HAIG'S SERVICES CORPORATION and INNOVATIVE FIRE TECHNOLOGIES be awarded contracts for SECURITY ALARM SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE (T&M), PPS-225-27, for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years not to exceed \$110,000.00 annually.

Resolution No. F-72

WHEREAS, Paterson Public Schools (the "District") has a need to purchase specialized software for the purpose of implementing 911inform Integration which includes Avaya Phone System integration for panic buttons and 9-1-1 location reporting in compliance with Alyssa's Law-legislation to improve the response time of law enforcement during emergencies in public schools; and

WHEREAS, boards of education may use competitive contracting in lieu of public bidding to purchase or license proprietary computer software designed for board of education purposes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined to acquire such software through a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, and by resolution of the board of education at a public meeting, without public advertising for bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(19); and

WHEREAS, 911INFORM has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Certification which certifies that the vendor has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the District in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the vendor from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the Five-Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to enter into a contract with 911INFORM 1325 Campus Pkwy. Suite 100 Wall Twp. NJ 07753, for the purchase of proprietary software, in an amount not to exceed [\$25,000.00 per year] for the 2026-2027 school year (s).

Resolution No. F-73

PURPOSE: Resolution of the Paterson Public School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to continue the contractual terms for the Student Information System, in accordance with the 18A:18A-5(19) for the 2026-2027 school year from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, under the above noted bid exception "Support and Maintenance of Proprietary Software."

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District awarded a contract to Custom Computer Specialists, Inc. located at 70 Suffolk Court, Hauppauge, NY 11788; and

WHEREAS, Custom has rendered such services in a satisfactory manner over the course of the time they have been contracted to provide such services; the vendor has agreed to continue contractual terms that are agreeable to the district, an allowance was made in the bid specifications for a continuation of this contract, and the Paterson Public Schools District continues to utilize the student information system for the 2026 2027 school year; and

WHEREAS the renewal of the contract is in line with the Paterson Public Schools - A Promising Tomorrow strategic plan 2024- 2029, Goal # 1: Objective 5: Increasing educator's capacity to utilize technological resources and strategies to prepare students to become future-ready leaders; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the software renewal for the 2026-2027 school year with Custom Computers Specialists, Inc., of Hauppauge, NY to sustain maintenance and support of proprietary software, namely the district's Student Information System, Infinite Campus, pursuant to 18A:18A-5(19) at an amount not to exceed \$451,034.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. F-74

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools Department of Technology applies for the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) ERATE Funding for internet, telecommunications, technology equipment maintenance, and technology projects; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools Department of Technology intends to apply for ERATE funding for the 2027-28 school year; and

WHEREAS, Paterson Public Schools is eligible for a reimbursement of up to 80% (based on free and reduced lunch numbers) from the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) ERATE program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Technology, on behalf of Paterson Public Schools, will submit the necessary documents and forms to the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) ERATE program which will allow Paterson Public Schools to participate in the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) ERATE program.

Resolution No. F-75

Whereas, the Department of Technology is committed to providing teachers and staff with tools to aid teaching, learning, and to boost productivity; and

Whereas, AIT/Amplified Support for Google for Education is dedicated to assisting academic institutions implement and leverage Google workspace for Education and Google Cloud technologies; and

Whereas, Amplified AT provides services, supports, and tools to ensure school districts are able to utilize the Google Ecosystem to its full capabilities; and

Whereas, CDW is an authorized provider of AIT/Amplified Support for Google for Education and offers this product through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey under Master Contract No .NJ AEPA026D K-12 (ESCNJ/AEPA-026-D); and

Whereas, the District is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

Whereas, procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including competitive pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

Whereas, this purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of AIT/Amplified IT from CDW in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. F-76

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District currently uses Edu-Met Interactive Systems which provides computerized accounting solutions for Human Resources, Payroll, Employee Portal, Accounting and Fixed Assets; and

WHEREAS, Edu-Met Interactive Systems is a New Jersey based corporation specializing in New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) requirements; and

WHEREAS, the District has a need for maintenance and upgrades to the computerized accounting solutions currently provided by Edu-Met Interactive Systems in order to remain in compliance with NJDOE rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Edu-Met Interactive Systems will also provide cloud hosting and data backup for Edu-Met servers; and

WHEREAS, the provision or performance of goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software is exempt from public bidding; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined to acquire such software through a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, and by resolution of the board of education at a public meeting, without public advertising for bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(19); and

WHEREAS, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; that the terms on the purchase order will be honored completely; that if the vendor does not agree with the

terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time that a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Paterson Public Schools authorizes entry into a contract with Edu-Met Interactive Systems on a month-to-month basis, for as long as the services are required, to provide license support, phone support, system upgrades, and customization in an amount not to exceed \$206,150.00 annually for the period from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

Resolution No. F-77

Whereas, the Department of Technology is dedicated to ensuring the safety of students when using technology and therefore monitors student accounts for potentially harmful content; and

Whereas, Gaggle Student Safety Management provides student monitoring software and will alert school staff about harmful content such as substance abuse, pornography, cyber-bullying, threats of violence, self-harm; and

Whereas, Gaggle Net, Inc is the authorized provider of Gaggle Student Safety Management and offers this product through PPEM PA under Master Contract No. 533902-192; and

Whereas, the District is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

Whereas, procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including competitive pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

Whereas, this purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase Gaggle Student Safety Management from Gaggle Net, in an amount not to exceed \$177,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. F-78

Whereas, the Department of Technology is dedicated to ensuring the safety of students while online utilizing District Chromebooks; and

Whereas, Go Guardian Admin is a content filtering technology used to block websites and ensure that the district is CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) compliant; and

Whereas, Go Guardian is a program that will allow teachers to monitor student Chromebooks by seeing what is on the screen of students in the classroom, which fosters effective instruction by allowing the teacher to keep the students on task; and

Whereas, CDW is an authorized provider of Go Guardian and offers this product through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey under Contract - New Jersey AEPA-026D K-12 (ESCNJ/AEPA 026-D); and

Whereas, the District is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

Whereas, procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including competitive pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

Whereas, this purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of Go Guardian from CDW in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. F-79

Whereas, the Department of Technology is dedicated to providing the necessary tools for teachers and students to communicate, collaborate and exchange information; and

Whereas, Microsoft Office 365 can help Paterson public schools' students learn valuable skills and applications; and

Whereas, Microsoft Office 365 allows teachers to integrate technology in the classroom setting; and

Whereas, SHI International is an authorized provider of Microsoft Office 365 services and solutions and offers this product through the NJSBA - K-12 Classroom Products and Services under Master Contract No. E-8801-NJSBA ACES-CPS; and

Whereas, the District is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

Whereas, procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including competitive pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

Whereas, this purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education authorizes the purchase of Microsoft Office 365 from SHI International Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for 2026-27 school year.

Resolution No. F-80

Whereas, the Department of Technology is dedicated to ensuring the safety of our network and files; and

Whereas, Palo Alto Unit 42 provides cybersecurity incident response experts to help contain, remediate, and eradicate attacks and threats; and

Whereas, the Department of Technology is committed to maintaining a secure network free of malware; and

Whereas, CDW is an authorized provider of Palo Alto Unit 42 and offers this product through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey under Master Contract No. New Jersey AEPA-026D K-12 (ESCNJ/AEPA 026-D); and

Whereas, the District is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

Whereas, procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including competitive pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

Whereas, this purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of Palo Alto Unit 42 from CDW in an amount not to exceed \$46,402.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. F-81

Whereas, the Department of Technology is dedicated to ensuring the safety and integrity of District email; and

Whereas, SHI will provide Proofpoint spam filtering, which will block spam emails and filter malicious email messages; and

Whereas, Proofpoint will provide additional protection by detecting phishing and spoof emails; and

Whereas, SHI International Corp. is an authorized provider of Proofpoint and offers this product through the NJSBA-K-12 Classroom Products and Services under Master Contract No. E-8801-NJSBA ACES-CPS; and

Whereas, the District is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

Whereas, procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including competitive pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

Whereas, this purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of Proofpoint from SHI International Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$90,250.01 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Resolution No. F-82

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District owns a 21-mile state of the art fiber optic network that provides voice, video, and data services to all District buildings; and

WHEREAS, the fiber optic network consists of 20 miles of fiber above ground on over 900 telephone poles and 1 mile of underground fiber an PSE&G will provide emergency service to ensure the least amount of network interruption; and

WHEREAS, because the District owns this state-of-the-art fiber network, it enables the District to be their own telephone service provider, give high speed internet access to the entire District, and obtain significant cost savings; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G is a tariff utility enabling the District to enter into a direct relationship with them and has the ability and resources to service and maintain our fiber optic network; and

WHEREAS, the supplying of any product or the rendering of any service by a public utility, which is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities is exempt from bidding; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined to acquire such good/services through a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, and by resolution of the board of education at a public meeting, without public advertising for bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(7); and

WHEREAS, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; that the terms on the purchase order will be honored completely; that if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District enter into a maintenance agreement with PSE&G in the amount of not to exceed \$170,000.00 for 2026-27 school year.

Resolution No. F-83 was pulled.

Resolution No. F-84

Whereas, Versiform Managed Services is a services solution that will provide Paterson Public Schools with timely, easy access to Versivo's form experts; and

Whereas, the goal of this service is to provide Versiform experts that will support Paterson Public Schools'continued improvement initiatives of the Versiform solution; and

Whereas, the Department of Technology is committed to providing teachers and staff with tools to aid teaching, learning, and to boost productivity; and

Whereas, Versivo will provide Monthly Status Report documenting requests, work completed, scheduled work, and associated risks; and

Whereas, the provision or performance of goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software is exempt from public bidding; and

Whereas, the District has determined to acquire such software through a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A- 20.4 and 20.5, and by resolution of the board of education at a public meeting, without public advertising for bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(19); and

Whereas, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; that the terms on the purchase order will be honored completely; that if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and

Be it Therefore Resolved, that Paterson Public Schools` enter into a contract with Naviant, LLC to purchase an annual Versiform subscription and Versiform Managed Services in an amount not to exceed \$54,869.95 for the 2026-27 school year.

Resolution No. F-85

WHEREAS, the District requires high-reliability internet services to support day-to-day operations, along with responsive technical support; and

WHEREAS, Cablevision Lightpath currently provides internet and has demonstrated the capacity to meet the District's operational and instructional connectivity needs; and

WHEREAS, the District seeks to enter into a contract with Cablevision Lightpath to continue these services at the Kennedy High data center for three years starting on July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029. (2026-2027,2027-2028,2028-2029); and

WHEREAS, the procurement of internet services at rates set by the Universal Service Fund is exempt from bidding and advertising requirements pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(20); and

WHEREAS, this contract will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Paterson Public Schools will enter a contract with Cablevision Lightpath to provide two 10 Gigs Direct Internet Access and Static IP addresses for 36 months. Yearly cost not to exceed \$42,598.90 for the 2026-2027 year, not to exceed \$42,598.80 for the 2027-2028 school year, not to exceed \$42,598.90 for the 2028-2029 school year, and not to exceed a total of \$150,000.00 for 36 months.

Resolution No. F-86

Recommendation/Resolution: Purchase of support and maintenance of proper propriety communication equipment and services for the 2026- 2027 school year.

WHEREAS, The department of technology is dedicated to providing the necessary tools for teachers and students to communicate collaborate and exchange information safely and securely;

WHEREAS, Hunter Technologies provide support and maintenance of proper propriety communication equipment services from a public utility; and

WHEREAS, Hunter Technologies is an authorized provider of annual Avaya IP office service support/maintenance and offers this product through the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission under contract No. 21-TELE-01518; and

WHEREAS, The district is authorized to procure goods and services through such cooperative pricing systems pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18-A:18A-11 (joint purchasing agreements), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) (cooperative pricing agreements), and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (national cooperative contracts), as applicable; and

WHEREAS, Procuring this product through a cooperative pricing system provides the District with advantages including cooperative pricing, high product quality, vendor support, and streamlined procurement processes; and

WHEREAS, This purchase will serve the best interests of students and staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of support and maintenance of proper proprietary communication equipment and services from Hunter Technologies in the amount not that we exceed \$70,000 for the 2026-2027 school year

Resolution No. F-87 was pulled.

Resolution No. F-88

WHEREAS, the District's Five-Year Strategic Plan, Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Goal 1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce; and

WHEREAS, the eleven schools sites: Joseph A. Taub (JAT), 9, 16, 20, 21, 24, 27, Dr. Hani Awadallah (DHA), Roberto Clemente (RC), New Roberto Clemente (NRC), and International High School (IHS) utilize the Alexandria Library Automation Software to manage the District's library book collections and provide a searchable database for students and staff; and

WHEREAS, the staff at these twelve locations require technical support and software updates from Companion Corporation Alexandria to guarantee uninterrupted access to the library databases; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the purchase of the Alexandria library software subscription renewal of Companion Corporation during the 2026-2027 school year at a cost, not exceeding \$17,910.00 to the district.

Resolution No. F-89

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to 18A:18A-4.3, Board is allowed to procure specialized goods and/or services through Competitive Contracting; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District desires to contract Audiobook App Solutions, RFP-450-27 for academic services; and

WHEREAS, The Paterson Public School District encourages free and open public competition for goods and services; and

WHEREAS, The Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, authorizes the Department of Purchasing to initiate the competitive contracting process, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.3, to contract for Audiobook App Solutions, RFP-450-27.

Resolution No. F-90

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator determined that the District has a need for Posters Printers & Supplies, PPS-120-27, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028- school years and provided the specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, twenty (20) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), of which one (1) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Bergen Record and the North Jersey Herald News on April 14th, 2026, and was posted on the district website. (1) sealed bids were opened and read aloud, via livestream Zoom, on April 28th, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5-year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Purchasing recommends that the bid for Posters Printers & Supplies, PPS-120-27 be awarded to the following vendor for the 2026 2027 and 2027-2028 school years: Comprosys d.b.a. Presentation Systems 103 Godwin ave PMB-204 Midland Park, NJ 07432; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools supports the above-mentioned recommendation that Comprosys d.b.a Presentation Systems be awarded a contract for Posters Printers & Supplies, PPS-120-27, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years at an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 annually pending budget approval.

Comprosys d.b.a Presentation Systems 103 Godwin ave PMB-204 Midland Park, NJ 07432
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Resolution No. F-91

Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Grant Writer Services, RFP-437-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school year(s).

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for RFP-437-27, Grant Writer Services for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years. Fourteen (14) potential vendors were mailed/e-mailed RFP specifications, the list of which can be reviewed in the Purchasing Department, out of which three (3) vendor(s) responded, and proposals are on file in the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News on March 24, 2026. Sealed proposal was opened and read aloud on April 15, 2026, at 11:00 am in the Conference Room, 4th floor, 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded for RFP-437-27, Grant Writer Services to Millennium Strategies LLC, based on 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for Grant Writer Services, RFP 437-27 to Millennium Strategies LLC, located at 60 Columbia Road, Building B, Suite 230, Morristown, NJ 07960 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school year(s), for a not-to-exceed amount of \$60,000 annually, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. F-92

Recommendation/Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY(FSMC), Form #17CR, during the 2026-2027 school year(s) in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42.

WHEREAS, the District awarded a contract at the board meeting on August 6, 2025, item #6 to CHARTWELLS K12, 2 International Drive, Rye Brook, New York 10573, for the 2025-2026 school year(s); and

WHEREAS The District is desirous of exercising its one (1) year extension for the 2026-2027 school year(s); and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendors to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendors; and

WHEREAS, CHARTWELLS K12 submitted a flat fee of \$150,000.00, guaranteed return of \$150,000.00 and total cost of the contract of \$17,914,252.22, during the 2026-2027 school year(s); now

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to CHARTWELLS K12 for the 2026-2027 school year(s).

CHARTWELLS K12
2 International Drive
Rye Brook, New York, 10573

Resolution No. F-93

Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Custodial Services, PPS-101-27 for the 2026- 2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Custodial Services, PPS-101-27, during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, twenty-eight (28) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which eight (8) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 20, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on May 1, 2026, at 11:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Custodial Services, PPS-101-27, be awarded to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years to the following vendor:

ACB Services Inc.
550 W. Ingham Avenue
Ewing, New Jersey 08638

WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Custodial Services, PPS-101-27, to ACB Services Inc. for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$10,794,000 in the 2026-2027 school year and \$11,740,000 in the 2027-2028 school year; \$600,000 for additional services annually; pending budget approval.

Resolution No. F-94

Recommendation/Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for Right to Know, PPS-196-25 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A- 42.

WHEREAS, the District awarded a contract at the board meeting on May 15, 2024, item #F-31 to Rullo & Juillet Associates, Inc. located 878A-1 Pompton Avenue Cedar Grove, New Jersey 07009, for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school year(s); and

WHEREAS The District is desirous of exercising its two (2) year extension for the 2026-2027 & 2027-2028 school year(s); and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendors to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendors; and

WHEREAS Rullo & Juillet Associates Inc has agreed to extend the contract for the 2026-2027 & 2027-2028 school year(s) with the same rates over the previous contract as per the attached bid summary; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to Rullo & Juillet Associates, Inc. for the 2026-2027 & 2027-2028 school years, not-to-exceed amount of \$19,998.00 annually; pending budget approval.

Rullo & Juillet Associates, Inc 878A-1 Pompton Avenue Cedar Grove, New Jersey 07009

Resolution No. F-95

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the procurement of On-Call Abatement Services, PPS-204-26 for the 2025- 2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities and Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for On-Call Abatement Services, PPS-204-26, during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, ten (10) vendors were e-mailed bid specifications, which four (4) vendors responded to the district's solicitation. The mailing list is available for review in the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Bergen Record and the North Jersey Herald News on April 2, 2025. Sealed bids were opened and read livestream, via Zoom, on April 22, 2025, at 9:30 am in the Purchasing Dept. at 90 Delaware Avenue, 4th floor, Paterson, NJ 07503; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Departments of Facilities and Purchasing recommend that the bid for On-Call Abatement Services, PPS-204-26, be awarded to the most responsive and responsible bidder(s) for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years to the following vendors:

UNICORN CONTRACTING CORP. 414 Willow Street Bloomfield, NJ 07003 (Primary Vendor)	ACADEMY CONSTRUCTION 7 East Garden Place Pompton Plains, NJ 07444
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WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with The Five-Year Strategic Plan 2019-2024, Goal Area #2: Facilities; Goal Statement: To enhance and maximize learning opportunities provided by first-class facilities and technological improvements that prepare students for the 21st century; now

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the Superintendent supports the above-mentioned recommendation that Unicorn Contracting Corp. and Academy Construction, be awarded contracts for On-Call Abatement Services, PPS-204-26, for the 2025-2026, 2026- 2027 school years not to exceed \$500,000, annually.

Resolution No. F-96

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Plumbing Services, PPS-205-27RB for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Plumbing Services, PPS-205-27RB, during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, fourteen (14) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which two (2) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 20, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on April 30, 2026, at 10:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Plumbing Services, PPS-205-27RB, be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidders for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years to the following vendors:

<u>PRIMARY</u> Rand Plumbing 5 Mars Ct. Booton, New Jersey 07005	<u>SECONDARY</u> Magic Touch Construction Co., Inc. 59 W. Front Street Keyport, New Jersey 07735
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WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Plumbing Services, PPS-205-27RB, to Rand Plumbing (Primary) and Magic Touch Construction Co., Inc. (Secondary) for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$500,000 in total, annually, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. F-97

Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Glass Supplies & Related, PPS-206-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Glass Supplies & Related, PPS-206-27, during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, seven (7) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which one (1) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 8, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on April 21, 2026, at 10:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Glass Supplies & Related, PPS-206-27, be awarded to the sole, responsive and responsible bidder for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years to the following vendor:

Glasstech Specialist, Inc. 2300 S. Clinton Avenue, Unit A S. Plainfield, New Jersey 07080
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WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Glass

Supplies & Related, PPS-206-27, to Glasstech Specialist, Inc., for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$500,000; pending budget approval.

Resolution No. F-98

Recommendation/Resolution: Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of AHERA Asbestos Compliance, Monitoring & Testing, PPS-207-26, for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities and Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for AHERA Asbestos Compliance, Monitoring & Testing, PPS-207-26, during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, ninety-five (95) vendors were e-mailed bid specifications, which four (4) vendors responded to the district's solicitation. The mailing list is available for review in the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Bergen Record and The North Jersey Herald News on April 2, 2025. Sealed bids were opened and read livestream, via Zoom, on April 22, 2025, at 10:00 am in the Purchasing Dept. at 90 Delaware Avenue, 4th floor, Paterson, NJ 07503; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Departments of Facilities and Purchasing recommend that the bid for AHERA Asbestos Compliance, Monitoring & Testing, PPS-207-26, be awarded to the most responsive and responsible bidders for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years to the following vendors:

Whitman 100 Franklin Square Drive Suite 200 Somerset, NJ 08873 (Primary Vendor)	Tectonic Engineering 33 Bleeker Street Suite 206 Millburn, NJ 07041 (Secondary Vendor)
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WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025- 2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the Superintendent supports the above-mentioned recommendation that Whitman (Primary Vendor) and Tectonic Engineering be awarded contracts for AHERA Asbestos Compliance, Monitoring & Testing, PPS- 207-26, for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years not to exceed \$400,000, annually.

Resolution No. F-99

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the procurement of Fire Alarm Services District Wide, PPS- 211-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator determined that the District has a need for FIRE ALARM SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE, PPS- 211-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028- school years and provided the specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, fifty-one (51) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), of which three (3) companies responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Bergen Record and the North Jersey Herald News on APRIL 6, 2026, and was posted on the district website. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud, via livestream Zoom, on April 22, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5-year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, it is recommended that the bid for FIRE ALARM SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE, PPS- 211-27 be awarded to the following vendor(s) for the 2026 2027 and 2027--2028 school years: INNOVATIVE FIRE TECHNOLOGIES, HAIG'S SERVICE CORP, JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools supports the above-mentioned recommendation that a contract for FIRE ALARM SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE, PPS-211-27, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years be awarded as follows:

INNOVATIVE FIRE TECHNOLOGIES PO Box 326 Union, NJ 07083 Section 3.1(Simplex Sys.); Section 3.2 (Edwards Sys.); Section 5	HAIG'S SERVICE CORP. 211A Route 22 Green Brook, NJ 08812 Section 2,item 4; Section 6 (Fire Alarm)	JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP 930 Riverview Drive Totowa, NJ 07512 Section 1; Section 2: item 1,2 3,5,6; Section 4; Section 6 (Sprinklers)
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NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000 ANNUALLY PENDING BUDGET APPROVAL.

Resolution No. F-100

Recommendation/Resolution: To award a contract for Third Floor Lintel Replacement & Repairs at PS 15, PPS-221-26 to Spartan Construction, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities and Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Third Floor Lintel Replacement & Repairs at PS 15, PPS-221-26,

during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, sixty-five (65) vendors were e-mailed bid specifications, which ten (10) vendors responded to the district's solicitation. The mailing list is available for review in the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Bergen Record and The North Jersey Herald News on March 26, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read livestream, via Zoom, on April 21, 2025, at 12:00PM in the Purchasing Dept. at 90 Delaware Avenue, 4th floor, Paterson, NJ 07503; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Departments of Facilities recommends that the bid for Third Floor Lintel Replacement & Repairs at PS 15, PPS-221-26, be awarded to the sole, responsive and responsible bidder for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years to the following vendor:

Spartan Construction, Inc. 399 Oak Street, Suite C South Amboy, New Jersey 08879
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WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the Superintendent supports the above-mentioned recommendation that Spartan Construction, Inc. be awarded a contract for Third Floor Lintel Replacement & Repairs at PS 15, PPS-221-26, during the 2025- 2026, 2026-2027 school years not to exceed \$446,976.00 to complete the project.

Resolution No. F-101

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of General Contracting Services, PPS-223-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for General Contracting Services, PPS-223-27, during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, seventy-five (75) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which nine (9) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 13, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on April 24, 2026, at 10:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for General Contracting Services, PPS-223-27, be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidders for the 2026-2027, 2027- 2028 school years:

Northeastern Interior Services LLC 5 Mars Court Boonton, New Jersey (Primary Vendor)	Westcraft Builders, Inc. 63 Beaverbrook Road, Suite 204 Lincoln Park, New Jersey 07035 (Secondary Vendor)	SMAC Corp. 431 N. Midland Avenue, Suite A Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663
GPC, Inc. 20 E. Willow Street Millburn, New Jersey 07041	Murray Paving & Concrete LLC 21 Wallace Street Elmwood Park, New Jersey 07407	

WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for General Contracting Services, PPS-223-27, to Northeastern Interior Services LLC, Westcraft Builders, Inc., SMAC Corp., GPC, Inc., and Murray Paving & Concrete LLC for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000,000 in total, annually, pending budget approval.

Resolution No. F-102

PURPOSE: Resolution of the School District of the City of Paterson, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, to extend the contract for Landscaping/Athletic Field Services, PPS-230 25, for the 2026-2027 school year.

WHEREAS, at the board of education meeting of June 12, 2024, resolution number F-166, a contract was awarded for the 2024-2025, 2025-2026 school years, by the board, to Fullerton Grounds Maintenance for Landscaping/Athletic Field Services, PPS-230-25; and

WHEREAS, the District Administration has deemed the services from the vendor to be "effective and efficient" as required for extension under 18A:18A-42 and that it has also been considered necessary to continue the contracted services by the vendor; and

WHEREAS, Fullerton Grounds Maintenance has mutually agreed to extend the contract with the District with a 3% increase, which is within the allowable New Jersey index rate. There will be no changes to the terms and conditions of the contract, except in pricing, and an allowance was made in the bid specifications for an extension of this contract; and

WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area # 3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District approves the extension of the contract to Fullerton Grounds Maintenance, 36 Berkshire Valley Road - Suite 1, Kenvil, NJ 07847, for Landscaping/Athletic Field Services, PPS-230 25, for the

2026-2027 school year, not to exceed \$412,000.00, which includes the 3% allowable increase.

Resolution No. F-103

Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Partial Roof Replacement at Dr. Hani Awadallah School, PPS-231-26, for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Partial Roof Replacement at Dr. Hani Awadallah School, PPS-231-26, during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, forty-two (42) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which eleven (11) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 22, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on May 12, 2026, at 10:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Partial Roof Replacement at Dr. Hani Awadallah School, PPS-231-26, be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years:

Laumar Roofing Co. 426 Gregory Avenue Passaic, New Jersey 07055

WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Partial Roof Replacement at Dr. Hani Awadallah School, PPS-231-26, to Laumar Roofing Co., for the 2025- 2026, 2026-2027 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$336,000.00.

Resolution No. F-104

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Roof Replacement & Repairs at Edward W. Kilpatrick School, PPS-232-26, for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Roof Replacement & Repairs at Edward W. Kilpatrick School, PPS-232-26, during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, forty-two (42) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which twelve (12) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 22, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on May 12, 2026, at 11:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Roof Replacement & Repairs at Edward W. Kilpatrick School, PPS-232-26, be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years:

Sky General Construction 74 1st Avenue Paterson, New Jersey 07514

WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area # 3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Roof Replacement & Repairs at Edward W. Kilpatrick School, PPS-232-26, to Sky General Construction for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$556,000.00.

Resolution No. F-105

Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Gymnasium Elevator Modernization Project at Eastside High School, PPS-233-26, for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Gymnasium Elevator Modernization Project at Eastside High School, PPS-233-26, during the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, fifty-six (56) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which three (3) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 28, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on May 20, 2026, at 2:00 pm, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Gymnasium Elevator Modernization Project at Eastside High School, PPS-233-26, be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years:

Kencor LLC 882 S. Matlack Street, Suite C West Chester, PA 19382
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WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Gymnasium Elevator Modernization Project at Eastside High School, PPS-233-26, to Kencor LLC for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$356,042.50.

Resolution No. F-106

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the procurement of Elevator Services District Wide, PPS-263- 27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator determined that the District has a need for ELEVATOR SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE, PPS-263-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028- school years and provided the specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, thirty-seven (37) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), of which three (3) companies responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Bergen Record and the North Jersey Herald News on APRIL 6, 2026, and was posted on the district website. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud, via livestream Zoom, on April 22, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5-year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, it is recommended that the bid for ELEVATOR SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE, PPS-263-27 be awarded to the following vendor(s) for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years: NEW YORK ELEVATOR LLC, ATTA ELEVATORS NEW YORK, INC., KENCOR, LLC; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools supports the above-mentioned recommendation that NEW YORK ELEVATOR LLC, ATTA ELEVATORS NEW YORK, INC., KENCOR, LLC be awarded a contract for ELEVATOR SERVICES DISTRICT WIDE, PPS-263-27, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years at an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000 annually pending budget approval.

NEW YORK ELEVATOR LLC 12 Orchard Avenue Teaneck, NJ 07666 (Primary)	ATTA ELEVATORS NEW YORK, INC. 491 Washington Avenue Carlstadt, NJ 07072 (Secondary)	KENCOR, LLC 882 S. Matlack St, Suite C West Chester, PA 19382 (Tertiary)
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Resolution No. F-107

Recommendation/Resolution: is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Masonry Services & Related, PPS 290-27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district has a need for Masonry Services & Related, PPS-290-27, during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years and provided the specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, fifty (50) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), which five (5) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on April 7, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on April 17, 2026, at 10:30 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommend that the bid for Masonry Services & Related, PPS-290-27, be awarded to the following vendors for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years:

Sky General Construction 74 1st Avenue Paterson, New Jersey 07514 (Primary Vendor)	SMAC Corp. 431 Midland Avenue, Suite A Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663 (Secondary Vendor)	Pravco, Inc. 245 Wescott Drive Rahway, New Jersey 07065
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WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED that the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Masonry Services & Related, PPS-290-27, to Sky General Construction, SMAC Corp., & Pravco, Inc. for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 school years, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000,00, in total, annually; pending budget approval.

Resolution No. F-108

Recommendation/Resolution is to comply with purchasing laws for the acquisition of Boiler Replacement at PS 8, PS 19, & John F. Kennedy High School, PPS-234-26, for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Officer of Facilities & Custodial Services determined that the district requires Boiler Replacements at PS 8, PS 19, & John F. Kennedy High School, PPS-234-26, during the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years and provided specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, eighty-five (85) vendors were emailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), three (3) vendors responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Record and the Herald News on May 14, 2026. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on June 11, 2026, at 11:00 am, via Zoom, at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Facilities, along with the Department of Purchasing, recommends that the bid for Boiler Replacement at PS 8, PS 19, & John F. Kennedy High School, PPS-234-26, 26, be awarded to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years:

C. Dougherty & Co., Inc. 7 Washington Avenue Paterson, New Jersey 07503

WHEREAS the awarding of this contract is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Paterson Board of Education, along with the Superintendent of Schools, approves the awarding of the contract for Boiler Replacement at PS 8 - \$166,000, PS 19 \$142,000, & John F. Kennedy High School - \$408,000, PPS-234-26, 26, to C. Dougherty & Co., Inc. for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027

school years, at the project cost of \$716,000 plus contingency (\$84,000) not to exceed \$800,000.00.

Resolution No. F-109

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education requirements, school districts are required to amend their Long-Range Facility Plan (LRFP) at least once every five years, the Paterson Public Schools retained DMR Architects; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools' consultant completed a demography report that includes Paterson Planning Board approved new housing; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools' consultant incorporated the redistricting plan for elementary schools to create a middle school cohort; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools' consultant completed a projected enrollment study; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools consultant updated the district schools' buildings inventory; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public schools has identified capital improvement projects for the next five years; and

WHEREAS, amending the Long-Range Facilities Plan is in line with Paterson's "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area # 3, Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education authorizes the submission of the district's "2026- 2031 Major Amendment" to the LRFP, as prepared in conjunction with DMR Architect, to the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) in accordance with the requirements of the NJDOE.

Resolution No. F-110

WHEREAS, Eastside High School seeks to utilize efficient and transparent methods for the collection and management of funds related to school-sponsored HID Centennial Celebration events, activities, and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Zeffy is a nonprofit fundraising and payment management platform that allows organizations to securely collect donations, ticket sales, fundraising proceeds, and event-related payments at no cost to the school district; and

WHEREAS, the use of Zeffy will provide a streamlined and accountable process for the handling, tracking, and reporting of funds collected on behalf of Eastside High School-sponsored 100 Centennial Celebration events and activities; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes Eastside High School to utilize Zeffy as an official fundraising and fund management platform for the purpose of collecting and administering event-related funds and donations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the use of Zelly shall result in no financial cost or obligation to Paterson Public Schools, as the platform operates without mandatory fees to nonprofit organizations; and

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Resolution No. P-111

WHEREAS, The Superintendent recommends the appointment, salary adjustments, transfers, supports the Paterson: A Promising Tomorrow Strategic Plan 2019-2024 which amongst its strategies goals is Priority I- Effective Academic Programs-Goal 1 - Increase Student Achievement; and

WHEREAS, The Board of the Paterson Public School District has reviewed the recommendation of the Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, The Board of the Paterson Board of Education communicated expectations that such recommendations are made on a timely basis and include the proposed appointment, transfer, personnel in compliance with the contractual and/or statutory requirements.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of the Paterson Board of Education accepts the personnel recommendations of the Superintendent adopted in the June 17, 2026 Board Meeting.

PERSONNEL

F.1 Motion to take action on personnel matters, as listed below; and appoint and submit to the County Superintendent applications for emergent hiring and the applicant's attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et. Seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et. seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et. seq. for those employees listed below:

(All appointments are contingent upon receipt of proper teaching certification and all salary placements are pending receipt of college transcripts verifying degree status and letter stating years of service in other districts).

A. POSITION CONTROL ABOLISH/CREATE

A1. Action to deactivate Sub **PC#10046**.

A2. Action to reclassify **PC# 2601** from Teacher Math at JFK to Parent Coordinator at 765 Parent Resource Center.

B. SUSPENSIONS – N/A

C. RESIGNATION/ RETIREMENT

D. TERMINATIONS

E. NON-RENEWAL

F. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

G. APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	School/Location	Title	Salary	Reason
G1	Brackett	Sherri	Senator Frank	Principal	\$143,493.00	filling vacancy

			Lautenberg School #6			
G2	De La Cruz	Jose	Newcomers HS	Permanent Substitute - Teacher Science Bilingual	\$27,000.00	filling vacancy
G3	Dean	Antoinette	RC	Permanent Substitute	\$27,000.00	filling vacancy
G4	Dean	Antoinette	RC	Teacher Library Media Specialist	\$69,820.00	filling vacancy
G5	Greene	Tanya	School #13	Interim Principal	\$850/month	filling vacancy
G6	McBride	Tiffany	School #10	Principal	\$133,377.00	filling vacancy

H. TRANSFERS

	Last Name	First Name	School/Location	Title	Salary	Reason
H1	Alvarado Gomez	Flor	School TBD	504 Personal Aide (Placement Pending for the 26-27 SY) for student L.L.,5258040	no change	transfer/ reorg
H2	Bencosme	Yohanna	Paterson STEAM HS	Secretary School	no change	transfer
H3	Bermeo	Katherine	Guidance Academies	Secretary School - Guidance	no change	transfer
H4	Brackett	Shontell	EWK	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H5	Brackett	Sherri	School # 6	Principal	salary on separate PTF	transfer / administration reorg
H6	Braico	Cosmo	School # 24	Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H7	Cain	Zaire	Roberto Clemente	504 Personal Aide for student A.M.,5274315	no change	transfer/ reorg
H8	Cambareri	Jessica	School # 18	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H9	Campos	Jenny	Schol #27	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H10	Carino	Anna	School #13	Vice Principal	no change	transfer
H11	Casale	Alexandra	School # 7	Teacher Sped. LLD	no change	transfer
H12	Cassini	Jennifer	School # 2	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H13	Clifford	Ayoka	RPHS	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H14	Cotto	Florita	EHS	Principal	no change	transfer / administration

						reorg
H15	Crawford	Tatyana	Paterson STEAM HS	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H16	Demeski	John	# 19 (.6), # 7 (.4)	Interim Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H17	Diaz	Mercedes	Edward W. Kilpatrick	504 Personal Aide for student J.F.,5253055	no change	transfer/ reorg
H18	Dilauri	Stefanie	School No.26	Teacher Grade 2	no change	transfer/ reorg
H19	Douge	Dorothy	EWK	Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H20	Dubose	Michael	Dale Ave. (.6), # 10 (.4)	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H21	Edwards McClam	Angelite	Eastside High School	504 Personal Aide for student V.B.,5228652	no change	transfer/ reorg
H22	Edwards	Asha	# 21	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H23	Ellerbee	Lisa	Guidance Academies	Secretary School - Guidance	no change	transfer
H24	Emery-Allen	Samantha	School # 24	Teacher Grade 8 ELA	stipend removal - salary as per negotiated contract	transfer / administration reorg
H25	Feliz Garcia	Norkin	Newcomers HS	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H26	Fernandez Jr.	Manuel	School 16	504 Personal Aide for student S.A.,5275152	no change	transfer/ reorg
H27	Freire	Jeanna	NRC	Teacher ESL	no change	transfer
H28	Garbowski	Annette	EHS	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H29	Garrabrandt	Kenneth	Dr. Napier	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H30	Giglio	Grace	MLK	Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H31	Gonzalez-Flores	Elizabeth	Central Registration	Supervisor of Central Registration	no change	transfer
H32	Gordon	Michele	School # 13	Teacher ESL	no change	transfer
H33	Greene	Tanya	School # 13	Interim Principal	\$850 p/m	transfer / administration reorg

H34	Griffin	Pamela	Eastside High School	504 Personal Aide Eastside High School for student V.B.,5228653	no change	transfer/ reorg
H35	Guzman	Marcie	School No.26	Teacher Grade 5	no change	transfer/ reorg
H36	Herbert	Jannelle	School No.26	Teacher Grade 4	no change	transfer/ reorg
H37	Hernandez	Nicolette	School # 6	Teacher Kindergarten	no change	transfers
H38	Hill	Jessica	School #8	Teacher Grade 1	no change	transfer
H39	Ibrahim	Dalia	School # 13	Teacher Grade 4-5 Math	no change	transfer
H40	Johnson	Genia	New Roberto Clemente School	504 Personal Aide for student V.V.N.,5245934	no change	transfer/ reorg
H41	Johnson	Chandra	Guidance Academies	Secretary School - Guidance	no change	transfer
H42	Jones	Amanda	JAT	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H43	Kelley	Arlethia	School 18	504 Personal Aide for student S.A.,5275492	no change	transfer/ reorg
H44	La Puente	Milagros	School 16	504 Personal Aide for student E.P.D.,5254774	no change	transfer/ reorg
H45	Lema	Karina	RC	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H46	Leon	Washington	Newcomers HS	Teacher Math Bilingual	no change	transfer
H47	Licamara	Anthony	School # 9	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H48	McBride	Tiffany	School # 10	Principal	salary on seperate PTF	transfer / administration reorg
H49	McCombs-Re'Voal	Sharon	Guidance Academies	Secretary School-Guidance	no change	transfer
H50	McKenzie	Moses	MLK	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H51	Medley	Marc	School # 2	Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H52	Nunez	Sandra	School #21	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H53	Ogynmakinwa	Kareen	MLK	Teacher Special Ed Autism	no change	transfer
H54	Owens	Shanieya	Guidance Academies	Secretary School - Guidance	no change	transfer
H55	Palomino	Kimberly	School #15	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer

H56	Perez	Walner	NRC	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H57	Pinchom	Anna	School 5	504 Personal Aide for student E.P.R.,5258475	no change	transfer/ reorg
H58	Radunovic	Natalia	School #8	Teacher Grade 5 (Math/Science)	no change	transfer
H59	Ramirez	Hepthe	Dr. Hani Awadallah	Instructional Aide Sped. LLD	no change	transfer
H60	Ramirez	Antonella	School #18	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H61	Robinson	Beverly	Edward W. Kilpatrick	504 Personal Aide for student A.P.,527334	no change	transfer/ reorg
H62	Rodriguez	Giovanna	EHS	Teacher Coordinator	no change	transfer
H63	Roman	Kenneth	School # 24	Vice Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H64	Schiller	Robert	School #5	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H65	Serrano	Vanessa	JFK	Principal	no change	transfer / administration reorg
H66	Sinclair	Anne-Marie	School #7	Teacher Guidance Counselor	no change	transfer
H67	Sisti	Valentino	School #6	Interim Vice Principal	No change	transfer / administration reorg
H68	Smart	Francine	Parent Resource Center	Administrative Assistant	no change	transfer
H69	Vilchez	Jannet	707 Assistant Superintendent Office	Secretary Confidential	no change	transfer
H70	Wolfe	Jeffrey	School No.26	Teacher Grade 3	no change	transfer/ reorg

I. RECALL FROM RIF

	Last Name	First Name	School/Location	Title	Salary	Reason
I1	Magazine	Dashawnia	765 Parent Resource Center	Parent Coordinator	no change	Recall from RIF

J. LEAVE REPLACEMENT – N/A

K. DISTRICT/SCHOOL PROGRAM HIRING - N/A

L. STIPENDS

L1. Action to hire **Yudelis Nunez PC# 1953** for the scheduler stipend for the 2026-2027 school year. Not to exceed \$1,400 .00

Account# 15.140.100.101.084.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$1,400.00

L2. Action to hire **Annette Rodriguez** as School Treasurer for the 2026-2027 school year. To be disbursed in two payments in December 2026 \$4,694.00 and in June 2027 \$4,694.00.

Account# 15.401.100.100.084.053.0000.000

L3. Action is requested to stipend **Arraceli Serrano** for supervising students for the overnight field trip to West Virginia for the National Robotics Competition May 15, 2026 for \$100.00 a day for 3 nights according to the contract. 3 nights x \$100 = \$300.00

Account# 15.140.100.101.054.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$300.00

L4. Action is requested to stipend **Irene Cheski**, as Summer School Program K-5 Litcamp Students Assistant Coordinator (In Person). Program is scheduled to run from July 6, 2026 to July 30, 2026. From Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

1 Teacher x up to and not to exceed 16 days x 5.5 hours per day x \$35.00 per hour = \$3,080.00

Account# 20.231.200.100.653.057 Up to and not to exceed: \$3,080.00

L5. Request approval to hire the following PPS employee as Team Trainer for the 2026-2027 school year. **William Ford**, Team Trainer – JobID 5519337 Salary \$9,582 – Step 2. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – June 13, 2027. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$9,582.00

L6. Request to hire the following PPS employees as Girls Soccer coaches for the 2026-2027 school year: **Daisy Goncalves** Head Coach – Job ID 5519701 Salary \$10,897 – Step 2. **Daniel Carrera**, Assistant Coach – Job ID 5519720 Salary \$7,482 – Step 2. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$18,379.00

L7. Action to hire one (1) Band Teacher **Mr. David Alpaca** for Band Summer School Program Monday through Thursday for 3 hours per day for 16 days.

\$35 per hour x 48 hrs = \$1,680.00

Account# 15.401.100.100.024.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$1,680.00

L8. Request approval to hire the following PPS employee as Assistant Girls Volleyball Coach for the 2026-2027 school year. **Jay Hagedorn**, Assistant Girls Volleyball – JobID 5519800, Salary \$7,482 – Step 2. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$7,482.00

L. STIPENDS / CONT.

L9. Request approval to hire **Kenneth Ford** as Assistant Football Coach JobID: 5519380 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$9,584 Step 02. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$9,584.00

L10. Request approval to hire the follow PPS employee as Head Girls Tennis Coach for the 2026-2027 school year: **Nana Agyeman**, Head Tennis – JobID 5519744 Salary \$9,388 – Step 2. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 - November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$9,388.00

L11. Request approval to hire the following PPS employees as Treasurers for the 2026-2027 school year. **Dwaune Conley** Job ID 5519827 Salary \$9,388 Step 2. **Sylvia Ligon** Job ID 5519854 Salary \$9,388 Step 2. Appointment Period: September 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.401.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$18,776.00

L12. Request approval to hire the following PPS employee as Assistant Boys Soccer Coach for the 2026-2027 school year. **Christopher Ziolkowski**, Assistant Boys Soccer – JobID 5519597 Salary \$7,482 – Step 2. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$7,482.00

L13. Request approval to hire the follow PPS employee as Strength & Conditioning Coach for the 2026-2027 school year. **Brandon Pilgrim**, Strength & Conditioning – Job ID 5519770 Salary \$3,157 – Per Season. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$3,157.00

L14. Request approval to hire **Derrik Etienne** as Head Boys Soccer Coach JobID 5519555 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$10,109 Step 01. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$10,109.00

L15. Request approval to hire **Morris McKenzie** as Assistant Football Coach JobID 5519380 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$9,584 Step 02. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$9,584.00

L16. Request approval to hire **Myles Lesane-Hunt** as an Assistant Football Coach Job ID 5519380 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$8,403 Step 0. Appointment Period:

August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$8,403.00

L. STIPENDS / CONT.

L17. Request approval to hire **James Magazine** as Head Football Coach JobID 5519394 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$15,623 Step 02. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$15,623.00

L18. Request approval to hire **Edward McKenzie** as 1st Assistant Football Coach JobID 5519380 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$9,989 Step 0. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$9,989.00

L19. Request approval to hire **Christopher Woolasten** as Assistant Football Coach JobID 5519380 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$8,993 Step 01 Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$8,993.00

L20. Request approval to hire **David A. Thomas** as an Equipment Manager Coach JobID 5519303 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$5,908 Step 0. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 29, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$5,908.00

L21. Request approval to hire **Alberto Salgado** as head Cheerleader's Coach Job ID 5519879 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$7,813 Step 0. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – March 7, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$7,813.00

L22. Request approval to hire **Jean McCurdie** as Assistant Cheerleader's Coach JobID 5519983 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$6,761 Step 02. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – March 7, 2027. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$6,761.00

L23. Request approval to hire **Natalie Y. Perlaza-Pacheco** as Head Girls Volleyball Coach JobID 5519789 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$9,321 Step 0. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$9,321.00

L24. Request approval to hire **Kayla Diaz** as an Assistant Girls Volleyball Coach JobID 551800 for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary \$6,301 Step 0. Appointment Period: August 17, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000

Not to exceed: \$6,301.00

L. STIPENDS / CONT.

L25. Request approval to hire the following PPS employees as Cross Country Coaches for the 2026-2027 school year. **Chamekea Davis** - Head Coach Job ID 5519455, Salary \$9,388 – Step 2. **Edward Hamilton** - Assistant Coach – JobID 5519462, Salary \$6,761 – Step 2. Appointment Period: August 10, 2026 – November 22, 2026. Note: Dates are subject to change per NJSIAA guidelines.

Account# 15.402.100.100.051.053.0000.000

Not to exceed: \$16,149.00

L26. Request to hire (2) staff members to work as summer High School Guidance Counselors for Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts. Each counsellor is allotted to work a maximum of 36 hours at a rate of \$35/hr. Upon supervisor approval each staff member can act as a substitute at the same rate of \$35/hr in the event of an absent counselor, this may allow the counselor to exceed their hours. Posting# 368 Total Personnel Submitted: Two (2) **Desiree Douglas, Ayoka Clifford** Effective Date: July 1, 2026 – August 31, 2026.

Account# 15.000.218.104.052.053.0000.000

Not to exceed: \$2,520.00

L27. Action to compensate **Alana DiChellis** for managing the student activities account ensuring compliance with district financial policies. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to making deposits, completing budget tasks and maintaining records to ensure transparency and accountability. 1st half \$4,535.50 is to be paid December 2026. 2nd half \$4,535.50 is to be paid June 2027.

Account# 15.401.100.100.055.053.0000.000

Not to exceed: \$9,071.00

L28. Request to stipend (125) one hundred twenty five teachers for the 2026 Summer School Program K-5 LitCamp from July 6, 2026 through July 30, 2026 from 8:00AM through 1:30PM on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays at Schools 5, 25, 13, Roberto Clemente, and Maria Magda O'Keefe School. Teachers will receive three (3) hours of professional development on July 1, 2026.

125 Teachers X 5.5 hours X 16 days X \$35.00 an hour = \$385,000.00

125 Teachers X 35.00 an hour X 3 hour PD = \$13,125.00

\$385,000.00 + \$13,125.00 = \$398,125.00

Pending Budget Availability.

Title Funding

Last Name	First Name	Home School	Position
Adams	Ann	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Almonte	Jose	International High School	Teacher Phys Ed/Health

Alvarez	Michael	School # 15	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Andersen	Mary	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Grade 4
Anton	Lauren	School # 13	Teacher Grade 3
Anyakoha	Chinyere	School # 25	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Aschenbach	Tracy	School # 4	Teacher Grade 3
Asencio	Darryl	School # 28	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Barber	Angel	School # 4	Teacher Special Ed SLD
Barnes	Zakiyyah	School # 13	Teacher Technology
Basuf	Hala	Edward Kilpatrick	Teacher ESL
Basyurt	Clara	School # 25	Teacher ESL
Barone	Denise	School # 18	Teacher Grade 2
Battista	Dan	School # 5	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Bauch	Lisa	School # 1	Teacher Grade 1
Bottone	Patricia	School # 15	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Britton	Florence	Martin Luther King	Teacher Grade 1
Brown	Bree	School # 27	Teacher Grade 2
Brown	Tanya-Lee	School # 25	Teacher Kindergarten
Bulaclac	Fe	School # 13	Teacher Special Ed Cog. Mild
Buscavage	Claudia	School # 13	Teacher Grade 5
Canario Padilla	Dalissa	School # 13	Teacher Bilingual
Casale	Alexandra	School # 1	Teacher Grade 3
Caulfield - Wolffe	Melissa	School # 18	Teacher Grade 8-Lang Arts
Cheski	Irene	School # 2	Teacher Guidance Counselor
Clavell	Lisa	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher ESL
Cavallo	Matthew	School # 16	Teacher Music
Consiglio	Dawn	School # 18	Teacher Grade 3
Cordova	Evelyn	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Special Ed Resource

Daly	Marjorie	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Grade 2
David	Udeme	School # 7	Teacher Kindergarten
Delgado	Rosaly	School # 21	Teacher Grade 1
Delgado Zuniga	Marjorie	Martin Luther King	Teacher ESL
Doud	Kathryn	School # 9	Teacher Grade 1
Drakeford	Raven	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 2
Drakeford	Colette	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 2
Ebanks	Jacqueline	STARS	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Ehrenberg	Dawn	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 6 Lang Arts
English	William	School #6/APA	Teacher Physical Education
Eseke	Ifeyinwa	302 Single Gender Academy	Teacher Grade 3-5 Math
Faradin	Amirah	School # 16	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Farrell	Christopher	School # 25	Teacher Grade 8 Lang Arts/Writing
Ferreras- Arroyo	Ihonils	School # 5	Teacher ESL
Fischer	Matthew	New Roberto Clemente	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Flete	Tania	School # 13	Teacher Kindergarten
Flynn	Carly	School # 25	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Fusaro	Antoinetta	School # 18	Teacher Grade 5 ELA/SS
Galizia	Ralph	Paterson STEAM High School	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Genuardi	Jonathan	School # 25	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Germaine	Kiara	School # 12	Teacher Grade 6 Lang Arts/Social Studies
Giarrusso	Colleen	School # 21	Teacher Grade 6-7 Lang Arts
Goldenberg	Tatyana	Martin Luther King	Teacher Special Ed Autism
Gomez- Korac	Patricia	School # 5	Teacher World Lang
Goncalves	Daisy	International High School	Teacher Phys Ed/Health

Gonzalez	Rosalyn	School # 28	Teacher Special Ed SLD
Gonzalez	Lizbeth	School # 15	Teacher Grade 4 Bilingual
Graham-Davis	Kimberly	School # 13	Teacher Grade 6-8 Science
Green-Takara	Paysha	School # 15	Teacher Grade 2
Guzman	Marcie	School # 1	Teacher Grade 2
Guzman-Carrington	Ramona	Eastside High School	Teacher Guidance Counselor
Hammam	Ineam	School # 25	Teacher Bilingual/ESL
Hammond	Amber	Dr. Hani Awadallah	Teacher Grade 6-8 Math
Hearns	Kenya	School # 10	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Hernandez	Veronica	School # 15	Teacher Grade 5 Bilingual
Hernandez	Anel	School # 25	Teacher Technology
Hernandez	Magali	School # 25	Teacher Bilingual
Hindi	Mohammad	Norman S Weir	Teacher Technology
Javier	Geraldine	Edward Kilpatrick	Teacher Art
Khalifa	Norhan	School # 7	Teacher Grade 2
Kopic	Rosa	School # 18	Teacher Grade 7-8 Math
Kubis	Brad	Martin Luther King	Teacher Grade 4
Latini	Kim	School # 26	Teacher Grade 6 Lang Arts
Latorre	Janice	Special Education Services	Teacher Social Worker
Lipscomb	Cynthia	School # 26	Teacher Grade 3
Mahler	Sara	Roberto Clemente	Teacher Art
Mahmudi	Artim	School # 27	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
McAnuff	Michelle	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Special Ed Resource
McCarthy	Allison	School # 15	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
McGuire	Ebony	Martin Luther King	Teacher Kindergarten
Mckinney	Shakia	School # 13	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Medley	Kevin	School # 25	Teacher Grade 3 Math

Mitchell	Dennis	School # 18	Teacher Grade 6-7 Lang Arts
Moncrieffe	Sophia	Dr. Napier School # 4	Teacher Grade 1
Murphy	Laurene	School # 28	Teacher Art
Musallam	Marcel	School # 21	Teacher ESL
Naqi	Saira	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 4
Navarro	Neicy	School # 21	Teacher Grade 5 Bilingual
O'Hare	Jennifer	School # 7	Teacher Kindergarten
Olsen	Brian	School # 28	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Ondimu	Jacqueline	School # 5	Teacher ESL
Ortiz	Milagros	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Special ed Resource
Pardo-Jose	Marisel	School # 15	Teacher Kindergarten Bilingual
Pavey	Kathleen	School # 27	Teacher Grade 1
Petsu-Lagunes	Lisa	Dr. Hani Awadallah	Teacher Art
Ponte	Megan	School # 15	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Porcelli	Michelle	School # 25	Teacher Grade 7-8 Social Studies
Price-Munson	Stacey	Kennedy High School	Teacher Physical Education
Quevedo	Jason	School # 16	Teacher Music
Rafi	Wafae	School # 25	Teacher Grade 4
Reid-Addison	Nadine	School # 7	Teacher Grade 2
Reyes	Omar	School # 28	Teacher Music
Richard	Angel	Kennedy High School	Teacher Physical Education
Rimoh	Suzy	Single Gender Academy	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Robinson	Myeshia	School #6/APA	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Rodriguez	Joshua	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Grade 4 Bilingual
Rodriguez	Ayana	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 4
Sandoval	Thrisha	School # 5	Teacher Grade 3

Sembler	Michelle	School # 5	Teacher Grade 4
Sharab	Ahmad	Paterson P-Tech	Teacher Biology
Smith	Richina	School # 25	Teacher Preschool
Sterling	Katelyn	School # 2	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Tavit	Elizabeth	School # 13	Teacher Music
Tedford	Denise	Rosa Parks	Teacher Art
Thomas	Nathan	School # 5	Teacher Grade 3
Tiburcio	Isabelle	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Kindergarten Bilingual
Toscano	Nicholas	School # 1	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Tubil	Lourdes	School # 25	Teacher Grade 5
Vizcaino	Kathryn	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher ESL
Waddell	Jean	School # 26	Teacher Special ed Resource
Watson	Lisa	School # 25	Teacher Grade 6 Math/Science
White	Tanya	School # 18	Teacher Grade 6-Lang Arts
Win	Lilia	School # 5	Teacher Kindergarten
Workman	Tawanna	School # 2	Teacher Grade 4
Wrocenski	Anna	New Roberto Clemente	Teacher ESL

Account# 2A.231.100.101.653.057.000.0000

Not to exceed: \$398,125.00

L29. Action request to stipend (125) one hundred twenty-five teachers for the 2026 Summer School Program K-5 LitCamp to receive three (3) hours of professional development for program set up on June 30, 2026.

125 teachers X 35.00 an hour X 3 hours = \$13,125.00

Title Funding

Last Name	First Name	Home School	Position
Adams	Ann	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Almonte	Jose	International High School	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Alvarez	Michael	School # 15	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Andersen	Mary	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Grade 4
Anton	Lauren	School # 13	Teacher Grade 3

Anyakoha	Chinyere	School # 25	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Aschenbach	Tracy	School # 4	Teacher Grade 3
Asencio	Darryl	School # 28	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Barber	Angel	School # 4	Teacher Special Ed SLD
Barnes	Zakiyyah	School # 13	Teacher Technology
Basuf	Hala	Edward Kilpatrick	Teacher ESL
Basyurt	Clara	School # 25	Teacher ESL
Barone	Denise	School # 18	Teacher Grade 2
Battista	Dan	School # 5	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Bauch	Lisa	School # 1	Teacher Grade 1
Bottone	Patricia	School # 15	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Britton	Florence	Martin Luther King	Teacher Grade 1
Brown	Bree	School # 27	Teacher Grade 2
Brown	Tanya-Lee	School # 25	Teacher Kindergarten
Bulaclac	Fe	School # 13	Teacher Special Ed Cog. Mild
Buscavage	Claudia	School # 13	Teacher Grade 5
Canario Padilla	Dalissa	School # 13	Teacher Bilingual
Casale	Alexandra	School # 1	Teacher Grade 3
Caulfield - Wolffe	Melissa	School # 18	Teacher Grade 8-Lang Arts
Cheski	Irene	School # 2	Teacher Guidance Counselor
Clavell	Lisa	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher ESL
Cavallo	Matthew	School # 16	Teacher Music
Consiglio	Dawn	School # 18	Teacher Grade 3
Cordova	Evelyn	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Daly	Marjorie	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Grade 2
David	Udeme	School # 7	Teacher Kindergarten
Delgado	Rosalyn	School # 21	Teacher Grade 1

Delgado Zuniga	Marjorie	Martin Luther King	Teacher ESL
Doud	Kathryn	School # 9	Teacher Grade 1
Drakeford	Raven	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 2
Drakeford	Colette	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 2
Ebanks	Jacqueline	STARS	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Ehrenberg	Dawn	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 6 Lang Arts
English	William	School #6/APA	Teacher Physical Education
Eseke	Ifeyinwa	302 Single Gender Academy	Teacher Grade 3-5 Math
Faradin	Amirah	School # 16	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Farrell	Christopher	School # 25	Teacher Grade 8 Lang Arts/Writing
Ferreras-Arroyo	Ihonils	School # 5	Teacher ESL
Fischer	Matthew	New Roberto Clemente	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Flete	Tania	School # 13	Teacher Kindergarten
Flynn	Carly	School # 25	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Fusaro	Antoinetta	School # 18	Teacher Grade 5 ELA/SS
Galizia	Ralph	Paterson STEAM High School	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Genuardi	Jonathan	School # 25	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Germaine	Kiara	School # 12	Teacher Grade 6 Lang Arts/Social Studies
Giarrusso	Colleen	School # 21	Teacher Grade 6-7 Lang Arts
Goldenberg	Tatyana	Martin Luther King	Teacher Special Ed Autism
Gomez-Korac	Patricia	School # 5	Teacher World Lang
Goncalves	Daisy	International High School	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Gonzalez	Rosalyn	School # 28	Teacher Special Ed SLD
Gonzalez	Lizbeth	School # 15	Teacher Grade 4 Bilingual
Graham-Davis	Kimberly	School # 13	Teacher Grade 6-8 Science

Green-Takara	Paysha	School # 15	Teacher Grade 2
Guzman	Marcie	School # 1	Teacher Grade 2
Guzman-Carrington	Ramona	Eastside High School	Teacher Guidance Counselor
Hammam	Ineam	School # 25	Teacher Bilingual/ESL
Hammond	Amber	Dr. Hani Awadallah	Teacher Grade 6-8 Math
Hearns	Kenya	School # 10	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Hernandez	Veronica	School # 15	Teacher Grade 5 Bilingual
Hernandez	Anel	School # 25	Teacher Technology
Hernandez	Magali	School # 25	Teacher Bilingual
Hindi	Mohammad	Norman S Weir	Teacher Technology
Javier	Geraldine	Edward Kilpatrick	Teacher Art
Khalifa	Norhan	School # 7	Teacher Grade 2
Kopic	Rosa	School # 18	Teacher Grade 7-8 Math
Kubis	Brad	Martin Luther King	Teacher Grade 4
Latini	Kim	School # 26	Teacher Grade 6 Lang Arts
Latorre	Janice	Special Education Services	Teacher Social Worker
Lipscomb	Cynthia	School # 26	Teacher Grade 3
Mahler	Sara	Roberto Clemente	Teacher Art
Mahmudi	Artim	School # 27	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
McAnuff	Michelle	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Special Ed Resource
McCarthy	Allison	School # 15	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
McGuire	Ebony	Martin Luther King	Teacher Kindergarten
Mckinney	Shakia	School # 13	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Medley	Kevin	School # 25	Teacher Grade 3 Math
Mitchell	Dennis	School # 18	Teacher Grade 6-7 Lang Arts
Moncrieffe	Sophia	Dr. Napier School # 4	Teacher Grade 1
Murphy	Laurene	School # 28	Teacher Art

Musallam	Marcel	School # 21	Teacher ESL
Naqi	Saira	Maria Magda O Keefe/24	Teacher Grade 4
Navarro	Neicy	School # 21	Teacher Grade 5 Bilingual
O'Hare	Jennifer	School # 7	Teacher Kindergarten
Olsen	Brian	School # 28	Teacher Phys Ed/Health
Ondimu	Jacqueline	School # 5	Teacher ESL
Ortiz	Milagros	Roberto Clemente School	Teacher Special ed Resource
Pardo-Jose	Marisel	School # 15	Teacher Kindergarten Bilingual
Pavey	Kathleen	School # 27	Teacher Grade 1
Petsu-Lagunes	Lisa	Dr. Hani Awadallah	Teacher Art
Ponte	Megan	School # 15	Teacher Special Ed Resource
Porcelli	Michelle	School # 25	Teacher Grade 7-8 Social Studies
Price-Munson	Stacey	Kennedy High School	Teacher Physical Education
Quevedo	Jason	School # 16	Teacher Music
Rafi	Wafae	School # 25	Teacher Grade 4
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Account# 20.231.100.101.653.057.000.0000

Not to exceed: \$13,125.00

L. STIPENDS / CONT.

L30. 13.640 Testing Center funds to employ 1 Part-Time Testing Examiner **Farzana Chowdhury** from 07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027 for 4hrs/week at \$24/hr. (hours and days will vary) according to the guidelines & procedures of funded programs FY 2026-2027.

Account# 13.640.200.100.410.053.0110.000

Not to exceed: \$4,320.00

L31. 20.605 funds to employ 2 part-time teachers for the summer WFNJ program from 07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027 up to 6hrs/day, at \$35.hr. (hours and days could vary).

According to the guidelines and procedures of Paterson Adult & Continuing Education Programs for 2026-2027 continuation of programs.

Jorge Cruz, Mirdita Sadiku, Marla Gaines (substitute)

Account# 20.605.100.101.410.053

Not to exceed: \$6,300.00

L32. Adult Education funds to employ **Ms. Kelsey Smalley** as a part-time grant secretary for 50 weeks, 24hrs a week at \$24/hr (hours and days will vary) from 007/01/2026 - 06/30/2027. According to the guidelines and procedures of the State funded grant programs for 2026-2027 continuation of programs.

Account# 20.621.200.105.410.053.0000.000

Not to exceed: \$28,800.00

L33. 20.621 Consolidated Adult Basic and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education grant funds to hire one part-time Grant Coordinator **Ms. Randa Saleh** from 07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027, at \$45 per hr. (days and hours will vary) according to the grant guidelines and procedures for the 2026-2027 continuation of the Paterson Adult and Continuing Education programs.

Account# 20.621.200.110.410.053.000.0000.001

Not to exceed: \$3,387.00

L34. State grant funds to re-employ 5 part-time teachers/crew leaders for the New Jersey Youth Corps Program from 07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027, for 5hrs/day, at \$35/hr. (hours and days will vary) according to the guidelines and procedures of the State grant program 2026-2027 continuation of funds for the New Jersey Youth Corps Program.

Kristine Labita, Michael McMahon, Suzanne Muszynski, Kenneth Reilly, Randa Saleh

20.606.100.101.410.053.0000.000 = \$19,480.00

20.451.100.101.410.053.0000.000 = \$4,200.00

Account# See Above

Not to exceed: \$19,592.00

L35. Action to pay the attached Lead Monitors a stipend of \$100 for an overall "Outstanding" summative evaluation for the 2025-2026 school year.

LOCATION	PC #	TITLE	EMPLOYEE ASSIGNED
001 SCHOOL # 1	6440	LEAD MONITOR	FIGUEROA MARIA
002 SCHOOL # 2	207	LEAD MONITOR	WEST DJENNAE
007 SCHOOL # 7	252	LEAD MONITOR	BERLANGA AMELIA
007 SCHOOL # 7	810	LEAD MONITOR	DIAZ DORITA
008 SCHOOL # 8	326	LEAD MONITOR	BECHARA-VALVERDE YUDY
009 SCHOOL # 9	330	LEAD MONITOR	CALIK DILEK
010 SCHOOL # 10	351	LEAD MONITOR	FABOR KASHENA
015 SCHOOL # 15	425	LEAD MONITOR	SOLIS CARLA
018 SCHOOL # 18	469	LEAD MONITOR	MUNIZ IBET
019 SCHOOL # 19	504	LEAD MONITOR	CROMARTIE CHARLENE
021 SCHOOL # 21	647	LEAD MONITOR	WILLIAMS JOHN
024 MARIA MAGDA O KEEFE	6615	LEAD MONITOR	MALDONADO-CEPEDA LUZ
025 SCHOOL # 25	689	LEAD MONITOR	BRIMLEY JUANITA
027 SCHOOL # 27	759	LEAD MONITOR	MORALES DENISE
028 SCHOOL # 28	763	LEAD MONITOR	PAREDES RAFAELINA
033 EDWARD KILPATRICK	195	LEAD MONITOR	MC FADDEN JOHNNIE
036 ALEXANDER HAMILTON ACADEMY	440	LEAD MONITOR	RIVERA JEANNETTE
041 DALE AVENUE SCHOOL	193	LEAD MONITOR	TORRES RIVERA NITZA
052 ROSA PARK H S OF FINE	1429	LEAD MONITOR	BROWN KENYANA
075 NORMAN S WEIR	59	LEAD MONITOR	BEARD ROSA
309 SCHOOL # 16	190	LEAD MONITOR	DAWSON KIZZY
316 NEW ROBERTO CLEMENTE	668	LEAD MONITOR	TORRES ARLENE

L36. Action is requested to compensate **Kimino Rutherford (PC#858)** the equivalent of two (2) months of her current salary for work performed during 7/1/26 - 8/31/26 when she was appointed as Interim Supervisor. Effective 07/01/26.

L37. Action to hire **Brezhnev Ibeh (9832)** at John F. Kennedy High School and **Quatarra Benjamin (0422)** at Eastside High School as Summer Athletic Guidance Counselors to work Monday – Thursday in-person from a building for one (1) week in July and two (2) weeks in August for a total of 50 hours each, between the dates of 7/6/26-8/28/26.

Justification: The summer athletic guidance counselor supports the academic progress, eligibility compliance, graduation readiness, and NCAA requirements of student-athletes participating in high school programs to ensure student-athletes remain on track for success academically and athletically

Account# 11.000.218.104.650.053.0000.000 **Not to exceed** \$1,750.00 each, \$3,500 total

L38. Action is requested to stipend one additional (1) teacher to attend the Professional Development for Multilingual Language Instruction Educational Program Policy and Advocacy at Schools on Wednesday, June 3 and Thursday, June 4, 2026 from 3:45 pm – 5:15 pm at Central Office. **Jacqueline Ondiumu.**

1 staff x up to **not to exceed** 3 hours each x \$35.00 per hour = \$113.03 Title III funds

Account #20.241.200.100.653.074.000.0000

L39. Action to compensate **Kimberly Johnson** for managing the student activities account ensuring the compliance with district financial policies. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to making deposits, completing budget tasks, and maintaining records to ensure transparency and accountability.

Account # 15.401.100.00.077.053.0000.000 Not to exceed \$7,293.00

M. AMENDMENTS

M1. Action to amend **PTF# 26-1559** to hire **Lauren Rivers-Taylor** for the following Speech, Occupational & Physical Therapists for ESY posting #290. July 6th – July 30th Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. \$75.00 x 1 x 5.5 x 16 = \$6,600

Account# 11.000.216.100.749.053 Not to exceed: \$6,600.00

M2. Action to amend **PTF# 26-1525** to hire **Mohammad Hindi** as a Special Education Teacher and Physical Education Teacher for ESY posting# 292.

1 x \$35.00 x 5.75 x 16 = \$3,220.00

Account# 11.422.100.101.749.053 Not to exceed: \$3,220.00

M3. Action is requested to revise **PTF #26-1503**. Hours should read 10:00 am to 2:30 pm to include setting up and breaking down and to correct hourly rate for Preschool Supervisor which was incorrect.

Preschool Instructional Coaches - account #20.218.200.176.705.053.0000.002 - \$35 per hour not to exceed \$787.50 **Seyhan Abayhan, Jameelah Livingston, Emily Munge-Njuguna, Elizabeth Peralta-Ramos, Farida Asma**

Preschool Social Worker – account #20.218.200.104.705.053.0000.002 - \$35 per hour not to exceed \$157.50 Mio Castillo

Preschool Supervisor – account #20.218.200.102.705.053.0000.002 - \$60 per hour not to exceed \$270.00 Rashanda Clark

N. ATTENDANCE INCENTIVES – N/A

O. SICK/VACATION DAY PAY OUT

01. Request to process payment for one (1) employee for sick/vacation days due to resignation/retirement/termination/deceased/RIF. As per contractual agreement. Effective 6/01/26. **Lillian Rodriguez** – DOH 10/25/2021 – Retirement effective 6/01/26. Salary \$55,230.00 Daily Rate: \$230.13 13.75 Vacation days available
 $230.13 \times 15 = \$3,164.28$

Account# 111.000.291.299.690.058.0000.000 Not to exceed: \$3,164.28

02. Request to process payment for five (5) employees for sick/vacation days due to resignation/retirement/termination/deceased/RIF. As per contractual agreement.

Name	Hire date	Title	Term. Date	Term. reason	Vaca tion	Sick/ Personal	Salary	Daily Rate	Total
Hanafy, Ahmed	11/20/2023	Senior Systems Engineer	5/18/2026	Abandon Position	2			\$493.35	\$986.70
Matos, Sheena	9/16/2026	Secretary	5/31/2026	Resignation	8		\$39,230.00	\$163.46	\$1,307.67
Reilly, Michael	12/16/1997	Teacher	5/13/2026	Deceased		21.25		\$556.67	\$11,829.13
Simmons, Joann	3/19/2001	Food Service Employee	3/19/2001	Retirement		67.5	\$25,968.00	\$129.84	\$8,764.20
Touw, April	1/22/2019	Coordinator of Payroll	5/14/2026	Resignation	20		\$73,044.00	\$304.345	\$6,087.00
									\$28,974.70

Account# 11.000.291.299.690.058.0000.000 Not to exceed \$28,974.40

P.WITHHOLDING OF INCREMENTS

P1. Action to withhold the increments for the attached list of staff members for the 2026-2027 SY. Effective July 1, 2026.

PC#	Employee ID#	Location
23	114054	SCHOOL #21
2800	104976	JOSEPH A. TAUB
1587	122345	SCHOOL #2
5211	113692	ADULT SCHOOL
539	117784	MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS
328	104464	MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS
2539	113293	SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

1830	116635	ALONZO T MOOD ACADEMY
7000	106092	DR. NAPIER #4
3129	115128	MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Q. HEALTH BENEFITS

R. MISCELLANEOUS

	Last Name	First Name	School/Location	Title	Salary	Reason
R1.	Nahli	Yahya	Facilities	Maintenance Worker HVAC	\$57,832.00 + \$700.00 = \$58,532.00	Salary adjustment

S. MISCELLANEOUS (FUNDING.) - N/A

T. ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES – N/A

U. ADMINISTRATIVE LONGEVITY – N/A

V. RESTORE INCREMENTS – N/A

W. NEGOTIATIONS – N/A

X. JOB DESCRIPTIONS – N/A

Y. Grievance Settlements

Y1. Action to pay **Ivette Reynoso (PC# 2182)** the balance owed for mentoring a teacher less appropriate payroll taxes and withholdings in full and final settlement of grievance 25-38. To be compensated \$400.00

Account# 11.000.230.820.604.000.0000.000

Not to exceed: \$400.00

Resolution No. P-112

Michele Wechtler: Reducing Chronic Absenteeism Through a Multi-Tiered Systems of Support

In accordance with Paterson Public School District policy 9550, all educational research by persons other than district employees must be approved in advance by the Superintendent and Board. Paterson Public School District policy 3245, any research project involving pupils must be approved by the Board; all other research projects involving district personnel, facilities, and/or resources may be approved by the Superintendent.

WHEREAS, a written application for approval must state the purpose of the research, the specific ways in which pupils will be involved, the estimated duration of the project, the persons who will conduct the research project and their relevant affiliations, and any possible benefits to pupils or to the school district; and

WHEREAS, Approval will be granted only to those projects that will serve the interests of pupils and the educational program; approval will not be granted to projects that will impede or significantly disrupt the instructional program approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the sponsoring graduate school and/or organization along with graduate candidate complies with requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) and will ensure these requirements are followed in the conduct of this research in accordance with the Institutional Review Board (IRB); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Paterson Board of Education approves the research studies request through Fairleigh Dickinson University Michele Wechtler: Reducing Chronic Absenteeism Through a Multi-Tiered Systems of Support during the 2025-2026 school year.

Resolution No. P-113

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for SUBSTITUTE STAFFING SERVICES, RFP-425-27 for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year(s); and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News on FEBRUARY 25, 2026 and the district's website. Five (5) sealed proposal were received. Sealed proposals were opened and read aloud on March 25, 2026 at 11:00 AM by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to ESS NORTHEAST, LLC for SUBSTITUTE STAFFING SERVICES, RFP-425-27, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Advance Instructional Excellence by Cultivating a High-Performing Workforce; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for SUBSTITUTE STAFFING SERVICES, RFP 425-27 to ESS NORTHEAST, LLC during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028- 2029 school year(s), at a cost not to exceed 12,000,000.

Resolution No. P-114

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District ("District") Human Resources has determined the need to procure annual software maintenance services for Kronos UKG Ready Time and Accruals Manager with UKG KRONOS SYSTEMS LLC, 900 Chelmsford Street Lowell, MA 01851 through the "Omnia Master Agreement No. 24-6833"; and

WHEREAS, Kronos has managed attendance and absence management for the District since 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 18A:18A-5a (19) the District is allowed to procure "support and maintenance of proprietary" goods and/or services by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids and bidding; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of services and/or software from SHI International constitutes a proprietary purchase and therefore they are excluded from competitive bidding pursuant to 18A:18A-5a(19); and

WHEREAS: the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to 18A:18A-5a(19), the Kronos Workforce Ready and UKG Ready with UKG KRONOS SYSTEMS LLC, 900 Chelmsford Street Lowell, MA 01851 for the 2026-2027 school year, at \$96,480 to be approved at the June 10th 2026 board meeting.

Resolution No. P-115

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District ("District") Human Resources has determined the need to procure Kronos Rental Annual Hardware Equipment Support Services UKG Data Collection InTouch and Depot Exchange with UKG KRONOS SYSTEMS LLC through the Omnia Master Agreement No. 24-6833, 900 Chelmsford Street Lowell, MA 01851; and

WHEREAS, Kronos has managed attendance and absence management for the District since 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 18A:18A-5a (19) the District is allowed to procure "support and maintenance of proprietary" goods and/or services by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids and bidding; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of services and/or software from UKG Kronos Systems LLC constitutes a proprietary purchase and therefore they are excluded from competitive bidding pursuant to 18A:18A-5a(19); and

WHEREAS: the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5 Year Strategic Plan Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to 18A:18A-5a(19), the Kronos Hardware Equipment Support Services with UKG KRONOS SYSTEMS LLC, 900 Chelmsford Street Lowell, MA 01851 for the 2026-2027 school year, at \$9,799.65 to be approved at the June 10th, 2026, board meeting.

Resolution No. G-116

WHEREAS, strengthening family and community partnerships to support Paterson Public Schools is Goal 4 of the District's five-year Strategic Plan for 2025-2030; and

WHEREAS, in December 2019, the District established a subsidiary nonprofit organization, called Fund for Paterson Public Schools (the "Fund"), for the purpose of facilitating public and private donations and grants intended to benefit the District and its

students, including through academic enrichment, extracurricular programming, and student scholarships; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Paterson (the "Board") is the sole member of the Fund, and approved its formation pursuant to Board Resolution #F-5, adopted January 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Fund is governed by its Board of Trustees in accordance with the Fund's By-Laws, adopted January 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to amend the By-Laws to update the governance structure of the Fund's Board of Trustees to reflect current practice and to provide greater clarity; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the Board desires to: (i) establish that the three standing Trustees of the Fund shall be the Superintendent, Business Administrator, and District Counsel of Paterson Public Schools, each serving ex officio by virtue of their position and without the need for election or separate appointment; (ii) clarify that any member of the Board of Education, if appointed by the Board of Education to serve as an additional, fourth Trustee of the Fund, may continue to serve as Trustee for so long as they continue to hold the office of Board Commissioner, and that, upon ceasing to hold that office for any reason, a vacancy shall exist in the fourth Trustee position, which may be filled by further resolution of the Board of Education; and (iii) make conforming updates to related provisions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves and adopts the Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Fund for Paterson Public Schools, in the form presented to the Board at this meeting.

Resolution No. G-117

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District (the "District") has current and emergent legal needs for which it requires outside counsel; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of legal services from outside counsel is exempt from advertising and bidding requirements under the "professional services" exception to the Public School Contracts Law in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(1); and

WHEREAS, the procurement of legal services from outside counsel serves the best interests of the District and its students; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Special Counsel for the District on the following amended list, pursuant to the terms of a Professional Service Agreement, for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027:

Law Firm Name	Partner Rate	Associate Rate	Paralegal Rate	Law Clerk Rate	Other Staff
Adams, Lattiboudere, Croot & Herman, LLC	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	
Antonelli, Kantor Rivera, P.C.	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	
Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy, P.C	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$110.00		

Biancamano & Di Stefano, P.C. (WC)	\$150.00	\$135.00	\$100.00		
Biancamano & Di Stefano, P.C. (GL)	\$160.00	\$150.00	\$100.00		
Buglione Hutton & DeYoe, LLC	\$160.00	\$120.00	\$90.00	\$85.00	\$75.00
Busch Law Group, LLC	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$85.00		
Charles A. Yuen, LLC	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$70.00		
Chiesa, Shahinian & Giantomasi PC	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00
Florio Kenney Raval	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	
Hunt, Hamlin & Ridley	\$160.00	\$150.00			
Robert E. Murray, LLC	\$160.00				
Scarinci Holleneck	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	
Shabazz & Woolridge Law Group	\$160.00	\$150.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Shah Law Group, LLC	\$160.00				
Taylor Law Group, LLC	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	
The Murray Law Firm, LLC	\$160.00				

NOT TO EXCEED \$800,000 ANNUALLY, PENDING BUDGET APPROVAL AND THE AVAILABILITY AND ALLOCATION OF ADEQUATE FUNDING UNDER THE 2026-2027 BUDGET

Resolution No. G-118

WHEREAS, ensuring operational effectiveness and stability is Goal 3 of the District's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the District currently occupies the premises located at 764-804 11th Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey, known as Block 8208, Lot 2, which is currently being used and occupied by STEAM High School; and

WHEREAS, the District previously leased the premises from the New Jersey Schools Development Authority pursuant to a lease agreement dated June 30, 2016, which expired on June 21, 2021, and the District has continued to occupy the premises thereafter as a holdover month-to-month tenant; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority has presented a renewal lease agreement allowing the District to continue occupying the premises for a term beginning May 1, 2026 and ending April 30, 2029, unless earlier terminated following issuance of a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy for the new STEAM High School facility; and

WHEREAS, STEAM High School will remain at the premises until the New Jersey Schools Development Authority completes construction of the new STEAM High School building, anticipated in 2029; and

WHEREAS, the renewal lease provides for base annual rent of \$1.00, with the District responsible for additional costs and obligations set forth in the lease, including utilities, services, taxes or assessments if imposed, insurance, repairs, and maintenance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Renewal Lease Agreement with the New Jersey Schools Development Authority for the premises located at 764-804 11th Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey, for the period

beginning May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2029, subject to the terms of the lease, and authorizes the Superintendent to take any and all action necessary to effectuate it.

Resolution No. G-119

WHEREAS, in April 2020, Governor Murphy signed A-3904 into law (P.L.2020, c.27, or "Chapter 27"), this law provides for the continuity of instruction in the event of a public-health related district closure so that LEAS can utilize virtual or remote instruction to satisfy the 180-day requirement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9.); and

WHEREAS, each Chief School Administrator or Lead Person must submit the LEA's Plan for the 2026-2027 school year, approved by their district board of education; and

WHEREAS, in response to this order the Paterson School District is submitting the Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the district's submission of the 2026-2027 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan in compliance with P.L.2020, c.27.

Resolution No. I&P-120

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need to comply with the New Jersey purchasing laws for obtaining the most competitive and responsive bid for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator determined that the District has a need for Assorted English Textbooks, PPS-134 27 for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028- school years and provided the specifications for this formal public bid process; and

WHEREAS, ten (10) vendors were mailed/e-mailed bid specifications (the list is available for review in the Purchasing Department), of which one (1) responded to the district's solicitation; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in the Bergen Record and the North Jersey Herald News on May 8th, 2026, and was posted on the district website. (1) sealed bids were opened and read aloud, via livestream Zoom, on May 22nd, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the 5-year Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal Area #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; and

WHEREAS, as per the attached bid summary, the Department of Purchasing recommends that the bid for Assorted English Textbooks PPS-134-27 be awarded to the following vendor for the 2026 2027 and 2027-2028 school years: Benchmark Education 145 Huguenot street, 8th floor New Rochelle, NY 10801; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools supports the above-mentioned recommendation that Benchmark Education be awarded a contract for Assorted English Textbooks, PPS-134-27, for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years at an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 annually pending budget approval.

Resolution No. I&P-121

WHEREAS increasing student achievement through effective academic program is Goal I of Priority 1 of the Strategic Plan for Paterson Public Schools and creating and sustain partnerships with community organizations, agencies and institutions is Goal 3 of Priority 3; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education approves to accept grant funding for a grant entitled Consolidated Adult Basic Skills and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education for the purpose described in the application for an anticipated amount of \$1,198,473 for the consortium; and

WHEREAS the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development approved the Paterson Public School District's Application for continuation of funding for July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027, school year; and

WHEREAS there is a matching funds requirement in the minimum amount of \$391,161 that has already been identified within the local adult account funds in FT salaries and benefits; and

WHEREAS the Assistant Superintendent for School Administration will be responsible for the district complying with the terms and conditions of the grant and will make every effort to target grant funds for the academic advancement and achievement of the students and expend the funds in the most effective and efficient manner; now

BE IT RESOLVED that the Paterson Public Schools accept funding from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development to operate the program entitled Consolidated Adult Basic Skills and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education at the Paterson Adult & Continuing Education for the project period from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, in the anticipated amount of \$1,198,473.

Resolution No. I&P-122

WHEREAS, the Board of Education accepts funding from the Passaic County Workforce Development Board (WDB) to operate a New Jersey Youth Corps for the anticipated amount of \$290,000 for the 2026-2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, increasing student achievement through effective academic program is Goal 1 of Priority 1 of the Strategic Plan for Paterson Public Schools and creating and sustain partnerships with community organizations, agencies and institutions is Goal 3 of Priority 3; and

WHEREAS, the Passaic County Workforce Development Board (WDB) approved the Paterson Public School District's Application for Funding for July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Adult School is currently operating the New Jersey Youth Corps program with supplemental funding from the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 in order to assist young adults (ages 16-25) who have dropped

out of High School in successfully transitioning to employment, college, or additional training by obtaining a state- issued high school diploma, by receiving career counseling and employability skills instruction and by engaging in meaningful community service activities; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Adult School wishes to continue operating a Program for Youth in conjunction with the New Jersey Youth Corps program; and

WHEREAS, there are no matching fund requirements within this grant; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Superintendent for School Administration will be responsible for the district complying with the terms and conditions of the grant and will make every effort to target grant funds for the academic advancement and achievement of the students and expend the funds in the most effective and efficient manner; now

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public Schools accept a contract for funding from the Workforce Development Board of Passaic County to operate a WIA New Jersey Youth Corps Program at the Paterson Adult School for the project period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 for the anticipated amount of \$290,000.

Resolution No. I&P-123

WHEREAS the Paterson Public School Adult School program accepts funding from the Passaic County Workforce Development Board (WID) for a grant entitled Workfirst New Jersey TANF/GA/SNAP Program and has issued a solicitation to the Paterson Public School District's Paterson Adult School as a provider of adult services in the amount of \$286,000 for the period starting October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Program is a competitive grant made possible under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, and is administered by Passaic County Workforce Development Board (WID); and

WHEREAS there is a matching funds requirement in the minimum amount of \$70,201 that has been identified within the Consolidated Adult Basic Skills and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education Grant; and

WHEREAS, Priority 1, effective academic programs include high quality teachers extending learning opportunities to increase student achievement in the areas of mathematics, language arts, science, social studies, and technology with career and life skills attainment; and

WHEREAS the Assistant Superintendent for School Administration will be responsible for the district complying with the terms and conditions of the grant and will make every effort to target grant funds for the academic advancement and achievement of the students and expend the funds in the most effective and efficient manner; now

BE IT RESOLVED that permission is granted to the Paterson Adult School to respond to the RFP from the Passaic County Workforce Development Board (WID), to operate a General Assistance and TANF Programs for the WorkFirst New Jersey Program under the Consolidated Adult Basic Skills and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education Program for the project period from October 1, 2026, to September 30, 2027, in the amount of \$286,000.

Resolution No. I&P-124

WHEREAS, the Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) Grant supports the Paterson Public Schools Strategic Plan, "Learning Today; Leading Tomorrow," and prioritizes advancing instructional excellence, strengthening family and community partnerships, and ensuring equitable access to high-quality learning opportunities that support the holistic development of every student; and

WHEREAS, the 21st CCLC Program is a federally funded program out of NJ DOE Title IV, Part B of ESSA funds and Paterson Public Schools received the competitive grant award in 2022 for funding for five years, and is set to end August 2027. Paterson Public Schools will be applying to continue the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant for year 5 of 5; and

WHEREAS, 21st CCLC Programs provide the opportunity for students to participate in academic remediation; academic enrichment; positive youth development; cultural and arts; and health, nutrition and physical activity along with parent engagement activities and field trips through extending the school day for participating students until 6 pm and school year for participating students by four weeks; and

WHEREAS, Paterson Public Schools will submit an application for continuation for 2026-2027 for School #2 and School #16 to service approximately 151 students and receive funding up to \$475,000 per year in grant funding with a match in local funds of the existing program manager salary and benefits and additional in-kind services to be determined; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the intent to apply for the Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers, Competitive Grant for funding for after school program for School #2 and School #16 for up to \$475,000 with a required match.

Resolution No. I&P-125

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for FULL SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (FSCS) MEDICAL SERVICES, RFP-492-27 for the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News on April 24, 2026. Sealed proposal was opened and read aloud on May 19, 2026 at 11:00 am in the Conference Room, 4th floor, 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, RFP specifications were e-mailed to forty-five (45) potential vendors. Two (2) sealed proposals were received, opened and read aloud May 19, 2026, at 11:00 am by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to HEALTH N WELLNESS SERVICES LLC, for FULL SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (FSCS) MEDICAL SERVICES, RFP-492-27, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan "Learning Today; Leading Tomorrow," and prioritizes advancing instructional excellence, strengthening family and community partnerships, and ensuring equitable access to high-quality learning opportunities that support the holistic development of every student; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for FULL SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (FSCS) MEDICAL SERVICES, RFP-492-27 to HEALTH N WELLNESS SERVICES LLC during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029 school year(s), at a cost not to exceed \$834,000.

Resolution No. I&P-126

WHEREAS, maintaining efficient and responsive communications and connections are goal area 3 of the 2024-2029 Strategic Plan for the Paterson Public School District ("District"); and

WHEREAS, Public Consulting Group, LLC. ("PCG") offers Internet-based tools for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act of 1997 and applicable State laws concerning the provision of special education and related services; and

WHEREAS, the District has previously used the tools offered by PCG, and wishes to continue doing so for the 2025-2026 school year pursuant to a written agreement between the parties; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined to acquire such services through a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, and without public advertising for bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(19) (software exception); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the District approves this agreement with Public Consulting Group, LLC, accepts the terms and conditions as written, and formally authorizes all action to effectuate same during the annual cost not to exceed \$171,414.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

EDPlan database software

Resolution No. O-127

WHEREAS, the implementing and documenting for the second bus evacuation drills for students that do not use transportation, will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27-11.2) School Bus emergency evacuation drills must be conducted once a year for all students that do not use transportation; and

WHEREAS, the attached list of Paterson District Schools where Paterson Resident students attend, have completed the yearly bus evacuation for students that do not use transportation; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Board of Education approving and documenting school bus evacuation drills for the 2025-2026 school year; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to document, school bus evacuation drills for the 2025-2026 school year, pursuant to the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27-11.2) where, School Bus emergency evacuation drills must be conducted once a year for all other students that do not use transportation.

*See attached list

Resolution No. O-128

WHEREAS, the implementing and documenting for the second school bus evacuation drills, will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27-11.2) School Bus emergency evacuation drills must be conducted twice each school year; and

WHEREAS, the attached list of Paterson District Schools where Paterson Resident students attend, have completed the second mandated school bus evacuation drills; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Board of Education approving and documenting school bus evacuation drills for the 2025-2026 school year; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to document, school bus evacuation drills for the 2025-2026 school year, pursuant to the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27-11.2) where, School Bus emergency evacuation drills must be conducted twice each school year.

*See attached list

Resolution No. O-129

WHEREAS, approving the following route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for Paterson pupils to out of district special needs/regular education programs and to various other in district schools for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has agreed to jointure with various Educational Services Commission throughout the New Jersey and the District agrees to the terms of the contract for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Superintendent approving the following jointure contract for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY with the Commissions listed, as follows:

Camden County Educational Serv Comm	Educational Services Commission of NJ	Educational Serv Commission of Morris County
Northern Region Educational Serv Comm	Monmouth-Ocean Educational Serv Comm	Somerset County Education Serv Comm
South Bergen Jointure Commission	Sussex County Regional Trans. Coop	Union County Educational Serv Comm
Gloucester County Special Service School District		Cumberland County Regional Coop
Burlington County Special Services	Philipsburg Board of Education	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to jointure with various Educational Services Commissions throughout New Jersey, to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and out of the district for regular and special needs pupils for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY, shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent.

Special Education Account # 110002705186850000000000	\$ 375,000.00 Estimated
Management Fee Account #110002703506850000000000	\$ 30,000.00 Estimated
<u>Estimated</u> cost for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY	\$ 405,000.00 PENDING

BUDGET APPROVAL

Resolution No. O-130

WHEREAS, approving the following route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for Paterson pupils to out of district special needs/regular education programs and to various other in district schools for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has agreed to jointure with various School Districts throughout the New Jersey and the District agrees to the terms of the contract for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Superintendent approving the following jointure contract for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY with the School Districts listed, as follows:

Haledon Board of Education	PC Manchester Regional High School	Lenape Regional High School
Vineland Board of Education	Rancocas Valley Regional High School	Delsea Regional School District
Englewood Board of Education	Hawthorne Board of Education	Morris School District
Prospect Park Board of Education	Waterford Township School District	Willingboro Township Public Schools
Newark Public Schools	Sparta Township Public School	Midland Park Public School
Neptune Township School District	YCS Kilbarchan	NJ Department of Children & Families – Office of Education

Jackson Township School District	Midland Park Public Schools	Hammonton Board of Education
Passaic Board of Education	Clifton Board of Education	Winslow Township
Andover Regional	Greater Egg Harbor Regional H.S.	Haddonfield School District
Moorestown Township Public Schools	Cherry Hill Public Schools	Wayne Township Public Schools
Sommerville Public Schools	Branchburg Township School District	River Edge School District-Region V Council for Special Education
Garfield Public Schools		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to jointure with various School Districts throughout New Jersey, to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and out of the district for regular and special needs pupils for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY, shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent.

Special Education Account # 110002705186850000000000

\$ 375,000.00 Estimated

Estimated cost for the 2026 ESY and 2026-2027 SY

\$ 375,000.00 PENDING

BUDGET APPROVAL

Resolution No. O-131

WHEREAS, approving the following route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for Paterson pupils to district schools and to various out of district schools for the 2026-2027 school year and extended school year, and

WHEREAS, current contracts shall be renewed at 0% for the 2026-2027 school year and extended school year, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Superintendent in renewing the following contracts for the 2026-2027 school year and extended year with 0% as follows:

Route #	Destination	Per Diem Cost	# days	Total Cost
SEE ATTACHED LIST				

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution to renew current contracts at 0%, with attached vendors, shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent and is being provided to the Board for advisory purposes.

Special Education Account # 110002705146850000000000	\$ 7,719,078.72
Regular Education Account #110002705116850000000000	<u>\$2,177,290.00</u>
Total	\$9,196,368.72

Resolution No. O-132

WHEREAS, approving the following quoted routes for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for the 2025-2026 school year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Superintendent supports the Department of Transportation recommendation in awarding the route to the lowest quote submitted for the transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded this contract, has complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution, to provide quoted transportation to the routes listed below that are in district and out of district students. This shall take effect for the 2025-2026 school year with the ratification of the Board of Education.

Contractor	School	Route #	Per Diem Cost	# of Days	Total Cost
Almarino Transportation	High Point School of Bergen County	HIGHPSQ	\$385.00	23	\$ 8,855.00
American Star Transportation, LLC	School 8	MCV33Q	\$339.00	31	\$10,509.00
CA Transportation LLC	School 28, School 4, School 18	MCV36Q	\$298.00	31	\$ 9,238.00
					TOTAL \$28,602.00

Resolution No. O-133

WHEREAS, approving the following route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for Paterson pupils to out of district special needs/regular education programs and to various other in district schools for the 2026-2027 SY, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has agreed to a joint agreement with River Edge School District-Region V Council for Special Education District and the District agrees to the terms of the contract for the 2026-2027 SY, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Superintendent approving the following jointure contract for the 2026-2027 SY with the Commissions listed, as follows:

River Edge School District-
Region V Council for
Special Education

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to jointure with River Edge School District-Region V Council for Special Education and to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and out of the district for regular and special needs pupils for the 2026-2027 SY, shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent.

Special Education Account # 110002705156850000000000	\$ 22,905.00
Cost for 2026-2027 SY	\$ 22,905.00

Resolution No. O-134

WHEREAS, approving the following route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for Paterson pupils to out of district special needs/regular education programs and to various other in district schools for the 2025-2026 SY, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has agreed to a joint agreement with River Edge School District-Region V Council for Special Education District and the District agrees to the terms of the contract for the 2025-2026 SY, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Superintendent approving the following jointure contract for the 2025-2026 SY with the Commissions listed, as follows:

River Edge School District-
Region V Council for Special
Education

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to jointure with River Edge School District-Region V Council for Special Education and to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and out of the district for regular and special needs pupils for the 2025-2026 SY, shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent.

Special Education Account # 110002705156850000000000	\$ 5,500.00
Cost for 2025-2026 SY	\$ 5,500.00

Resolution No. O-135

WHEREAS, approving the following route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 3, ensuring operational effectiveness and fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for Paterson pupils to out of district special needs/regular education programs and to various other district schools for the 2024-2025 SY, and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has agreed to jointure with Northern Region Educational Services Commission throughout the New Jersey and the District agrees to the terms of the contract for the 2024-2025 SY, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Public School District ratifies the action of the Superintendent approving the following jointure contract for 2024-2025 SY with the Commission listed below, as follow:

Philipsburg Board of Education

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded renewal of these contracts have complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, to jointure with Northern Region Educational Services Commission throughout New Jersey, to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and an out of the district for regular and special needs pupils for the 2024-2025 SY, shall take effect with the approval signature of the Superintendent.

Contractor	School	Route #	Total Per diem Cost	# of Days	Total Cost
SEE ATTACHED LIST					
Special Education Account #110002705186850000000000				\$ 19,214.42	
Cost for the 2024-2025 SY				\$ 19,214.42	

Resolution No. O-136

WHEREAS, ratifying the addendum to add an additional aide for the route listed below needed providing transportation for a student out of Paterson from in district and out of

district for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 1, increasing accountability for performance; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified vendors adding an additional aides for the route listed below providing transportation for a student out of Paterson for the remainder of the 2025-2026 extended school year and school year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Superintendent supports the Department of Transportation's recommendation an additional aide, the route is granted to the lowest quote that was submitted for the transportation of special needs students; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded this contract, has complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution is to ratify an additional aide for the route listed below providing transportation for a student outside of Paterson for the remainder of the 2025-2026 extended school year and school year. This shall take effect with the ratification of the Board of Education.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Route #</u>	<u>Additional Day Cost</u>	<u># of Days</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Jersey Kids Transportation	School 20	PS20A3	\$50	19	\$950.00
					TOTAL \$950.00

Resolution No. O-137

WHEREAS, approving the following quoted route for student transportation service will support Priority 4, efficient and responsive operation Goal 1, increasing accountability for performance; and

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District has identified a need to provide transportation for the 2025-2026 school year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Superintendent supports the Department of Transportation recommendation in awarding the route to the lowest quote submitted for the transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the vendor has been notified that no goods or services will be provided to the District without first receiving a fully executed purchase order; and that the terms on the purchase will be honored completely; if the vendor does not agree with the terms on the purchase order, the vendor will not provide any goods or services to the District until such time a new purchase order is completed and delivered with terms the vendor will honor; and the vendor being awarded this contract, has complied with all Affirmative Action requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution, to provide quoted transportation to the route listed below that are in district students for a field trip to Citi Field. This shall take effect for the 2025-2026 school year with the ratification of the Board of Education.

Contractor	Trip	Route #	Per Diem Cost	# of Days	Total Cost
Castro School Trans, Inc.	Citi Field	16METSWQ	\$500.00	1	\$500.00
TOTAL					\$500.00

Resolution No. F-138

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan- Goal 4: Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships-Indicator: Ensuring the needs of the whole needs of the whole child (social, emotional, academic and physical) are met. and the Department of Guidance and Counseling has aligned its programs to meet this priority; and

WHEREAS, Pinebrook Jewish Center is donating \$3,600 to (3) high school seniors for the 2026 cohort who are pursuing a 4-year college, and the scholarship funds will be distributed to students during the 2026-2027 school year, to offset the cost of post-secondary plans; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Paterson Board of Education approves the acceptance of a scholarship check, in the amount of \$3,600 from Pinebrook Jewish Center for students at no cost to the district.

Resolution No. P-139

WHEREAS, in regard to the District's needs for the year commencing July 1, 2026 the District's health insurance broker Fairview Insurance Agency has solicited and obtained proposals for dental insurance - Fixed Copay Plan (560 enrolled) from various insurance carriers pursuant to a request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of dental insurance without competitive bidding is authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(10), subject to compliance with its requirements; and

WHEREAS, the District requested the evaluation be conducted based on a fiscal year effective July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has reported to the District that proposals were submitted from carriers identified as Delta Dental of New Jersey, Mutual of Omaha, SunLife, UHC, Unum, Guardian and MetLife; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has evaluated the proposals submitted; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has provided guidance to the District for the consideration of the alternatives; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has provided the District with the following information regarding the District's costs relating to a one-year Delta Dental agreement for its Fixed Copay plans, effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. The estimated annual premium expense for the Flagship plans will be \$352,828 based on 560 enrolled employees; the District's premium includes commission or compensation to Fairview Insurance in the amount of 3% of premium or approximately \$10,584.84 annually; and

WHEREAS, Delta Dental (Fixed Copay Plans) is the current provider to the district of dental insurance, with a contract in place until June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has recommended that the District accept the one-year proposal for the fixed copay plans from Delta Dental given its costs and the alternatives and the District's prior acceptable experience with Delta Dental Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District is authorized by the Board to enter into a one-year (flagship) and three-years (PPO) contracts effective July 1, 2026 with Delta Dental Fixed Copay Plan on the terms identified above provided that the precise form of the entire contract is provided promptly by Delta Dental to the District and submitted to the District's counsel for prior review, and that Delta Dental meets all contracting requirements imposed by law.

Resolution No. P-140

WHEREAS, in regard to the District's need for stop loss insurance coverage for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2026 the District's health insurance broker FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY has solicited proposals from sixteen carriers and obtained stop loss insurance policy proposal from one stop loss insurance carriers pursuant to a request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY has reported that proposals were submitted from stop loss carrier identified as SunLife; and

WHEREAS, FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY has evaluated the submitted stop loss insurance policy proposals and determined that the renewal proposal submitted by the district's current (2025-2026) carrier SunLife presented the best financial terms for the District and has provided guidance to the District for consideration; and

WHEREAS, FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY has provided the District with the following information regarding the Sun Life proposal for the plan year 7/1/2026 through 6/30/2027: Sun Life will provide specific and aggregate stop loss coverage for eligible claims incurred from July 1, 2019 and paid from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, Sun Life's specific coverage will provide unlimited reimbursement for all eligible member specific claims in excess of \$500,000, Sun Life will include aggregate coverage protecting Paterson Public Schools from catastrophic loss for all covered members in excess of an estimated maximum eligible claim expense of \$171,335,492 (based on 2,975 enrolled employees) This is the minimum aggregate amount that must be funded by Paterson before any aggregate reimbursement is paid); and

WHEREAS under the Sun Life proposal eligible claims less than \$500,000 accumulate toward the aggregate, with rebate refunds received from Sun Life reducing the claims (dollar for dollar) accumulating toward the aggregate; and

WHEREAS under the Sun Life proposal the aggregate reimbursement coverage for the District is limited to \$1,000,000; and

WHEREAS under the Sun Life proposal the District's expected eligible claim costs as calculated by Sun Life are projected at \$137,859,241 under the self-funded program; and

WHEREAS under the Sun Life proposal the premium to be paid to Sun Life would vary by the number of covered participants and is estimated by Sun Life estimated at \$6,622,950 for the plan year based on an expected 2,975 covered employees, and this is a projected fixed cost increase of approximately 24.5% over the current premium; and

WHEREAS under the Sun Life proposal the premium to be paid to Sun Life includes a commission to FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY in the amount of 15% or \$993,442 for the 2026-2027 plan year for the expected 2,975 covered employees for the year and the 15% commission is the same percentage as all other proposals received; and

WHEREAS the 15% commission to FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY will also in significant part fund FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY' program-related services to the District through the year including claim monitoring and projection, comprehensive and professional financial analysis, administration assistance, compliance, consulting, market analysis, communication, and participant advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the self-insurance health plan proposals which are being considered by the Board for the year require consideration and evaluation of independent "stop loss" insurance for the prudent reduction of risk to the Board, where possible; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(10) provides that insurance may be purchased as authorized by resolution at a public meeting and without public advertising for bids if the services are "Insurance, including the purchase of insurance coverage and consultant services, which exception shall be in accordance with the requirements for extraordinary unspecifiable services"; and

WHEREAS, the SunLife stop loss insurance policy proposal has been evaluated by FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY and reduces risk to the District; and

WHEREAS, the Sun Life stop loss insurance policy proposal qualifies as "insurance" which may be purchased under the requirements and authority provided by N.J.S.A. 18A:18A- 5(a)(10); and

WHEREAS, FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY has recommended the purchase of the SunLife stop loss insurance policy effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the District purchasing agent, upon approval of the form of policy by FAIRVIEW INSURANCE AGENCY and the District's counsel, is authorized to complete the purchase the Sun Life stop loss insurance policy for an expected premium of \$6,622,950 (ratably adjustable based on the number of actual participating employees).

Resolution No. P-141

WHEREAS, in regard to the District's needs for the year commencing July 1, 2026 the District's health insurance broker Fairview Insurance has solicited and obtained proposals for vision from various insurance carriers pursuant to a request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of vision insurance without competitive bidding is authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(10), subject to compliance with its requirements; and

WHEREAS, the District requested the evaluation be conducted based on a fiscal year effective July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has reported to the District that proposals were submitted from carriers identified as Vision Service Plan, Guardian, Unum, SunLife, UHC, Delta Dental, Humana, MetLife; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has evaluated the proposals submitted; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has provided guidance to the District for the consideration of the alternatives; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has provided the District with the following information regarding the District's costs relating to the Vision Service Plan Agreement, effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029: Vision Service Plan's insured premium will remain unchanged based on all plans currently offered; estimated annual premium expense will be \$311,963 based on 2,982 employees enrolled; the District's premium includes commission or compensation to Fairview Insurance in the amount of 0% of premium or approximately \$0 annually; and

WHEREAS, the Vision Service Plan is the District's current plan, under a contract ending June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Insurance has recommended that the District accept the three-year proposal from Vision Service Plan given its costs and the alternatives and the District's prior acceptable experience with Vision Service Plan; and

WHEREAS, the precise form of the Vision Service Plan proposed three-year agreement effective July 1, 2026 has not yet been provided for review by the District; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District is authorized by the Board to enter into a three-year contract effective July 1, 2026 with Vision Service Plan on the terms identified above, provided that the precise form of the entire contract is provided promptly by Vision Service Plan to the District and submitted to the District's counsel for prior review, and that Vision Service Plan meets all contracting requirements imposed by law. Approved at the June 10, 2026 Board Meeting.

Resolution No. I&P-142

WHEREAS, the District's priority under the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan is to promote student-centered teaching and learning, and the Department of Special Education is aligned its programs to meet this priority; and

WHEREAS, the District is required to provide a free, appropriate public education for all students, including special education services and placements that are tailored to the unique needs of students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, students whose Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) warrant out-of-district placement are entitled to attend receiving schools free of charge, at the District's expense, pursuant to a written contract concerning the tuition charges, costs, terms, conditions, services and programs to be provided for each student; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following tuition contracts with out-of-district schools for students with disabilities, effective January 20, 2026 through June 30, 2026 at an annual cost not to exceed the amounts listed:

School Name	RSY, ESY, or 1:1	# of Students	# Days	Per Diem Rate	Req #	Acct. #	Total Tuition Not to Exceed
BCSS-DF 5249011	1.1	1	44	\$300.35	5694	11 000 100 565	\$13,215.40

						657	
E. Mountain - KS 5220913	RSY	1	98	\$389.65	5695	11 000 100 566 657	\$38,185.70
FEDCAP - JPR 5222086	RSY	1	22	\$499.00	5696	11 000 100 566 657	\$10,978.00
						Total	\$62,379.10

Resolution No. I&P-143

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public Schools: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow Strategic Plan 2025-2030, Goal 4: Strengthen Family and Community Partnerships focuses on expanding engagement and collaboration with community organizations to create inclusive, supportive, and equitable learning environments; and

WHEREAS, dance education is an integral part of students' academic and personal development; and

WHEREAS, the Inner City Ensemble has previously been approved to partner with Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts and Maria Magda O'Keefe School's Fine & Performing Arts program to develop students' skills in creation and performance in alignment with the NJSLS - VPA (12-10-2025, I&P-29 and 4-15-2026, I&P-6); and

WHEREAS, the Inner City Ensemble has received funding from St. Paul's Community Development Corporation to reestablish its Summer Arts Program; and

WHEREAS, Maria Magda O'Keefe School's Fine & Performing Arts Program seeks to continue work with community partners such as Inner City Ensemble to provide students with extended learning opportunities in the arts; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the Inner City Ensemble holding its Free Summer 2026 Dance & Theatre Program at Maria Magda O'Keefe School, effective 7/6/2026 through 8/3/2026, AT NO COST TO THE DISTRICT.

Resolution No. O-144

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2007, the State of New Jersey adopted P.L.2007, c.53, *An Act Concerning School District Accountability*, also known as Assembly Bill 5 (A5), and

WHEREAS, Bill A5, N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12(3)f, requires that conferences/workshops have prior approval by a majority of the full voting membership of the board of education, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12(2)s, an employee or member of the board of education who travels in violation of the school district's policy or this section shall be required to reimburse the school district in an amount equal to three times the cost associated with attending the event, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves attendance at conferences/workshops for the dates and amounts listed for staff members and/or Board members on the attached and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that final authorization for attendance at conferences/workshops will be confirmed at the time a purchase order is issued.

CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP REQUESTS

STAFF MEMBER	CONFERENCE	DATE	AMOUNT
*Sakena Thompson	NJSACC Soaring Beyond Expectations	June 3, 2026	\$126.82 (registration, transportation)
Program Manager/FSCS	Monroe Township, NJ		
Patricia Anthony	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
ELA Teacher/Rosa Parks H.S.	Princeton, NJ		
Elizabeth Caccavella	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Director of STEAM Education	Princeton, NJ		
LaKisha Kincherlow-Warren	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Supervisor of Science/Academic Services	Princeton, NJ		
Bettina Peets	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Teacher Coordinator/Rosa Parks H.S.	Princeton, NJ		
Dr. Hafiz Saleem	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Supervisor of Instructional Technology/ Academic Services	Princeton, NJ		
David Scala	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Pathway Associate Supervisor/ Academic Services	Princeton, NJ		
Diana Slopey	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Supervisor of Mathematics/Academic Services	Princeton, NJ		
Michelle Van Hoven	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Supervisor of Fine & Performing Arts	Princeton, NJ		
Lauren Sander-Wells	Arts Integration Leadership Institute/FEA, NJPSA	July 7-9, 2026	\$100.00 (registration)
Vocal Music Teacher/Rosa Parks H.S.	Princeton, NJ		
Kenneth L. Simmons	MRA InterNETworking 2026 Conference	July 15-17, 2026	\$1,222.30 (transportation, lodging, meals)
Board Member	Long Branch, NJ		
Dr. Yelena Gould	Path to Schoolwide/AVID	July 27-28, 2026	\$699.00 (registration)
Vice Principal/Joseph A. Taub School	North Brunswick, NJ		
Nahed Badawy	NJSBA Annual Workshop	October 19-22, 2026	\$1,016.64 (transportation, lodging, meals)
Assistant Superintendent	Atlantic City, NJ		
Dr. David Cozart	NJSBA Annual Workshop	October 19-22, 2026	\$1,004.20 (transportation, lodging, meals)
Assistant Superintendent	Atlantic City, NJ		

***FOR RATIFICATION**

Total Number of Conferences: 14
Total Cost: \$4,968.96

Resolution No. G-145

WHEREAS, the Paterson Board of Education administers certain self-insured health plans for the benefit of eligible employees and their dependents (the "Health Plans"); and

WHEREAS, the District, through its review of administration and claims processing activities, identified certain claims-processing issues that resulted in financial losses to the Health Plans; and

WHEREAS, following discussions and negotiations with Aetna Meritain Health, the parties have reached a proposed settlement pursuant to which Meritain Health, Inc. will reimburse the District in the approximate amount of \$3.77 million; and

WHEREAS, the Board Attorney has reviewed the proposed Settlement and Release Agreement, including its release, confidentiality, and related provisions, and has determined that the proposed settlement is fair, reasonable, and in the best interests of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize execution of the Settlement and Release Agreement and all related documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education hereby approves the Settlement and Release Agreement between Paterson Public Schools and Meritain Health, and authorizes the Superintendent, and/or her designees to execute the agreement and any ancillary documents necessary to implement the settlement.

Resolution No. G-146

WHEREAS, Center for Designing Learning ("CDL") filed suit against the Paterson Board of Education alleging breach of contract related to instructional support services provided at Eastside High School; and

WHEREAS, the District denies liability but recognizes the cost and uncertainty of continued litigation, including defense costs not covered by insurance; and

WHEREAS, following mediation, the parties agreed to resolve the matter for Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in exchange for a full release of claims; and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Board Attorney recommend approval of the settlement as being in the best interests of the District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the settlement with Center for Designing Learning in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), in exchange for a full release of claims and dismissal of the litigation, and authorizes the Superintendent, and/or her designees to execute the agreement and any ancillary documents necessary to implement the settlement.

Resolution No. P-147

WHEREAS the Department of Special Education requires temporary staffing to cover workload, leave, or a short-term project; and

WHEREAS the duties are temporary in nature and are not expected to continue beyond two months; and

WHEREAS funds are available in the current budget to cover the cost of the temporary appointment; and

WHEREAS the Board has reviewed the need and finds that hiring a temporary employee is in the best interest of the School District.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the hiring of a temporary employee for the position of Semi Coordinator for a period not to exceed two months, beginning July 1, 2026 and ending August 31, 2026; and

RESOLVED that the temporary employee shall be compensated at a rate of \$325 per day for 23 days and not to exceed \$7950.00 during the appointment period; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Paterson Public Schools authorizes the hiring of a temporary office staff Maria Fenner to meet the needs of the district administrative offices for a period not to exceed 2 months, in the amount of not to exceed \$7950.00.

Maria Fenner 29G Steenykill Road Montague, NJ 07827

Resolution No. P-148

WHEREAS, the Paterson Public School District recognizes the need for obtaining the most competitive and responsive proposal for goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, on the Authorization of the Business Administrator the competitive contracting process NJSA 18A:18A-4.5, using the request for proposal (RFP) document was solicited for RFP-414-27, Third Party Claims Administration for the 2026-2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation was made by advertised public notice appearing in The Record and The Herald News and on the District website beginning on May 7, 2026. Sealed proposal was opened and read aloud on June 2, 2026 at 11:00 am in the Conference Room, 4th floor, 90 Delaware Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, Two (2) sealed proposals were received, opened and read aloud June 2, 2026, at 11:00 am by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee Members, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to Claims Resolution Corporation, 323 S. Pitney Road, Galloway, NJ 08205, RFP-414-27, pursuant to 18A:18A-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the district's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, Goal #3: Ensure Operational Effectiveness and Fiscal Stability; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paterson Board of Education approves the awarding of the contract for Third Party Claims Administration, RFP-414-27 to Claims Resolution Corporation during the 2026-2027 year(s).

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Nieves that Resolution Nos. 1 through 148 be adopted. On roll call all members voted as follows:

Comm. Freeman: I'm going to say yes to everything except I&P-19. I just need a little more information on this particular Brisk AI teaching tool. I'm going to say no to that.

Comm. Mendez: I will also say yes to everything but I&P-19. I need to know what level of automation that includes.

Comm. Nieves: Yes.

Comm. Rashid: Yes.

Comm. Rosado: Yes.

Comm. Simmons: No.

Comm. Teague: No.

Comm. Wilder: I, too, will be saying no to I&P-19 and yes to everything else.

Comm. Ramirez: Yes.

The motion carried, except I&P-19 which did not carry.

**Paterson Board of Education
Standing Abstentions**

Commissioner Valerie Freeman

- Self
- Family
- Paterson Cares, Inc.
- Paterson Community Health Center

Commissioner Alexander Mendez, Jr.

- Self
- Family
- Passaic County Board of Social Services

Commissioner Hector L. Nieves, Jr.

- Self
- City of Paterson

Commissioner Joel D. Ramirez

- Self
- City of Paterson
- Passaic County Community College

- State of New Jersey

Commissioner Mohammed H. Rashid

- Self
- City of Paterson

Commissioner Kenneth Rosado

- Self
- City Housing Authority
- City of Paterson
- Paterson Restoration Corp.

Commissioner Kenneth L. Simmons

- Self
- Family

Commissioner Corey L. Teague

- Self
- Paterson Police Department
- Paterson Policing

Commissioner Della Wilder

- Self
- City of Paterson
- Educational Staffing Solutions (ESS) -Substitute Teachers

Committee Reports

Facilities

Comm. Nieves: The facilities meeting was held on the 16th of this month. On that specific day we talked about the long range facilities plan along with the Roberto Clemente emergency declaration. We also spoke about the sale of 33-35 Church Street. There was an inquiry about DHA and its HVAC system.

Family and Community Engagement

Comm. Freeman: We met on Monday. We talked about parent conferences. I want to congratulate every parent who was recognized at the Parent of the Year breakfast. Thank you for staying involved. Thank you for continuing to help us help your children. The importance of staying involved shows what you saw tonight on the certificates and awards that these children received, but we also talked about holding a districtwide parent conference either in-house or out-of-state. We have to check different conferences that are going on throughout the country and the funding. If the funding is not available to go outside of the district and state, we have people here in this community who can give outstanding presentations on teaching the parents. I'm never going to stop saying this. The reason why the parents are not involved is because they don't understand and most parents are afraid to speak out. Most parents are afraid to say what's really on their mind. I sit on this Board as the chair of the Family & Community Engagement Committee, and I also know that the parents ultimately hold the power in this district. If you don't know how to move your power, there are people who can teach you how to do that. It's important that once you get involved you stay involved. It can't be when it's time to protest. You have to be involved constantly. We also talked about an end-of-year cookout. There will be one held here on the west side

and one on the east side. It's just to show you guys appreciation. Even though you think we're not listening, we do listen. Sometimes you don't want to hear the things that we say, but they're the things that you need to hear. It's a difference between wanting to hear what you want to hear and needing to hear what you need to hear. I'm going to challenge every parent in the district come September to get on your local school PTO and become involved. There is now way this district cannot be successful if we all collaborate together. Hard decisions have to be made and that's what we do. Do we like it? No, but we have to do what's responsible. I'm challenging every parent that's listening. Stop the Facebook stuff and get involved in person. There's absolutely no reason why this auditorium is empty after all I saw on Facebook all week. It is what it is. You get a good two weeks of rah-rah and then you're back to not saying anything or not caring until another situation comes up. That doesn't work for me. I need you involved and I need you to stay involved. I'm challenging you come September to join that PTO and get involved and stay involved. When your children see you involved, they will want to do better. We have tools and people here that can help you with anything that you don't understand. All you have to do is come out to the meetings and ask questions. We have to answer them. We can't run from you. I'll see you in September.

Policy

Comm. Rashid: There's no new policy. We will schedule a meeting pretty soon.

Technology

Comm. Simmons: Technology has not met. I'm pretty sure with all the projects that are going on we'll more than likely meet over the summer.

Other

Dr. Newell: I'd like Assistant Superintendent Joanna Tsimpedes to do an explanation. It seems folks are needing more information on I&P-19.

Ms. Tsimpedes: Good evening, Commissioners. Brisk AI is an instructional tool that teachers use in the classroom to help with scaffolding of lessons. With having so many variations of level learners in the classroom what we're able to do with Brisk AI is provide differentiated tests based on the student's Lexile Level. The students are able to start from their point of entry and continue to grow. Brisk AI is an instructional tool that is used in the classroom...(spoke off the microphone).

Dr. Henderson: Ms. Tsimpedes is spot on, but I also want to add that over the course of the last year and a half, almost two, small group instruction has been a focus for us. We're expecting for teachers to develop a lesson for small group instruction for every level of learner in their classroom. This assists teachers in doing that because we know that small group instruction is a way to accelerate achievement. When you teach to a student's level but are still progressing to the standard that allows students to catch up to their peers.

Dr. Newell: Thank you, Ms. Tsimpedes.

Comm. Ramirez: Any questions from the Commissioners?

OTHER BUSINESS

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Rashid that the Board approves a resolution to go into executive session on Monday, June 22, 2026, to conduct an evaluation summary conference with the Superintendent for the 2025-2026 school year. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Nieves that the Board goes into Executive Session to discuss issues that warrant confidentiality, as consistent with NJSA 10:4-12 for matters of Attorney/Client Privilege, Contracts, Legal, Litigation, Negotiations, Personnel and Student Matters. The minutes will be made available to the public upon request, when the confidentiality of the subject is no longer warranted. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

The Board went into executive session at 8:39 p.m.

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Nieves that the Board reconvenes the meeting. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Mr. Buglione: Good evening, your Honors and thank you so kindly. To members of the public, moments ago we entered into an executive session to discuss an update on a litigation matter. Now we've returned to the public session, and the purpose of this public session is for training of our Board pursuant to their ongoing obligations under the New Jersey Schools Ethics Act and the Code of Ethics for Board Members. We have been advised by our Policy Analyst Strauss Esmay that recent developments regarding ethics occurred in mid to late May of 2026 and this is our first public in-person meeting for June 2026. It was felt that it would be prudent for the Board to undertake this short ethical training video that was provided by our policy analyst.

Comm. Ramirez: Thank you, Mr. Buglione. If we turn to the Promethium Board, we will be able to see the training.

Video Presentation

Comm. Ramirez: If anyone has additional questions that do not necessitate us going into executive session, please contact Mr. Buglione as soon as possible to get an opinion. I would like to segue by reminding Board members that there are at least two of you who have not completed the Superintendent's evaluation. It was due on the 6th, but we have a few more days. Please. Thank you. I appreciate that.

Comm. Freeman: Mr. Buglione, is there any way that we can get a clearer understanding from NJSBA on what we just read? I don't know the reason we're watching this, but there's a reason. I know what it is. I know that I'm conflicted. I know that I cannot sit on the Superintendent's anything because I have family members in the district. I know that. Even when I vote on personnel recommendations, I am looking through that list with a fine-toothed comb because I don't want to vote yes and my sister or cousin is in there. Guess what? I've violated an ethics rule. I know what it is, but I feel like we need real clarity from the NJSBA whether you're conflicted or not once you explain your situation. I don't think there's any way around it because it's very clear – married, divorced, or married to the sister. It's real clear. If you want to chance doing it knowing that you're conflicted, then I can't stop you from doing that. It's a violation of

the ethics rules that we took an oath under. So if we can get that clear from the NJSBA, not somebody from wherever it happened, I need it from them. We listened and it's clear to me, but not to everybody. To be fair to all the Commissioners here, we have to get a definitive and clear definition on who's conflicted and who's not. If that can happen, I would really appreciate it. I don't want to see any of us come with ethics charges on us because we've done something that may not be lawful. Thank you.

Mr. Buglione: Good evening again. Absolutely, Comm. Freeman, we will coordinate with NJSBA tomorrow and ask for clarification and updates in light of this new issue that has been released by Strauss Esmay. We will circulate the response to the Board.

Comm. Ramirez: Any other questions or concerns? If you feel that you may be conflicted or have any doubts, please contact Mr. Buglione and he will give you a legal opinion.

Comm. Freeman: Before we close, I listened to the AI presentation that Ms. Tsimpedes gave us. Because I didn't know enough about it, I voted no. I want to make a motion to recall my vote on I&P-19. After hearing the definition and what it's for clearly...

Comm. Ramirez: Whoever motioned and seconded for adjournment has to take back their motion.

Comm. Wilder: I did. I'll take it back.

Comm. Ramirez: Okay, now Comm. Freeman is making a motion to reconsider I&P-19.

It was moved by Comm. Freeman, seconded by Comm. Wilder that Resolution No. I&P-19 be reconsidered. On roll call all members voted as follows:

Comm. Freeman: Yes.

Comm. Mendez: Now that I understand it's for aiding the classroom, I'm definitely in favor of helping teachers. My vote is yes.

Comm. Nieves: Yes.

Comm. Rashid: Yes.

Comm. Rosado: Yes.

Comm. Simmons: Yes.

Comm. Wilder: Yes.

Comm. Ramirez: Yes.

The motion carried.

Resolution No. I&P-19

WHEREAS, The Paterson Public Schools Strategic Plan, Goal Area #1: Advance instructional excellence by cultivating a high performing workforce; and

WHEREAS, the Brisk AI resource will provide teaching tools to assist teachers in the creation of materials, differentiation of instruction, inclusive of text leveling and translation access to over 40 languages, assist in the creation of family communication and provide standard aligned resources; and

WHEREAS, the Brisk AI resource will be made available to all instructional staff via an extension on their device; and

WHEREAS, the materials will assist in ensuring inclusivity in content delivery and in alignment with NJSLs; and

WHEREAS, According to 18A:18A-5(5), exceptions to requirement for advertising, any contract, the amount of which exceeds the bid threshold, shall be negotiated, and awarded by the board of education by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids and bidding for: Library and educational goods and services; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves purchasing Brisk AI for staff at a cost not to exceed \$80,500.00.

It was moved by Comm. Nieves, seconded by Comm. Mendez that Resolution No. I&P-19 be adopted. On roll call all members voted as follows:

Comm. Freeman: Yes.

Comm. Mendez: Yes.

Comm. Nieves: Yes.

Comm. Rashid: Yes.

Comm. Rosado: Yes.

Comm. Simmons: No.

Comm. Wilder: Yes.

Comm. Ramirez: Yes.

The motion carried.

Paterson Board of Education Standing Abstentions

Commissioner Valerie Freeman

- Self
- Family
- Paterson Cares, Inc.
- Paterson Community Health Center

Commissioner Alexander Mendez, Jr.

- Self
- Family
- Passaic County Board of Social Services

Commissioner Hector L. Nieves, Jr.

- Self
- City of Paterson

Commissioner Joel D. Ramirez

- Self
- City of Paterson
- Passaic County Community College
- State of New Jersey

Commissioner Mohammed H. Rashid

- Self
- City of Paterson

Commissioner Kenneth Rosado

- Self
- City Housing Authority
- City of Paterson
- Paterson Restoration Corp.

Commissioner Kenneth L. Simmons

- Self
- Family

Commissioner Corey L. Teague

- Self
- Paterson Police Department
- Paterson Policing

Commissioner Della Wilder

- Self
- City of Paterson
- Educational Staffing Solutions (ESS) -Substitute Teachers

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Comm. Mendez, seconded by Comm. Rashid that the meeting be adjourned. On roll call all members voted as follows:

Comm. Freeman: To the community, don't forget about the collaborations with the playgrounds and the upkeep. I put a call out to some of the schools to give us a wish list. Once they give us that wish list, we want to share it with the community in hopes that you will partner with the district and beautify our playgrounds. There's a beautiful garden on Halpine Street and North Second that our School No. 12 children take care of and they're in dire need of help. I'm asking for the community's help in making sure that they get the things they need from various businesses throughout the city. I haven't forgotten and I'm not going to let you forget either. My vote is yes.

Comm. Mendez: I would absolutely be remiss if I didn't take a moment to address the public. I know we all want to go home. I wanted to congratulate the class of 2026. This is especially momentous for me because my baby brother Daniel Mendez will be graduating in a few days from PCTI. He will be serving our marine corps in September. He will be down in South Carolina on Parris Island. I wanted to say thank you to my baby brother. You have a great head on your shoulders and a great future. He wants

to be an air traffic controller. I'm fully behind him on that. Good night, Paterson. My vote is yes.

Comm. Nieves: Yes.

Comm. Rashid: Yes.

Comm. Rosado: Yes.

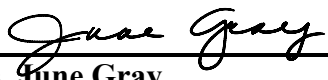
Comm. Simmons: Yes.

Comm. Wilder: I do want to say to the class of 2026, congratulations. I'm really excited for you in your new endeavors that you will be taking on. I would be remiss if I didn't say to the family of Ms. Di Martino that you have our deepest sympathy. She was an amazing person and teacher - one of my favorites at Eastside High School. To that family, you have my deepest condolences. My vote is yes.

Comm. Ramirez: Thank you, everyone. Thank you, Madam Superintendent. Thank you, Dr. Henderson. Thank you everyone who makes this possible. Thank you for another great year on the books. My vote is yes.

The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.



Ms. June Gray
Business Administrator/Board Secretary