LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
October 20, 2026
Long Beach Island Elementary School Gymnasium
Executive (Closed) Session 6:00 PM – Regular (Public) Session 6:30 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING

"This meeting is hereby called to order. Adequate and electronic notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. The notice has been posted in the Board of Education Office, Long Beach Island Elementary School building, and on the district website. The notice was also mailed to *The Press of Atlantic City* and *The Sandpaper,* and filed with the Municipal Clerks of Barnegat Light, Harvey Cedars, Surf City, Ship Bottom and Long Beach Township."

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Dr. Chung	Mrs. Hoffacker	Mr. Wright
Dr. Costello	Mrs. Linkewich	Ms. Hagler
Mr. Fluehr	Mrs. Raber	Mrs. Southwick

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
A. Student Report
B. NJSLA-A Performance Reports and Grade 3-6 Teacher Articulation Report

5. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

6. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

7. REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL - Student of the Month

8. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
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9. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

September 22, 2026: Regular and Closed Session

Minutes of the closed session meeting will be released to the public when the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

Motion:
Second:

Roll Call:			
	___Dr. Chung	___Mrs. Hoffacker	___Mr. Wright
	___Dr. Costello	___Mrs. Linkewich	___Ms. Hagler
	___Mr. Fluehr	___Mrs. Raber	___Mrs. Southwick

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Building/Grounds/Transportation/Finance: Colette Southwick
- Curriculum: Stephanie Chung
- PTA Liaison: Danielle Hagler

12. PERSONNEL

The Superintendent presents the following recommendations:

A. Stipend Positions

Motion to approve stipend/XCOMP positions for the 2026/2027 school year with approved timesheets:

- **After-School Academy**: 6 teachers, up to 12 days, 1 hour/day @ $55/hour: Lauren Rothstein
- **Academic Recovery**: up to 20 hours @ $55/hour: Lauren Rothstein
- **Yearbook Coordinators**: 2 teachers, up to 40 hours each @ $55/hour: Laureana Bautista

B. Substitute Personnel

Motion to approve the employment of substitute personnel for the 2026-2027 school year as listed below pending receipt of required paperwork and completion of required substitute orientation:

Christopher Moffitt	Teacher and Paraprofessional
Sarah Hazell	Paraprofessional

C. Salary Allocations

Motion to approve salary allocations from the FY 2026 ESSA Grant (Every Student Succeeds Act) as follows:

Grant	Name & Position	Total Salary	Grant Allocation	%
Title IV	Sal Colino, BSI	$101,124	$10,000	9.9%

Motion to approve Personnel items A-C:

Motion:
Second:

Roll Call:	___Dr. Chung	___Mrs. Hoffacker	___Mr. Wright
	___Dr. Costello	___Mrs. Linkewich	___Ms. Hagler
	___Mr. Fluehr	___Mrs. Raber	___Mrs. Southwick

13. BUILDING/GROUNDS/TRANSPORTATION/FINANCE

The Superintendent presents the following recommendations:

A. Financial Reports

1. Financial Reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education
   Motion to approve financial reports for the month of September 2026.

   a. Report of the Secretary dated September 30, 2026
   b. Report of the Treasurer dated September 30, 2026

2. Statement of Cash Balances
   Motion to accept the Statement of Cash Balances for the month of September 2026 which are reconciled with the Board Secretary's Reports by fund for that month.

3. SBA Certification
   Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4, I certify that as of September 2026 no budgetary line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b).

_____ _____, 2026
Meghan Lee, School Business Administrator

B. Transfers
Motion to approve the September 2026 transfer report.

C. Bills List
Motion to approve the October 2026 Bills List, totaling $774,619.85

D. Travel and Training
Motion to approve the following travel/training expenses.

Date	Name	Position	Workshop	Location	Cost
10/7/26	Amy Aurelio	Teacher	Atlanticare Steering Committee	Egg Harbor Twp, NJ	Mileage
10/13/26	Frank Birney	Principal	Technical Assistance Workshops for Preschool Expansion Aid (PEA)	Trenton, NJ	No cost
11/5/26 & 11/6/26	Suzanne Pukala	Custodian	NJEA Convention 2026	Atlantic City, NJ	No cost
12/1/26	Cathy McBride	Teacher	Every Learner Matters: Integrating Behavior Support into Classroom Management	Virtual	7 ETTC Credits

E. Field Trips
Motion to approve the following field trips:

Date	Grade	Destination	Teacher in Charge	Trip Objective	Cost
12/22/2026	Grades 1 & 2	SRHS	Esarey/Ferrer	SRHS Holiday Assembly	$121.81
3/18/2027	PreK	Jenkinson's Aquarium	Mulcahy	Practice using observation skills, asking questions, and describing what they see using descriptive language.	$587.72

TBD May 2027	Grade 4	Allaire State Park	Daly	Hands on experience for students to see an actual village built in the Colonial times. A great way to see the history of NJ. A guided tour is provided, as well as a guided ride on the Historic Railroad at Allaire.	$1,074.13
5/12/2027	Kindergarten	Storybook Land	Ramilo	Make real life connections to the nursery rhymes and storybooks that have been introduced during the 2026-2026 school year.	$1049.93
5/19/2027	Grade 2	Cape May Zoo	Ferrer/ Holloway	Observe animals in their natural habitat	$215.03
5/20/2027	Grade 1	Camden Aquarium	Kraus/ Esarey	Engaging, hands-on learning experience supporting classroom lessons on marine life, ecosystems, and environmental awareness.	$1145.64
6/1/2027	Grade 6	Great Adventure	Gosline	Culminate the students' final year as LBI students and create lasting memories with their peers before middle school	$3006.09
6/8/2027	Grade 5	LBI Foundation of Arts and Sciences	Kappy/ Townsend	Learn the nesting habits of the Osprey, and the importance of conservation and discover the history of the Barnegat Lighthouse.	$669.17
6/10/2027	Grade 6	Bayview Park	Gosline	Final Celebration	TBD

F. Capital Reserve Transfer

Motion to transfer $446,527.10 from the Capital Reserve Fund to the Capital Projects Fund, to be allocated toward the cost of architectural fees, construction project change orders, and construction testing and inspections.

Motion to approve Finance items A-F:

Motion:

Second:

Roll Call:	___Dr. Chung	___Mrs. Hoffacker	___Mr. Wright
	___Dr. Costello	___Mrs. Linkewich	___Ms. Hagler
	___Mr. Fluehr	___Mrs. Raber	___Mrs. Southwick

14. ANNUAL APPROVALS/CONTRACTS

The Superintendent presents the following recommendations:

A. Bus Evacuation Drills 2026-2027
Be it Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education acknowledges the completion of the first of two of the required School Bus Evacuation Drills for the 2026-2027 school year on October 1, 2026. New Jersey Administrative Code 6:21-11.3 requires two school bus evacuation drills yearly.

B. School Safety and Security Plan
Motion to approve the Long Beach Island School District 2026-2027 Safety and Security Plan as presented.

C. Nursing Services Plan
Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Long Beach Island School District Nursing Services Plan.

D. Uniform Memorandum of Agreement
Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials.

E. Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act Self-Assessment 2025-2026
Motion to approve the submission of the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the *Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act* July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 to the Department of Education for the Long Beach Island Elementary School.

F. Annual Maintenance Worksheet M-1 and Comprehensive Maintenance Plan FY 2026-2027
Motion to approve the Long Beach Island School District Annual Maintenance Budget Worksheet, M-1 and the District's Three-Year Comprehensive Maintenance Plan 2026-2027.

G. Center for Emotional Fitness
Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Center for Emotional Fitness fee schedule as presented.

H. Tuition Contract
Motion to approve an out-of-district tuition contract with Hawkswood School, beginning October 5, 2026, at a total cost of $69,638.82, plus an additional cost for extraordinary services, for the 2026–2027 school year.

I. Transportation Contract
Motion to approve a transportation contract with the Stafford Township Board of Education at a rate of $264.16 per diem for one out-of-district student.

Motion to approve Annual Approvals/Contract items A-I:

Motion:
Second:

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	___Mr. Fluehr	___Mrs. Raber	___Mrs. Southwick

15. EDUCATIONAL

A. HIB Report
Motion to accept the Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying report as presented in Executive Session.

B. 2026-2027 School Calendar Revision
Motion to approve adjusting the 2026-2027 school calendar due to the flood day on September 28, 2026. January 18, 2027 will now become a full day for students and staff.

Motion to approve Educational items A & B:

Motion:
Second:

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	___Dr. Costello	___Mrs. Linkewich	___Ms. Hagler
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16. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

A. Amended Proposal for Architectural Services
WHEREAS, the Board of Education previously engaged Spiezle Architects for architectural services related to district projects; and

WHEREAS, Spiezle Architects has submitted an amended proposal to include additional scope of services necessary to support ongoing and expanded project needs; and

WHEREAS, the amended scope of services includes:

- Pavement core cuts

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the amended proposal and determined that the additional services are necessary and in the best interest of the district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the amended proposal from Spiezle Architects for architectural services, including the additional scope as presented; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate this agreement.

Motion to approve Unfinished/New Business item A:

Motion:
Second:

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17. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Dates to Remember
Oct. 20: LEAD U Assembly & Board of Education Meeting, LBI Elementary

	6:30pm
Oct. 22:	3rd Annual Fun Run, 4:15pm
Oct. 24:	PTA Clothing Drive, 9am-12pm
Oct. 26:	After-School Southern Regional Skateboard Event
Oct. 30:	Halloween Parade, 2pm
Oct. 23-31:	Red Ribbon Week
Nov. 2-6:	November Break
Nov. 12:	PTA Meeting at the Northside, 6pm
Nov. 17-19:	Early Dismissal, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Parent Lunch Visits and Book Fair
Nov. 17:	Board of Education Meeting, LBI Elementary 6:30pm

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19. RESOLUTION: Resolved that the Board of Education will open its next scheduled meeting (Executive Session) on November 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium of the Long Beach Island Elementary School, 200 South Barnegat Avenue, Surf City, NJ for matters of Attorney/Client Privilege, Negotiations, Student Issues, and Personnel and will suspend opening activities, including the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of Adequate Notice of Meeting, until the Board opens in Public Session at 6:30 p.m. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., as amended by P.L.2020, c.11, and Section 8, c. 34 (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-18.11) the Board may conduct a public meeting remotely by electronic means during a state of emergency so long as reasonable public notice and provision for public input is made under the circumstances.

Motion:
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20. EXECUTIVE SESSION #2 (If Needed)

Resolved by the Long Beach Island Board of Education to enter into a closed executive session for the purpose of discussing the matters checked below. Action may or may not be taken upon return to regular session. The matter will be disclosed to the public when the reason for the executive session no longer exists.

(Check as applicable):

_____ Matters Involving Personnel
_____ Pending or anticipated contractual Matters
_____ Matters covered by attorney-client privilege
_____ Pending or anticipated Litigation
_____ Protection of the safety or property of the public
_____ Collective Negotiations and/or negotiations of terms/conditions of employees of BOE
_____ Matters rendered confidential by state or federal law
_____ Matters that would constitute an unwarranted Invasion of privacy
_____ Possible imposition of a civil penalty or suspension

Motion:

Second:

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21. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:
Second:
Carried: