Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda
October 26, 2026 – 7:30 PM
Online Meeting

Call to Order – Open Public Meetings Act

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and is open to the public. Notices were duly posted, and the meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act district website and with the Township Clerk. Formal action will be taken.

I. Roll Call

Voting Members	Role (Term)	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Francis Gavin, Pres	BOE Member			
Stacy Bockbrader, V. P.	BOE Member			
Jena Graham	BOE Member			
Muhammad Madkour	BOE Member			
Jennifer Mandery	BOE Member			
William Mahoney	BOE Member			
Erica Munoz	BOE Member			
Mary Renaud	BOE Member			
Lisa Strutin	BOE Member			
Officials	**Title**	**Present**	**Absent**	**LA/ED**
Dr. Daniel Gallagher	Chief School Administrator			
Mr. Ernie Turner	Board Secretary			
Ms. Kathleen Marano	State Monitor			

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Mission and Vision

Our Mission is to Promote the Allamuchy Learner

Our Vision of the Allamuchy educational program is to develop young people who are curious, well-rounded, knowledgeable, caring, respectful, and responsible so that they may evolve into self-sufficient and confident citizens and members of a diverse society.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION BE IT RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Board of Education hereby convenes to Executive Session for discussion of the following subjects: legal, contracts, personnel.

It is anticipated that the Executive Session will take approximately 20 minutes; the Board may take action when it reconvenes to Public Session; and the minutes of the Executive Session shall be released to the public when the reason for the Executive Session no longer exists.

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters or other exceptions to the sunshine laws as follows:

1. Any matter considered confidential by federal law, state statute, or court rule;
2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the receipt of federal funds;
3. Any material that would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy if disclosed;
4. Any collective bargaining agreements;
5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds;
6. Any tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public;
7. Any pending or anticipated litigation;
8. Personnel matters related to the employment, appointment, or termination of current or prospective employees;
9. Attorney/Client privilege.

Convene Executive Session

Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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Muhammad Madkour						Lisa Strutin					
Jennifer Mandery						Stacy Bockbrader, V.P.					
William Mahoney						Francis Gavin, Pres.					
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Adjournment: Executive Session

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IV. Student Representative Report

V. Allamuchy All Stars and Staff Recognition

1. October All Stars of the Month

Grade	Name	Pillar of Character
PreK	Lark Sproinescu	Caring
K	Thea James	Respect
1	Jason Ma	Responsibility
2	Emerson Elliott	Respect
3	Dylan Nicholls	Respect
4	Jayce Elliott	Responsibility
5	Nicholas Joseph	Caring
6	Adrian Landry	Responsibility
7	Mia Clerico	Responsibility
8	Evan Segarra	Caring
Teacher of the Month: Lauren Boden		

VI. Acknowledgments

VII. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

This meeting is being broadcast and recorded for public access, but not intended for public participation. Please be advised that public comment sessions are for those who are attending the meeting in person only.

Public comment shall be governed by the Board of Education Bylaw 0167. There are two public comment opportunities. The first public comment is reserved for Action Items only, those items on the agenda that the Board

is voting on this evening. The second public comment is set aside for public comment on any school or school district issue that the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the school district. The first public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person. The second public comment length is determined by the board as per policy.

Before making a public comment, participants are to state their name, place of residence, and group affiliation if appropriate.

The Board uses the public comment period as an opportunity to listen to citizen concerns. Please understand that public comment portions of our agenda are not structured as question-and-answer sessions, but rather they are offered as opportunities to share your thoughts with the Board. The Board may or may not respond to public comments. However, all comments are considered and will be investigated and addressed as appropriate. The Board may respond to comments tonight, or at subsequent meetings under "Old Business".

Please let the record reflect that the Board of Education does not endorse your comments, nor will the Board of Education be held liable for comments you make about a staff member or other person, which the staff member or other person may consider defamatory and/or libelous, as that individual retains all rights to pursue any legal remedies against you.

VIII. Approval of Minutes

a. RESOLVED that the Board approve the Regular session minutes from August 17, 2026. Attachment
b. RESOLVED that the Board approve the Regular session minutes from September 28, 2026. Attachment

Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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Muhammad Madkour						Lisa Strutin					
Jennifer Mandery						Stacy Bockbrader, V.P.					
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IX. Board Business

X. Correspondence

XI. Board President's Report

XII. Superintendent's Report

- State Test Scores

XIII. Committee Reports

1. Operations
2. Education
3. Rutherfurd Hall Operations
4. Governance
5. Human Resources

XIV. Liaison Reports

1. Hackettstown Board of Education
2. Green Team
3. Rutherfurd Hall
4. ATEF
5. Town Council
6. PTO

XV. Enrollment Report

Grade	Sept 15, 2026	Oct 15, 2026	Nov 15, 2026	Dec 15, 2026	Jan 15, 2027	Feb 15, 2027	Mar 15, 2027	Apr 15, 2076	May 15, 2027	June 15, 2027
PK	24	23								
K	40	37								
1	40	40								
2	35	35								
3	38	37								
4	32	32								
5	34	32								
6	41	41								
7	25	25								
8	44	44								
Total	353	346								
9	38	39								
10	32	30								
11	41	41								
12	24	24								
Total	**135**	**134**								
9 SE	**1**	**1**								
10 SE	**0**	**0**								
11 SE	**2**	**2**								
12 SE	**0**	**0**								
Total	**3**	**3**								
GT	**491**	**480**								

XVI. Revisions to Agenda Items

This is now the time where a motion can be made for revisions, additions, and/or deletions to the agenda. This includes making a motion to table an item in a group of motions, making a motion to add or delete an item from a group of motions and making a motion to bring up a brand new agenda item. If there are no revisions to the agenda, we shall proceed as written.

XVII. Motions for Approval

1. Operations/Finance

The following motions recommended by the Superintendent and School Business Administrator are a matter of routine business, and will be voted on by one motion.

a. Transfers: RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve the transfers for the month ending September 2026.

b. Payroll: RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education ratify and affirm the following payrolls (included in the bills list):

Payroll Date	Amount
October 15, 2026	$227,688.01

c. Bills List October FY2027: RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve the bills list **9/25/26** Attachment, **9/28/26** Attachment and from **9/29/26 through 10/26/2026** Attachment.

Month	Amount	Approved
October	$1,011,302.63	

d. Approve the School Business Administrator be authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), the Lead Agency.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS, on (October 01, 2006) the governing body of the (Allamuchy Board of Education), County of (Warren County), State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:34-7.6 (a), duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE
This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC),

AUTHORITY
Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and N.J.A.C 5:34-7.6 (a), the School Business Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT
The Lead Agency shall comply with the Public School Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE
The resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

e. **Emergency Repair Completion Resolution**

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Township School District incurred $394,000.00 in damages resulting from a sprinkler leak during the summer of 2026; and

WHEREAS, the emergency repairs have been completed, and the District has received insurance reimbursement of $389,000.00, with the remaining $5,000.00 representing the District's insurance deductible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education acknowledges completion of the emergency repairs and authorizes the administration to submit this resolution to the Warren County Office of Education for its records and to close out the emergency repair authorization.

f. **Resolution Authorizing Application for Minor Subdivision**

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Township Board of Education desires to subdivide approximately 50 acres of farmland from the elementary school property located at 20 Johnsonburg Road, identified as Block 401, Lot 100;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education authorizes the administration to submit the necessary applications and supporting documents to the appropriate municipal and county agencies for approval of the proposed minor subdivision; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President and Board Secretary are authorized to execute the documents necessary to carry out this resolution, subject to all required reviews and approvals.

g. **Resolution Appointing Board Counsel**

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Township Board of Education issued a Request for Proposals for Board Counsel on September 30, 2026, with proposals due October 15, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the proposals received have been reviewed, and the Board has determined that **Schenck Price Smith & King** best meets the District's legal services needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education appoints **Schenck Price Smith & King** as Board Counsel, effective **November 1, 2026, through January 30, 2028**, in accordance with its proposal dated **October 15, 2026**, at the following hourly rates:

Professional Classification	**Hourly Rate**
Partners	$190.00
Senior Associates	$185.00
Associate Partner	$180.00
Law Clerks and Paralegals	$150.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all time shall be billed in increments of **0.10 hour (six minutes)**, with expenses such as photocopying, messenger services, overnight delivery, stenographic transcripts, and court filing fees billed separately in accordance with the proposal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President and Board Secretary are authorized to execute the agreement and that the administration shall complete the required award notices and filings.

h. **Resolution Approving the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1**

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Township Board of Education has reviewed the District's Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet (Form M-1); and

WHEREAS, these documents identify maintenance activities and expenditures necessary to maintain the District's school facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education accepts and approves the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1, as presented, and authorizes the Business Administrator to submit the documents to the appropriate county and State offices.

i. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve the invoice totaling $1,473.30 for Raptor Technologies, Visitor Management Annual Access Fee (2).

j. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education acknowledges that fuel distribution services from Allied Oil will now be under the name K.W. Rastall Oil effective September 15, 2026.

Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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Jennifer Mandery						Stacy Bockbrader, V.P.					
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Erica Munoz											

2. <u>Human Resources/Personnel</u>

The following motions recommended by the Superintendent and School Business Administrator are a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion.

a. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education accepts the following staff appointments for FY27:

	Name	Loc	Position	Effective Date	Salary
1	Jennifeur Wilson	District	Substitute Teacher	10/26/2026	$125/day New sub
2	Mia McNeil	District	Substitute Teacher	10/26/2026	$125/day New sub
3	Haley DeAngelo	District	Substitute Teacher	10/26/26	$125/day New sub
4	Catherine Idler	ATS	TREP$ - Fall	10/19/2026	$1,000
5	Nisha Ali-Kash	District	Leave Replacement Guidance Counselor Adjusting end Date	8/26/26 - 1/19/27	Step 1 Maternity Prorated

b. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education accepts the following <u>adjusted</u> staff maternity request for FY27:

	Name	Loc	Position	Effective Date
1	Theresa Marinoni	ATS	Guidance Counselor Adjusting end Date	Starting August 26, 2026 through January 19, 2027

c. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve County College of Morris student Nicole Sanders, to complete 25 hours of classroom observation by November 20, 2026.

d. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approves a Teacher Mentor (1) stipend position for $790 for a new teacher.

e. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of Green Brook Family Medicine for School Physician services for the 2026-2027 school year, effective October 21, 2026, in accordance with applicable New Jersey statutes and regulations, at the approved contractual rate, $1,500, payable in two installments, in November and February. Attachment

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3. Education

a. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approves *The Tiger Rising* as instructional use in 5th grade classrooms at Allamuchy Township School as part of the English Language Arts curriculum. Attachment

b. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve the Send-Receive Tuition Agreement and all related contracts for the original 25-26, amended 25-26 and 26-27 school years. Attachment Attachment Attachment Attachment

c. RESOLVED, that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve the following field trip events:

	Location	Group	Cost to Parent	Cost to District	Transportation	Discussion
1	Tranquility Farms	Kindergarten	$24	$0	District Buses	*Chaperones pay separately*

d. Resolution Accepting the 2025-2026 State Assessment Results

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Township Board of Education has received and reviewed the District's state assessment results for the 2025–2026 school year; and

WHEREAS, these results will inform instructional planning, student support, and continuous improvement efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education accepts the District's state assessment results for the 2025–2026 school year, as presented, and directs the administration to use the findings to strengthen instruction and improve student achievement.

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4. Governance

a. RESOLVED, that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, affirms the determination that the reported incident of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) #313209ATS10012026 was unfounded.

b. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve updates to the Policy and Regulation Manual as listed

i. First Reading

a.

ii. Second Reading

a. P-3351 Hostile Work Environment

b. P-4351 Hostile Work Environment

c. RESOLVED that the Allamuchy Township Board of Education approve the monthly Fire and Security Drills as listed:

School	Fire Drill	Safety/Security Drill	Bus Evacuation Drill
Mountain Villa School	9/23/26	9/24/26: Shelter in Place	
Allamuchy Township School	9/24/26	9/10/26: Reverse Evacuation	10/7/26

Bus Evacuation Drill Reports: Attachment

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XVIII. New Business

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XIX. Old Business

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XX. Public Comment - General

Members of the public wishing to address the Board of Education must state their name and are requested to limit their comments to three minutes. Please be aware that all District employees retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Each member of the public will be given one opportunity to address the Board.

For the Good of the Order
Adjourn Regular Session

Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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