WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting September 28, 2026
5:30 P.M. Executive Session
6:30 P.M. Public Session
West Orange High School
51 Conforti Avenue

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS

Present: President Rock, Vice President Vera, Dr. Bryant, Mr. Ivker and Mr. Stevenson.
Absent: None.

II. NOTICE OF MEETING:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests are discussed or acted upon.

- In accordance with new legislation designed to modernize public communication, notice is hereby given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 35:3-5 that the complete text of each legal notice issued on behalf of the West Orange Board of Education may be obtained or viewed on the district website www.woboe.org. Visitors can also view the New Jersey Secretary of State's legal notices website. Once the required display period expires, notices will be transferred to the Legal Notices Archive. Archived notices will be available for a period of one year.
- Please be advised that this meeting is being recorded and may be broadcasted on local TV and the district's website at a future date.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS: The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it
RESOLVED: The Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss personnel, legal and miscellaneous confidential matters. Be it further
RESOLVED: The minutes of this closed session will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

IV. PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:30 P.M.

V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VI. CONSIDERATION OF THE CLOSED AND PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF August 24, 2026 (Att. #1)

MOTION: Mr. Stevenson **SECOND:** Mr. Ivker **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bryant	Ivker	Stevenson	Vera	Rock

VII. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Superintendent's School Community Budget Council/ WOCPTA President Katie Witzig
B. Capital Projects Update, Facilities Manager Nick Munoz

IX. BOARD POLICY(IES)

A. Second Reading and Adoption of the following Revised Mandated Policies and Regulations (Att. #2):

Revised Policies
P 7410 - Maintenance and Repair (M)
P 7440 - School District Security (M)
P 7450 - Property Inventory (M)

Revised Regulations
R 7410.01 - Facilities Maintenance, Repair Scheduling and Accounting (M)
R 7440 - School District Security (M)

MOTION: Mr. Stevenson **SECOND:** Mr. Ivker **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

Yes Bryant	Yes Ivker	Yes Stevenson	Yes Vera	Yes Rock

X. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

XI. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations / Retirements / Terminations

a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following certificated staff resignation(s) / retirement(s):

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Effective Date
Kimberly Birman	Redwood	Grade 1	Resignation	8/31/2026 amended from 9/11/2026
Rachael D'Andrea	Roosevelt	Academic Support	Resignation	10/31/2026
Suzy Louie	Washington	Physical Education	Resignation	9/1/2026 amended from 9/18/2026

b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following non-certificated staff resignation(s) / retirement(s):

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Effective Date
Iva Cantave	Transportation	PT Bus Driver	Resignation	9/9/2026 amended from 9/18/2026
Susan Duarte	St. Cloud	Lunch Aide	Resignation	7/1/2026
Ana Lopez	Transportation	Bus Monitor	Resignation	7/1/2026
Melissa Mohabir	Washington	Lunch Aide	Resignation	9/29/2026
Jose Perez	WOHS	Custodian	Retirement 21 years	3/1/2027
William Temple	Central Office	Maintenance	Retirement 26 years	1/1/2027

c. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval to the Board of Education for the following staff termination(s):

Employee #	Effective Date
9508	9/11/2026
9408	9/25/2026
9016	9/25/2026

d. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for the following staff administrative leave:

Employee #	Effective Date
4919	9/2/2026 - 10/31/2026

2. Rescissions

a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following rescission(s):

Name	Location	Position	Effective Date
Pascha Adamo	Liberty	Science Teacher	9/1/2026
Marangelis Marrero	Mt Pleasant	Registered Nurse	9/1/2026
Kim Robinson	WOHS	LMC Before School Program Substitute	2026-2027
Heather Young	WOHS	LMC Before School Program Substitute	2026-2027

3. Appointments

a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following certificated staff appointment(s).

Name	Location	Position	Replacement / New	Guide	Step	Salary	Effective Dates
Michele Blum	Roosevelt	Special Education Math Leave Replacement	Eoon	MA	N/A	$384.50 Per Diem	9/1/2026-11/13/2026
Wanda Brun	WO-ECLC	CPIS/Social Worker	O'Neill	MA	15	$79,714 PEA Grant	9/29/2026-6/30/2027
Nicole Colombo	Roosevelt	Special Education ELA Leave Replacement	C. Robinson	BA	N/A	$360.07 Per Diem	9/1/2026-10/6/2026
Tanairi Hernandez	Liberty	School Social Worker	Maraviglia	MA	9	$73,265 Prorated	10/7/2026-6/30/2027**
Antoinette Kelly	Business Office	Treasurer of School Monies	Simmons	N/A	N/A	$15,0000 Prorated	9/8/2026-6/30/2027
Hyunjin Lee-Choi	Greg/MtPl/Wash	Music	Hamilton	MA	5	$70,363 Prorated	11/23/2026-6/30/2027**
Zilia Medina	WOHS	Student Assistant Counselor	Natera	MA	5	$70,363	9/21/2026-6/30/2027
Rebecca Metrano EDUSTAFF	Gregory	Grade 3 Inclusion	Kuser	Ext Assign Sub	N/A	$200.00 Per Diem	9/1/2026-11/30/2026
Kathleen Van Cauwenberge	Washington	Grade 2	Glomb	BA	5	$65,893* Prorated	9/9/2026-6/30/2027*
Sara Voorhees	WOHS	Special Education ELA	Ascher	MA	10	$73,265	1/4/2027-6/30/2027

*amended
**Pending completion of onboarding documents

b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following non-certificated staff appointment(s).

Name	Location	Position	Replacement / New	Guide	Step	Salary	Effective Dates
Jenny Chicas Figueroa	WOHS	Night Custodian	Leonides Perez	N/A	2-3	$41,450 Prorated	9/22/2026-6/30/2027
Colleen Connors	Gregory	Lunch Aide	Juanita Garvin	N/A	N/A	$10,351.25 Prorated	9/22/2026-6/30/2027
Ashley Fiory	WOECLC	Teacher Assistant	Donalee Cortado	BA	4	$43,203.00 Prorated	9/29/2026-6/30/2027
Sochiry Rodriguez Saker	Hazel	Night Custodian	Lester Rivera	N/A	2-3	$41,450 Prorated	9/22/2026-6/30/2027

c. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following additional teaching assignment(s):

Name	Location	Position	Rate of Pay	Effective Dates
Candice Brennan	Liberty	Science Vacancy - Mosses	$1,887.96	9/17/2026 - 10/26/26
Floyd Gray	Liberty	Science Vacancy - Mosses	$1,749.50	9/17/2026 - 10/26/26
Alyssa Sylvester	Liberty	Science Vacancy - Mosses	$1,759.99	9/17/2026 - 10/26/26
Deb Coen	Liberty/WOHS	Science Vacancy - Mosses	$3,145.09	9/17/2026 - 10/26/26
Leanna Amorim	Roosevelt	Spanish Enrollment	N/A	9/2/2026 - 6/18/2026

d. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following staff to serve as Mentors to Provisional Teachers for the 2026-2027 school year:

Mentor	Provisional Teacher	Location	Payment	Effective Dates
Anthony Carsillo	Molly Livingston	Kelly	$75.00	9/1/2026-10/30/2026
Jessica Cicerone	Joselyn McLaughlin Roseland	WO-ECLC	$1,000.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Gladys Delgado-Medina	Elisa Fabrazzo	WO-ECLC	$205.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Matthew Garcia	Michelangelo Schiano	WOHS	$1,000.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Christie Landau	Schelli Wilson	Redwood	$550.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Jessica Preziosi-Peer	Nachele Venord JCC	WO-ECLC	$1,000.00	9/1/2026-6/30/202
Jessica Preziosi-Peer	Rochelle Green Little Explorers	WO-ECLC	$235.00	9/1/2026-6/30/202
Jessica Preziosi-Peer	Daniela Rodriguez Kids Palace II	WO-ECLC	$550.00	9/1/2026-6/30/202
Danielle Ratuis	Kathleen Van Cauwenberge	Washington	$550.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Dineen Robinson	Merlin Abraham	Gregory	$735.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Kimberly Szalkai	Lamont Williams	WOHS	$1,000.00	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
Lisette Villalobos	Jack Mault	Roosevelt	$220.00	9/1/2026-11/30/2026

e. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following negotiated Co-Curricular Assignments:

Name	Location	Position	Stipend / Rate of Pay	Effective Dates
Florence Chirichiello	Hazel	Conflict Resolution	$1,673.00	2026 - 2027
Stephanie Diegmann	Hazel	Student Council	$836.50**	2026 - 2027
Justine O'Grady	Hazel	Student Council	$836.50**	2026 - 2027
Anthony Carsillo	Kelly	Student Council	$1,673.00	2026 - 2027
Kelly Clancy	Kelly	Conflict Resolution	$1,673.00	2026 - 2027
Christie Landau	Redwood	Student Council	$836.50	2026 - 2027

Name	Location	Position	Stipend / Rate of Pay	Effective Dates
Jennifer Paull	Redwood	Student Council	$836.50	2026 - 2027
Rebecca Beutel	Redwood	Conflict Resolution	$1,673.00	2026 - 2027
Brandi Brennan	Washington	Student Council	$836.50	2026 - 2027
Jennifer Tarullo	Washington	Student Council	$836.50	2026 - 2027
Renee Wells	Washington	Conflict Resolution	$1,673.00	2026 - 2027
Oliver Brantome	WOHS	Lambda Equity & Diversity Alliance (LEAD)	$836.50	9/1/2026
Wendy Mapes	WOHS	Spring Musical: Producer	$2,500.00	1/1/2027 - 4/30/2027
Vicki Jenkins (OOD)	WOHS	Spring Musical: Costumer	$2,770.00	1/1/2027 - 4/30/2027
Kimberly Robinson	WOHS	Lambda Equity & Diversity Alliance (LEAD)	$836.50*	9/1/2026
Isreal Soto (OOD)	WOHS	Spring Musical: Vocal Director	$2,995.00	1/1/2027 - 4/30/2027

*amended

** PTA funded

f. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following additional assignment(s): (Att. #3)

g. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following substitute appointment(s) at the appropriate substitute rates for 2026-2027:

Name	Certification Code	Administrator	Administrative Assistant	Lunch Aide	Nurse	Custodian
Sebastian Desimone				x		
Julie DiGiacomo		x				
Susan Duarte				x		
Robyn Greenwald		x				
Patrick Martins			x			

h. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the 2026-2027 revised rate for hourly and per diem employees/assignments: (Att. #4)

i. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following Professional Development instructors effective October 12, 2026 (Att. #5)

j. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following 2026-2027 Curriculum Writing assignment(s): (Att. #6)

k. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following additional assignments funded by the ESEA Title IA grant. (Att. #7)

l. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following WOW Ambassadors. (Att. #8)

m. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for the following 2026-2027 WOHS and MS Newcomer Multilingual Orientation Program assignments: (Att. #9)

n. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for the following 2026-2027 WOHS and MS Multilingual Tutorial Program assignments funded by Title III Grant: (Att. #10)

o. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following negotiated 2026-2027 Co-Curricular assignments(s) Edison Middle School (Att. #11)

p. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following negotiated 2026-2027 Co-Curricular assignments(s) Liberty Middle School (Att. #12)

q. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following negotiated 2026-2027 Co-Curricular assignments(s) Roosevelt Middle School (Att. #13)

4. Leaves of Absence:

a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following leaves of absence for certificated staff:

Employee #	Type	Location	Paid Leave	Unpaid Leave with Benefits	Unpaid Leave without Benefits	Anticipated Return Date
7344	Medical	WOHS	8/25/2026 - 9/30/2026	N/A	N/A	10/1/2026
7853	Medical	WOHS	10/12/2026 - 3/19/2027	N/A	N/A	3/22/2027
7854	Medical	Liberty	9/2/2026 - 9/17/2026	N/A	N/A	9/18/2026
9466	Maternity	BMELC	N/A	9/28/2026 - 10/9/2026	N/A	10/13/2026
9398	Maternity	Gregory	9/1/2026 - 9/29/2026*	9/3/2026 - 12/18/2026*	N/A	12/21/2026*
4898	Medical	Washington	10/23/2026 - 11/13/2026	N/A	N/A	11/16/2026

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b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following leaves of absence for non-certificated staff:

Employee #	Type	Location	Paid Leave	Unpaid Leave with Benefits	Unpaid Leave without Benefits	Anticipated Return Date
4788	Medical	St. Cloud	9/1/2026-9/18/2026	9/22/2026-9/24/2026	N/A	9/25/2026
7045	Medical	Central Office	8/27/2026-11/27/2026	N/A	N/A	11/30/2026
9446	Medical	Transportation	9/1/2026-9/30/2026	N/A	10/1/2026-10/19/2026	10/20/2026
7653	Medical	Roosevelt	9/30/2026- 1/29/2027	N/A	N/A	2/1/2027

5. Transfer(s):

a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following transfer(s) of certificated staff:

Name	From	Position	To	Position	Effective Date
Michelle Ledesma	.6 Hazel / .4 Redwood	Art	.6 Hazel / .3 Redwood/ . 1 Mt. Pleasant	Art	9/14/2026
Connie Oliver	.4 BMELC/ .6 Washington	Occupational Therapist*	.8 Washington/.2 Hazel	Occupational Therapist*	9/1/2026

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b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following transfer(s) of non-certificated staff:

Name	From	Position	To	Position	Effective Date
Candy Marchan	BMELC @ Mt. Pleasant	Lunch Aide	BMELC @ Washington	Lunch Aide	9/1/2026

6. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the revised West Orange Public Schools Organizational Chart. (Att. #14)

7. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following job description(s): (Att. #15)

Job Description	New	Revised
Middle School Team Leader	X	

MOTION: Mr. Stevenson **SECOND:** Vice President Vera **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

Yes Bryant	Yes Ivker	Yes Stevenson	Yes Vera	Yes Rock

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Applications for School Business requests for the 2026-2027 school year. (Att. #16)

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of Field Trip Destinations for the 2026-2027 school year. (Att. #17)

3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trips for the 2026-2027 school year. (Att. #18)

4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following WOHS negotiated co-curricular name change effective 2026-2027:

Current Name	Revised Name
Italian Club	Italian Culture Club

5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Graduation Data for School Performance Reports and Accountability submitted through NJSLEDS on August 31, 2026 for the 2025-2026 school year in accordance with state guidance set forth in the August 12, 2026 NJDOE Broadcast memo.

6. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the District Professional Development Plan and District Mentoring Plan for the 2026-2027 School Year. (Att. #19)

7. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of a Professional Development Provider on October 12, 2026. (Att. #20)

8. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for Stacy Marcus, Special Education Math Teacher, to bring and supervise Murphy, a registered and certified therapy dog, to Roosevelt Middle School during the 2026–2027 school year to provide appropriate social-emotional support, comfort, and therapeutic assistance to students and staff, as applicable.

9. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Data Sharing Agreement authorizing Curriculum Associates to share their data with the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE).

10. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of Language & Literacy Associates for Multilingual and Multicultural Education LLC (LLAMAME) to provide four days of Sheltered English Instruction training to teachers for in the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of $10,000 funded by ESEA Title 1V Grant.

11. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for enrollment of 13 students in the Certified Logistics Associate training program provided by New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program (NJMEP).

12. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Memorandum of Agreement between Montclair State University and West Orange Public Schools to provide field experience for their students enrolled in the School Psychology Program for the 2026-2027 school year.

13. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for the following 2026-2027 Student Teacher/Intern assignments:

Student Teacher/Intern Candidate	Affiliate University	Assigned School	Effective Dates
Liam Burke	Caldwell University	WOHS	9/29/2026 - 12/22/2026
Sabrina Dennehy	Seton Hall University	Liberty	9/29/2026 - 12/22/2026

Alejandro Gaspar	Montclair State University	WOHS	9/29/2026 - 6/17/2027
Ariana Jaquez	Montclair State University	WOHS	9/29/2026 - 6/17/2027
Justin Jordan*	Montclair State University	Edison/Kelly	9/29/2026 - 6/17/2027
Cecilia Perez	Montclair State University	WOHS	9/29/2026 - 6/17/2027
George Slattery*	Montclair State University	Edison/Redwood	1/4/2027 - 6/17/2027
Nyah Vaughn	Montclair State University	WOHS	9/29/2026 - 6/17/2027
Keirra Wingle*	Montclair State University	Redwood	9/1/2026 - 6/17/2027
Ilana Zeidman	Montclair State University	Edison/Liberty	9/29/2026 - 12/22/2026
Practicum Candidate	**Affiliate University**	**Assigned School**	**Effective Dates**
Stephanie Demianicz	Rutgers University	Liberty	9/29/2026 - 6/17/2027

*Correction

MOTION: Mr. Stevenson **SECOND:** Dr. Bryant **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

Yes Bryant	Yes Ivker	Yes Stevenson	Yes Vera	Yes Rock

C. FINANCE

a.) Special Services

1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following out of district placements for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years:

Name of Facility	**Rate**	**Not to Exceed**
1510086	Essex Campus Academy	Tuition: $18,354.50 4/14/26 - 6/23/26
2007072	Pillar Care Continuum	Tuition: $80,827.20 180 days @ $449.04/day 1:1 aide: $42,733.80 180 days @ $237.41/day 9/2/26 - 6/17/27
2301134	Flex School	Tuition: $68,640.00 8/31/26 - 6/25/27
1808069	Benway School	Tuition: $91,990.80 184 days @ $499.95/day 9/2/26 - 6/23/27
1901008	Autism Education and Sports Academy	Tuition: $76,683.75 181.5 days @ $422.50/day 9/8/26 - 6/18/27

Name of Facility	Rate	Not to Exceed
2008063	Autism Education and Sports Academy	Tuition: $94,380.00 181.5 days @ $520.00/day 9/8/26 - 6/18/27
2627379	Chancellor Academy	Tuition: $85,662.24 179 days @ $478.56/day 9/9/26 - 6/22/27
2627404	Shepard School	Tuition: $56,359.94 173 days @ $325.78/day 9/16/26 - 6/18/27

2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for home instruction to students of the West Orange Public Schools for the 2026-2027 school year.

Name of Facility	Rate	Not to Exceed
Educational Service Commission of New Jersey Children's Specialized Hospital	$95.00 per hour	$10,000.00
Pyramid Healthcare Inc.	$150.00 per day	$25,000.00

3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the contract with Mountain Lakes Board of Education to provide itinerant services for the 2026-2027 school year.

Services	Rate	Not to Exceed
Itinerant Special Instructional Services	$200.00/session	$2,800.00

4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education for the dates of operation for the 2027-2028 Extended School Year Program (ESY) for the period of June 21, 2027 to Friday July 23, 2027 with no ESY on July 5, 2027.

5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of tuition contracts with Essex County Vocational Technical School, Newark, NJ for the 2026 - 2027 school year:

Number of Students	Services	Not to Exceed
14	Full Time Regular Education, Essex County Vocational Technical Schools @ $5,911.00/each	$83,874.00
5	Full Time Special Education, Essex County Vocational Technical Schools @ $9,104.00/each	$45,520.00

b.) Business Office

1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the September 28, 2026 Bills List in the amount of $12,272,218.25.

2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approval by the Board of Education of the July 2026 transfers within the 2026-2027 budget in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(A)2. (Att. #21)

3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, acceptance by the Board of Education of the preliminary Board Secretary's financial report for the month of July 2026, based upon the certification of the Board Secretary, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c) (3), that no major account or fund has been over-expended, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Att. #22)

4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education acknowledgement and acceptance of the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of July 2026, which report is in agreement with the Secretary's Report.

5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval of proposed Non Public Technology Aid Program expenditures funded through the Office of State Aid Entitlements and Payments to Non Public Schools (not local funds).

School	Description	Amount
Playhouse	Boombox Multimedia with Bluetooth	$603.80

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Joint Transportation Agreement between Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (HCESC) and the West Orange Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year.

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Settlement Agreement and Release between the Parents of Student #2013039 and the West Orange Board of Education.

8. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Stipulation of Agreement between the Parents of Student #1708004 and the West Orange Board of Education.

9. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Clinical Affiliation Agreement between Rutgers, the State University on behalf of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences - Rutgers School of Nursing and the West Orange Board of Education from September 2026 through September 2028.

10. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the utilization of qualified athletic trainers on an as-needed basis for the 2026-2027 school year.

Trainer	NJ License #	BOC Certification
Caroline Brennan	25MT00280600	2000039367
Jailyn Lucas	25MT00353000	2000058967
Angel Montanez-Murillo	25MT00147300	070802130
Yusuf Adubayo	25MT00212300	2000020520
Jordan Velez	25MT00325900	2000031159
Javier Garcia	25MT00340600	2000051529
Chenghui (Whitney) Lee	25MT00321300	2000053376

11. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the 2027 Graduation Event Contract between South Mountain Recreation Complex Essex County Codey Arena and the West Orange Board of Education.

12. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the West Orange Board of Education intends to participate in the New Jersey School Lead Filters Program for eligible filtered bottle-filling stations and filtered faucets; and

WHEREAS, the West Orange Board of Education acknowledges the available reimbursement amount of $9,819.74 associated with the Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the West Orange Board of Education hereby affirms and acknowledges its intent to participate in the New Jersey School Lead Filters Program and authorizes the submission of an application for reimbursement in the amount of $9,819.74.

13. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of proposed Non-Public Security Aid Program expenditures funded through the Office of State Aid Entitlements and Payments to Non-Public Schools (not local funds).

School	Description	Amount
Golda Och Lower School	Security Guards during the 2026-2027 school year	$46,655.00
Golda Och Upper School	Security Guards during the 2026-2027 school year	$46,004.00

14. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the Services Agreement between St. Monica Healthcare Agency and the West Orange Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year.

15. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approval by the Board of Education of the execution of applicable AIA documentation between K&B Contractors and the West Orange Board of Education in connection to the New Play Area at Mt. Pleasant Elementary School.

MOTION: Mr. Stevenson **SECOND:** Dr. Bryant **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

Yes Bryant	Yes Ivker	Yes Stevenson	Yes Vera	Yes Rock

XII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

XIII. NEXT BOARD MEETING to be held at 6:30 p.m. on October 26, 2026 at West Orange High School.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION (as deemed necessary)

WHEREAS: The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it
RESOLVED: The Board of Education adjourns to closed session to personnel, legal and miscellaneous confidential matters. Be it further
RESOLVED: The minutes of this closed session will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

XV. ADJOURNMENT at 8:22 p.m.

MOTION: Dr. Bryant **SECOND:** Vice President Vera **VOTE:** 5-0 (VV)

Yes Bryant	Yes Ivker	Yes Stevenson	Yes Vera	Yes Rock

Respectfully submitted,

Trenae Lambkin

Trenae Lambkin, Acting Business Administrator