BOARD OF EDUCATION
MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 28, 2026 7:00pm
MAS Large Gym

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

A. Call to Order

1. Roll Call

Mr. Taylor, President
Ms. Kiely, Vice-President
Ms. Benson-Kraft
Mr. O'Neill
Mr. Ramirez
Ms. Soriano
Mr. Velez

2. Flag Salute

3. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided on October 1, 2026, in accordance with the New Jersey Statutes 10:4-6 et seq. as follows: Posted by the Board Secretary in the Board of Education Office, 452 Maywood Avenue, emailed to Our Town and The Record newspapers, and emailed to the Municipal Building for posting on the Municipal Bulletin Board in the Borough Clerk's Office, 15 Park Avenue. All staff motions have been recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, subject to approval by the New Jersey Department of Education, Chapter 116, PL 1986, Provisional Employment, pending criminal history background check.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

2026 Governor's Teacher of the Year
Juvilian Manzer

2026 Maywood BOE Teacher of the Year
Kaitlyn LaRose – Memorial School
Alicia Schenk – Maywood Ave. School

2026 Maywood BOE Educational Support Person of the Year
Carly Byrnes – Memorial School
Christina Blundo – Maywood Ave. School
Brielle Smith - District

Recognition of Achieving Tenure
Laura Auriemma
Kevin Ottah
Jennifer Schmidt
Hanah Yun

B. *Superintendent's Report/HIB Report* - There was 1 HIB related incident to report this month.

C. *Board Secretary's Report*

D. *Committee Reports*

Buildings & Grounds:	Ms. G. Kiely
Finance:	Mr. K. Taylor
Curriculum:	Ms. L. Soriano
Policy:	Ms. G. Kiely
Personnel:	Ms. L. Soriano
Safety/OEM:	Mr. R. Velez

Technology	Mr. M. Ramirez
Community Relations (Ad Hoc):	Ms. G. Kiely
Negotiations (Ad Hoc):	Mr. K. Taylor

Liaison Reports

Legislation/NJSBA & BCSBA Delegate:	Mr. J. O'Neill
Mayor and Council:	Mr. J. O'Neill
MAS PTO:	Ms. G. Kiely
Memorial PTO:	Mr. M. Ramirez
Becton Board of Education	Mr. R. Velez
Seniors:	Ms. F. Benson-Kraft
Library:	Ms. L. Soriano

F. Correspondence

G. Open to the Public (Agenda Items Only)

H. Board Comments

I. Old Business

J. **New Business**

BL.6 **Meeting Block Motion/Approval to Vote on Monthly Motions as a Group**
Any board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted motions will be entertained.

RECOMMENDED ACTION - "move that the following actions of the Maywood Board of Education numbered ____ excepting action(s) ___ to be approved as shown on the agenda dated October 28, 2026."

Moved by_____
Seconded by_____
Vote_____
Abstentions_____

A.87 **Acceptance of Minutes** – "that the Board accept the following minutes of the Board of Education meetings."

9/16/26 Regular Meeting, Closed

A.88 **Acceptance of Recorded Fire/Security Drills** - "that the Board accept the following recorded Fire/Security Drills for September 2026:

MEM:	**MAS:**
9/17/26 Fire Drill	9/17/26 Fire Drill
9/22/26 Lockdown	9/18/26 Lockdown

A.89 **Approval of Memorandum of Understanding – "**that the Board approve the *Memorandum of Understanding* between the Maywood School District and the Maywood Police Department, as agreed at the 10/28/2026 meeting."

A.90 **Approval of Submission & Presentation** – "that the Board approve the submission and presentation of the *2025-2026 NJSLA Spring Assessment Comparison*."

A.91 **Approval of Volunteers – "**that the Board approve the following volunteers for the Media Canter at Memorial School for the 2026-2027 school year;

Patty Donovan, Mary Lach and Anne O'Neill

A.92 **Approval of Submission of the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan** – "that the Board approve the following resolution;

WHEREAS, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting "required" maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and

WHEREAS, the required maintenance activities as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of Maywood are consistent with these requirements, and

WHEREAS, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Maywood Board of Education hereby authorizes the school business administrator to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for Maywood in compliance with Department of Education requirements."

A.93 **Approval of Approval of M-1 and Health and Safety Inspections -** "that the Board hereby authorize the school business administrator to submit the attached Annual Maintenance Budget Amount worksheet (M-1) and Health & Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist for Maywood in compliance with Department of Education requirements."

A.94 **Approval of Special Services** - "that the Board approve the following special services for student ***DA (MEM-1)*** as follows:

Provider:	Region V
Evaluation:	Functional Behavioral Analysis (FBA)
Date:	To be completed by 11/30/26
Rate:	Not to exceed $2,500

A.95 **Approval of New Out of District Placement** – "that the Board approve the placement for student listed for the 2026-2027 school year;

Students	***School***	***Tuition***	***Transportation***	***Dates***
ML (7/OOD)	Windsor Bergen Academy, Ridgewood	$60,539.22 (prorated amount)	Region V	10/5/26 – 6/18/27

A.96 **Approval of Related Services for OOD Students** - "that the Board approve the related services for students listed for the 2026-2027 school year;

Students	***School***	***Dates***	***OT***	***PT***	***Total***
QA (5/OOD)	SBJC, Maywood	9/3/26-6/23/27	One 30 min. session per wk @ $65 per session		$2,600
RD (8/OOD)	SBJC, Lodi	9/3/26 – 6/23/27		One 30 min. session per wk @ $65 per session	$2,600
RG (8/OOD)	SBJC, Lodi	9/3/26 – 6/23/27		One 30 min. session per wk @ $65 per session	$2,600

A.97 **Approval of Conference/Workshop Attendance – "**that the Board approve the following individual's attendance at the specified conferences/workshops:

	Conference	***Date***	***Approx. Cost***
K. Koenig	NJCSS 2026 Conference	10/19/26	*$90.00*

A.98 **Approval of Class Trips** – "that the Board approve the following class trips for the 2026-2027 school year:

3rd grade – November 12, 2026 – Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ

4th grade – June 11, 2026 – Meadowlands Environmental Center, Lyndhurst, NJ

A.99 **Approval of Use of Facilities – "**that the Board approve the use of a classroom at MAS for *Child Evangelism Fellowship*, on Tuesdays, 3:15-4:15pm, from 10/27/26 - 5/11/27."

PO.3 **Approval of First Reading – "**that the Board approve the first reading of the following Policies and Regulations:

P 8561 PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMS

P.65 **Acceptance of Retirement** - "that the Board accept the retirement of Charles Hangley, Treasurer of School Monies, effective January 1, 2027."

P.66 **Approval of Resignation** - "that the Board approve the resignation of Lena Beshi, a paraprofessional at Memorial School, effective August 31, 2026."

P.67 **Approval of Temporary Business Office Assistant** – "that the Board approve Jennifer Stinziano, as a temporary business office assistant at a rate of $24.00 per hour. Ms. Stinzaino will work approximately 20 hours a week."

P.68 **Approval of Temporary Business Office Accountant** – "that the Board approve Luz Rosario, as a temporary Business office accountant at a rate of $45.00 per hour."

P.69 **Approval for Additional Payment** – "that the Board approve Heather Rennar receive additional pay for hours worked in excess of 35 hrs per week during the accounts payable transition period, in the amount of $45 per hour, beginning October 1, 2026."

P.70 **Approval of Accounts Payable Clerk** – "that the Board approve Jaime Cruz, as a full time accounts payable/business office clerk, starting on or about December 1, 2026 at a rate of $60,000 per year."

P.71 **Approval of Title Change & Job Decription** – "that the Board approve a title change for Janine Tangen. Effective 10/1/2026, Ms. Tangen's position title is Administrative Assistant for Student Services with an annual salary of $67,148."

P.72 **Approval for Additional Payment - "**that the Board approve Kimberly Michalski receive additional pay for providing home instruction for student ***LM(MAS)*** for up to 5 hours a wk @ the greater of her hourly rate or $51 per hour, from 9/21/26 to 10/30/26."

P.73 **Approval for Additional Payment (correction)** - **"**that the Board approve Julianna Najda receive additional pay for providing home instruction for student ***LM(MAS)*** for up to 5 hours a week @ the greater of her hourly rate or $51 per hour, 9/16/26 through 10/30/26."

P.74 **Approval of Bus Aides** - **"**that the Board approve any paraprofessional working, as needed, as a bus aide will be compensated at their 2026-2027 hourly rate."

P.75 **Appointment of Paraprofessional** – "that the Board appoint Ileanys Hasson, as a paraprofessional for 2026-2027, as ABA, step A, with an annual salary of $27,937.35, start on 11/02/26."

P.76 **Appointment of Lunch Aide** – "that the Board appoint Ileana De Jesus, as a lunch aide for 2026-2027, with an hourly rate of $20.87. Start date is 11/2/26 ***(pending clearance)****."*

P.77 **Approval of Office Coverage** – "that the Board approve Ileanys Hasson and Ileana De Jesus receive additional pay for providing office coverage, as needed, for the 2026-2027 school year, @ $16.00 per hour, as per submitted timesheets

P.78 **Approval of Stipends** - **"**that the Board approve the following stipends for the 2026-2027 school year:

2026-2027	DESCRIPTION	ANNUAL
LIZ GONNERMAN*	COLLABORATIVE TEACHER 8 SCIENCE - #2	747.00
NICK NAPOLITANO*	COLLABORATIVE TEACHER 8 SCIENCE - #2	747.00

**Both teachers have 2 collaborative's this year.*

P.79 **Approval of Sub List** – "that the Board approve the following individuals be added to the substitute list for the 2026-2027 school year ***(pending clearance)***."

Sub-Teacher
Amanda DiMase – NJ teacher certificate
Charlyene Latimer – NJ Sub cert. w/degree
Arif Kamal Babar – NJ Sub cert. w/degree
Chris Link – NJ Sub cert. w/degree *(rate change for him)*

P.80 **Approval of a Leave of Absence** - "that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence for Kaitlyn Ottaviano, a teacher at Memorial;

DATES:	**REASON:**
March 26, 2027	***Due Date***
2/26/27 – 3/25/27	Period of disability (pre-birth) with pay & health benefits
3/27/27 – 4/23/27	Period of disability (post-birth) with pay & health benefits
4/26/27 – 10/1/27	FMLA – unpaid leave with health benefits
10/2/27 – 2/29/28	Unpaid Leave of Absence
March 1, 2028	**Anticipated date of return**

P.81 **Approval of a Leave of Absence -** "that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence for Jessica Carreras, a Speech-Language therapist at Memorial;

DATES:	**REASON:**
May 6, 2027	***Due Date***
4/29/27 – 5/05/27	Period of disability (pre-birth) with pay & health benefits
5/07/27 – 5/21/27	Period of disability (post-birth) with pay & health benefits
5/24/27 – 10/29/27	FMLA – unpaid leave with health benefits
November 1, 2027	**Anticipated date of return**

F.43 **Approval of Correction of Bills Lists** - "that the Board approve a the correction of the following motions:

F22 August corrected amount $1,884,063.25

F34 September corrected amount $949,984.72

F.44 **Approval of Check Run** - "that the Board approve a check run in ***October*** in the amount of **$ 1,394,639.10** ."

F.45 **Approval of Check Run for Cafeteria Bills** - "that the Board approve a check run for Cafeteria bills in ***October*** in the amount of **$ 42,341.16 .**"

F.46 **Approval of Board Secretary's Report** – "that the Board approve the Board Secretary Report, as submitted, for **September 30, 2026**."

F.47 **Approval of Treasurer's Report** – "that the Board approve the Treasurer of School Monies Report, for **September 30, 2026**."

F.48 **Approval of Transfer of Funds** - "that the Board approve the report of transfer of funds for **September 30, 2026**."

F.49 **Approval of Payroll** - "that the Board approve the payroll for ***September*** as follows:

Fund	
10	1,170,768.22
20	-
Total:	**$ 1,170,768.22**
Board Share FICA/Medicare	25,176.04
State Share FICA Medicare	60,969.70
Board DCRP	3,562.42
Total Payroll Expense:	**1,260,476.38**

F.50 **Approval of Disposal of Equipment** - "that the Board approve of the disposal of computer equipment as submitted. These assets have no fair book market value."

F.51 **Approval of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification** - "that the Board accept the Board Secretary's monthly certification on budget line status as follows: Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6:20-2.13(d), I certify that as of **September 30, 2026**, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:22-8.1."

F.52 **Approval of Board's Monthly Certification** - "that the Board approve the Board's monthly certification Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status as follows: Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11, we certify that as of **September 30, 2026,** after review of the secretary's monthly report (statement of expenditures) and upon consultation with violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year."

R.4 **Approval of Payment from Referendum Account** - "that the Board approve the following:

WHEREAS, H&S Construction and Mechanical was awarded the contract for the HVAC Upgrade at at Memorial School; and

WHEREAS, H&S Construction and Mechanical has submitted Payment Application #15 in the amount of $7,840.00 and

WHEREAS, LAN Associates has verified a review of the application and finds it in conformance with the level of work completed to date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves this payment application in the amount of $7,840.00."

R.5 **Approval of Payment from Referendum Account** - "that the Board approve the following:

WHEREAS, TEO Technologies, Inc was awarded the contract for the HVAC Upgrade at at Maywood Avenue School; and

WHEREAS, TEO Technologies, Inc. has submitted Payment Application #10 in the amount of $140,307.83

WHEREAS, LAN Associates has verified a review of the application and finds it in conformance with the level of work completed to date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves this payment application in the amount of $140,307.83.

K. Open to the Public (comments on school related items)

L. Closed Session

M. Board Comments

N. Meeting Adjourned