# FLEMINGTON-RARITAN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING September 11, 2023 MINUTES

The In-Person Regular Meeting of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education was called to order in conformance with the "Sunshine Law" by the Board President at 6:30 p.m.

In accordance with the State's Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by sending a notice of the time, date, location, and to the extent known, the agenda of this meeting on December 22, 2022, to the Hunterdon County Democrat and The Courier-News. Copies of the notice also have been placed in the Board Office and in each of the district schools, posted on the District website and filed with Flemington Borough Clerk and the Raritan Township Clerk.

Ms. Dawson took roll call

Members Present
Jaclyn Arce
Valerie Bart
Loretta Borowsky
Lilian Colpas, arrived 6:55 p.m.
Gina Criscitiello
Tiffany Jarrett
Laurie Markowski, arrived 7:05 p.m.
Susan Mitcheltree
Michelle Hurley

Members Absent
Attorney Present
-Susan Sabsent
-Susan Members Absent
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On the motion of Ms. Criscitiello, seconded by Ms. Bart, the Board adopted the following resolution to meet in Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. viva voce.

#### SUNSHINE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances;

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Flemington-Raritan School District Board of Education that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

certa	in items involving:
•	Matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to, staff and/or student discipline matters, and specifically:
•	Matters in which the release of information would impair the right to receive government funds, and specifically:
•	Matters which, if publicly disclosed, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, and specifically:
•	Matters concerning negotiations, and specifically:
•	Matters involving the purchase of real property and/or the investment of public funds, and specifically:
•	Matters involving the real tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, and specifically:
✓	Matters involving anticipated or pending litigation, including matters of attorney-client privilege, and specifically: <u>Contract Litigation</u>
•	Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically:
•	Matters involving quasi-judicial deliberations, and specifically:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board will/will not return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

The Board returned to public session at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Colpas read a statement and a moment of silence was observed in honor of the lives lost on September 11, 2001.

Ms. Arce read the District Mission Statement.

## As a Community of One, WE:

Foster social, emotional, and academic growth within a connected learning community

Respect, honor and embrace diverse family and community values by building collaborative partnerships

Strengthen opportunities that nurture creative and critical thinkers

Develop and inspire personal excellence.

# **Every Student - Every Day - Every Opportunity**

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. McGann provided update on the first day of school and asked for patience with transportation as everyone settles into the new year. She shared a reminder with the Board that the District is undergoing NJQSAC review this school year, which is a comprehensive monitoring tool used by the Department of Education to ensure compliance with all applicable laws. In addition, Dr. McGann noted that the preschool expansion grant award is delayed, however an update is anticipated in the coming week. Dr. McGann spoke about staffing challenges and shared her appreciation for the new hires on the agenda this evening, noted that PTO events are starting this week and reminded parents to look for information from principals on upcoming open house/back to school nights.

Dr. McGann provided an update on enrollment:

JP Case: 681 RFIS: 700

Barley Sheaf: 365 Copper Hill: 598

Francis A. Desmares: 417 Robert Hunter: 398 Out of District: 19

Total: 3,173 Students, an increase of 11 students from the previous report

Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – August 28, 2023

Ms. Hurley asked for any corrections, additions or deletions to the minutes. Hearing none, Ms. Hurley announced that the meeting minutes were approved as written.

Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for July 2023

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of July 2023, further certifies that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of 6A: 23-2.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's known financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year 2023-2024.

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A: 23-2.11(a), as of July 31, 2023. As of these dates, sufficient funds are available to meet the district's known financial obligations for the remainder of the school year 2023-2024.

Motion by Ms. Mitcheltree, Seconded by Ms. Bart to accept the Report of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for July 2023.

Aye: Ms. Arce Ms. Jarrett

Ms. Bart Ms. Markowski
Ms. Borowsky Ms. Mitcheltree
Ms. Colpas Ms. Hurley

Ms. Criscitiello

#### CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Nay:

Abstain:

Citizens Address the Board - The public is invited to respectfully share their concerns, comments, and suggestions according to the Board's policy and by-laws. Please be aware that this portion is your opportunity to comment on items of concern regarding the agenda only. The second public comment is for comment on any issue. Each speaker will have 3 minutes and the total session will be 30 minutes. The public is requested to sign the register and to state their name, municipality of residence, and group affiliation, if applicable. While all comments will be considered, Board Members will not respond to speakers at this time.

Ms. Hurley set the session to 30 minutes with 3 minutes for each person.

No comment.

#### THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS RECOMMENDED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

#### **PERSONNEL**

Susan Mitcheltree, Chairperson, Next Meeting - September 28, 2023

Ms. Mitcheltree shared an update on the personnel committee which last met on September 6<sup>th</sup>. The committee reviewed all resignations, leave replacements, new hires, salary adjustments longevity and contractual compensations. The committee recommended all as per the agenda. The superintendent along with all administrators are working diligently to fill open positions in the district. Dr. McGann reviewed with the committee mentoring requirements for new hires and the committee recommended for the approval of mentors and mentees, along with stipends that align with the FREA contract. The committee recommends the approval of Mr. Kassick, Reading Recovery teacher, to do his administrative internship with Dr. Michelle Cook with no cost to the district. Our next meeting is September 28.

## Personnel Item(s) 1-17 were approved under one motion made by Ms. Mitcheltree, seconded by Ms. Criscitiello.

Aye: Ms. Arce Ms. Jarrett Nay: 0 Abstain:

Ms. Bart Ms. Markowski
Ms. Borowsky Ms. Mitcheltree
Ms. Colpas Ms. Hurley

Ms. Criscitiello

1. Approval was given to accept the resignation of the following staff member(s) for the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Purpose	<b>Effective Date</b>
1.	Corigliano	Frank	RFIS	Health & Physical Education	Resignation	October 24, 2023

- 2. Approval was given for district staff member(s) to take a leave of absence or amend their leave during the 2023-2024 school year.
- 3. Approval was given to employ the following staff member(s) for the 2023-2024 school year, pending certification, fingerprints, background check, and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last	First	Loc.	Position	Salary/Degree/	<b>Effective Dates</b>	Certification /College
	Name	Name			Step		
1.	Del	Francine	BS	Stretch / RTI	\$77,655/MA+30/10	September 18, 2023	Elementary School Teacher, Teacher
	Vecchio			Coordinator		- June 30, 2024	of Reading, Reading Specialist /
							Columbia University, Montclair
							State University, Rutgers University

4. Approval was given to update the salaries of the following staff member(s) for advancement on the 2023-2024 Teachers Salary Guide, effective September 1, 2023, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc./ Position	From: Salary/Degree/Step	To: Salary/Degree/Step
1.	Schrum	Morgan	BS/LLD	\$67,105/MA/6	\$68,230/MA+30/6

# Non-Certified Staff - Appointments, Resignations & Leaves of Absence

5. Approval was given to employ the following staff member(s) for the 2023-2024 school year, pending fingerprints, background check, and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Salary	<b>Effective Dates</b>
1.	Pelletier	Allison	CO	Personnel Secretary	\$63,521 / (prorated)	September 18, 2023 - June 30, 2024

6. Approval was given to amend the May 22, 2023 motion:

to appoint Wendy VanDine, Teacher Assistant, as the Special Services and Preschool Transportation Aide Coordinator & Substitute Bus Monitor, effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, with a stipend of \$5,000, during the 2023-2024 school year.

to read:

to appoint Wendy VanDine, Teacher Assistant as the Special Services and Preschool Transportation Aide Coordinator & Substitute Bus Monitor, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 with a stipend of \$7,500 during the 2023-2024 school year.

7. Approval was given to employ the following Teacher Assistants for the 2023-2024 school year, pending certification, fingerprints, background check, and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Salary/Step	<b>Effective Dates</b>	Certification/New/ Replacement
1.	Maini	Meghna	СН	Teacher Assistant	\$24,843/1	September 12, 2023 - June 30, 2024	Replacement
2.	Stafford	Janet	СН	Teacher Assistant	\$24,843/1	September 12, 2023 - June 30, 2024	New
3.	Stephens	Kasey	СН	Teacher Assistant	\$24,843/1	September 12, 2023 - June 30, 2024	New
4.	Spicer	Cecelia	RH	Teacher Assistant	\$24,843/1	September 12, 2023 - June 30, 2024	Replacement
5.	Jacobus	Janet	RFIS	Teacher Assistant	\$24,843/1	September 12, 2023 - June 30, 2024	Replacement

8. Approval was given to update the salary of the following staff member(s) to include an increase or addition of Longevity per FREA contract for the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	<b>Total Longevity Amount</b>
1.	Bartley	Jeanne	RFIS	Speech and Language Pathologist	\$650

# All Staff - Additional Compensation

9. Approval was given to confirm the employment of the following staff member(s) for extra compensation during the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max # of Hours	Rate
1.	Ader	Stevie	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
2.	Burkhardt	Kristin	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
3.	Coster	Lisa	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
4.	Finch	Katherine	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
5.	Nagy	Samantha	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
6.	Perkins	Madison	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
7.	Smith	Shannon	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
8.	TBD	TBD	RFIS	Grade 6 Activity Night	2.5 hrs.	\$36.00/hr.
9.	TBD	TBD	RFIS	Grade 5 Activity Night	20 Shared hrs.	\$720 (\$36/hr.)
10.	TBD	TBD	RFIS	Grade 5 & 6 Concert Chaperones	46 Shared hrs.	\$1,656 (\$36/hr.)
11.	TBD	TBD	RFIS	Concert Teachers	60 Shared hrs.	\$2,160 (\$36/hr.)
12.	Edelsberg	Lauren	RH	Involuntary Room Transfer	14 hrs.	Hourly Rate
13.	Payton	Nicole	CH	Involuntary Room Transfer	14 hrs.	Hourly Rate
14.	Barragan	Kathleen	FAD	Involuntary Room Transfer	14 hrs.	Hourly Rate
15.	Boelhouwer	Peter	JPC	Involuntary Room Transfer	13 hrs.	Hourly Rate

10. Approval was given to appoint the following staff member(s) as supplemental Transportation Aide(s) outside of contracted hours, during the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Rate
1.	Chandonnet	Courtney	СН	Supplemental Transportation Aide	Hourly
2.	Cinquemani	Tiffany	RH	Supplemental Transportation Aide	\$36.00
3.	Ditchey	Andrea	СН	Supplemental Transportation Aide	Hourly
4.	Gabriel	Gemina	СН	Supplemental Transportation Aide	Hourly
5.	Mattis	Emily	СН	Supplemental Transportation Aide	Hourly
6.	Mittler	Kimi	СН	Supplemental Transportation Aide	Hourly
7.	Tompkins	Nancy	СН	Supplemental Transportation Aide	Hourly

11. Approval was given to amend the August 28, 2023 motion:

to employ the following staff members for the 2023-2024 school year, pending certification, fingerprints, background check, and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Salary/Step	Effective Dates	Certification/New/ Replacement
9.	Schwalje	Keri	JPC	Teacher Assistant	\$24,843/1	September 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024	Replacing A. Tolotta

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Salary/Step	Effective Dates	Certification/New/ Replacement
9.	Schwalje	Keri	JPC	Teacher Assistant	\$26,184/2	September 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024	Replacing A. Tolotta

12. Approval was given to amend the May 22, 2023 motion:

for the following Transportation Aide(s) to work during the 2023 Extended School Year Program from June 26, 2023 through July 27, 2023, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Purpose	Max # of Hours	Rate
2.	Hill	Henry	ESY Transportation Aide	50 Hours	Contracted Rate
3.	Rizzo	Robert	ESY Transportation Aide	50 Hours	Contracted Rate
4.	Sozanski	Brenda	ESY Transportation Aide	50 Hours	Contracted Rate

#### to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Purpose	Max # of Hours	Rate
2.	Hill	Henry	ESY Transportation Aide	90 Hours	Contracted Rate
3.	Rizzo	Robert	ESY Transportation Aide	90 Hours	Contracted Rate
4.	Sozanski	Brenda	ESY Transportation Aide	90 Hours	Contracted Rate

13. Approval was given to amend the July 24, 2023 motion:

to confirm the following to work as Transportation Aides during the 2023 Extended School Year Program from June 26, 2023 through July 27, 2023, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Purpose	Position	Max # of Hours	Rate
8.	Watkoskey	Anthony	Transportation Aide	Transportation Aide	50 Hours	Contracted Rate

#### to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Purpose	Position	Max # of Hours	Rate
8.	Watkoskey	Anthony	Transportation Aide	Transportation Aide	97 Hours	Contracted Rate

#### **Substitutes**

14. Approval was given to confirm the employment of the following applicant(s) as a substitute(s) pending fingerprints, background check, and health exam, during the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name
1.	Brady	Casey
2.	Moschella	Sarah
3.	Swiderski	Christina
4.	Tompkins	Kathleen
5.	Valiente	Lorena

## **Field Placement**

15. Approval was given to appoint the following mentor(s) for the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

		Mentee			Mentor				
Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Stipend		
1.	Ader	Stevie	RFIS	Strunk	Carri	RFIS	\$1000*		
2.	Cirillo	Christine	RFIS	Brace	Shannon	RFIS	\$550*		
3.	Hernandez	Tina	SS	Wong	May	SS	\$550*		
4.	Logan	Jonathan	JPC	Nagy	Rosemary	JPC	\$550*		

<sup>\*</sup>Individuals may receive prorated rates based on actual time in service.

16. Approval was given for the following student(s) to complete their university requirements, at no cost to the District, pending fingerprints and health exam, during the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

	Item	Last Name	First Name	University	Purpose	Cooperating Teacher/Position/Loc	<b>Effective Dates</b>
ſ	1.	Kassick	Joseph	The College of New	Internship	Dr. Michelle Cook / Supervisor of	2023-2024 school
				Jersey		English and Social Studies	year

17. Approval was given to employ the following staff member(s) for the 2023-2024 school year, pending certification, fingerprints, background check, and health exam, as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Position	Salary/Degree/Step	<b>Effective Dates</b>	Certification /College
1.	Sonier	Caitlyn	CH	Grade 2	\$75,785 (prorated) /	November 13, 2023	Preschool through Grade 3/
					BA/11	- June 30, 2024	The College of New Jersey

## INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM

Jaclyn Arce, Chairperson, Next Meeting - September 28, 2023

Ms. Arce shared an update on the instruction and program committee which will meet again on September 28<sup>th</sup>. The Committee reviewed the Spring 2023 NJ Student Learning Assessment overall "total" scores for each grade and subject area. Areas of improvement since 2022 test results: FAD & BS Grade 3 English Language Arts (ELA), RH Grade 4 ELA, RFIS Grade 5 ELA & Mathematics, FAD Grade 3 Mathematics. Though there were some areas of improvement, there are still many areas where growth is needed. The district administration and the committee agreed that we should strive to consistently exceed the state average and work to increase the margin by which we exceed it. The committee accepts the following donations: 80 backpacks from Costco, and an author visit and gaga pit rubber mats flooring from the Frances A. Desmares PTO.

Instruction and Program Item(s) 1-3 were approved under one motion made by Ms. Arce, seconded by Ms. Bart. Ms. Hurley asked that board members confirm attendance for the NJSBA workshop.

Aye: Ms. Arce Ms. Jarrett Nay: 0 Abstain:

Ms. Bart Ms. Markowski
Ms. Borowsky Ms. Mitcheltree
Ms. Colpas Ms. Hurley

Ms. Criscitiello

1. Approval was given to employ the following staff member(s), or their alternate(s), for additional compensation during the 2023-2024 school year. If alternates are necessary, their employment will be confirmed as replacements at no additional cost.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max. # of Hours	Rate
1.	Kassick	Joseph	CH/FAD	Prepare and Facilitate a Professional Book Study Group	18 hrs.	\$45/hr.
2.	Perkins	Madison	RFIS	Prepare and Facilitate a Professional Book Study Group	4 hrs.	\$45/hr.
3.	Sladky	Samantha	JPC	Prepare and Facilitate a Professional Book Study Group	4 hrs.	\$45/hr.
4.	Attiyah	Hanan	BS	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
5.	Blampey	Zoey	RH	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
6.	Carson	Cynthia	СН	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
7.	Hilke	Michelle	RH	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
8.	Hlinka	Jaclyn	FAD	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
9.	Kassick	Joseph	СН	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
10.	Klein	Lea	FAD	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
11.	Litchfield	Kristen	RH	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.

12.	Mason	Erin	СН	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
13.	McCormack	Jennifer	BS	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
14.	McPeek	Megan	RH	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
15.	Rowe	Kari	FAD/RH	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
16.	Scherer	Lauren	СН	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
17.	Shoemaker	Ivette	BS	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.
18.	Soos	Laura	FAD	Prepare Reading Fluency Workshop	1 hr.	\$45/hr.

2. Approval was given to accept the following curriculum, professional development, and/or technology-related donation(s) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Item	Donation	Donor	Value	Location
1.	80 Backpacks	Costco Wholesale	\$400	FAD/RH
2.	Dion Leonard/Finding Gobi Author Visit	PTO	\$1,500	FAD
3.	Gaga Pit Rubber Mats Flooring	PTO	\$2,160	FAD

3. Approval was given of the following travel expenditures for staff member(s) or their designated alternate to attend professional development conferences/workshops. This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent, and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member's current responsibilities and professional development plans.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Includes	Max.
					(see below)	Amount
1.	Arce	Jaclyn	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
2.	Bart	Valerie	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
3.	Borowsky	Loretta	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
	-		Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
4.	Colpas	Lillian	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
	•		Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
5.	Criscitiello	Gina	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
6.	Dawson	Tanya	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
7.	Hurley	Michelle	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
	•		Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
8.	Jarrett	Tiffany	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
9.	Markowski	Laurie	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 24-	R,M,L,F,O	\$860
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
10.	McGann	Kari	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
11.	Mitcheltree	Susan	New Jersey School Boards Association	October 23-	R,M,L,F,O	\$1,100
			Workshop 2023, Atlantic City, NJ	26, 2023		
12.	Rowe	Kari	Public Fundations Level 2 Virtual Launch	September	R	\$320
			Workshop	12, 2023		
13.	Kassick	Joseph	Reading Recovery Teacher Leader Ongoing	November	RM,L,F,O	\$1,200
			Professional Development, Cambridge, MA	1-3, 2023		
		R = Registi	ration Fee; $M = Mileage$ ; $L = Lodging$ ; $F = Fo$	od; O = Other	-	•

## **OPERATIONS**

Michelle Hurley, Chairperson, Next Meeting – October 11, 2023

Ms. Hurley shared an update on the Operations Committee which last met on September 6<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed additional projects to be funded by referendum funds. The committee recommends utilizing referendum bond proceeds for the following projects, as these are deemed essential and urgent by the committee:

Ouestion 1:

- a. Robert Hunter Elementary School new public address system, exterior door replacement, and additional door access controls
- b. Francis A. Desmares Elementary School exterior column lights and additional door access controls
- c. Copper Hill Elementary School Skylight repair

**Question 2:** 

- a. Boiler replacement for Robert Hunter Elementary School and Francis A. Desmares Elementary School
- b. Copper Hill Elementary School Fire alarm system
- c. BMS Replacement for JP Case Middle School, Copper Hill Elementary School and Reading Fleming Intermediate School We will be moving forward with creation of the long range facilities plan, with an anticipated completion date of April 2023 or earlier. SSP Architects will present at our October committee meeting. The committee will review additional potential projects for phase 2 of the referendum project at a special meeting dedicated to this item. The district health benefit broker, Brown and Brown is scheduled to attend our November committee meeting to discuss insurance benefits. Next meeting is October 11.

Operations Item(s) 1-4 were approved under one motion made by Ms. Hurley, seconded by Ms. Criscitiello.

Aye: Ms. Arce Ms. Jarrett Nay: 0 Abstain:

Ms. Bart Ms. Markowski
Ms. Borowsky Ms. Mitcheltree
Ms. Colpas Ms. Hurley

Ms. Criscitiello

- 1. Approval was given of the transfer list from August 23, 2023 to August 30, 2023.
- 2. Approval was given of the bill list for the month of September totaling \$405,071.02.
- 3. Approval was given to utilize referendum bond proceeds, question 1 for the following projects:
  - a. Robert Hunter Elementary School additional door access controls at an amount not to exceed \$25,000
  - b. Francis A. Desmares Elementary School additional door access controls at an amount not to exceed \$10,000

Utilizing referendum bond proceeds, question 1, pending approval of contracts by the Board:

- a. Robert Hunter Elementary School new public address system and exterior door replacements.
- b. Francis A. Desmares Elementary School exterior blacktop column lights
- c. Copper Hill Elementary School Skylight repair
- 4. Approval was given to utilize referendum bond proceeds, question 2, pending approval of contracts by the Board:
  - a. Boiler replacement for Robert Hunter Elementary School and Francis A. Desmares Elementary School
  - b. Copper Hill Elementary School Fire alarm system
  - c. Building Management System (BMS) Replacement for JP Case Middle School, Copper Hill Elementary School and Reading Fleming Intermediate School

# TRANSPORTATION

Loretta Borowsky, Chairperson, Next Meeting – October 11, 2023

Transportation Item 1 was approved under one motion made by Ms. Borowsky, seconded by Ms. Markowski.

Aye: Ms. Arce Ms. Jarrett Nay: 0 Abstain:

Ms. Bart Ms. Markowski
Ms. Borowsky Ms. Mitcheltree
Ms. Colpas Ms. Hurley

Ms. Criscitiello

1. Approval was given of the 2023-2024 bus stops and routes and to authorize the Transportation Director to make the necessary adjustments in accordance with State and District Policy, Rules and Regulations after the opening of school to accommodate student needs.

## **POLICY**

Lilian Colpas, Chairperson, Next Meeting – September 19, 2023

Ms. Colpas noted there is no report but the committee will meet again on September 19<sup>th</sup> and the committee recommended to approve the following new policy and regulation for a 2nd reading and adoption:

- 1. R 6115.01 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls Allowability of Costs (M)
- 2. P 6115.04 Federal Funds Duplication of Benefits (M)

Policy Item 1 was approved under one motion made by Ms. Colpas, seconded by Ms. Markowski.

Aye: Ms. Arce Ms. Jarrett Nay: 0 Abstain:

Ms. Bart Ms. Markowski
Ms. Borowsky Ms. Mitcheltree
Ms. Colpas Ms. Hurley

Ms. Criscitiello

- 1. Approval was given to present the following new policy and regulation for a 2nd reading and adoption:
  - 1. R 6115.01 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls Allowability of Costs (M)
  - 2. P 6115.04 Federal Funds Duplication of Benefits (M)

# **MISCELLANEOUS (INFORMATION-ACTION)**

None

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Ms. Hurley requested that board members provide an informal report at an upcoming meeting of the small group ideas for meeting Board goals.

Ms. Bart asked for clarification on the referendum status meeting. Ms. Hurley noted there would be a special committee meeting to discuss.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. McGann noted that due to QSAC review, the November board meeting may need to be changed. In addition, she will report on the action plan for District goals and new staff will be recognized at the October meeting. Ms. Bart thanked Ms. Colpas for her reflection on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

# CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Citizens Address the Board - The public is invited to respectfully share their concerns, comments, and suggestions according to the Board's policy and by-laws. Each speaker will have 3 minutes and the total session will be 30 minutes. The public is requested to sign the register and to state their name, municipality of residence, and group affiliation, if applicable. While all comments will be considered, Board Members will not respond to speakers at this time.

Ms. Hurley set the session to 30 minutes with 3 minutes for each person.

Kent Davis, Raritan Township – shared comments on Policy 2530 regarding resource materials and requested policy drafts or more information to be shared.

Megan Pacyna, Raritan Township – shared appreciation for the summer program and requested that plans be provided earlier or alternate forms of communication be used to share information with families.

On the motion of Ms. Arce seconded by Ms. Criscitiello the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m. viva voce.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Tanya Dawson Business Administrator/Board Secretary