

LAUREL SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2024 7:00 PM

Meeting Called to Order: President, Mr. Erik Stones

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances exist;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Town of Laurel Springs in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, as follows: The public shall be excluded from discussion on the actions upon the hereinafter specified subject matter: Personnel matters, contracts/litigations, negotiations, matters of attorney/client privilege. Any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential, will be made public as soon as is practicable. Minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene to public session at the conclusion of the executive session. This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Time: _____

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Time: _____

Open Public Meeting Statement:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend any meetings of public bodies at which their interests may be discussed or acted upon. In accordance with provisions of this Act, the Laurel Springs Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, purpose and place thereof published in the Courier Post and posted on authorized premises.” The secretary certifies that all requirements of the Sunshine Law have been met.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Mrs. Kimberley Brisbin
Mrs. Betty Hobbs
Mrs. Cathy Ivins-Sims
Mr. Matthew Minder
Mr. Douglas Delpidio
Mr. Erik Stones
Mrs. Carolyn Redstreak
Mrs. Alison Manny
Mrs. Monica Korn

Announcement of Notices/Communications

Limited Citizen Participation- This is the first of two opportunities in which the public would like to address the Board on Board Agenda items only.

Concerns stated, or actions requested by the public, will be taken under advisement by the board for investigation, discussion, and action or disposition at a later time/date.

Pursuant to NJSA 10:4-12(b), the Open Public Meetings Act, the Board shall not discuss personnel, litigation, Negotiations, Attorney-Client Privilege matters and shall not respond to comments made by members of the public.

Employees of the Laurel Springs School District retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not entertain such comments. Nor shall the Board be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Further, the Board asks that citizens who choose to speak at a public board meeting be reminded that comments should always be respectful, non-defamatory and should maintain the level of decorum appropriate for a meeting of a public body.

When addressing the Board, please respect the following procedure:

1. Be recognized by the Board President
2. State your full name and address before commenting.
3. Identify the resolution on which you will comment.
4. Limit your comment(s) to the specific resolution.
5. Per Policy #0167, each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five minutes duration.

The Board is limited in its ability to respond in public on the following matters:
(Personnel, Litigation, Negotiations, Attorney-Client privilege.)

Secretary's Report

Superintendent's Report

Committee Reports

Yellin Representative Update

Sterling Representative Update

Board Secretary Action Item:

1. Resolution No. 0224-01

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Report for **December 2023** be approved as certified by the Secretary of the Board that no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1, and

Be it further resolved that, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(3), the Board of Education certifies that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

EXHIBIT A

2. Resolution No. 0224-02

Motion to approve attached Transfer List/Batch Appropriations Adjustments for **December 2023**.

EXHIBIT B

3. Resolution No. 0224-03

Motion to approve attached Bills and Claims report.

EXHIBIT C

4. Resolution No. 0224-04

Motion to approve the minutes from January 3, 2024.

EXHIBIT D

5. Resolution No. 0224-05

Motion to approve contract with Professional Medical Staffing for the remainder of the 23-24 school year for substitute nurse.

EXHIBIT E

6. Resolution No. 0224-06

Motion to approve attached resolutions to participate in ACES for gas and electric services.

EXHIBIT F

7. Resolution No. 0224-07

Motion to approve the following tuition contracts for 2023-2024.

<u>School</u>	<u>SID#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
YALE	3676848873	\$85,707.00
Evesham	5807572530	\$32,170.00
YALE	9029202134	\$145,863.00
Bankbridge	2745009295	\$95,270.00
First Child	3532345053	\$27,090.00

8. Resolution No. 0224-08

Motion to approve a 2024-2025 SEMI Wavier Request.

Superintendent Action Items

9. Resolution No. 0224-09

Motion to approve the superintendent's HIB recommendation as discussed at the prior month's meeting.

10. Resolution No. 0224-10

Motion to approve the following assembly for 4th and 5th grade students:

Edmund Optic
March 7, 2024
No cost to district.

11. Resolution No.0224-11

Motion to approve the following professional developments:

Lisa Corrigan	School Nurse Disability Law and Insulin Pumps.	2/16/24	\$0 Cost
Julie Knipfer	Five Critical Life Skills for Tweens/Teens.	Virtual	\$49.00
Kasey Rabena	Support for Struggling Readers	TBD	\$200.

12. Resolution No. 0224-12

Motion to approve school-wide bowling trip to 30 Strikes, Stratford on 3/15/24. Cost will be funded by HSC.

13. Resolution No. 0224-13

Motion to accept retirement request for Mrs. Jamie Agatone effective 7/1/24.

EXHIBIT G

14. Resolution No. 0224-14

Motion to approve Maggie Eason, DDS as a guest speaker for Dental Awareness Month (February).

15. Resolution No. 0224-15

Motion to approve The Biannual Statement of Assurance Regarding Use of Paraprofessional Staff.

EXHIBIT H

16. Resolution No. 0224-16

Motion to approve the Substitute School Nurse rate to \$200. per day.

17. Resolution No. 0224-17

Resolution to approve Crisis Response Canines to provide monthly classroom therapy dog sessions through the Alliance of Therapy Dogs, paid by the Dogs in the Classroom Grant.

18. Resolution No. 0224-18

Motion to approve Tori Shinkowitz as a substitute school nurse pending receipt of required documentation.

19. Resolution No. 0224-19

Resolution to approve Environmental Quiz Show Assembly "True or False" On March 26, 2024 for grades K-6.

20. Resolution No. 0224-20

Motion to approve FMLA for John Schiavo from 2/13/24 to 4/8/24.

21. Resolution No. 0224-21

Motion to approve attached Required Addendum to Camden County 2024 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Education and Law Enforcement-Section 3.5 Law Enforcement Response to Reports of Controlled Dangerous Substances and Cannabis, pages 23 & 24.

EXHIBIT I

22. Resolution No. 0224-22

Motion to approve the FIRST reading of the following Revised/New/Abolished policies (Alert #232)

- P 1140 Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action (M) (Revised)**
- P 1523 Comprehensive Equity Plan (M) (Revised)**
- P 1530 Equal Employment Opportunities (M) (Revised)**
- R 1530 Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure (M) (Revised)**
- P 1550 Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (M) (Revised)**
- R 2200 Curriculum Content (M) (Revised)**
- P 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M) (Revised)**
- R 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint Procedure (M) (Revised)**
- P 2411 Guidance Counseling (M) (Revised)**
- P 3211 Code of Ethics (Revised)**
- R 5440 Honoring Student Achievement (Revised)**
- P 5570 Sportsmanship (Revised)**
- P 5750 Equitable Educational Opportunity (M) (Revised)**
- P 5755 Equity in Educational Programs and Services (M) (Abolished)**
- P 5841 Secret Societies (Revised)**
- P 5842 Equal Access of Student Organizations (Revised)**
- P & R 7610 Vandalism (Revised)**
- P 9323 Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition (Revised)**

B. General Policy and Regulation Guide Updates

- P & R 2423 Bilingual Education (M) (Revised)**
- P & R 2431.4 Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M) (Revised)**

23. Resolution No. 0224-23

Motion to approve the following field trips for the 2023-24 school year.

GRADE	LOCATION	DATE/TIME
K and 1	Ritz Theatre Company (Haddon TWP)	May 17
2	Johnson's Farm (Medford, NJ)	May 30
3	Howell Living Farm (Titusville, NJ)	March 21
4	NJ State House/Museum (Trenton, NJ)	April 24
5	Camden County Library (Voorhees, NJ)	April 19
6	Wetlands Institute (Stone Harbor, NJ)	May 15
Safety Trip	Fun City (Washington Twp, NJ)	May 23
School Wide Bowling Trip	30 Strikes (Stratford, NJ)	March 15

Motion by _____, seconded by _____
that Resolutions 0224-01 - 23 are adopted.

Old Business

New Business

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Executive Session

Adjournment