Regular Board Meeting of July 22, 2025

Meeting called to order by President Delpidio at 6:30 p.m.

On a motion by Mrs. Dunning, seconded by Mrs. Redstreake the Board convened Closed Session at 6:30pm.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

On a motion by Mrs. Redstreake, seconded by Mrs. Dunning the Board convened Open Session at 6:53pm.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Roll Call

Present Absent

Mrs. Delpidio Mrs. Hobbs

Mrs. Dunning

Mr. Minder Mrs. Ford

Mrs. Korn

Mrs. Redstreake Mrs. Brisbin Mr. Delpidio

Announcement of Notices/Communications

None

Limited Citizen Participation

None

Secretary's Report

The Board Secretary presented the Board Secretary Report and Treasurer Report for June 2025. The reports were in balance. The Board Secretary certified that there was no line item over expenditures

Superintendent's Report

HIB Report - Mr. Crispin shared the HIB report for the month of July

HVAC Project - Mr. Crispin updated the board and community on the HVAC project. Everything is going well and the contractors anticipate that all work will be completed on time. This will provide enough time for our facilities team to prepare the classrooms for the start of the school year.

Business Services - Effective on July 1, 2025, the Sterling business office, under the direction of Mr. James McCullough, School Business Administrator, is now handling all business functions for the Laurel Springs School District. The transition has gone very smoothly and we anticipate that the transition should be completed by the end of this month.

Preschool Expansion Aid - Mr. Crispin informed the board that the district will be preparing an application for Preschool Expansion Aid for the 2025-26 school year. The application is due on August 25th with state notification being made sometime in September. Due to reductions in the amount of aid being provided for each student, it does not appear that there will be enough funding to support the use of any out of district facilities. It is anticipated that for the first year the district will be looking to add one full-day preschool class.

Just Kids - Just Kids is working to begin a before and after school childcare program when school starts in September. Information will be sent out to parents shortly informing them of this program. This program will be for all students who attend Laurel Springs School.

Property Chair Representative Report - Mr. Minter

Mr. Minter informed the board of a Property Committee meeting that was held in July. At this meeting the committee reviewed a plan prepared by their architect, Mr. Jim Ebersberger. The committee discussed the plan and recommended the plan for the board to consider. Mr. Minter then introduced Mr. Ebersberger who then shared the full plan with the board.

After Mr. Ebersberger's presentation, the board discussed the options and decided to recommend the full plan which included the renovations to the front of the school and the addition of two new preschool classes.

Committee Reports

None

On a motion by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Brisbin to approve Resolutions 0611-01 through 0611-17 and 0611-19 through 0611-31. Motion 06-11-18 was pulled from agenda.

Yes No Abstain

Mrs. Delpidio

Mrs. Hobbs

Mr. Minder

Mrs. Ford

Mrs. Korn

Mrs. Redstreake

Mrs. Brisbin

Mrs. Delpidio

1. **Resolution No. 0722-01**

Motion to approve the following professional development sessions to be paid with local funds:

- Julie Knipfer & Heather Dunham Strauss Esmay: HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying) Training, October 1, 2025; \$165 per participant.
- Heather Dunham NJPSA 2025 Fall Conference: Lead with Joy, October 16–17, 2025; \$430.

2. **Resolution No. 0722-02**

Motion to approve Tyler Warner as a paraprofessional for Dragon Camp, retroactively effective July 8, 2025, at a rate of \$53.50 per day for 15 days, paid through (Educational Staffing Solutions) using local funds.

3. **Resolution No. 0722-03**

Motion to approve the job description for the position of Secretary – Student Services Office.

4. Resolution No. 0722-04

Motion to approve the following IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) allocations:

• Basic \$61,394

Preschool-\$2,696

5. **Resolution No. 0722-05**

Motion to approve change order #1 (CO-1) with Surety Mechanical Services of New Jersey in the amount of \$15,549.65. This change order is an extension of the contract completion date.

6. <u>Resolution No. 0722-06</u>

Motion to approve the scope of architectural services for the schematic design phase to include additions and alterations to the 1957 (building #2) area of the Laurel Spring School based on the 2022 LRFP with Rodier Ebersberger Architects LLC in the amount of \$53,743.38

7. **Resolution No. 0722-07**

Motion to approve contract between Laurel Springs School District and Just Kids for the 2025-2026 school year.

Old Business

New Business

Open Citizen Participation

• There was a question raised regarding the possible use of the Rec Center for the preschool program. Mr. DelPidio indicated that due to the reductions in funding, the use of the Rec Center will not be an option.

None

Adjournment - Motion made by Mrs. Hobbs, Seconded by Mrs. Brisbin

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.