



**Laurel Springs School District  
Board of Education  
623 Grand Avenue  
Laurel Springs, NJ 08021**

**Regular Meeting Minutes - January 14, 2026 – 7:00pm**

**1. MEETING OPENING**

**Meeting Called to Order: President, Mr. Douglas DelPidio**

**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.

**2. 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.

**none**

**3. PUBLIC SESSION**

**Motion to resume Public Session**

Motion: Kim Brisbin Second: Elizabeth Ford Time: 6:50pm

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes – Douglas DelPidio, Tara Dunning, Giavonna DelPidio, Matthew Minder, Betty Hobbs,  
Kimberley Brisbin, Monica Korn, Carolyn Redstreak

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Roll Call:**

Mrs. Betty Hobbs  
Ms. Tara Dunning - Absent  
Mr. Matthew Minder  
Mrs. Giavonna DelPidio

Mrs. Elizabeth Ford  
Mrs. Monica Korn  
Mrs. Kimberley Brisbin  
Mr. Douglas DelPidio

### **Other Attendees:**

Mr. Steve Crispin – Superintendent  
Mr. Morlock, Esq. – Board Secretary

## **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **Visitors' Comments**

**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-minute duration.

**None**

## **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from December 17, 2025

Motion: Monica Korn Second: Tara Dunning

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes – Douglas DelPidio, Carolyn Redstreak, Tara Dunning Giavonna DelPidio, Matthew Minder, Monica Korn, Kimberley Brisbin, Betty Hobbs

## 6. SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Crispin provided updates on the following:

- HIB Report – December, non reported
- December Safety Drills - Fire Drill 12/22/25, Tabletop 12/23/25
- December 2025 Nurses Report
- Shared Services with Sterling
- Meeting with Personnel Committee in January
- NJQSAC

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mr. MInder provided an update on the status of the ceiling replacement in Room 203.

## 8. YELLIN REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

- Mrs. Brisbin updated the board and community regarding the most recent Stratford Board Meeting.

## 9. STERLING REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

- Mr. MInder updated the board and community regarding the most recent Sterling Board Meeting.

## 10. HSC REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

- Mrs. DelPidio updated the board on the upcoming HSC activities. These include a spring dance in February and fundraiser in March.

## 11. SUPERINTENDENT'S BOARD ACTION ITEMS

### 1.1 Resolution No. 0114-01

Motion to approve the following teachers for Winter Club Advisors, at an hourly rate of \$42, utilizing Title IV funds (20-282-200-100), as recommended by the administration.

- o Michael Binkins, Chorus Club Grades 4-6, February 2nd- March 12th, not to exceed 6 hours
- o Julie Knipfer, No Place for Hate Club Grades 5-6, February 2nd- March 12th, not to exceed 5 hours
- o Alexa Davis, Dance Club Grades 1-3 & 4-6, February 2nd- March 12th, not to exceed 10 hours
- o Matthew Kowal, Board Game Club, Grades 1-3, February 2nd- March 12th, not to exceed 5 hours
- o Max Rambow, Floor Hockey Grade 4-6, February 2nd- March 12th, not to exceed 5 hours

### 1.2 Resolution No. 0114-02

Motion to approve School Safety Data System Report Period I, September 1- December 21, 2025, for the 2025-26 school year.  
Resolution No. 0114-02

### 1.3 Resolution No. 0114-03

Motion to approve Heather Dunham, Bart White, and Kelly Ingenito to attend the Savvas NJ Math Educators' Symposium on January 15, 2026 at Rutgers University. There is no cost to attend the symposium.

### 1.4 Resolution No. 0114-04

Motion to approve the following coursework for Mattew Kowal through The College of New Jersey for reimbursement in accordance with the Laurel Springs Education Association contract.

- SUPVO 520 - STAFF SUPERVISION

**1.5 Resolution No. 0114-05**

Motion to approve the annual Nursing Services Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.  
Resolution No. 0114-05

**1.6 Resolution No. 0114-06**

Motion to accept the NJQSAC Interim Review report.  
Resolution No. 0114-06

**1.7 Resolution No. 0114-07**

Motion to approve Change Order #1 with Highlighting Construction Inc. in the amount of \$2,124.00 to cover the additional costs to level the existing ceiling in Room 203.  
Resolution No. 0114-07

**Approval of Superintendent's Action Items**

Motion to Approve the Superintendent's Recommendations (0114-01 – 0114-06) as presented above.

Motion by Monica Korn, seconded by Betty Hobbs that Resolutions 0114-01-06 are adopted.

**12. BILLS**

Motion to approve the following bill lists:

Bill List 1	December 5, 2025	Fund 60	\$	3,548.30
Bill List 2	December 10, 2025	Fund 11	\$	293,115.53
		Fund 20	\$	22,570.00
			\$	315,685.53
Bill List 3	December 10, 2025	Fund 11	\$	(148.50)
Bill List 4	December 12, 2025	Fund 11	\$	18,756.03
Bill List 5	December 15, 2025	Fund 11	\$	1,800.97
Bill List 6	December 15, 2025	Fund 11	\$	28,052.42
Bill List 7	December 30, 2025	Fund 11	\$	3,098.04

Fund S/A = Student Activities

Motion by Elizabeth Ford \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Kimberley Brisbin \_\_\_\_\_

### 13. VISITOR'S COMMENTS - OPEN END

#### Public Comments

**Limited Citizen Participation-** This is the second of two opportunities in which the public would like to address the Board. The Board is limited in its ability to respond in public on the following matters: (Personnel, Litigation, Negotiations, Attorney Client privilege).

- Mr. Minder addressed the board regarding the distribution of information from the Recreation Commission.

### 14. OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. DelPidio updated the board and community regarding the swing, gate and the replacement of the flag.

### 15. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. DelPidio provided an update regarding the following:

- Five year plan to address facility needs to include, a school renovation/construction project
- Full-day preschool
- Possible vice principal position
- School Choice
- Shared Services
- Lease Verification
- Bringing back 7th & 8th grades

### 16. ADJOURN

#### Adjourn Meeting

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting.

Motion: Mathew Minder Second: Monica Korn Time: 7:22 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mr. Douglas DelPidio Mr. James  
McCullough Board President Board Secretary

