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

Regular Meeting Agenda –September 16, 2026, 6:30 PM

1. MEETING OPENING

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

1.2 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.

1.3 Roll Call:
Mrs. Betty Hobbs
Mr. Matthew Minder
Mrs. Giavonna DelPidio
Mrs. Monica Korn
Mr. Timothy DiMarco
Mrs. Kimberley Brisbin
Mrs. Kate Buckingham
Mr. Jake Falana
Mr. Douglas DelPidio

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

2.1 Motion to approve the following Resolution and enter into an 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: _____

3. DISCLOSURE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF APPROPRIATE)

3.1 Return to Public Session
Motion to resume Public Session
Motion: _____ Second: _____ Time: ____

4. MEETING OPENING CONTINUED

4.1 Pledge of Allegiance

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

5.1 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.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from August 19, 2026

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

6.2 Executive Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve the Executive Meeting Minutes from August 19, 2026

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION ITEMS

- HIB Report
- Safety Drills- August - none
- Nurse Report- August – none
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MANDATED TRAINING - The following board members have been registered to complete their mandated training online. You should have received an email from NJSBA with your online course information. The DEADLINE to complete the course is December 31, 2026. Please let Mr. McCullough or Mrs. Dolce know if you have any questions.

BOE Member	Course	Form	Deadline
Matt Minder	Governance IV	Online	12/31/2026
Kimberly Brisbin	Governance IV	Online	Complete
Monica Korn	Governance III	Online	Complete
Tim DiMarco	Governance I	Online	Complete
Gia DelPidio	Governance II	online	12/31/2026

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. YELLIN REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

10. STERLING REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

11. HSC REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S BOARD ACTION ITEMS

12.1 Resolution No. 0916-01
Motion to approve donation of a handmade "Buddy Bench" to LSE by Stratford resident, Noel DeRemigi

12.2 Resolution No. 0916-02
Motion to approve Donation of a refrigerator and freezer from the HSC

12.3 Resolution No. 0916-03
Motion to approve the retirement of Mrs. Lucinda Garvey effective January 1, 2027.

12.4 Resolution No. 0916-04
Motion to approve the donation of classroom furniture from the Clementon School District.

12.5 Resolution No. 0916-05
Motion to approve the volunteer classroom aide Mr. Andrew Anderson for the 26-27 school year.

12.6 Resolution No. 0916-06
Motion to approve the following teacher mentors:

- Alyssa Stanley - Kelly Ingenito (mentor)
- Lorrie Grinkewitz - Vicki Bill (mentor)

12.7 Resolution No. 0916-07
Motion to Approve Laurie Ann Hayes for the Vice Principal position at the salary of $90,000 (pro-rated for start date). Anticipated start date of 11/20/2026, or as earlier if released from her current employer and as determined by Mrs. Haines

12.9 Resolution No. 0916-08
Motion to approve Julie Knipfer to attend Handle with Care Training, October 08, 2026, $625.00, utilizing Title II funds.

12.10 Resolution No. 0916-09
Motion to approve Contract between Laurel Springs Board of Education and Stratford Board of Education for Operations/Maintenance Services

12.11 Resolution No. 0916-10
Motion to discard unused text books and curriculum materials

12.11 Resolution No. 0916-11
Approval to utilize the Danielson Evaluation Tool for Teachers and Administrators for the 2026-27 school year.

12.11 Resolution No. 0916-12
Approval of Donna Lacovara for Interim, and changed to Laurie Ann Hayes once onboarded as the 2026-27 District Anti-Bullying Coordinator.

Approval of Superintendent's Action Items
Motion to Approve the Superintendent's Recommendations (0916-01 –0912-) as presented above.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____ that Resolutions 0916-01-0912- are adopted.

13. BILLS

13.1 Motion to approve the following Bill Lists:

Bill List 1	August 13, 2026	Fund 11	$	14,536.49
Bill List 2	August 13, 2026	Fund 11	$	42,135.65
Bill List 3	August 24, 2026	Fund S/A	$	215.00
Bill List 4	August 30, 2026	Fund 11	$	42,344.98
Bill List 5	September 1, 2026	Fund S/A	$	160.00
Bill List 6	August 13, 2026	Fund 11	$	270.60
Bill List 7	September 3, 2026	Fund 11	$	82,456.51
Bill List 8	September 3, 2026	Fund 11	$	270.60
		Fund 40	$	198,956.85
			$	199,226.85
Bill List 9	September 8, 2026	Fund 30	$	14,605.18

** Fund S/A = Student Activities **

Motion by _____, seconded by _____

14. BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

14.1 Bancroft Special Education Tuition Contract
Dollar Amount $146,993.70
Budget Source 11-000-100-565
Motion to approve a tuition contract with Bancroft NeuroHealth for student SID# 7730322144 from July 08, 2026 to June 30, 2027, (210 days), at $12,149.10, (extended school year tuition) and $72,894.60 (regular year tuition), plus a 1:1 aide (210 days) $61,950.00, totaling $146,993.70.

14.2 ESEA Grant
Motion to approve the submission of the ESEA Consolidated Grant application for Fiscal Year 2027 and accept the grant award of the funds upon subsequent approval of the FY 2027 ESEA Consolidated Grant.

2027 ESEA Consolidated Application for Laurel Springs
ORIGINAL APPLICATION - FINAL APPROVED

Allocations

	Title I-A	Title I D LEA	Title I SIA Part A	Title II-A	Title III	Title III Immigrant	Title IV Part A	Title V RLIS
Public Allocation	$57,313			$9,322	$1,961		$10,000	
Part A Neglected								
ReAllocated Curr Year(+)								
ReAllocated Prior Year (+)								
Release (-)								
Total	$57,313	$0	$0	$9,322	$1,961	$0	$10,000	$0
Carryover								
Overpayment	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0

14.3 IDEA Grant
Motion to approve the submission of the IDEA application for Fiscal Year 2027 and accept the grant award of the funds upon subsequent approval of the FY 2027 IDEA application.

2027 IDEA Consolidated Application for Laurel Springs
ORIGINAL APPLICATION - FINAL APPROVED

Allocations & Refusal of Funds

Allocation	Basic	Preschool
Allocation	$62,791	$2,669
Release		
Reallocated		
Total	$62,791	$2,669
Overpayment	$0	$0
Carryover	$0	$0

14.4 BCSSSD ESY Tuition Contract
Dollar Amount $5,047
Budget Source - State Aid Deduction
Motion to approve an ESY tuition contract for SID#3208403606 to Burlington County Special Services School District from July 6 – 31, 2026.

14.5 Transfers JULY 2026
Motion to approve the attached transfers for July 2026.

14.6 Financial Reports – JULY 2026
Motion to approve the below resolution for the JULY 2026 financials.

A. Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month JULY 2026. The Board Secretary certifies that no line-item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
B. Treasurers Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of JULY 2026. The Treasurers and Secretary's report are in agreement for the month of JULY 2026.
C. Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A 16.10(c)2 certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.
D. Board of Education Certification pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A 16.10(c)4, we certify that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate District officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or funds have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A 16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

14.7 McKinney Vento Students
Dollar Amount $274.20 per diem
Budget Source 11-000-270-517
Motion to approve students SID: 3924284632 and SID: 8915305788 as homeless by definition of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act. The students' last permanent address was in Laurel Springs, NJ and family is currently living temporarily with relatives due to economic hardship in Tabernacle, NJ as of August 1, 2026. Students will continue to attend Sterling High School and Laurel Springs will be responsible for their transportation.

14.7 Just Kids Contract
Approval of the Contract with Just Kids- Archway for the 26-27 School year

14.8- Mail Machine
Approval to enter a lease for a mail machine with KDI for $83 per month

14.9- Purchasing Manual
Approval of the 26-27 Purchasing Manual

14.9- SOPS

Approval of the revised Standard Operating Procedures

14.10-Business Admin
To approve the Business Administrator be authorized to enter into contracts and continue payment of all bills through June 30, 2027, or until the next Board of Education meeting. The bill lists for those payments and any contracts to be ratified will be submitted at the next Board of Education meeting.

14.11-Approve student meal prices for the 2026-27 school year as follows:

a. Full Price Lunch - $3.50
b. Full Price Breakfast - $2.50
c. Reduced Price Lunch - $0.00
d. Reduced Price Breakfast - $0.00

14.12-Biannual Use of Paraprofessionals
Approval to send to the county office

14.13- Homebound
Approval for all District teachers to be homebound instructors for the 2026-27 school year at the negotiated rate.

14.14- Prep
Approval for all District teachers to be paid to substitute teach during their prep periods as needed for the 2026-27 School Year at the negotiated rate.

14.15-Self Assesment
Approve School Self Assessment for Determining Grades Under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act 2025-26 and submission of Statement of Assurances.

14.16-SCIP
Approval of the 26-27 SCIP committee

14.17- Resolution
Resolution 2027-01 DPR RESOLUTION FOR QSAC

Approval of Board Secretary's Action Items
Motion to Approve the Board Secretary's Recommendations (14.1 - 14.17) as presented above.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____ that Resolutions 14.1 - 14.17 are adopted.

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

19. VISITOR'S COMMENTS - OPEN END, 5 MINUTE LIMIT

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 privileges).

22. ADJOURN

22.1 Adjourn Meeting
Motion to Adjourn the Meeting.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Time: _____