

**REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 26, 2023
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

Sarah Schultz, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at Chester Borough Courtroom, 50 North Road, Chester, NJ 07930

2. Sunshine Announcement

Sarah Schultz, Board President, announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 (Sunshine Law) and that adequate notice of the date, time and location has been sent to the Daily Record and has been posted and filed with the Chester Township and Chester Borough Clerks. The annual meeting calendar has also been sent to each District school and the Chester Post Office. Additionally, the agenda has been posted on the District website prior to the Board meeting.

3. Roll Call

John Barounis	Yes *	Rebekah Forlenza	Yes
Carolyn Byszewski	Yes	Christopher Lowry	Absent
Adam Colicchio	Yes	Sarah Schultz	Yes
Matthew Downs	Yes	Adam Sorchini	Yes
Melissa Mauro-Duffy	Yes	Quorum	Yes

* *Call in*

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Sara Schultz, Board President, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Presentations

Public Hearing on HIB

6. Administration-Dr. Christina VanWoert and Peter Frascella Business Administrator/Board Secretary

6a. Superintendent's Report

None

6b. Business Administrator's Report

None

7. President's Comments

None

8. Public Commentary

None

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9. Approval of Minutes

The Board took the following action:

9a. Approves Meeting Minutes from June 5, 2023

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Regular meeting minutes of the meeting held on June 5, 2023.

9b. Approves Executive Meeting Minutes from June 5, 2023

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Executive meeting minutes of the meeting held on June 5, 2023.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski Seconded by Adam Colicchio

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

10. Committee of The Whole—All.

The Board took the following action:

10a. Approves Superintendent’s Recommendation for HIB case #13

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent’s recommendation for HIB case #13

Approves to Table Resolution 10a.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves to table resolutions 10a.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski Seconded by Matthew Downs

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

**11. Buildings, Grounds, Transportation/Finance— Carolyn Byszewski (chair)
Christopher Lowry, Adam Colicchio & Adam Sorchini**

11a. Approves Bills List

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, the Chester Board of Education approves payment of the bills list as approved by the Finance Committee.

Bills List		Totals
Payroll	06/06/2023	\$517,614.35
Payroll	06/13/23	\$786,557.16
Bills List	06/26/23	\$626,355.95

11b. Approves Monthly Appropriation Transfers for May 2023

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RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following transfers within the 2022-2023 budget for the month of May 2023 in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-16.10 (c) 1.; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11c. Approves Monthly Transfer Report for May 2023

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3, the Chester Board of Education approves the Monthly Report of Transfers for May 2023; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11d. Approves Board Secretary Report for May 2023

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(h), the Chester Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Secretary for May 2023; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11e. Approves Board Treasurer Report for May 2023

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36, the Chester Board of Education approves the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for May 2023; a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office.

11f. Approves Certification of Secretary and Treasurer Report for May 2023

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10 (c) 3, the Board Secretary does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation; and

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4, the Chester Board of Education has reviewed for the minutes of this meeting the Board Secretary and Treasurer's monthly financial report for May 2023 and that no major account or fund has been over-expended

11g. Approves Camp Achieve/Camp Success Van Routes

RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:21-13.1 et seq. and Board of Education Policy 3541.1 and 3541.33, the Chester Board of Education approves the 2023 Camp Achieve van routes, a copy of which is on file in the Business Office.

11h. Approves Camp Achieve/Camp Success Substitute Bus Driver (Sommers)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves Cindy Sommers as bus driver for Camp Achieve and Camp Success programs for the 2023-2024 ESY from July 10, 2023 through August 10, 2023 (20 days) at their contracted hourly rate:

11i. Approves Nursing Services for Out of District Student

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves Sunbelt Staffing, Inc to provide nursing services for the extended school year program at P.G. Chamber for student #20496 an hourly rate of \$72.00 for 30 hours weekly for a total cost of up to \$12,960.

11j. Approves Out-of-District Student and Tuition Rates

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following tuition rate for out of district student to attend Chester School District Camp Achieve/ESY and/or 2023-2024 school year:

Student #	District	Tuition Rate
19952	New Providence	\$ 6,099 (ESY) \$ 58,191 (2023-2024 SY)

11k. Approves Homecare Therapies dba/ Horizon Healthcare Staffing

RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education approves a contract between the Chester Board of Education and Homecare Therapies dba/ Horizon Healthcare Staffing to provide nursing services on an as needed basis for the 2023-2024 school year.

11l. Approves Out of District Placement

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following out-of-district placements for the ESY/RSY 2023-2024 school year

Student #	Student Placement	Tuition Rate
20879	P.G. Chambers	98,828.10
20496	P.G. Chambers	\$ 98,828.10, Plus, exaid services- \$51,450.00
19831	Somerset Hills Learning Institute	\$139,572.30
19654	Newmark School	\$67,901.96

11m. Approves Bayada Nursing Services

RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education approves a contract between the Chester Board of Education and Bayada Home Health, Inc. to provide nursing services on an as needed basis for the 2023-2024 school year.

11n. Approves Mechanical Service and Building Automation Agreements (Siemens)

WHEREAS, Chester School District, HVAC controls need to be serviced through a building automation services agreement only provided by Siemens for maintenance and support of the district's current HVAC controls software; and

WHEREAS, building automation and Mechanical Service agreement will help maintain the comfort and safety of students and staff in our schools, minimize energy and operational costs, improve responsiveness while minimizing equipment downtime, and

WHEREAS, the HVAC controls system in place is proprietary software of Siemens,

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SO, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with N.J.S.A 18A:18-5(a-19), Chester School District Board of Education has authorized the building automation service agreement with Siemens.

11o. Approves Purchasing Agent for the 2023-2024 School Year

Resolved the Chester Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), designates Peter Frascella, School Business Administrator, Board Secretary, as the Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Board of Education and authorizes him to award contracts, in full accordance with the law, for purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate in a contract year the total sum of \$44,000.00 (bid threshold) without public advertising for bids. Furthermore, Peter Frascella is authorized to solicit competitive quotations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(a) and to award contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(c).

The Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-8.3, et seq., further authorizes Peter Frascella to seek either competitive quotations or competitive bids when original determinations of aggregation are found to be more than anticipated or incorrect.

11p. Approves Adopting of the 2023-2024 Purchasing Manual

Resolved the Chester Board of Education further recommends the Purchasing Manual prepared by Peter Frascella, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, be hereby adopted for the 2023 – 2024 School Year. The manual outlines the proper purchasing practices that are to be followed by all Board of Education employees to be in compliance with the New Jersey State Law and Board of Education Policy.

11q. Approves Designating Public Agency Compliance Officer--Chester Board of Education

In accordance with N.J. A.C. 17:27-3.2 the Board of Education designates Peter Frascella, School Business Administrator, Board Secretary as the Public Agency Compliance Officer for the Chester Board of Education.

The Public Agency Compliance Officer is the liaison between the Chester Board of Education and the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, Contract Compliance and Audit Unit, EEO Monitoring Program.

The Public Agency Compliance Officer is responsible for administering contracting procedures pertaining to equal employment opportunity regarding the Chester Board of Education and the appropriate contracted vendors.

11r. Approves Cooperative Bidding Services

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and approves the procurement of goods and services through the cooperative bidding services of **Educational Data Services** for the 2023-2024 school year.

11s. Approves Cooperative Pricing Agreement

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the **Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission**, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the School Business Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New

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WHEREAS, the **Educational Services Commission of NJ**, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency "has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Chester Board of Education.

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

11u. Authorizes the Use of State Contracts

WHEREAS, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that, "A board of education, without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education has the need, on a timely basis, to procure goods and services utilizing state contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education desires to authorize its purchasing agent for the 2023-2024 school year to make any and all purchases necessary to meet the needs of the school district throughout the school year.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Chester Board of Education does hereby authorize the District Purchasing Agent to make purchases of goods and services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property

11v. Approves HBCBSNJ and Delta Dental Plans Renewals

RESOLVED that the Chester Board of Education approves the Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey Health Plan and Delta Dental Plan renewals for the 2023-2024 school year per attached summary prepared by Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors

11w. Approves Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors for the 2023-2024 School Year

Resolved that the Chester Board of Education approves Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors, Inc., as the Board's Broker-of-Record for our group medical, prescription drug, and Delta dental insurance programs. Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors, Inc. is authorized to act on behalf of the Board in all matters related to these programs in an amount not to exceed \$72,000 (same rate as last year).

11x. Approves Phoenix Advisors

Resolved that the Chester Board of Education approves Phoenix Advisors, LLC as Financial Advisor at an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for the 2023-2024 school year. Special project proposals will be Board approved as needed.

11y. Approves Kroll, LLC

Resolved that the Chester Board of Education approves Kroll, LLC to update fixed asset accounting ledger for accounting and financial reporting as of June 30, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$1,300.

11z. Approves Submission and Acceptance of the 2023-2024 ESEA Grant

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the submission and acceptance of the 2023-2024 ESEA Grant in the following amounts:

Title I Basic	\$43,789
Title II Part A	\$16,203
Title III	\$7,167
Title IV	\$10,000

11aa. Approves Shared Services Agreement with Education Services Commission

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the 2023-2024 shared services agreement for the bidding and purchasing program with Education Services Commission of Morris County

11bb. Approves Human Resources Consultant (Beaudin)

Resolved the Chester Board of Education approves Sophia Beaudin as a consultant to provide human resources training on an as needed basis for the 2023-2024 school year at an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

11cc. Approves Renewal of Agreement with Dr. Thomas Porter

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RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the renewal agreement for 2023-2024 school year with Dr. Thomas Porter.

11dd. Approves Anticipated Contracts to be Renewed, Awarded or Expired Contracts

Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Chester Board of Education intends to renew, award or permit to expire contracts (a copy of which is available for public review in the Chester Board of Education Business Office) previously awarded by the Chester Board of Education. These contracts are, have been, and will continue to be in full compliance with all state and federal statutes and regulations; in particular, New Jersey Title 18A:18. et.seq, N.J.A.C. Chapter 23 and Federal Uniform Administrative Requirements 2CFR, Part 200.

11ee. Approves OMB Mileage Rate

Resolved, the Chester Board of Education approves the rate of reimbursement for mileage allowed for employees traveling by personal automobile on official business established through budget language in the state's Annual Appropriations Act each year. The rate for FY23 is \$.47/mile which is the same rate as FY23.

11ff. Approves Year-End Deposit to Capital Reserve

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:21-2 and N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-13 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated current year surplus into a Capital Reserve Account at year end; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Board of Education has determined an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 may be available for such purpose of transfer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

11gg. Authorizes Payment of Summer Bills

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills and make necessary transfers during June through August 2023 with advice and consent of the Finance Committee; these bills to be approved at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.

11hh. Approves Joint Transportation Agreement for the 2023-2043 School Year

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:39-11 provides that the Boards of Education of two or more school districts may provide jointly for the transportation of pupils to and from any school or schools within or without the district, and

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RESOLVED, in order to accomplish the above purposes, **Mendham School District** and Chester School District are desirous of entering into this non-profit agreement for the transportation of pupils jointly in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education governing the transportation of pupils.

11ii. Approves School Trips (Dickerson)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following school trip for the 2023-2024 school year for Dickerson:

Field Trip	Location	Grade/Group
Ort Farm	Long Valley	Kindergarten
Grove Street	Chester	Kindergarten
Town Library	Chester	Grade 1
Post Office	Chester	Grade 1
Frelinghuysen Arboretum	Morristown	Grade 1

11jj. Approves School Trips (BRMS)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following school trip for the 2023-2024 school year for Black River Middle School:

Field Trip	Location	Grade/Group
Jewish Heritage Museum	New York City	8 th Grade
West Morris Central HS	Chester	District Chorus
Mendham HS	Mendham	Articulation Concert
Morristown Unitarian Fellowship	Morristown	Spelling Bee
Drew University	Madison	Jr. Model UN
Long Valley Middle School	Long Valley	STEM Showcase
Mendham HS	Mendham	District Honors Band Concert
Morristown Unitarian Fellowship	Morristown	Workshop on the Arts
Camp Bernie	Port Murray	PEER Leaders
Mendham HS	Mendham	District Strings
TD Ballpark	Bridgewater	6 th Grade LEAD
Dorney Park	Allentown, PA	Band/Chorus Competition
Bronx Zoo	Bronx, NY	7 th Grade
Washington, DC	Washington, DC	8 th Grade
Dickerson Elementary	Chester	8 th Grade Graduation Practice
Dickerson Elementary	Chester	Band-8th Grade Graduation Practice

11kk. Approves School Trips (Bragg)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following school trip for the 2023-2024 school year for Bragg:

Field Trip	Location	Grade/Group
Raritan County Community College-Planetarium	Branchburg	Grade 3
Liberty Hall Museum	Union	Grade 4

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Morris County Courthouse	Morristown	Grade 5
BRMS-One School One Book	Chester	Grade 5
BRMS-Concert	Chester	Grade 5 - Band
BRMS-Orientation	Chester	Grade 5

11ll. Approves Submission of the 2023-2024 IDEA Grant

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the submission of the 2023-2024 IDEA Grant in the following amounts:

Basic	\$316,188
Basic Non-Public	\$23,530
Preschool	\$22,166

11mm. Approves Physical Therapist (Detore)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves Dr. Donna Detore to provide physical therapy services at an hourly rate of \$95 for 11.5 hours weekly for a total cost of up to \$39,330 for the 2023-2024 school year.

11nn. Approves Revising BCBA United Therapy Solutions Inc.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves Revised United Therapy Solutions, Inc, to provide BCBA services for Camp Achieve at an hourly rate of \$95.00 from 8 hours to 9 hours weekly for a total cost of \$4275.

11oo. Approves School Trips (Bragg)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the following school trip for the 2023-2024 school year for Bragg:

Field Trip	Location	Grade/Group
Waterloo Village	Byram	Grade 3
Thomas Edison National Historical Park	West Orange	Grade 3

Approves to Table Resolutions 11ii, 11jj, 11kk and 11oo.

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves to table resolutions 11ii, 11jj, 11kk and 11oo.

Motion by Adam Sorchini

Seconded by Adam Colicchio

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motioned by Carolyn Byszewski Seconded by Matthew Downs

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes
Except tabled resolutions 11ii, 11jj, 11kk & 11oo									

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12. Curriculum/Governance/Personnel— John Barounis (chair), Matthew Downs, Rebekah Forlenza & Melissa Mauro-Duffy

12a. Approves FMLA (Employee #1233)

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approves the following leave of absence for employee # 1233:

Leave Start Date	05/15/2023
Personal Day(s) (Applied)	1
FMLA (unpaid with benefits)	05/16/2023
Date of Return (Anticipated)	05/30/2023

12b. Revises Staff for Extra-Curricular Activities (BRMS)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following staff to conduct board approved extra-curricular activities for the 2022-2023 school year with stipends as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association:

BRMS Club	Advisor
FORENSICS CLUB	Milli Roskie & Meryl Ironson (Split)

12c. Approves Custodians for 2023-2024 School Year

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following custodians for the 2023-2024 school year prior to ratified contract.

Name	Job Title	Salary	Stipend	Longevity	Total
Jose Agudelo	Custodian	43,175.00	880.00		44,055.00
Diana Betancur	Custodian	38,500.00	880.00		39,380.00
Thomas Brady	Custodian	43,175.00	1,750.00		44,925.00
Phillip Cacchio	Maintenance Worker	60,400.00			60,400.00
Douglas Clark	Custodian	51,170.00	1,750.00		52,920.00
Paul Crider	Custodian	44,175.00	1,750.00		45,925.00
Jared Mackenzie	Custodian	43,175.00	880.00		44,055.00
Hector Matos	Custodian	43,175.00	880.00		44,055.00
Russell Odell	Skilled Maintenance Worker	65,000.00			65,000.00
Fatima Perez	Custodian	37,170.00	880.00		38,050.00
Luz Ramirez	Custodian	37,000.00	880.00		37,880.00

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Thomas Ronkowitz	Custodian	42,000.00	880.00		42,880.00
Ronald Vanderhoof	Custodian	51,170.00	880.00	1,200.00	53,250.00
Dora Zapata	Custodian	38,500.00	880.00		39,38

12d. Approves Revised Bragg Office Aid Contract (Jacobsen)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following revised 2023-2024 Bragg Office Aide contract:

Jill Jacobsen	Bragg Office Aide	\$13,348.68
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12e. Approves Substitute Secretary (Salamone)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Marge Salamone as substitute secretary for the 2023-2024 school year at an hour rate of 18.00.

12f. Approves Doctoral Practicum Student (Blachnio)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Rutgers University doctoral practicum student, Veronica Blachnio, under the supervision of Dr. Scherzer and Dr. Southwick effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

12g. Approves Substitute Nurses

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves the following substitute nurses for the 2023-2024 school year at a daily rate of \$250.00:

- Sally Ahmadi RN
- Jean Farley RN
- Maaike Haight RN
- Jen Rosario RN
- Kelly Strickland RN

12h. Approves Camp Achieve Volunteer (Pela)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Mendham High School student Madison Pela to volunteer at the 2023 Camp Achieve program under the supervision of Dr. Jeanette Krone.

12i. Accepts Resignation (Cicero)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education accepts the resignation of Bragg School 5th Grade Language Arts Teacher Angelina Cicero effective June 30, 2023.

12j. Approves Special Education Teacher (Callahan)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Nicole Callahan as BRMS Special Education Teacher at a salary of \$65,525 Step 1 MA+30 effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of criminal history background check for school employees and compliance with NJ P.L.2018, c5.

- 12k. Approves Special Education Teacher (Cumello)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Marisa Cumello as Bragg Special Education Teacher at a salary of \$59,105 Step 7 BA+15 effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of criminal history background check for school employees and compliance with NJ P.L.2018, c5.
- 12l. Approves Bragg 5th Grade Teacher (Budzinski-Flores)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Julie Budzinski- Flores as Bragg 5th Grade Language Arts teacher at a salary of \$60,310 Step 1 BA+15 effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
- 12m. Approves Staff Professional Work (Piascik)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Dr. Kenneth Piasick for the 2023 8th grade graduation band program hours outside the negotiated contract work day to be paid at the professional hourly rate of \$62 as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.
- 12n. Approves Staff Professional Work (Matelsky)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Robin Matelsky for 20 hours of K-5 STEM curriculum work at the professional hourly rate of \$62 as determined by Schedule “B” of the Agreement between The Chester Board of Education and The Chester Education Association.
- 12o. Accepts Resignation (Tasker)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education accepts the resignation of BRMS Media Specialist Jacquelyn Tasker effective June 30, 2023.
- 12p. Approves Dickerson Kindergarten Literacy Aide (Spicehandler)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Molly Spicehandler as Dickerson Literacy Aide at a salary of \$11,953 effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of criminal history background check for school employees and compliance with NJ P.L.2018, c5.
- 12q. Approves Dickerson Kindergarten Literacy Aide (Mosser)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Susan Mosser as Dickerson Literacy Aide at a salary of \$11,953 effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of criminal history background check for school employees and compliance with NJ P.L.2018, c5.
- 12r. Approves Bragg 3rd Grade Teacher (Beil)**
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Erin Beil as Bragg 3rd Grade teacher at a salary of \$81,460 Step 18 MA effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

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12s. Accepts Resignation (Mazzuca)

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education accepts the resignation of Bragg School 4th Grade Teacher Cassandra Mazzuca effective June 30, 2023.

12t. Approves Librarian (McGookin)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Chester Board of Education approves Elizabeth McGookin as Chester School District Librarian at a salary of \$61,450 Step 4 BA+30 effective August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by Adam Colicchio

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

13. Executive Session

RESOLVED, that pursuant to NJS.A. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13 the Chester Board of Education holds a closed session on June 26, 2023 at 7:25 p.m. to discuss HIB, personnel and Superintendents Evaluation. It is expected that the minutes will be made public as soon as official action is taken.

Motion by Adam Colicchio

Seconded by Matthew Downs

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

14. Return to Public Session

Upon the motion of Adam Sorchini and seconded by Carolyn Byszewski, the Board returned to Public Session at 7:35 p.m.

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

10a. Approves Superintendent's Recommendation for HIB Case # 13

RESOLVED, that the Chester Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation for HIB Case #13.

Motion by Carolyn Byszewski

Seconded by Rebekah Forlenza

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

15. Unfinished Business

None

16. New Business

None

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17. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, upon the motion of Carolyn Byszewski and seconded by Matthew Downs, the Board considered a motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

Roll Call Vote	JB	CB	AC	MD	MMD	RF	CL	SS	AS
8-0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Respectfully Submitted,



Peter Frascella
Board Secretary