

LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Thursday, August 12, 2021 - 5:30 pm

*This meeting will be conducted virtually through Zoom.
A meeting invitation will be sent to each Board member on the day of the meeting.*

Meeting ID: 411 232 9878 Passcode: jmyz0b

PUBLIC AGENDA

I. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

II. CALL TO ORDER

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Lawrence Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in *The South Jersey Times*, at the entrance of the Myron L Powell School, and a copy sent to the Lawrence Township Clerk.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Audience members attending Board of Education Meetings are permitted to voice their opinions on school related topics at specified times during the regular meeting. Members of the public are encouraged to speak during the public portion of the meeting. Complaints 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.

The Board President will recognize those individuals in the audience who wish to comment on school-related topics. When addressing the Board of Education, please respect the following procedures:

1. *Be recognized by the Board President.*
2. *Sign in at the room entrance and state your full name and address before commenting.*
3. *Wait to be recognized before making your comment(s).*
4. *Total time limit for public discussion – 30 minutes.*

IV. CORRESPONDENCES

V. MINUTES

Approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Board of Education.

VI. BUDGET/FINANCE

Approve:

1. Payroll for the months of June 2021 and July 2021, approve the processing of Electronic Funds Transfers for the month of June 2021 to account for state mandated deductions from State Aid which is automatically forwarded to Special Services Districts for tuition paid, and bills paid during the month of June 2021. Also, authorize the Business Administrator to pay any bills due and owing before the next Board of Education meeting and make any transfers of funds necessary so that no budgetary line item is over expended for the 2021-21 school year.
2. Financial Report – Cafeteria for the months of May 2021 and June 2021.
3. Transfer of Funds Report for the months of May 2021 and June 2021.
4. School Contract from NJ Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for Education Level 1 Services, for (1) student, at a total cost of \$2,200., for the 2021-2022 Academic Schol Year (*tuition to be paid through State Aid*).
5. NJ DOE Private Tuition Contract from Creative Achievement Academy for (1) student, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, for a total tuition of \$64,774.50 (*ESY Program tuition \$9,253.50 and 2021-22SY tuition of \$55,521*).
6. Extended School Year - Special Education Tuition Contract agreement from Salem County Special Services School District, for (4) students attending the ESY program, at a cost of \$5,250/per student. Two students require a 1:1 Aide, at a cost of \$4,600/each.
7. Void General fund check #23610, check was left in printer by error.
8. Void outdated EFT's and checks written through the Agency account, effective June 30, 2021.
9. Revenue Account Ledger Report through June 2021
The Board Secretary, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)2, certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources and sufficient funds are available to end the fiscal year.

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10. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, I certify that as of June 30, 2021, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Lawrence Township Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.2 and no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:23-16.10(a)1.
11. Treasurer’s Reports for the months of May 2021 and June 2021
In accordance with 18A:22-8.1 and 18A:22-8.2, the preliminary Report of the Treasurer of School Funds for the 2020-2021 school year are in agreement with the monthly reports of the Board Secretary, pending audit adjustments.
12. Board Secretary’s Reports for the months of May 2021 and June 2021
Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c), the Lawrence Township Board of Education certifies that as of May 31, 2021 and June 30, 2021 and after review of the Secretary’s Monthly Financial Report and the Treasurer’s Monthly Financial Reports, and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of the Boards’ knowledge, no major accounts or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

VII. CURRICULUM

VIII. POLICY

IX. PERSONNEL

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it is recommended that the Board of Education approve:

1. Jessica Gilligan as a teacher for the Preschool Disabled classroom, at a salary of \$65,399 (BA, Step 1). *Please note: Ms. Gilligan received a renewal contract for the 2021-22SY, as an instructional aide, a new employee contract will be issued reflecting her new position and salary*
2. Letter of resignation from Elementary School teacher, Hannah Dougherty, effective August 31, 2021.

Approve the following offers of employment, as recommended by the Superintendent, for the 2021-2022 school year:

1. Alana Fanzo as the Main Office Receptionist (*11 month position*), effective August 3, 2021, at a salary of \$33,000.
2. Matthew Hitchner as the STEAM Teacher, effective September 1, 2021, at a salary of \$76,499 (MA, Step 11)
3. Lesa Robbins as a MS Math Teacher, effective September 1, 2021, at a salary of \$70,049 (MA, Step 5)
4. Heather Zoppina as a 3rd Grade Teacher, effective September 1, 2021, at a salary of \$65,399 (BA, Step 1)

Approve the following staff requests for their child/children to attend Myron Powell School for the 2021-22 school year, with no charge to the staff member, as per District Policy# 3240:

1. Jennifer Guarciaro – Instructional Aide – 2 children – grades
2. Amber Saylor – Teacher – 1 child – grade
3. Lesa Robbins – Teacher – 1 child – 8th grade

Approve Garrett Wilson, as a Custodial Helper (*as needed, up to 30 hours*), at an hourly rate of \$13.00, for the 2021-22 school year. This position is not eligible for employee benefits.

X. BUILDING AND GROUNDS / TRANSPORTATION

XI. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

A. Old Business

The September 9, 2021 Board of Education meeting will hold a Public Hearing, to present an overview of SSDS incidents and HIB reporting for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, and as a Regular meeting.

B. New Business

Approve Dr. Magan to work during the Interim transition period, for a number of days not to exceed 30, at her current daily rate (FY22).

C. Superintendent/Principal Report

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjourn, by Resolution, into Closed Session, from which the general public will be excluded, to discuss student placement, personnel, litigation, negotiations, or student matters appropriate for this session. The results of this session will be made public immediately after, or as soon thereafter, as a decision is reached, if permitted by law.

XIII. RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING

XIV. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

XV. ADJOURNMENT