

**BEDMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 14, 2024  
7:05 p.m.**

**A. Call to Order**

Mr. Reaves called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**B. Open Public Meeting Notice**

*In compliance with the "Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey" adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Bedminster was provided in the following manner: On January 5, 2024, adequate written notice of this meeting was posted at the bulletin board in the Township Clerk's Office at the Bedminster Township Municipal Building and the Main Office of the Bedminster Township School, mailed to The Courier News, The Bernardsville News, and all subscribers, and filed with the Township Clerk.*

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

Ms. Boehmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Roll Call**

Yes	Ms. Anderson	Yes	Ms. Nathans	Absent	Ms. Stevinson
Yes	Ms. Biedron	Yes	Mr. Reaves	Yes	Mr. Wickizer
Yes	Ms. Gomez	Yes	Ms. Segal		

**E. Executive Session – 6:30 p.m.**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bedminster Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss item(s) a, b, f and h below which falls within an exception of our open meeting policy and permits the Board to have a private discussion, since it deals with specific exceptions contained in N.J.S.A.10:4-12b. Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule:

- a. Individual privacy (HIB 2024-1 and HIB 2024-2)
- b. Collective bargaining agreements (BEA)
- c. Purchase or lease of real property if public interest could be adversely affected
- d. Investment of public funds of public funds if public interest could be adversely affected
- e. Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting public safety and property
- f. Pending or anticipated litigation
- g. Attorney-client privilege
- h. Personnel - employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee

**Open Public Meeting @ 7:05 p.m.**

**F. Math Discussion**

- Dr. Omega and Superintendent Giordano outlined the ongoing evaluation of the math program, program alignment with Somerset Hills High School curriculum, and expectations for further communication

**Public Comment on Presentation**

- Cheryl Mitchell, Teacher and BEA Representative, pointed out that the district has K-12 certified math teachers and that Bedminster students are successful in math at the high school level
- Katherine Antinocci, 41 Teal Lane, Bedminster, NJ, asked about Cogat scoring
- Trish Wiley, 965 River Road Bedminster, NJ, asked about guidance and alignment to Somerset Hills High School curriculum. Dr. Omega responded about how Bedminster students are being supported in the

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transition to the new school system. Ms. Riley asked that the website be updated for current math curriculum and trajectory. Superintendent Giordano assured that the website will be updated with this information.

- Ms. Cheryl Mitchell, Teacher and BEA Representative, added that staff development days are aligned to Somerset Hills to ensure that teachers from both districts have the opportunity to work together.
- Julie Rogers, 101 Riverwood Avenue, Bedminster, NJ, asked for the current curriculum to be put back on the website and questioned what will be presented in the future. Dr. Omega explained NJ Student Learning Standards core curriculum.
- Gabriel Wickizer, board member and parent, questioned the criteria being utilized and the impact of the timing of the decision.
- Emilya Spizorske, 46 Gatehouse Road, Bedminster, NJ, questioned alignment and the number of courses and whether there was a way to have students take classes not being offered.
- Superintendent Giordano and Mr. Reaves responded that the core schedule will not include geometry. Ms. Nathans added that Somerset Hills is evaluating geometry as some students have dropped the class.
- Chad Griffith, 83 Autumn Ridge Road, Bedminster, NJ, spoke to county and national averages and questioned the effect on students who double up on classes.
- Jennifer Chang, 1 Jordanna Court, Bedminster, NJ, thanked the board for the information being presented and presenting a snapshot of what is happening and for taking the public's questions.

**Message from the BOE President**

- Mr. Reaves read a statement on the status of negotiations with the BEA, the value of input from the community, and protocol requirements needed to be followed. He stated that the BoE is the governing body of the district and that other than during public comment, the BoE discussion is amongst board members. The BoE is not required to answer public comment, but may choose to respond, through the board president.

**Superintendent's Report**

- Enrollment
- Extended condolences to the family of former teacher, Mr. Jim Ayers who passed away February 23rd
- Clubs and sports picture day - March 21st
- Congrats to Mrs. Ragoza and the OoTM team, who placed 3rd which allows them to qualify for states
- WIDA testing with Mr. Nyerges and Dr. Omega is next week WIDA (Access for MLLs) March 18th.
- WIDA mandatory state test that requires testing in the areas of listening, reading, writing, and speaking
- Collaborated with SHSD March 4th PD Day: G&T, ESL, V&PA, Sped Ed collaborated
- Thanks - our police department for their constant protection & walkthroughs
- Thanks - Mrs. Mowery for another excellent undertaking - annual Reading Across America event & for volunteer readers including Ms. Gomez and Ms. Anderson from the BoE
- Thanks - ESSER Academic support teachers - doing their best to remediate am/pm, trends with some of students in need that are not attending
- If MLL certified and interested in teaching this summer on-site
- Safe Return Plan - no changes just uploaded to state, approve again for 9/1
- Thank you - Mrs. Zugale - donation L.10
- We are offering families of current preschool students the option of an extended school day from April-June as a pilot program. We have multiple students participating. Thank you to Trish Leonti, Regan Lakritz, Peggy Doorly, and Klaudia Zydbel for planning and organizing
- Pilot summer intervention for students eligible for MLL services this summer on-site
- Educational Services agreement with SHSD for approval
- School calendars for approval

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- Wellbeing goal: Winter Wellness present next week, Lavender spirit day
- Digital Star School - Sustainable Jersey & recertification Silver, thank you Karna Johnson
- Thank you - Wellness and Green Team members - Spring Fling baskets were created
- Enjoy spring break, no make-up days for students
- On agenda P&P- L items discussed

**Business Administrator’s Report**

- Mrs. Boehmer outlined the 2024/25 budget proposal for the upcoming year noting that it stands at \$21,103,099, with a 0% local tax levy, underscoring steadfast dedication to educational excellence and sound financial stewardship. The district will receive an increase of \$72,532 in state aid allocation, bolstering our efforts in education. The final budget vote will take place -April 25, 2024 board meeting.

**G. Public Questions/Comments**

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- None

**H. Approval of Minutes**

Move that the Bedminster Township Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent table the minutes of the following meetings:

- February 15, 2024 Executive Session Minutes
- February 15, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve **Items H.** February 15, 2024 Executive Session Minutes moved by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Ms.Gomez

Yes	Ms. Anderson	Yes	Ms. Nathans	Absent	Ms. Stevinson
Abstain	Ms. Biedron	Yes	Mr. Reaves	Abstain	Mr. Wickizer
Yes	Ms. Gomez	Yes	Ms. Segal		

Motion to table **Items H.** February 15, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes moved by Mr. Nathans, seconded by Ms.Biedron

Yes	Ms. Anderson	Yes	Ms. Nathans	Absent	Ms. Stevinson
Yes	Ms. Biedron	Yes	Mr. Reaves	Yes	Mr. Wickizer
Yes	Ms. Gomez	Yes	Ms. Segal		

**I. Task Groups**

- Negotiations Committee - Jeff Reaves
  - Mr. Reaves reported that the next mediation meeting would be Tuesday, March 19th.
- Somerset Hills School District - Sarah Nathans
  - Ms. Nathans reported on the accolades and awards recently received by athletics and clubs at Somerset Hills High School. The two year calendar was approved. The district also moved the student information system to Genesis.

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- The St. Baldrick's fundraiser for childhood cancer netted over \$20,000 and resulted in several saved heads in the district. The budget presentation was also viewed including capital improvements, including renovations to the athletic fields.
- Technology Representative - Gabriel Wickizer
  - Mr. Wickizer stated that the February meeting is in the process of being rescheduled.
- Security/Safety Ad Hoc Representative - Suzie Stevinson (absent)
  - None
- Child Care - Sarah Nathans
  - Ms. Nathans reminded the board that the next meeting would be in April/May.

**Delegate/Representative Appointments**

- New Jersey School Boards Association - Christy Biedron
  - Ms. Biedron reminded the board of the estate mandated training requirement. The Somerset County School Board's annual meeting showcasing "Unsung Heroes" is upcoming. She encouraged the board to attend. She also spoke about the meeting highlighting the "Teacher of the Year" that is scheduled for the following month.
- PTO - Gabriel Wickizer and Gaby Gomez
  - Ms. Gomez gave details of the "Spring Fling" scheduled for April 19th and encouraged all to attend this PTO fundraising event. She also spoke about the Teacher Appreciation lunch.

**J. BUSINESS**

- Mrs. Boehmer highlighted several of the J items being approved, including the tuition agreement with Somerset Hills and the ROD grant approvals.

Move that the Bedminster Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve:

**AMEND February 15 Approval of Semi Waiver**

J.1 following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2024-2025 budget year, and

WHEREAS, the Bedminster Township School District desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having twenty-two (22) Medicaid-eligible Special Education students for the 2024-2025 budget year, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bedminster Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Somerset an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2024-2025 school year.

**BTS - SHSD Educational Services Agreement 2024-2029**

J.2 agreement dated July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029 by and between The Board of Education of the Somerset Hills (Somerset Hills) in the County of Somerset and The Board of Education of Bedminster Township (Bedminster Township) in the County of Somerset.

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**Student Services Contract(s)**

- J.3 Garden State AAC Specialists, LLC to provide an augmentative and alternative communication system evaluation for student #360016 in the amount of \$1,300.00.

**Acceptance of 2024-2025 Rates of Service(s)**

- J.4 of the annual 2024-2025 Educational Services Commission of Somerset County (SCESC) Rates of Service.
- J.5 of the annual 2024-2025 Somerset County Vocational School District Rates of Service.

**2024-2025 Services and School Evaluation(s)**

- J.6 Dr. Gomez Aracena of Resilience Psychiatry & Psychotherapy to provide evaluations in the amount of \$1,250.00 per evaluation.
- J.7 Center for Behavioral Health MD PA to provide psychiatric evaluations in the amount of \$575.00 and combined neuropsychiatric evaluations in the amount of \$675.00.

**School Calendars**

- J.8 the revised 2023-2024 Bedminster Township School District Calendar.
- J.9 the new 2024-2025 Bedminster Township School District Calendar.
- J.10 the new 2025-2026 Bedminster Township School District Calendar.

**Policies**

- J.11 the first reading of the following policy:

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action</b>
P 1140	Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action (M)	R
P 1523	Comprehensive Equity Plan (M)	R
P 1530	Equal Employment Opportunities (M)	R
P 1550	Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (M)	R
P 2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M)	R
P 3211	Code of Ethics	R
P 5570	Sportsmanship	R
P 5750	Equitable Educational Opportunity (M)	R
P 5841	Secret Societies	R

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P 5842	Equal Access of Student Organizations	R
P 7610	Vandalism	R
P 9323	Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition	R
P 2423	Bilingual Education	R
P 2431.4	Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M)	R

\* A - Abolished; N - New; R - Revised

J.12 of the following policy:

Number	Description	Action
P 5755	Equity in Educational Programs and Services (M)	A

\* A - Abolished (one reading)

**Regulations**

J.13 the first reading of the following regulation:

Number	Description	Action
R 1530	Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure (M)	R
R 2200	Curriculum Content (M)	R
R 2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint Procedure (M)	R
R 7610	Vandalism	R
R 2423	Bilingual Education	R
R 2431.4	Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M)	R

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**Safe Return Back Plan and Emergency Virtual / Remote Instruction Plan**

J.14 the motion to reapprove the existing Safe Return Back plan.

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**Rod Grants**

- J.15 WHEREAS the Bedminster Township Board of Education received the Grant Agreement Offer Letter from the State of New Jersey Schools Development Authority for the DOE Project # 0240-020-23-R501 SDA Project #0240-202-23-G5VF Grant number G5-6955 for the project scope of the HVAC System upgrade for the total project cost of \$1,750,660.

WHEREAS the total project costs shall be aided by grant funds pursuant to Section 15 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act through the State of New Jersey Schools Development Authority in support of the aforementioned project in the State Share Grant Amount of \$700,264;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bedminster Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the School Business Administrator, appoints the School Business Administrator as the Authorized Officer and approves authorizing the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement;

And BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this project shall be a Capital Project and the Board of Education shall fund the Local Share of the project's cost in the amount of \$1,050,396 through the District's Capital Reserve Account in accordance with the provisions for the approval of Capital Projects pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:22-1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:24-1 and P.L. 1991, c. 139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as applicable to the District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-11 and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23A-2.7.

- J.16 WHEREAS the Bedminster Township Board of Education received the Grant Agreement Offer Letter from the State of New Jersey Schools Development Authority for the DOE Project # 0240-020-23-R502 SDA Project #0240-202-23-G5VG Grant number G5-6956 for the project scope of the HVAC System upgrade for the total project cost of \$3,825,960.

WHEREAS the total project costs shall be aided by grant funds pursuant to Section 15 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act through the State of New Jersey Schools Development Authority in support of the aforementioned project in the State Share Grant Amount of \$1,530,384;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bedminster Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the School Business Administrator, appoints the School Business Administrator as the Authorized Officer and approves authorizing the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement;

and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this project shall be a Capital Project and the Board of Education shall fund the Local Share of the project's cost in the amount of \$2,295,576 through the District's Capital Reserve Account in accordance with the provisions for the approval of Capital Projects pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:22-1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:24-1 and P.L. 1991, c. 139 (C.18A:7A-46.1 et seq.), as applicable to the District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-11 and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23A-2.7.

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**Facilities Use Requests**

J.17 the following facility requests:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Room(s) Requested</b>	<b>Usage date(s) and time(s)</b>
PTO	Assembly - Human Board Game	Cafetorium	04/2024
Grade 8 Parent Chair	Students vs. Parents Basketball Game	Gymnasium	03/22/2024; in the evening
Grade 8 Parent Chair	Student Practice for Students vs. Parents Basketball Game	Gymnasium	03/18/2024 and 3/20/2024; in the evening

**Rescind Facilities Use Requests**

J.18 rescind the following facility requests:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Room(s) Requested</b>	<b>Usage date(s) and time(s)</b>
PTO/Grade 8 Parent Chair	Students vs. Faculty Basketball Game	Gymnasium	03/22/2024; 7:00pm-9:00pm
PTO/Grade 8 Parent Chair	Student Practice for Students vs. Faculty Basketball Game	Gymnasium	03/18/2024 and 03/20/2024; 7:30pm-9:30pm

J. agenda items J.1 through J.18

Motion to approve **Items J.** moved by Mr. Wickizer, seconded by Ms. Biedron

Yes	Ms. Anderson	Yes	Ms. Nathans	Absent	Ms. Stevinson
Yes	Ms. Biedron	Yes	Mr. Reaves	Yes	Mr. Wickizer
Abstain J.11	Ms. Gomez	Abstain J.11	Ms. Segal		

**K. FINANCE**

Finance & Facilities Committee Report - Gabriel Wickizer

- Mr. Wickizer highlighted the current projects including the completion of the cell phone booster, updating of the cafetorium ramp and wall, and the long term sustainability of the school through the ROD grants for the chillers and RTU units. He highlighted the 0% increase in the tentative budget being presented tonight as sustainable and fiscally responsible.
- Mrs. Boehmer asked the board to add in K.7 for a withdrawal from tuition reserve that is being utilized in the 2024/25 budget.

Move that the Bedminster Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve:

**2023-2024 Invoices-General Agency Account**

K.1 the invoices presented for payment totaling \$1,239,126.16 from the General Agency Account from February 16, 2024 through March 14, 2024.



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Fund	Amount
(10) General Fund	\$1,125,513.53
(12) Capital Outlay	\$96,987.00
(20) Special Revenue	\$16,625.63
(30) Capital Projects	\$0.00
(40) Debt Services	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,239,126.16</b>

**2023-2024 Invoices-Student Activities Account**

K.2 the invoices presented for payment totaling \$2,878.93 from the Student Activities Account from February 16, 2024 through March 14, 2024.

**2023-2024 Invoices-Food Service Account**

K.3 the invoices presented for payment totaling \$237.00 from the Food Service Account from February 16, 2024 through March 14, 2024.

**Adoption of Tentative Budget 2024-2025 School Year**

K.4 the 2024-2025 Tentative School Budget using the 2024-2025 state aid figures and the School Business Administrator/Secretary of the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Somerset County Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

FY2024	General Fund	Special Revenues	Debt Service	Total
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	\$20,811,686	\$291,413	\$0	\$21,103,099
<b>Less: Anticipated Revenue</b>	\$ 2,755,148	\$291,413	\$0	\$ 3,046,561
<b>Taxes to be Raised</b>	\$18,056,538	\$0	\$0	\$18,056,538

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Courier News in the form recommended by the State Department of Education and according to Law; and

Be it Further Resolved, that a public hearing be held in the Faculty Lounge Room #251 of the Bedminster Township School located at 234 Somerville Rd., Bedminster, NJ on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 7:00 PM for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

**Maximum Travel Expenditures 2024-2025 School Year**

K.5 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, a Board of Education must establish a maximum dollar limit for travel expenditure, as defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.1 et seq.,

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Bedminster Township Board of Education includes in the 2024-2025 Tentative Budget a maximum travel expenditure in the amount of \$15,000 for the 2024-2025 school year. The maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2023-2024 school year is \$15,000, of which, \$1,838.98 has been spent and \$2,225.22 is encumbered through March 1, 2024.

**Maximum Expenditures for Professional Services 2024-2025 School Year**

K.6 an annual maximum expenditure for professional services for the 2024-2025 school year. As defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2(a)1, upon notification if it becomes necessary to exceed the maximum amount, the Board of Education may adopt an increase in the dollar amount through formal Board action:

- Legal Services \$45,000.00
- Accounting/Auditing Services \$40,000.00
- Architectural/Engineering Services \$6,000.00

**Tuition Reserve**

K.7 (ADDED VERBALLY BY MS. BOEHMER) the withdrawal of \$450,000 from the Tuition Reserve Account which was deposited into the account in the 2022-2023 school year and are now required to be withdrawn to pay tuition obligations in the 2024-2025 school year.

K. agenda items K.1 through K.7

Motion to approve **Items K.** moved by Mr. Wickizer, seconded by Ms. Nathans

Yes	Ms. Anderson	Yes	Ms. Nathans	Absent	Ms. Stevinson
Yes	Ms. Biedron	Yes	Mr. Reaves	Yes	Mr. Wickizer
Yes	Ms. Gomez	Yes	Ms. Segal		

**L. PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS**

Programs & Personnel Committee Report - Suzie Stevinson

- Ms. Biedron provided an overview of the pertinent discussions held during the recent Programs & Personnel Committee meeting. These discussions encompassed various topics, notably the assessment of the math program and the district's collaboration efforts with high school programs. Additionally, Ms. Biedron highlighted the forthcoming pilot initiatives, namely the implementation of a Pre-K full day class scheduled for this spring and the introduction of a summer program tailored for multi-language learners.

Move that the Bedminster Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve:

**HIB Report**

L.1 the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Bedminster BOE accept the determination and consequences recommended by the Superintendent for Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying case #HIB 2024-1.

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**Workshops/Site Visits**

L.2 for the following staff for the workshops/site visits listed:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Klaudia Zdybel	03/8/2024	NJASP Understanding and Using PSW and the Simple View of Reading Frameworks to Foster Collaboration in the Identification of Dyslexia, SLI, & SLD with Andrew Shanock - Part 2 Virtual	\$10.00 Registration
Robbin Boehmer	03/21/2024	NJASBO Purchasing - North Workshop; Whippany, NJ	\$125.00 Registration
Lisa Rica	03/21/2024	NJASBO Purchasing - North Workshop; Whippany, NJ	\$125.00 Registration
Ryan McCoy	03/26/2024	DBQ Project Part 2: Document Based Question Rubric & Consistency, Somerset Hills School District; Bernards, NJ	\$0.00 Registration
Elizabeth Omegna	04/19/2024	NJSBA Women's Leadership Conference: Connection, Balance, and Inspiration - Mercer County College, Princeton Junction, NJ	\$99.00 Registration
Regan Lakritz	04/24/2024	Bureau of Education & Research - Online Practical Strategies for Improving the Effectiveness, Efficiency and Impact of Your School-Based Occupational Therapy Services Virtual	\$279.00 Registration
Liz Meechan	04/25/2024	CDK End of Year Meeting - Personnel; Washington, NJ	\$0.00 Registration; \$21.62 Mileage
Robbin Boehmer	05/1/2024	CDK End of Year Meeting - Accounting and Personnel; Washington, NJ	\$0.00 Registration; \$21.62 Mileage
Lisa Rica	05/02/2024	CDK End of Year Meeting - Accounting; Washington, NJ	\$0.00 Registration; \$21.62 Mileage
Liz Meechan	05/9/2024	NJSIG Eric North Meeting - Workers Compensation Symposium; East Brunswick, NJ	\$0.00 Registration; \$17.58 Mileage
Tom Notte	05/17/2024	State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture Farm to School; Morristown, NJ	\$0.00 Registration; \$19.74 Mileage
Jenna Thomas	05/17/2024	State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture Farm to School; Morristown, NJ	\$0.00 Registration; \$19.74 Mileage
Robbin Boehmer	06/5/2024 - 06/7/2024	NJASBO Annual Conference; Atlantic City, NJ	\$500.00 Registration; \$117.97 Mileage; \$12.90 Tolls; \$206.50 Meals & Incidentals; \$40.00 Parking

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**Workshop(s)**

L.3 the following Board Members for the workshop listed:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Gabriela Gomez	04/19/2024	NJSBA Women's Leadership Conference: Connection, Balance, and Inspiration; Mercer County College, Princeton Junction, NJ	\$99.00 Registration

**Rescind Conferences**

L.4 rescind the following staff for the conference listed:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Lauren Zugale	04/24/2024	NJ Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference; Holiday Inn, East Windsor, NJ	\$58.00 Registration; \$36.85 Mileage; \$10.00 Tolls
Elizabeth Omega	04/19/2024	Women's Leadership Conference: Connection, Balance, and Inspiration; Mercer County College, Princeton Junction, NJ	\$129.00 Registration

**Trip(s)**

L.5 the following class/field trip(s):

<b>Trip/Location</b>	<b>Grade(s)</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
The Growing Stage - Netcong, NJ	Grade 1	05/2024

**Event(s)**

L.6 the following school event(s):

<b>Name of Event</b>	<b>Grade(s)</b>	<b>Date(s) and time(s)</b>
Ms. Provini, Clarence Dillon Library - Presentation	8	06/11/2024 and 06/12/2024

**Volunteers - Lacrosse**

L.7 Former student, Erik Annette for the 2023-2024 season pursuant to a successful clearance of P.L. 2018, c.5.

L.8 Former student, Sixten Alstrom for the 2023-2024 season pursuant to a successful clearance of P.L. 2018, c.5.

L.9 Gary Steinert as Volunteer Coach for the 2023-2024 season.

**Donation**

L.10 donation of two wireless, noise canceling, headphones from Lauren Zugale, with an estimated value of \$50.00.

L.11 go into Executive Session at 6:30 pm at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board on April 25, 2024 (Budget/Public Hearing).

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**M. Public Questions/Comments**

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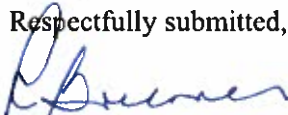
- Chad Griffith, 83 Autumn Ridge Road, Bedminster, NJ, asked the board to negotiate with the BEA, citing the increase of 1% as not a large amount.
- Julie Rogers, 101 Riverwood Avenue Bedminster, NJ, asked the board to negotiate citing a disservice to the students if teachers decide to leave.
- Sheri Pesce, 14 Southfield Drive, Bedminster, NJ, noted the quality of the teachers in Bedminster and asked the board to recognize and incentivize teachers.
- Jenn Chang, 1 Jordanna Court, Bedminster, NJ, asked that teachers are valued and spoke of declining enrollment.
- Nicole Mancini, Teacher and BEA Representative, recognized Bedminster teachers who purchase supplies from their own funds and donate them to the district.
- Julie Rogers, 101 Riverwood Avenue Bedminster, NJ, asked the board to clarify the number of students who move up to the high school.

**N. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the Public Session at 8:43 p.m. moved by Mr. Wickizer, seconded by Ms. Biedron  
Yes: (7); No: (0); Abstain: (0); Absent (1)

**NEXT MEETING(S) SCHEDULED FOR:**

**April 25, 2024 (Budget/Public Hearing)\*  
EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:30 PM  
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING 7:00 PM**

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Robbin Boehmer  
Board Secretary