MILLBURN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Millburn, New Jersey
* * A G E N D A * *

REGULAR MEETING
Millburn Township Board of Education
Monday, August 24, 2026
7:00 PM – EDUCATION CENTER

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, notice of this August 24, 2026, meeting of the Millburn Township Board of Education was posted electronically on the District website and provided on January 12, 2026, by sending notices to the Millburn-Short Hills Item, the Star-Ledger, the Millburn-Short Hills Independent Press, and the Township Clerk, along with posting at the Education Center.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. SILENT COUNT OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

E. MINUTES

1. Regular Public Meeting of Monday, July 20, 2026
2. Closed Session Meeting of Monday, July 20, 2026
3. Special Session Meeting of Monday, July 27, 2026

F. PRESENTATIONS
1. Strategic Plan/Goals 26-27
2. 2026 Summer Update
3. MHS Update Part 1: Profile and Transcripts
4. Spring 2026 WIDA Testing

G. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Program
2. Governance
3. Finance, Facilities, and Sustainability

J. OTHER REPORTS

1. Assistant Superintendent report

K. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- *Please state your name and address for the record.*
- *Public comments will be limited to three minutes.*
- *Responses to questions and comments will be posted to the district website before the next board meeting or within ten school days.*

0167 - Public Participation in Board Meetings

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide for two periods of public comments at every regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. Public participation shall be governed by the following rules:

1. *A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his or her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate.*

2. *Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to a reasonable time as determined by the presiding officer.*

3. *No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.*

4. *All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually.*

5. *The presiding officer may (a) Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant to the district; (b) Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum; (c) Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting; (d) Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action; and waive these rules when necessary for the protection of privacy or the efficient administration of the Board's business.*

L. DISCUSSION

M. BOARD ACTION ITEMS **(Roll Call Votes)**

1. Instruction Agenda Items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education affirm the decision of the HIB incident(s) and investigation(s).

Whereas, pursuant to Board Policy and the requirements of N.J.S.A.18A:37-17(b) (6)(c), at its meeting on July 20, 2026 the Superintendent reported the following HIB Incident and Investigation Report(s) to the Board; and

Whereas, the parents and/or guardians of the students who are parties to the investigation received information about the investigation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-17(b)(6)(d);

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board affirms the decision of the Superintendent concerning the following HIB Incident and Investigation Report(s) for the 2025-2026 school year for the reasons conveyed to the Board:

- #311202
- #311224
- #311391
- #311408
- #311495
- #311569
- #311807

b. RESOLVED, to approve Professional Development Requests / Staff Conferences as per policy 6471, requiring prior approval of travel reimbursement expenses.

Name	Position/ Building	Conference Name & Location	Dates	Maximum Expenses
Carla Dominguez	Data Manager/ Ed Center	PSUG National Conference/ Myrtle Beach, SC	5/2/27-5/5/ 5/27	$2,386
Mae Ward	VP/MMS	TMI Education/Virtual	2/2/27	$125
Elizabeth Annabell	Social Studies	AP in Practice Series: European	9/21/26-4/7/27	$225

Smart	Teacher	History/Virtual		
Jonathan Roman	School Counselor	Colby, Bates, Bowdoin Counselor Tour	9/13/26-9/15/26	$100

c. RESOLVED, to approve the following professional services providers:

Vendor Name	**Address**	**Category**	**Date**	**Rate**
Jamie Rifkowitz	164 East Lincoln Ave Roselle PArk, NJ 07204	Speaker Fees-Leadership Academy	8/11/26	$3,300 (Title II Funds)

d. RESOLVED, to approve the School Nursing Plan and the School Nurse Assignments for the SY 2026-2027, as on file in the Special Services Department. (Attachment #M.1.d)

e. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following new and revised curriculum:

Advanced Robotics
Algebra Part I
AP Comparative Government
AP Computer Science A
AP Computer Science Principles
AP English Language & Composition
AP French
AP Physics 1 & 2
AP PreCalculus
AP Psychology
AP Seminar
Biology
Calculus CPA
College Algebra with Trigonometry
Dual Enrollment - British Literature
Dual Enrollment - Environmental Science
Dual Enrollment - Greco Roman Mythology
ELA 7
Geometry
Grade 2 ELA
Grade 2 Spanish
Grade 3 ELA
Grade 3 Spanish
Grade 4 ELA
Grade 4 Spanish
Grade 5 ELA
Grade 5 Spanish
Grade K ELA
Grade K-4 Science
Health (grade 5)
Honors Crafts III
Honors Crafts IV
Improv

Integrated Chemistry and Earth Science CPA
Integrated Social and Life Science Skills
Introduction to STEAM
Italian 2
Latin 1
LMC Curriculum
Math 6 Acc
Math 7
Math 7 Acc
Math Grade 6 Fundamentals
PreCalculus CPA
PreCalculus Honors (Acc
Science Fundamentals
Science Research 1
Senior Seminar: Growing Up
Social Studies Fundamentals
Spanish 1
Spanish 2
Spanish 4
Spanish 8
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f. RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of the following staff members for the role of Anti-Bullying Specialist as per Millburn Township Board of Education Policy 5512 Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying:

• Ms. Patricia Policastro, Assistant Principal, Deerfield / Wyoming Schools
• Ms. Kimberly Bostory, Assistant Principal, Hartshorn / Glenwood Schools
• Ms. Jaclyn Basso, Assistant Principal, South Mountain/ Washington Schools
• Ms. Mae Ward, Vice Principal, Millburn Middle School
• Ms. Luisa Young, Vice Principal, Millburn Middle School
• Mr. Christopher Drechsel, Vice Principal, Millburn High School
• Ms. Jacqueline Bartlett, Vice Principal, Millburn High School
• Ms. Bonnie Loew, Counselor, Washington School
• Ms. Elizabeth Beck, Counselor, South Mountain School
• Ms. Maria Cota-Robles, Counselor, Deerfield / Wyoming Schools
• Ms. Jamie Halperin, Counselor, Hartshorn/Glenwood
• Mr. Sam Maietta, Counselor, Millburn Middle School
• Ms. Lauren Bach, Counselor, Millburn Middle School
• Ms. Lisa Marron, Counselor, Millburn Middle School
• Ms. Shannon Dahse, Student Assistance Counselor, Millburn High School
• Ms. Kaitlyn Reilly, Counselor, Millburn High School
• Ms. Anne Gregory, Counselor, Millburn High School
• Ms. Christine Holl, Counselor, Millburn High School
• Ms. Meghan Garland, Counselor, Millburn High School
• Ms. Yesenia Hermann, Counselor, Millburn High School
• Mr. Derrick Gabene, Counselor, Millburn High School
• Mr. Jonathan Roman, Counselor, Millburn High School

• Ms. Lauren Weissberg, Counselor, Millburn High School

g. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the 2026-2031 Strategic Plan and the District and Board Goals for the 2026-2027 school year.

2. Personnel Agenda Items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Personnel Report dated August 24, 2026 (Attachment M.2.a)

b. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the District Organizational Chart

c. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the sidebar agreement 2627-1 with the MEA (Attachment M.2.c - confidential)

3. Business Agenda Items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Budget Transfers of **June 2026** (Attachment M.3.a)

b. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Treasurer of School Money's report for the period ending **June 2026.** (Attachment M.3.b)

c. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Approval and Certification of the Board Secretary's Report for the period ending **June 2026**. The Board Secretary certifies that no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (a) 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. (Attachment M.3.c.)

d. RESOLVE Certification that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 that after review of the revised board secretary's and treasurer's monthly financial reports for the period ending **June 2026**, and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of the Board's knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 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.

e. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Bill Schedule #2 in the amount of dated August 24 2026 (Attachment M.3.e)

f. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following purchases:

Vendor	Purchase	Contract Information (if applicable)	Purchase Price
Apple Computer Inc	Art Room update	Morris ESC#1670625	$52,032.00
Trane	Inspection/maintenance services	2nd year of agreement	$25,928.00
Siemens Industries	Building Automation Control system maintenance	Bid 23-07 Yr. 4 -Final bid renewal	$155,800.00
McGraw Hill	Science and Math (Algebra / Geometry) Textbooks and Licenses	NJSA 18:18a-5(5)	$18,935.01
Federal Fire Protection	Fire related inspection services/repair	Competitive quotes	$18,250.00
JMTK LLC	Backflow preventer testing/Toilet replacement	Competitive quotes	$19,351.39
Gale/Cengage Learning	Library Digital Research resources	NJSA 18A:18A-5 a(5)	$28,920.17
Bel-Air Services	Bus repair/maintenance	EDS Bid#11666	$80,000.00 (est)
Accuscan	Record digitization/storage	ESCNJ 22/23-11	$26,040.00 (revised)

g. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following payment applications:

Vendor	Project	Pay App#	Amount
Grove Contracting	MHS Auditorium	#10	$93,618.49
Northeast Roof Maintenance	MHS Roof Replacement project	#2	$708,567.44
M&M Construction Company, Inc.	Science Lab Renovations	#5 Final	$103,988.85

h. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following change orders:

Vendor	Project	Change Order/Allowance Use	Amount
M&M Construction Company, Inc.	Science Lab Renovations	CO#1 Final	-$28,589.00

i. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following donations:

Gift	To	Funded By	Value
Picnic Tables	MHS	MHS PTO	$4,506.00

j. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the disposal of:

Piano

k. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Third-Party Transportation Services Agreement with Beyond Young Academy. (Attachment M.3.k)

l. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the public-school special education transportation contract with the Sussex County Regional Transportation Cooperative for the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of $952,809.16 plus an administrative fee of $28,584.27

4. Special Services Agenda items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve an out-of-district tuition agreement for student # for the 2026-2027 School Year.

Student #	School	Aide	Tuition	Total
16092	Legacy Treatment/Mary A. Dobbins School	$48,720	$88,255.20	$136,945.20
22007	Spectrum 360	$5,720	$11,830.72	$17,550.72
20603	Terranova Group	$52,500	$91,770.00	$144,270.00
16563	Midland School	$45,696		$45,696.00
17054	Cornerstone Day School		$108,240	$108,240

b. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the revision* of the IDEA FY27 allocation for non-public IDEA Basic and IDEA Preschool for the 2026-2027 school year.

IDEA Basic (FY27):
Total Basic Allocation $ 1,064,408
*District Share $ 962,429
*Nonpublic Share $ 101,979

IDEA Preschool (FY27):
Total PreK Allocation: $ 37,646
District Share $ 37,646
Nonpublic Share $ 0

c. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the provider, Innerspace Counseling LLC, for consultation and professional development services for staff as well as parent workshops during the 2026-2027 School Year in the amount of $3,250.00

d. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following contract with Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for the 2026-2027 SY:

1. Physical Therapy Services

e. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve a settlement agreement for student #17054 regarding educational costs during the 2025-2026 school year and ESY 2026. (M.4.e Attachment - confidential)

5. Policy Agenda Items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Second Reading and Approval of Policies-Regulations (Attachment M.5.a)

- P1230 - Superintendent's Duties (Mandated) (Revised)
- P2200 Curriculum (Mandated) (Revised)
- P2411 Career Education and Academic Counseling (Mandated) (Revised)
- R2468 Independent Evaluations (Revised)
- P5461 High School Diplomas (Mandated) (New)
- P0162 Notice of Board Meetings (Revised)
- P0162.01 Legal Notices (Mandated) (New)
- P1643 Family Leave (Mandated) (Revised)
- P2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices (Mandated) (Revised)
- P5516 Student Use of Internet Enabled Devices (Mandated) (Revised)
- R5516 Student Use of Internet Enabled Devices (New)
- P5561 Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion Techniques for Students with Disabilities (Mandated) (Revised)
- P6112 Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures (Mandated) (Revised)
- P6311 Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants (Mandated Revised)
- R 6115.01 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls - Allowability of Costs (Mandated) (Revised)

- P6115.02 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls - Mandatory Disclosures (Mandated) (Revised)
- P9210 Recognized Support Organizations

N. OLD BUSINESS

O. NEW BUSINESS

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Q. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

R. ADJOURNMENT