MILLBURN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Millburn, New Jersey
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REGULAR MEETING
Millburn Township Board of Education
Monday, October 26, 2026
6:00 PM – EDUCATION CENTER

The mission of Millburn Township Public Schools is to prepare resilient, capable learners who think critically, act compassionately, lead with integrity, aspire with purpose, communicate effectively, and evolve confidently.

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, notice of this October 26, 2026, meeting of the Millburn Township Board of Education was posted electronically on the District website and provided on October 22, 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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting will begin at 6:00 pm and the Board will go immediately into Executive Session and will return to continue the Regular Public Meeting at approximately 7:00pm.

WHEREAS the "Open Public Meetings Act" (Chapter 231 Laws of 1975) authorizes a public body to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which specified topics are to be discussed under circumstances where the public consideration of such topics will clearly endanger the public or where the personal privacy or guaranteed rights of individuals whose activities or affairs are to be discussed would clearly in danger of unwarranted invasion; be it

RESOLVED that the Millburn Board of Education now adjourns its public session to reconvene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

Legal Matters

The discussion on this topic will be disclosed to the public at the next public meeting of the Board or as soon thereafter as the circumstances and nature of the subject permits.

Please note that if there is an executive session, the Board will be meeting in the Board meeting room. There will be no access to the Board meeting room during the executive session. There will be a five-minute recess between the public and executive sessions, during this time we ask members of the public to please take your belongings and exit the boardroom as quickly as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

E. MINUTES

1. Regular Public Meeting of Tuesday, October 13, 2026

F. PRESENTATIONS

1. Recognition of Girl's Varsity Tennis, Girl's Varsity Cross Country, Varsity Football and Unified Sports Athletic Accomplishments (District Goal #4: Engagement)
2. Ed Tech Update - Mr. Kyle Arlington (District Goal #2: Teaching & Learning)

G. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

J. OTHER REPORTS

1. Student Representative report(s)
2. 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 confirms the receipt of confidential information regarding the following HIB Investigation(s) and Report(s) that have occurred since the last Board Meeting:

- #313871
- #314112

b. 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 October 13, 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:

- #312304
- #312306
- #312470

c. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Professional Development Requests / Staff Conferences as per policy 6471, requiring prior approval of travel reimbursement expenses. (BOE Goal #1, #3 & District Goal # 2, # 3)

Name	Position/ Building	Conference Name & Location	Dates	Maximum Expenses
Margaret Seifer	Math Teacher	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)
Meredith Broden	Math Supervisor	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)
Jen Barnhard	SI	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)
Alison Bell	Teacher	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)
MaryBeth Petruzziello	Teacher	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)
Melissa Bean	BSI	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)

Jenna Handley	SI	AMTNJ	11/20/26	$215.00 (IDEA funds)
Alison Stein	SS Teacher	NJ Council for History Education	12/4/26	$95.00
Christine Holl	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Kaitlyn Reilly	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Yesenia Hermann	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Meghan Garland	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Kaitlyn Reilly	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Meghan Garland	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Yesenia Hermann	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Derrick Gabene	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Jonathan Roman	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Anne Gregory	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Lauren Weisberg	School Counselor	Hatching Results-Virtual	10/27/26	$300.00
Lauren Weisberg	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Anne Gregory	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Jonathan Roman	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00

Derrick Gabene	School Counselor	NACAC-Virtual	10/27/26	$150.00
Lisa Nydick	MHS Tech Facilitator	Techspo	1/27/27-1/30/27	$1,276.54
Catherine Alvarez	Director Student Support	NSCLC, San Diego, CA	2/1/27-2/4/27	$3,533.81
Jennifer Sowa	Assistant Superintendent	NSCLC, San Diego, CA	2/1/27-2/4/27	$3,564.81

d. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following professional services providers:

Vendor Name	**Address**	**Category**	**Rate**
Gen Psych	5 Regent Street, Livingston, NJ 07039	Risk Assessment Provider	$250.00

e. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve additional Field Trips for SY 26-27 as listed below:

School	**Participants**	**Activity**	**Location**	**Date(s)**
High School	sign-up in progress (2 teacher chaperones and estimated 12-20 students)	Study Abroad	Salamanca, Spain	April 7--April 16, 2027

f. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the School Safety and Security Plan Annual Review Statement of Assurance for SY 2026 - 2027. (Attachment M.1.f)

g. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the submission of the 2025-2026 School Self Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act.

h. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the amended District Academic Calendar for the 2026-2027 school year. (Attachment M.1.h)

i. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the District Academic Calendars for the 2027 - 2028, 2028 - 2029, and 2029 - 2030 school years. (Attachment M.1.i)

2. Personnel Agenda Items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Personnel Report dated October 26, 2026 (Attachment M.2.a)

3. Business Agenda Items

a. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Budget Transfers of **September 2026** (Attachments 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 **September 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 **September 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 periods ending **September 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).

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e. Resolve to approve Bill Schedule #4 in the amount of $10,750,966.50 dated October 26, 2026. (Attachment 3e)

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

Vendor	Project	Pay App#	Amount
Thomas & Sons Builders, LLC	Natural to Synthetic Turf Conversion project	#2	$1,498,469.00

g. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following change orders/use of allowance:

Vendor	Project	Allowance Use	Amount
Northeast Roof Maintenance, Inc.	Roof B replacement project @ MHS	AO#01	$20,000.00
Northeast Roof Maintenance,Inc.	Roof B replacement project @ MHS	AO#02	$24,283.00

4. Special Services Agenda items

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

Student #	School	Aide	Add't service	Tuition	Total
22813	Collier School	N/A	N/A	$59,682	$59,682
16378	Union County Votech	N/A	N/A	$3,750	$3,750
15042	Union County Votech	N/A	N/A	$3,750	$3,750
16444	Union County Votech (FT)	N/A	N/A	$6,000	$6,000

5. Policy Agenda Items

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

- P7230 Gifts, Grants, and Donations (Revision)

N. OLD BUSINESS

O. NEW BUSINESS

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Q. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

R. ADJOURNMENT

2026 - 2027 Board Goals	
Board Goal 1	Strategic Plan Stewardship *Support the successful implementation of the Millburn Township Public Schools Strategic Plan by ensuring Board governance, policies, decisions, and priorities align with the district's mission, vision, values, and long-range strategic goals.*
Board Goal 2	Employee Relations *Cultivate a positive employee relations environment through collaborative negotiations, competitive employment practices, and strategic workforce planning that supports the recruitment, development, and retention of exceptional staff.*
Board Goal 3	Policy & Governance *Review and refine Board policies, administrative regulations, and governance practices to ensure alignment with district priorities, legal requirements, and best practices.*

2026 - 2027 District Goals	
District Goal 1	Safety & Wellness *Foster a district-wide culture in which every student and staff member feels safe, supported, connected, and empowered to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.*
District Goal 2	Teaching & Learning *Cultivate exceptional teaching and learning by providing every student with engaging, rigorous, and equitable educational experiences while supporting educators through collaboration, professional growth, and innovation.*

District Goal 3	Leadership, Governance, & Organizational Effectiveness *Cultivate a professional culture and governance system that promotes continuous growth and aligned practices across the District, ensuring all students experience high-quality learning and achieve their full potential.*
District Goal 4	Engagement *Cultivate a connected, inclusive, and engaged school community by strengthening communication, fostering meaningful partnerships with students, families, staff , and the community, and building a trusted district brand that promotes belonging, collaboration, and shared responsibility for student success.*
District Goal 5	Finance & Facilities *Develop and implement a long-range financial and facilities plan that strategically addresses the district's facilities, educational, and staffing needs while ensuring fiscal responsibility and sustainability.*
One Vision. One Future. One Millburn	