Regular Board Meeting (Thursday, September 17, 2026)

Members present
Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec (arrived at 6:20 p.m.), Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

A. MEETING OPENING
Procedural: 1. Call to Order
The Regular Meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by President Barnes on Thursday, September 17, 2026, at 6:01 p.m. in the Ocean City High School Library, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

Procedural: 2. President's Announcement of Adequate Meeting Notice
President Barnes announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel and the Press of Atlantic City.

Procedural: 3. Roll Call
On roll call, members present were Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Kelly Ann Emberger, Chris Halliday, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec (arrived at 6:20 p.m.), Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl, and Kevin Barnes. Also present were Brian Latwis, Ed.D. Superintendent, Timothy E. Kelley, Business Administrator, and Michael Stanton, Esquire. There were no members absent. There were no members of the public present.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION - if needed (not open to the public)

Action: 1. Executive Session
Motion to enter into Executive Session.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Chris Halliday. The Board entered executive session at 6:02 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ocean City Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

Matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to, staff and/or student discipline matters, and specifically: HIB matters.

Matters involving anticipated or pending litigation, including matters of attorney-client privilege, and specifically: BOE goals.

Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically: employee matter / staff update.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ocean City Board of Education WILL return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session. The Board anticipates returning to open session in approximately 60 minutes.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Chris Halliday.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Kelly Ann Emberger, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Return to Public Session
Motion to return to Public Session.

The Board returned from executive session at 7:04 p.m.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Chris Halliday.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Kelly Ann Emberger, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

C. REGULAR MEETING OPENING

Procedural: 1. Call to Order
The Regular Meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by President Barnes on Thursday, August 13, 2027, at 7:05 p.m. in the Ocean City High School Library, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

Procedural: 2. President's Announcement of Adequate Meeting Notice
President Barnes announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel and the Press of Atlantic City.

Procedural: 3. Salute to the Flag
President Barnes led everyone present in a salute to the flag.

Procedural: 4. Roll Call
On roll call, members present were Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Kelly Ann Emberger, Chris Halliday, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl, and Kevin Barnes. Also present were Brian Latwis, Ed.D. Superintendent, Timothy E. Kelley, Business Administrator, and Michael Stanton, Esquire. There were no members absent. There were 20 members of the public present.

D. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Procedural: 1. Board President's Report/Comments

President Barnes welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked District staff for their work on the opening of schools for the 2026-2027 school year.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/PRESENTATIONS

Procedural: 1. Superintendent's Report/Comments

Dr. Latwis welcomed OCHS student Marley Dwyer who presented on "Morgan's Message" with other OCHS student athletes.

Dr. Latwis also discussed staff and student accomplishments, the student ambassador program, back to school nights, student attendance, and cell phone usage in schools. Dr. Latwis also discussed his recommendation for Mrs. Mary Beth Libro as Primary School Principal and Mr. Joseph Tagliavia as a 12-month Supervisor.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (on Agenda Items Only)

Procedural: 1. Public Comments (on Agenda Items Only)
There were no public comments on agenda items only.

G. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Action: 1. Use of Facilities
The Board approves the following requests for use of facilities at the High School:

	Requested By	Activity	Dates/Times Requested	Rooms Needed	Fee Charge
1	City of Ocean City	Boys' High School Basketball League	October 5, 19 & 26, 2026 November 2 & 9, 2026 (Mon) 5:15 pm - 8:00 pm	Main & Auxiliary Gyms	No charge

2	Ocean City Junior Wrestling	Wrestling Practices	November 12, 2026 - March 12, 2027 (Mon - Fri) 5:45 pm - 8:00 pm ***Not Available: 11/26/26, 12/24/26, 12/25/26, 12/31/26, 1/1/27, 1/18/27, 2/15/27***	Wrestling Room (H108)	No charge
3	Ocean City Junior Wrestling	Wrestling Tournament	March 6 or 13, 2027 (Sat - setup) 8:00 am - 12:00 pm March 7 or 14, 2027 (Sun) 6:30 am - 5:30 pm	Wrestling Room (H108); Main & Auxiliary Gyms	No charge

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Kelly Ann Emberger, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Use of Facilities (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following requests for use of facilities at the Primary School and/or Intermediate School:

	Requested By	Activity	Dates/Times Requested	Rooms Needed	Fee Charge
1	Ocean City PTA	*See Attached Schedule*	September 2026 - April 2027	Primary School MPR, Cafeteria, 506/507, Recess Area	No charge
2	Ocean City PTA	*See Attached Schedule*	October 2026 - June 2027	Intermediate School MPR, Library, Gym, 19th & Haven Field	No charge
3	Ocean City Jr Raiders Soccer	Soccer Practices/Games	August 24 - November 12, 2026 (Mon-Thur: Practices) 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm September 12 - November 14, 2026 (Sat: Games) 8:00 am - 12:00 pm ***Not Available: 9/7/26, 10/12/26***	Intermediate School 18th & Bay Field	No charge
4	City of Ocean City	Adult Pick-Up Basketball	September 19, 2026 - June 9, 2027 (Wed) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Intermediate School Gym	No charge
5	Upper Township Challenger Sports	Special Olympics Floor Hockey Practice	October 17, 2026 (Sat) 9:30 am - 12:00 pm	Intermediate School Gym	No charge
6	Ocean City Junior Wrestling	Wrestling Matches	December 18, 2026 - March 12, 2027 (Fri) 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm ***Not Available: 12/25/26, 1/1/27***	Intermediate School Gym	No charge

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Information: 3. Drills

School	Date	Drill(s)
High School	August 11, 2026 August 13, 2026	Fire Security
Intermediate School	August 13, 2026 August 11, 2026	Fire Security
Primary School	August 11, 2026 August 13, 2026	Fire Security

Reports: 5. Buildings and Grounds Committee Report
Mr. Allegretto provided a report from the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

H. CURRICULUM AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Action: 1. High School Field Trips
The Board approves the attached High School Field Trip list.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Intermediate School Field Trip (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate School Field Trip list.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Information: 3. HIB Case Findings - Informational

HS27-1
HS27-2

Reports: 5. Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee Report
Dr. McAlister provided a report from the Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee.

I. FINANCE

Action: 1. Bill List
The Board approves the payment of bills for September 2026 in the amount of $6,217,291.01

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Travel and Expense Reimbursement
The Board approves the September 2026 list of Board of Education Members and School District Staff travel and related expense reimbursements.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 3. Tuition Contract Agreements - OOD/CMC Special Services
The Board approves the following 2026-27 Tuition Contract Agreements for out-of-district placements:

	Sending District	Receiving District	Student ID	Effective Dates	Total Cost
1	Ocean City BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000040250	7/1/26-6/30/27	$79,160
2	Ocean City BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000040344	7/1/26-6/30/27	$70,130

3	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District/ Cape May Tech HS	1000029504	9/1/26-6/30/27	$28,990
4	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District/ Cape May Tech HS	1000032224	9/1/26-6/30/27	$25,990
5	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000031814	9/1/26-6/30/27	$79,160
6	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000031813	9/1/26-6/30/27	$47,500
7	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District/ Cape May Tech HS	1000029133	9/1/26-6/30/27	$25,990
8	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000033038	9/1/26-6/30/27	$41,500
9	Sea Isle City BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000023122	9/1/26-6/30/27	$47,500

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 4. Tuition Contract Agreements - Out-of-District Placements
The Board approves the following 2026-27 Tuition Contract Agreements for out-of-district placements:

	Sending District	Receiving District	Student ID	Effective Dates	Total Cost
1	Upper Township BOE	Mary A. Dobbins School	1000031647	7/1/26-8/31/26	$12,603.60
2	Ocean City BOE	Y.A.L.E. School Inc.	1000023849	9/8/26-6/30/27	$74,701.80

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 5. Cape May County Special Services School District Agreement for Shared Services
The Board approves an Agreement for Shared Professional Staff Services for Occupational Therapy with the Cape May County Special Services School District at a cost of $78,300.00 for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 6. Contract for Student Transportation - Camden County Educational Services Commission
The Board approves a contract with the Camden County Educational Services Commission for transportation services. The administrative fee for transportation services charged by the Commission is 6 percent (6%).

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 7. Southern Coastal Regional Employee Benefits Fund Alternate Fund Commissioner
The Board approves the appointment of Kaitlin Granese as the Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Southern Coastal Regional Employee Benefits Fund effective July 1, 2026.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 8. Joint Transportation Agreement
The Board approves the following Joint Transportation Agreement for the 2026-27 school year:

	Host District	Joiner District	Route	Cost
1	Ocean City	Mainland Regional	To/From Cape May Tech	$11,062.80

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 9. FY27 IDEA Federal Grant Salary Allocation
The Board authorizes the following salary allocations to be charged to the identified Federal Grants for the 2026-2027 school year:

	Name	Salary	IDEA Federal Grant
1	Kathy Swift	$29,439.00	IDEA Basic
2	Suzanne Kent	$28,899.00	IDEA Basic
3	Kathy Lavin	$35,733.00	IDEA Basic
4	Natasha Rojas	$25,754.00	IDEA Basic
5	Melanie Vitale	$31,871.00	IDEA Basic
6	Anthony Murphy	$29,034.00	IDEA Basic
7	Elizabeth Romano	$28,764.00	IDEA Basic
8	Paul Landi	$29,236.00	IDEA Basic

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 10. Disposal / Donation of Equipment
The Board approves the disposal and donation of the following TV Studio and Camera Equipment to the Upper Township School District:

- (2) Blackmagic Design Studio Camera 4K (Gen 1)
- (1) Blackmagic Design Studio Camera HD
- (3) Canon B4 HD Servo Zoom KJ20x8.2B IRSD Lenses with Control Kits
- (3) MTF Micro Four Thirds to B4 Lens Adapters
- (3) Custom Power Supplies — BMD PSUs reterminated to 3 & 4-pin XLR and Hirose connectors for lens power, cables all connected as a single bundle with VGA/SDI in Techflex-style wrap
- (2) Vinten Vision 8 Fluid Heads

- (2) Vinten Vision Pedestals
- (1) Vinten Vision 250 Fluid Head
- (1) Vinten Pro-Ped
- (3) Prompter People ProLine Teleprompters
- (1) Blackmagic ATEM Studio Converter 2
- (2) Blackmagic Camera Fiber Module
- (3) Fiber Cable Bundle
- (1) Blackmagic Design SmartView 4K Display

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 11. Disposal of Equipment
The Board approves the disposal of a Yamaha Upright Piano from the Intermediate School - Asset Tag #000607.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 12. Donation
The Board accepts the following donation for the 2026-27 school year:

	Donor	School	Amount	Use
1	Kathleen Shaw c/o Shore Pines Art Club	High School	$1,711.77	Art Department Supplies

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

J. PERSONNEL - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent

Action: 1. OCEA Sidebar Agreements
The Board approves the attached OCEA Sidebar Agreements by roll call vote.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Statement of Assurance
The Board approves the attached Statement of Assurance listing the paraprofessional staff and their titles for the September 30, 2026, submission to the New Jersey Department of Education by roll call vote.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 3. Resignations
The Board accepts the following resignations by roll call vote:

	Name	School/Location	Position	Effective Date
1	Heather Hays	District	Data Information Specialist	10/11/26
2	Angelo Dibartolo	High School	Long-Term Leave Replacement Guidance Counselor	8/14/26

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 4. New Employment Appointment - Administrative Staff
The Board approves the following administrative staff appointment by roll call vote:

	Name	Building/Location	Position	Effective Date	Compensation
1	Joseph Tagliavia	District	12-Month Supervisor	On/after October 1, 2026	$105,000.00, pro-rated

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 5. New Employment Appointments - Support Staff
The Board approves the following support staff appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Building/Location	Position	Effective Date	Compensation
1	Rebecca Dubbs	District	Special Education Aide	9/1/26	$28,628.00, Step 1 with BA Stipend
2	Kelly Cotter	District	Special Education Aide	9/10/26	$25,628.00, Step 1, pro-rated
3	David Glass	District	Custodian	9/1/26	$46,796.00, Step 1 without Boiler
4	Christopher Baatz	District	Custodian	9/28/26	$47,296.00, Step 1 with Boiler, pro-rated

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 6. Leaves of Absence
The Board approves the following leaves of absence by roll call vote:

	Employee #	Building/Location	Type of Leave	Effective Dates
1	3394	High School	FMLA/NJFLA	9/15/26-12/9/26
2	5162	High School	Paid/FMLA/NJFLA, revised	8/31/26-3/8/27

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 7. Leave Replacements
The Board approves the following leave replacement appointments, by roll call vote:

	Name	Building/Location	Position	Effective Dates	Compensation
1	Evan Daily	High School	Long-Term Leave Replacement Guidance Counselor	8/31/26-3/8/27	$54,318.00, BA Step 1, pro-rated

2	Alyssa Brady	District	Short-Term Leave Replacement CST Case Manager	9/1/26-11/24/26	$175.00 per diem

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 8. New Substitute Appointments
The Board approves the following substitute appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Location	Position	Effective Dates
1	James Craver	District	Substitute Teacher	9/18/2026-6/30/2027
2	Abbey Maurer	District	Substitute Teacher	9/18/2026-6/30/2027
3	Riley Madden	District	Substitute Teacher	9/1/2026-6/30/2027
4	Taylor Wade	District	Substitute Teacher	9/18/2026-6/30/2027
5	Emily Crawford	District	Substitute Teacher	9/18/2026-6/30/2027
6	Courtney Haymaker	District	Substitute Teacher	9/18/2026-6/30/2027
7	Michelle Karayiannis	District	Substitute Nurse	9/18/2026-6/30/2027

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 9. High School 2026-27 Certificated Staff Salary Classification Changes
The Board ratifies the attached High School 2026-27 certificated staff salary classification changes by roll call vote:

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 10. High School Coaches 2026-27
The Board approves the following High School coaches for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Season	Sport	Position	Stipend
1	William Pesda	Fall	Boys' Soccer	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
2	Bryan Chojnacki	Winter	Boys' Swimming	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
3	Kelly McMurray	Winter	Girls' Swimming	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
4	Brian Mecouch	Winter	Wrestling	Head Coach	$7,011.00
5	Sean Matthews	Spring	Boys' Track	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
6	Rebecca Dubbs	Spring	Girls' Crew	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
7	Steven Scheffler	Spring	Boys' Lacrosse	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
8	Shawn Repetti	Spring	Baseball	Freshman Coach	$5,039.00
9	Andrew Light	Fall	Football	Volunteer Coach	n/a
10	Jay Connell*	Winter	Girls' Basketball	Volunteer Coach	n/a
11	Casey Laferriere	Fall	Field Hockey	Freshman Co-Coach	$2,519.50

*Pending NJ Criminal History Clearance

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 11. High School Unified Sports Coaches 2026-27

The Board approves the following High School Unified Sports Coaches for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Stipend
1	Stephanie Quinn	$42.00/hr
2	Cheryl Cantwell	$42.00/hr

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 12. High School Cafeteria Person-In-Charge 2026-27
The Board approves the following High School Cafeteria Person-In-Charge appointment by roll call vote:

	Name	Effective Dates	Stipend
1	Gretchen Smith	9/1/26-6/30/27	$400.00

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 13. New Employment Appointment - Administrative Staff (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following administrative staff appointment by roll call vote:

	Name	Building/Location	Position	Effective Date	Compensation
1	Mary Libro	District	Primary School Principal	September 18, 2026	$130,035.00, pro-rated

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Dwyer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 14. Primary and Intermediate Schools' 2026-27 Certificated Staff Salary Classification Changes (OC Reps Only)
The Board ratifies the attached Primary and Intermediate Schools' 2026-27 certificated staff salary classification changes by roll call vote:

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 15. Intermediate School Advisors 2026-27 (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Intermediate School advisors for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Patricia Kelly	Cheerleading Co-Advisor	$1,084.00
2	Heather MacNamara-Per	Cheerleading Co-Advisor	$1,084.00

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 16. Intermediate School Coordinator 2026-27 (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Intermediate School Coordinator for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Rosemarie Green	Academic Awards Program Coordinator	$600.00

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 17. Intermediate School Coaches 2026-27 (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Intermediate School coaches for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Season	Sport	Position	Stipend
1	Patricia Kelly	Fall	Girls' Cross Country	Head Coach	$5,039.00
2	Cholehna Weaver	Fall	Boys' Cross Country	Head Coach	$5,039.00

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 18. Leaves of Absence (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following leaves of absence by roll call vote:

	Employee #	Building/Location	Type of Leave	Effective Dates
1	4772	Intermediate School	Intermittent FMLA/NJFLA	8/31/26-12/31/26
2	3532	Primary School	Paid Medical/FMLA/NJFLA	11/9/26-4/7/27
3	1269	Intermediate School	Paid Medical	8/31/26-9/30/26

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Reports: 20. Negotiations Committee Report
There was no report from the Negotiations Committee.

K. POLICY

Action: 1. Policy - 2nd Reading
The Board approves the following replacements, additions and/or deletions to the Board Policy manuals:

	Policy Number	Policy Name	Mandated	New	Revised	1st Reading
1	5511	Dress and Grooming			X	8/13/2026
2	5516	Student Use of Internet-Enabled Devices	X		X	8/13/2026

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Regulation - 2nd Reading
The Board approves the following replacements, additions and/or deletions to the Board Regulation manuals:

	Regulation Number	Regulation Name	Mandated	New	Revised	1st Reading
1	5516	Student Use of Internet-Enabled Devices	X	X		8/13/2026

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Reports: 4. Policy Committee Report
Mr. Halliday provided a report from the Policy Committee.

L. VOTE ON BOARD RESOLUTIONS (Full Board)

Action: 1. Vote on Board Resolutions (Full Board)
Motion to vote on Board Resolutions as presented (Full Board).

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

M. VOTE ON BOARD RESOLUTIONS (Ocean City Representatives Only)

Action: 1. Vote on Board Resolutions (Ocean City Representatives Only)
Motion to vote on board resolutions (Ocean City Representatives Only) (Resolutions #G.2, H.2, J.13, J.14, J.15, J.16, J.17, J.18)

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

N. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: 1. Minutes: 8/13/2026 Regular and Executive Session
Motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2026, Regular Meeting and Executive Session as presented.

Motion by Chris Halliday, second by Corey Niemiec.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl
Abstain: Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Dwyer, Kelly Ann Emberger

O. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Procedural: 1. Public Comments
There were no public comments.

P. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Procedural: 1. Unfinished Business
There was no unfinished business.

Q. NEW BUSINESS

Procedural: 1. New Business

Action: 1. Administrative Leave of Absence
Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves an administrative leave of absence for employee #1753 effective 9/1/2026 through a date to be determined.

Motion by Chris Halliday, second by Corey Niemiec.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

R. EXECUTIVE SESSION - if needed (not open to the public)

Action: 1. Executive Session
There was no executive session.

S. MEETING CLOSING

Action: 1. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Jacqueline McAlister, second by Jennifer Dwyer, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Motion by Jacqueline McAlister, second by Jennifer Dwyer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Kelly Ann Emberger, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl
Respectfully submitted,

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Timothy E. Kelley
Business Administrator/Board Secretary